

# The Chimes

of First Presbyterian Church

May 2016

A monthly newsletter for friends and members of our church...

## Greeting from Jay Kim



When Your Voice Is Silent...

Genesis 40:13,23 <sup>13</sup> But remember me when it is well with you; please do me the kindness to make mention of me to Pharaoh, and so get me out of this place. <sup>23</sup> Yet the chief cup bearer did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.

Joseph was a sincere and faithful man of God. His faith persisted through tough times and difficult circumstances. It is evident that he completely relied on the Lord, and followed the vision or voice of God bestowed upon him. However in prison, it seems that Joseph did something unusual; he asked the chief cup bearer for help. There is nothing wrong in asking for help, but up until this point, the Scripture explains that Joseph was a patient and loyal man to God. He was symbolized as the figure that absolutely was dependent on God's guidance and providence. However, in prison Joseph was desensitized to the voice of God, thus making him raise his voice and say, "please remember me," thus relying on man who seemed to have a better chance at helping him. Unfortunately the cup bearer forgot about Joseph for two years. His desperate begging was in vain and Joseph finally realized that he was not remembered. It made Joseph revisit his place of solitude and silence. Then God set off to work on his life again when he completely surrendered the possibility of hope that the cup bearer would ever remember him.

Living our life, God may be silent when your voice is loud. Instead of being patient and waiting for God's timing, your mind may rush with anguish and therefore plea for help from someone who has a better chance of providing it. But when you are in His plan, your own voice won't change the course God has set for you. Rather, it could only slow down God's timing. Set aside all of your expectations and hopes and wait quietly in faith for God. He understands your heartaches and hardships and knows what you need. He never forgets you and sets out to work on your life when your voice is silent.

Jay Kim

*Wait on God:*  
- for His presence  
- for His strength  
- for His provision  
- for His direction  
- for His timing  
- for His wisdom

*Bruce Anderson*

# It Takes a Lot of People

Wk	Flowers For Month	Elders Communion	Deacons	Ushers For Month	Greeters	Liturgist	Prayer Team	Children's Message
5/1	Toedtli/ Parker			V. Hughart A. Hughart G. Krejci B. Krejci	S. and P. Nelson	P. Boots	S.Fry P. Dobry	Ron Nuss- Warren
5/8	Steve and Pat Nelson	1) P. Dobry 2) F. Tolstedt L. Curtiss	L. Dalbey D. Prella G. Redecker	Same	J. and L. Johannes	P. Boots	B. Kendle K. Hielscher	Manda Clarke
5/9	Communion Highland & Crossroads							
5/15	Open			Same	Laona Perrin	L. Dalbey	S.Kammerer R.Hielscher	H. Weisger- ber
5/22	Lloyd and Pat Howell			Same	F. and J. Tolstedt	L. Dalbey	K. Toedtli L. Perrin	Kim Hielscher
5/29	Larry and Lyllus Dalbey			Same	Cliff Furrow	P. Dobry		Kim Hielscher

## **\*\*Men's Breakfast\*\***

Our next Men's Life Breakfast will be on Saturday, May 14th at 8:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Men of the church, please come share in our time of fellowship and remember to invite a friend to come too!



## **Coffee and Conversation**

**Sundays in Summer**

**8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall**

- Different topic each week
- No wrong answers
- Come join the conversation



## **Statement of Receipts - April 2016**

Offerings	4/3	5/10	4/17	4/24			Monthly Total	Bal. Fwd	YTD - 2016
Pledged Offerings	4,116.00	937.00	870.00				5,923.00	29,595.12	35,518.12
Un-pledged Offerings	600.00	240.00	50.00				890.00	5,639.00	6,529.00
Loose Offerings		25.00	29.00				54.00	428.00	482.00
<b>Total Offerings</b>	<b>\$4,716.00</b>	<b>\$1,202.00</b>	<b>\$949.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		<b>\$6,867.00</b>	<b>\$35,662.12</b>	<b>\$42,529.12</b>

# P.W. Rummage Sale!

A "huge" thank you to everyone who helped with the P.W.

Spring Rummage Sale. From the taking down of the tables to the clean up and hauling off on Saturday, we could not have had a successful sale without all of our willing workers.

You are appreciated!



## Circle Meetings

Good Morning Circle will be meeting on May 4th at 9:00 a.m. at the church.

Lyllus Dalbey and Belva Krejci will be your Hostesses

Serendipity Circle will be meeting on May 4th at 1:30 p.m. at Carolyn Krause's in Scottsbluff, for a Salad Luncheon. Carpool will leave the Church at 12:30 p.m. Please consult your P.W. Directory for what you are to bring.

C.T. Will meet on May 18th with coffee at 9:00 a.m. followed by the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Hostess is to be determined.

## May Birthdays

- 4 Caeson Clarke
- 5 Gary Leever
- 5 Sandra Shanks
- 6 Sean Nollette
- 6 Norm McConnell
- 8 Joyce Lawrence
- 11 Bob Kammerer
- 16 Susan Kim
- 22 Lauren Haller
- 25 Robert Boots
- 28 Sheila Walker
- 30 Kay Wallace



## May Anniversaries

- 16 Steve and Gayle Redecker
- 18 Damian and Kelle Haller
- 23 Lloyd and Pat Howell
- 26 Gary and Margaret Wichman
- 27 Jim and Jacci Irwin
- 29 Sean and Misty Nollette
- 29 Larry and Lyllus Dalbey



## Cookie Corner...

Have you signed up to make and serve cookies for fellowship time after church on Sunday? As yet, no one has signed up for April. Won't you help to keep the tradition of fellowship after church which includes sharing coffee and cookies a part of our church life?

Thank you for participating and making our after worship time a delicious time together!





## Children and Youth News — May 2016

It's hard to believe, but we have come to the last month of Sunday School until September. **THANK YOU** to all those who volunteered to teach Sunday School for the children this school year. Helen McConnell instructed the children in the Elementary Classroom in April and Jill Green will teach that class in May. **May 22nd will be the last day of Sunday School until September.**

Easter morning turned out to be a bit "chilly" this year. However, by the time the children had worked on their Easter activity—a poster about the symbols of Easter, it had warmed up nicely and the children did not need their coats for the "hunt." Eleven children and two teachers participated this year. During the hunt, a golden egg was hidden. When it was opened, the finder found it was empty—just like the tomb on Easter morning. The children had a fun morning. We hope you saw the Easter symbol poster the children made when it was displayed in the Parlor.

There is an arrangement of this year's summer camp information on the library table in the Parlor. Please look the information over if you have a child/children of camping age and get your registrations into the office ASAP. The church will be giving \$100 scholarships to each child who registers for camp this summer.

Mother's Day and Teacher Recognition Sunday will be celebrated on May 8th.

The CYM Team will meet next, as part of the Spiritual Formation and Outreach Team, on Sunday, May 1st, in the Conference Room following worship and fellowship. Please feel free to join us.

Barb Kendle  
CYM

**From Marty and Carolyn**

**Jones:**

**Our family would like to express our deepest gratitude for the kind expressions of love, kindness, support and prayer after the loss of our father, Dale Burton. You are all so greatly appreciated. As He has blessed us, may God Bless all of you!**



**From Doug Thomas:**

**I'd like to thank the church family for the thoughts, prayers (yes, I felt them), and cards during my recent illness and recovery. I don't know which two church members helped out big time by removing the little couch and taking it to the landfill, but that was a much appreciated help too. Also, thanks to Pastor for visiting me at the care center in Scottsbluff. The visit and prayer was much appreciated!**



Norma Green would like to thank everyone who sacrificed time and energy to deliver "Meals on Wheels" during the month of April. You are all appreciated and we were so blessed to have so many volunteers!



# May 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> -8:00 Morning Star Bible Study -9:00 Adult Bible Study -9:50 Choir Practice -10:30 Worship, -11:45 CYM, SPF, Outreach Mtg	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> -6:30 Early Morning Study Group -9:00 EWG at Crossroads -9:00 Missions Meeting -10:00 Reception at Church for Jay's Parents	<b>4</b> -9:00 Good Morning Circle at the Church L. Dalbey and B. Krejci Hostesses -1:30p Serendipity Circle at Carolyn Krause's -Carpool 12:30	<b>5</b> -9:00 Women of Faith -6:00p Living Stones	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Presbytery Meeting in Sidney—Please Session Members, Plan to Attend *Carpool Available*
<b>8</b> <b>MOTHER DAY</b> <b>DOVES Sunday</b> -8:00 Morning Star Bible Study -9:00 Adult Bible Study -9:50 Choir Practice Teacher Recognition Graduate Recognition -10:30 Worship, Communion	<b>9</b> -12:45p Communion Crossroads and Highland Park - 7:00p Session Meeting	<b>10</b> -6:30 Early Morning Study Group -9:00 EWG at Crossroads -6:30 Trustees Meeting	<b>11</b> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Pat Out of Office</b> </div>	<b>12</b> -9:00 Women of Faith -6:00p Living Stones	<b>13</b> -12:00 Noon Hilltoppers at the Country Club	<b>14</b> -8:00 Men's Life Breakfast
<b>15</b> -8:00 Morning Star Bible Study -9:00 Adult Bible Study -9:50 Choir Practice -10:30 Worship -11:45 Deacons Meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> -6:30 Early Morning Study Group -9:00 EWG at Crossroads	<b>18</b> -9:00 C.T. Meeting Hostess to be Determined	<b>19</b> -6:00p Living Stones	<b>20</b> -8:00am-6:00pm P.W. Spring Rummage Sale	<b>21</b> --Fellowship Hall in use by Panhandle Quilt Guild
<b>22</b> -8:00 Morning Star Bible Study -9:00 Adult Bible Study -9:50 Choir Practice -10:30 Worship	<b>23</b> -7:30p Prayer and Worship Meeting	<b>24</b> -6:30 Early Morning Study Group -9:00 EWG at Crossroads <b>CHIMES DEADLINE</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> -9:00 Women of Faith -6:00p Living Stones	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> -8:00 Morning Star Bible Study -9:00 Adult Bible Study -9:50 Choir Practice -10:30 Worship	<b>30</b> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Memorial Day</b> </div>	<b>31</b> -6:30 Early Morning Study Group -9:00 EWG at Crossroads	REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED  ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL			

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## Thoughts for the Journey...

### An Appointed Way

*Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it."* Isaiah 30:21

One day in 1975, Reese Kauffmann, an Indianapolis manufacturer, responded to the invitation at the end of a missionary service. Reese was a believer but felt something was missing in his life. He needed an outlet to serve the Lord with all his heart. A man named Roy Daniels met Reese in the prayer room and asked what decision he'd reached. "I don't know that I've reached a decision," said Reese. "I've just realized I want to do something for God."

Roy's eyes brightened and he asked, "Have you

ever heard of Child Evangelism Fellowship?" The Lord had surely arranged that meeting and that moment. For many years now, Reese Kauffman has served as president of CEF, a ministry to children in more than 190 nations.

**There are no accidents, coincidences, or lucky breaks for Christians. An unseen hand guides our footsteps, ordains our work, opens and closes doors, and directs us in service. When we walk in God's way, He places us right where we need to be, just when we need to be there.**

*To the child of God, there is no such thing as an accident. He travels in an appointed way.*

**A.W. Tozer**

**TAKEN FROM TURNING POINT WITH DR. DAVID JEREMIAH**