



The Southlawn Beacon

A lighthouse of love & concern for all people

Notes from the Pastor

Ephesians 6:18- *“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”*

Little Prayer-Little Power, Much Prayer-Much Power, No Prayer-No Power!

Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection — born Nicholas Herman — was a lay Carmelite brother who lived in France in the 1600s. His career in the priory was undistinguished. He worked mostly in the kitchen. Yet Brother Lawrence became famous among his brothers as a deeply grounded man of God. After his death, his brothers compiled his sayings into a book called *The Practice of the Presence of God*. It’s become a spiritual classic.

The essence of Brother Lawrence’s spirituality is summed up in this statement of his: “The time of business does not with me differ from the time of prayer; and in the noise and clatter of my kitchen, while several persons are at the same time calling for different things, I possess God in as great tranquility as if I were upon my knees at the Blessed Sacrament.” (Brother Lawrence, *The Practice of the Presence of God* [Hendrickson Publishers, 2011], 22)

In all things, be in prayer! There is a saying that I love to quote “nothing changes until someone moves.” The first move needs to be prayer. Prayer is what keeps us in tune with God’s will for us. Prayer is how we get to know the Lord. Our faith, courage, and strength come from prayer. The next time you need to make a decision in your life stop and pray. You’ll be glad you did.

In Christ,
Pastor Larry

Ladies Fellowship

Ladies Fellowship will be on Wednesday, July 11th at 9:30 AM in the church parlor. Come and help us celebrate the Summer. Join us in fellowship and sharing in God’s many blessings.

... Picnics... Graduation Parties...

Many opportunities will be coming up for friends and families to gather and fellowship together. Keep your eyes open for aluminum cans so you can get them to me. Remember- I’m collecting cans and recycling them... with the money going into the general church fund.

So, keep those cans rollin’ in!
Thanks,
Fran



10 AM – 2 PM, Monday-Thursday

Men’s Lunch Group

Can you believe it? This year is already half over. This month we celebrate the 4th of July with a big “Bang”. Let’s get together for a “quiet” lunch and see how our year is going so far. Let’s meet at Angelo’s for lunch at 11:30 am on July 19th. Put it on your calendar and let me know if you’re planning to attend. Look forward to seeing you there!

Sunday Scripture Readings for July

July 1st, 6th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
Psalm 130 (UMH 848)
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

July 8th, 7th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
Psalm 48 (UMH 782)
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

July 15th, 8th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
Psalm 24 (UMH 755)
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

July 22nd, 9th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a
Psalm 89:20-37 (UMH 807)
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 29th, 10th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-15
Psalm 14 (UMH 746)
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21



Prayer Concerns

Jon Baney
Thomas Decatur (Son-in-law Kay Beyer)
Janet Kling (Daughter-in-law of Shirley Kling)
Mitchell Kois (Friend of Kopec Family)
Matthew Lefever (Friend of Axelberg Family)
Art Mikel
Jean Murdock (Mother of Dorothy Axelberg)
Jennifer Rex (Daughter of Fran Lapkiewicz)
Carol Riddle
James Riddle (Grandson of Roger & Carol Riddle)
Jennifer Riddle
Scot Shearer (Friend of Debbie Kopetski)
Angela Stajkowski (Sister-in-law of Nancy Stajkowski)
Cheryl & Sonny Stratton

We try to keep the list as current as possible. If you know of anyone who can be removed from the list, please contact the church office at 291-3070 or southlawnumc@gmail.

Thank you.

Chancel Flowers

The 2018 flower calendar is up in the usual place by the nursery. Please prayerfully consider giving flowers for the altar to honor a loved one or a special occasion.

Thank you,
The Worship Committee

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Southlawn Shut-ins

Marge Kinner

Nancy Wolf

Primrose Retirement
Community:
Jon Baney

Woodland Terrace:
Treva Frick
Nonie Hertel

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Filled was the air with a dreamy and magical light;
and the landscape
Lay as if new created in all the freshness of childhood."

- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Office Closed Independence Day	5	6	7
8 Communion Noisy Bucket	9 6 PM Ad Board	10	11 9:30 AM Ladies Fellowship 6 PM Crochet	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 6 PM Crochet	19 11:30 AM Men's Lunch Group @ Angelo's	20	21 *Beacon Articles Due
22	23	24	25 6 PM Crochet	26	27	28
29	30	31				



- 1 Sonny Stratton
- 9 Joyce Kling
- 10 Trent Fletcher
- 16 Mallory Chamberlin
- 18 Mary Carol Ringler
- 20 Betty Foust
- 27 Wayne Sills
- 28 Jared Baney



- 1 Brian & Karen Nokes
- 5 Elvis & Joann Balentine
- 7 Eric & Dorothy Axelberg
- 16 Dave & Vangie Gleason
- 17 Richard & Mary Alice
Fletcher
- 20 Sam & Erin Faunce
- 27 Taylor & Shanna
Axelberg

Liturgist
Maria Chamberlin