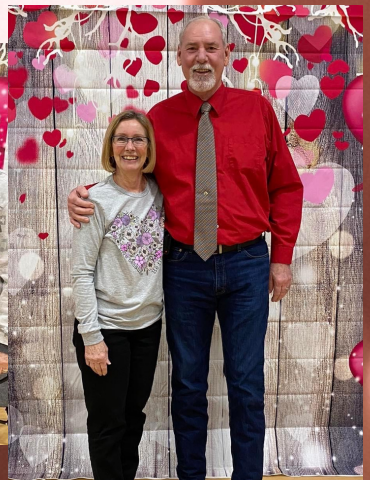




**March 2023
Newsletter**



Thank you to the Youth and leaders for hosting the Valentine's Dinner. It was a lot of fun and the food was delicious!



FROM PASTOR JEFF

"Ecclesiastes 7:13-14"

I've been thinking a lot about inspiration lately. The literal meaning of inspiration is "God Breathed." Of course, the most glaring example of inspiration we know. But can we be inspired as well? Maybe not on the same level as the Scriptures, but still be inspired as well?

I have desperately wanted to know the answer to this question, so over the last several months, I've been praying, researching and seeking the Lord about this. Because if we can be inspired by God, then I want that more than anything.

I started this quest by looking at history. The arts were the most obvious examples of where we may be able to find people who were inspired by God for a purpose. I read about the renaissance painters and sculptures who predominately depicted Biblical scenes and people. They would often talk about visions, dreams, and compulsions which drove them to complete their masterpieces.

Then I looked to music, both past and present, and would read about how in times of tragedy and sorrow and also times of awe and reverence, a song would be planted in their minds and hearts which would go on to touch millions of people.

I, too, have experienced times of preaching, where the words which came out of my mouth were clearly not my own. Many other preachers and teachers have expressed the same sentiments as well.

Through all of this it seemed clear to me, that inspiration still happens today. Once again not on the level of Scriptures but nevertheless, inspiration. So, over the next couple months we will examine the ways and means which God inspires us and why it is so necessary for us to live in that world.

Following Him,

Pastor Jeff

SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

March 5 @ 6pm

It's Pizza Night!!



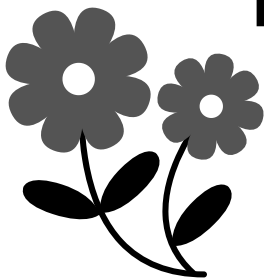
The church will provide the pizza and drinks. Please bring salad, finger food, or dessert to share. Join us for a fun time of family fellowship!

LADIES DAY OUT
Saturday, March 18
Lunch & Fun!
More details
coming soon!

SWEET MONDAY

March 20th @ 6pm

We will be making scarves to put in the shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Devotion and refreshments. All ladies are welcome!



The Easter Community Service will be
Sunday, March 26, 6pm at the Ramsey
Christian Church. Pastor Matt Philbrick will
be the speaker.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG

EASTER OFFERING

For North American Missions

Our Church goal \$1300

WEEK OF PRAYER

March 5-12

UNITED
CALLED TO BE ONE

FROM PASTOR MATT

Psalm sixty-two verse one states, “My soul waits in silence for God only; From Him is my salvation.” Praise God that He is our salvation. Praise God that He continues to work and move among His creation. Praise God that He continues to give direction and wisdom to those who seek it.

February was a great month for the Youth Group and Mission kids. Wednesday nights were a great time to connect with each other and encounter God’s Word. Both groups have continued to minister to students and parents. The Youth Group had a great time at *Winter Jam*. The music and the speaker were both impactful. Our *Valentine’s Day dinner* was also a successful time. We were able to thank our church family for their support while enjoying food and fellowship. *Lighthouse* again was a fun night of outreach. Mission Kids were able to serve others in two ways. First, by making *cookies for our first responders* and second, by *going to Brookstone Estates*. At Brookstone, we played games, had conversations, and put smiles on the residents faces. It was a wonderful time for the students and adults that were able to attend!

In March both the Youth Group and Missions kids will continue to meet on Wednesday nights. The Youth Group will continue to look at how the Bible is impactful and helps grow our relationship with God. Mission Kids will still be learning about prayer and begin talking about resting in the Lord. The **Youth Group** will be going to an **escape room on the 4th in Taylorville**. *Fellowship of Christians Athletes* will meet the *7th and the 21st* for a time of donuts, chocolate milk, and Jesus. **Lighthouse** is schedule for **Saturday the 18th from 5:00pm to 7:30pm**. Mission Kids will look to find another time to serve.

God continues to amaze me by moving through the lives our of students. Be in prayer for those who may not have a relationship with Jesus, that they would see His love. Be in prayer for those who have a relationship with Jesus, that they continue to grow in Him. Be in prayer for our leaders as we help point the students to Jesus and help equip them for service.

Pastor Matt

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

We are collecting specific items each month of the year as we work towards completing boxes in October. Thank you for your support of this ongoing ministry.

March Items:

Small Crafts

Stickers

Socks (all ages)

We will observe
the Lord's Supper
on Wednesday,
March 29th at 7pm.

Nominating
Committee will meet on
Sunday, March 19th
5pm.

MARCH FOOD PANTRY

Kool-Aid
Canned Milk
Jello Mix
Tomato Sauce

Pudding & Jello Packs
Instant Pudding
Cake Mixes & Icing
Canned Tomatoes

MARCH Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 Hayden Seaton	15 Sandy Cook
2 Brooke Benhoff	18 Sarah McDonald
2 Larry & Cheryl Morefield	20 Shelby Friesland
3 Katie Braning	21 Micah Greenwood
7 Kendra Lorton	22 Sean & Rosie McDonald
12 Kevin Schackman	25 Mike McDonald
15 Connor Summerlott	26 John Greenwood
	29 Landen Clark

**Daylight Saving time
begins March 12**

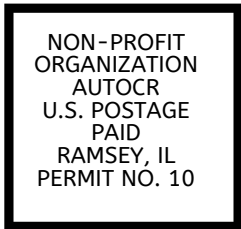


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MARCH 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 All Activities 6pm	2	3	4 Youth/Escape Room
5 Deacons Mtg 5pm SNF 6pm Pizza Night Week of	6 Men's Bible Study 7:15am (Mondays) Prayer for	7 FCA 7:30am NAM &	8 MK/Youth 6pm Business Mtg. 7pm Annie	9 Armstrong Easter	10 Offering	11 
12 Bible Study 6pm	13	14	15 All Activities 6pm	16	17	18 Ladies Day Out Lighthouse 5-7:30pm
19 Nom. Cmt 5pm Bible Study 6pm	20 Sweet Monday 6pm	21 FCA 7:30am	22 All Activities 6pm	23	24	25
26 Community Service@6pm Christian Church	27	28	29 MK or Youth 6pm Lord's Supper 7pm	30	31	