



New Look - our newsletter has a new look due to the previous program used to make it is being discontinued. Thank you for your patience during this transition.

Another Smokey Sunset

I don't know about you, but I'm ready for things to clear up.

Our focus now begins to turn more fully to Terry and his wife and what new ministries they will unfold. I appreciate the chance to say a few closing words as my time with you all has about 5 more Sundays to go. I'll be done by the end of September.

You've listened to, I think, 55 sermons – 51 or 52 have been brand new. I wanted to serve you fresh bread. You let me sing in most of them. Your welcoming spirit (even though I greatly missed my wife, Donna) made it easy for me to say each week "Jehovah Shammah!" – the Lord is in this place. You've loved me, you've taught me, many of you have overwhelmed me with your trust. I believe God's best for you is yet to come. Only God knows what I'll do next and it seems He delights in letting me wait until the midnight hour.

I love you and I have loved serving as your interim pastor.

Pray for every pastor you know – we all need it. See you Sunday!

In Jesus' Love, Don

Pastor Don showing the kids at camp in July how to make sling shots and use them to shoot at targets.



September Birthdays

Not Available on the Internet

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joyful News

By Rebecca Wright

If you hadn't heard yet, something amazing happened in yet. In fact, it happened on the day of Dan's and my 10th anniversary: We became grandparents! Our granddaughter, Audrey, was born to my daughter Kendall (Jude) at 7:20 am in the Bend hospital. She had a slight breathing issue, and stayed in the NICU for a couple of days, but came home shortly after. I have been getting to spend a lot of quality time with her almost daily, and I could not be happier! Babies are truly God's way of reminding us of the preciousness of life. It may not seem that way for maybe the first eighteen years, but when you graduate to "grand" status, the realization is immediate and starting. I've spent more time just starting at this little miracle than I care to admit!

Here is my first ode to my granddaughter, I hope you get to meet her soon, she's just the best!

A As I stare into your tiny, perfect, angelic face as you sleep,
I am overwhelmed with affection and joy
That you will only perceive by a slightly tighter grip of my arms around you.

U Uniquely beautiful, or perhaps that's my genetic bias talking,
I'm transported in time when I held your mother the same way,
Amazing and humbled at the tiny life entrusted to me.

D Dainty long fingers peek out of your swaddle,
Foretelling piano concertos and basketball trophies
Or perhaps adept and elegant sign language interpretation.

R Rosy cherub cheeks and golden silk hair crown your head,
Which fits into the palm of my suddenly gargantuan hand;
I'd forgotten the fragility and vulnerability of your miniature humanity.

E Even as I feel your weight and watch your chest rise and fall,
I'm overcome as I ponder my own arrogant past, my best laid plans,
Crumble and waft away like infinite star dust in your sweet baby breath.

Y You see, my dear, I was never "supposed" to be a mother, much less a grandma.
But God's will for my life (and now yours) has brought me joy unimaginable,
And a Peace that mirrors your lovely smile as you dream.
I love you forever, darling baby!

Blessings - Rebecca Wright



Adopt a Highway - Cleanup project

September 26th at 9 am



Earlier this year we decided to participate in the Adopt A Highway project. We are now responsible to pick up trash twice a year on the section of Culver Highway from Iris to the Hwy 97 turnoff. We had our first clean-up day in May and our next one is September 26th. We provide neon reflective vests for safety and ODOT provides the trash bags. We had a good turnout in May but it takes lots of volunteers, so we hope you will plan to join us.

New Members

Carol Williams and Lisa Wright and her daughter Selah all place membership this past month. Carol has been attending for 11 years and Lisa and Selah have been with us since early July. If you haven't had the opportunity to meet them, make sure you take time to introduce yourself and say hi.



JOY IN THE HEART

The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoices; and with my song will I praise him. - Psalm 28:7

This verse depicts a beautiful scene of joy that fills the heart when one relies on God. In the journey of life, we often face various challenges and difficulties. At such times, we need a power that surpasses our own abilities, a power that can only come from God. God is our strong support and a firm shield, protecting us from all evil and allowing us to dwell in safety under His care. When we experience God's help and protection, our hearts are filled with gratitude and joy. This joy is not merely superficial emotions but deep gratitude and praise that wells up from within our hearts for God.

May we entrust everything to God, and rely on His strength. In His love, we will find true joy, not only because He is our helper but also because He is our sole Savior, deserving of our reliance and praise.

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Potluck Sunday

September 6, 2026

- After service at the Culver Christian Church
- Bring a dish or dessert to share



Saturday Ladies Fellowship

When: September 12th at 11 am

Where: Fireside Room

Bring: a dish, potluck style

What: Come enjoy a time of fun, food, fellowship & an activity.

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Return Service Requested



Missions Corner

Thank you

A huge thank you to everyone who stepped up and helped in our booth at the Culver Crawdad Festival. It made a difference and mattered to all who came by the booth. The wheel of questions that people stood in line for to spin and answer questions was a big hit with adults and kids alike. Lots of goodies were handed out and brochures of encouragement were well received. Each of you who helped make it happen are appreciated. Looking forward to next year already!

For the past several years we have had the Military Biblestick Fundraiser in September. Faith Comes By Hearing has discontinued the Biblesticks for the Military, but they now offer Biblesticks for languages all over the world especially for those who cannot or will never read. They now have the opportunity for Oral Bible Translation through the use of a Biblestick.

We will continue to look for another ministry to support the Military but for this year we will support Faith Comes by Hearing and helping provide the gospel through Oral Bible Translation. A Biblestick is \$25 each, our goal is 30 this year. Make out a separate check to CCC and put Biblestick in the memo.

CCC Outreach

We at CCC continue focusing on community outreach and how to serve and reach our local community. We continue to look for ways to have a presence in the community and invite people to come to church.

-Serving Him, Jessica Locke, Missions Chair



SEPTEMBER



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Serving as Deaconesses this month: Leanna Whitaker Jessica Locke	1	1	3	4	5
6 Potluck Sunday* Jr church: Lola Nursery: Olivia Men's Prayer 6 pm (FS)	7 Deacon Meeting 7 pm (3SR)	8 Ladies Bible Study 6 pm (3SR) Ladies Meeting 7 pm (FS)	9 Ladies Bible Study 9:15 am (FS) Men's Bible Study 7 pm (3SR)	10 TOPS Meeting 5 pm (FS)	11	12 Ladies Fellowship 11 am
13 Coffee & Goodies Jr church: Rebecca Nursery: Katy Men's Prayer 6 pm	14	15 Ladies Bible Study 6 pm (3SR)	16 Ladies Bible Study 9:15 am (FS) Men's Bible Study 7 pm (3SR)	17 TOPS Meeting 5 pm (FS)	18 CCIG Bingo 6pm*	19
20 Soup Sunday* Jr church: Rebecca Nursery: Dylanne Men's Prayer 6 pm	21 Board Meeting 7 pm (FS)	22 Ladies Bible Study 6 pm (3SR)	23 Ladies Bible Study 9:15 am (FS) Men's Bible Study 7 pm (3SR)	24 TOPS Meeting 5 pm (FS)	25 	26 Adopt a Hwy Clean-up Day 9 am
27 Birthday Sunday Jr church: Lola Nursery: Leanna Men's Prayer 6 pm (FS)	28	29 Ladies Bible Study 6 pm (3SR)	30 Ladies Bible Study 9:15 am (FS) Men's Bible Study 7 pm (3SR)	TOPS Meeting 5 pm (FS)		

FS - Fireside Room * - Family Life Center
3SR - Three Sisters Room

Loving God. Loving People.