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The Church Window

February
2018



"C.A.L.M."

It was a gorgeous North Carolina morning, an awesome morning for turkey hunting. It was a little cool as I walked into the woods, about an hour before sunrise. I walked a short way and hit the owl call but nothing. Walked a little farther, called and again, nothing. Walked on, called, and heard a gobble in the distance. Walked a little further, called and a gobble again. There was a large oak tree off to my right side and headed for it, sat down with my back leaning against the tree. I pulled out a slate call and a box call and did a few yelps on the slate and the gobbling got closer. The tom was coming my way and I started getting anxious. How big was it? How long a beard? Awesome spurs? Another hearty gobble and it was getting close, maybe a hundred yards but coming from behind. Should I move? Would it see me? The adrenalin was pumping! I hit the box call: "gobble, gobble, gobble" the tom said back to me. It was close...

Then I heard a disheartening sound. A hen was also responding to the gobbling. A real hen! The competition began but soon I heard the hen and gobbler going in a different direction and I was left thinking what could have been. I called periodically but no answer and as it warmed up, I got a little sleepy and dozed off. Woke up, a little over an hour had passed, and I hit the slate call a couple of times. Nothing answered but then I thought I heard something walking in the leaves, again coming from behind me. No gobble. I did a couple of purrs on my slate, no answer. Yet I heard something getting closer and closer, louder and louder. I am ready and nervous and anxious. I want to turn my head and look, but yet do not want to spook it (Turkeys have great vision). It is almost upon me and now I can see it in my peripheral vision. It is BIG! It is slowly moving beside me, 5 yards away. I cannot move, I cannot call.... I wait for it to get past... Wait, something is not right. It is not a turkey, it is a

Peacock! It saw me about the same time I saw it and it let out a blood curdling scream and I let out a yell myself! I was so startled and the anxiety and tenseness from all the anticipation just came out... along with my heart. The peacock ran off and I settled down, trying to figure out what happened. Of course, when I stopped at the local gas station/grocery/hangout and shared the story, the guys laughed and asked what I had been drinking. I took a lot of ribbing about this. (They finally told me there was a peacock farm next to the farm I was hunting, and they escaped a lot.)

This happened years ago, yet I have never forgotten the two of us screaming. Anxiety and fear can do that to you. It builds up and then you just explode. Paul says in Philippians 4:4-8: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

Could you use some calm? Max Lucado writes: **C**elebrate God's goodness. "Rejoice in the Lord always" (v.4). **A**sk God for help. "Let your requests be made known to God" (v.6). **L**eave your concerns with him. "With thanksgiving... (v.6). **M**editate on good things. "Think about these things that are worthy of praise" (v.8).

C.A.L.M. We could all use a word of comfort... and God is ready to give it!

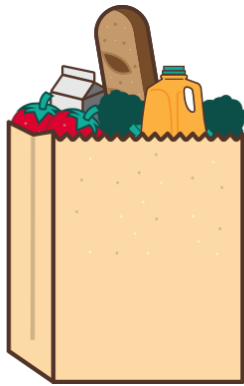
Pastor Bud

Christian Ed. News

We are in full swing of our Praise Party curriculum. We are learning how we can praise God no matter where we are at. We are learning Bible stories of how they praised God in unusual places like prison. We have to be brave and courageous to worship God in unusual places. With His help we know we can do it.

Food Pantry Field Trip

Our field trip to the food pantry was a huge success. We learned a lot about how it works and how many people we help by donating food. Many of the students didn't know it is located in the basement of the Depot Exchange. We are waiting to hear back about how many pounds of food we donated. Thanks to all the extra helpers we had driving students there and also helping with them.



Food Challenge

Because of our field trip to the Food Pantry and how excited the students we're, we have decided to challenge them. Our challenge to them is to bring in **1,000 pounds** of food by the end of Christian Education in May to be donated to the food pantry. We have a good start but we need a lot more.

There will be a chart in the Christian Education area to show how we are doing.

If the challenge is a success then we will have a food fight and paint a mural in a unique way!

Father/Daughter Dinner and Dance

Make sure you get your tickets for the Father Daughter Dinner and Dance taking place on February 11th from 5 to 7 PM. This is a special night just for them to spend time together.

Advanced ticket sales end on Sunday, February 4.



VBS

We are starting to gear up for VBS. This year's theme is "Roaring Rampage". We are looking for lots of artificial greenery to use for decorations. These items won't be returned so if you see any on clearance, garage sales or know of anyone wanting to get rid of any please keep us in mind. We will take any artificial greenery such as garland, vines, trees, ferns. *Thanks in advance for your help!*

Thank you for allowing us to share God's love with your children.

They are ALL very special to us!

Please let Renee or Sherry know if you have any questions.

Christian Education Team

Youth



WINTER CAMP :

Pine Lake

We had a blast at Winter Camp. Thank You for the prayers and support for 26 of us to attend. We did a lot of different things, check out the church website under youth and see Winter Camp details, even pictures of washing feet, like Jesus did to the disciples.

PAPA MURPHY'S PIZZA:

Super Bowl Pizza Fund Raiser

We sold Papa Murphy's Pizzas for Super Bowl Sunday, as a fund raiser. The pizzas will be delivered to the Church Sunday morning (February 4) and ready for pick up. Thank you for your support, it helps out a lot with the cost of our activities.

Newsletter

As of March 2018, we will no longer be mailing the Newsletter to everyone. Due to increased postage, printing costs and use of modern technology, we are going to be distributing the monthly Newsletter in different cost effective manners. *No worries — we have several options available!*

1. Access our Newsletter online:

www.fennimoreumc.org

News and Events

Newsletter

You can also sign up here to receive notification as to when the Newsletter has been posted.

2. Pick up a printed copy at Church.

3. Contact the Church Office at (608) 822-6797 OR fennimoreumc@tds.net to continue having your Newsletter mailed to you.



United
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Women

News

Winter is slow for the UMW right now.

The UMW officers meet later in February. We look forward to the March Birthday Celebration at the Good Samaritan Center and our first Quarterly Meeting for 2018 in March.

Feel free to pick up a copy of the UMW Yearly Calendar on the bulletin board by Fellowship Hall.

"We love because he first loved us."

1 John 4:19

DREAM TEAM

Fathers ... Now is your opportunity to spend a special night with your daughters! On February 11, the Dream Team is hosting a Father/Daughter Dinner and Dance. Our goal is to create lifelong memories for your family.

The event will feature a kid friendly meal consisting of Ham, Potatoes, Corn, Fruit and Dessert from 5 to 6 PM. The dance will then follow with our favorite DJ providing great music from 6 to 7 PM.

The cost per couple is \$10.00 OR \$15.00 per family. Fathers and Daughters of ALL ages are invited to attend.

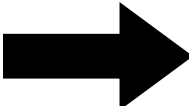
THANK YOU to all of those who continue to share their smile and handshakes on Sunday Mornings!

God is Good — All the Time!

Jeff Thomas and "The Dream Teamers"

January 2018 Attendance

January 7	199
January 14	197
January 21	196
January 28	176



February Mission



Who is FMSC?

Founded in 1987, Feed My Starving Children® is a Christian non-profit that provides nutritionally complete meals for starving, malnourished and hungry people. The prepackaged dry meals—costing less than a quarter each to make—are funded and assembled by donor-volunteers in the United States. Our in-country partners use the food to prevent starvation and curb malnourishment in children and families worldwide. FMSC food has reached more than 70 countries in our history.

FMSC Food:

We have three dried, fortified meal formulas addressing the world's main hunger needs.
MannaPack™ Rice: Our original food formula consists of vitamin packed flavoring, dried vegetables, soy protein and rice.
MannaPack™ Potato-W: Our "baby food" which meets World Health Org. standards for infants 7 to 12 months contains vitamin-packed sweet potato flavoring, potato granules and soy flour.
MannaPack™ Potato-D: The first and only food for people with severe diarrhea (a leading killer in the developing world) contains a specific sweet potato-flavored vitamin mix which aids rehydration, potato granules and soy flour .

FMSC Costs:

Each MannaPack meal costs less than 25¢ to produce

FMSC Donors:

FMSC is 100% donor funded. Because of our low overhead costs, donations of all amounts go a long way in the fight against world hunger. FMSC devotes more than 90% of total donations directly to feeding kids.

Please consider donating to FMSC. You may also donate your time! There will be a Mobile Pack April 12-14 at the Boscobel Fire Station.

February Food Pantry Needs:

- Vegetable Soup
- Mixed Vegetables
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Fruit
- Cereal
- Tuna



Thoughts
In your time of sorrow, my
ARE WITH YOU

Our deepest Christian Sympathy to the Families of:

- Gary Wehrle*
- Betty Lou Cauffman*
- Arlene Schmahlenberger*



SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL FUMC ladies over these past 15 plus years that so willingly furnished funeral food AND/OR worked in the Kitchen and Dining Hall. Karla Jones will be my replacement.

AGAIN, Thank You! You are appreciated ...
Love and Prayers, Melba



Year End Budget Update

2017 was a "unique giving year". Even with the money raised for the roof and donations made to hurricane relief and other missions, we ended 2017 **AHEAD** \$6,232.30. We were behind on Budget Giving, but also behind on Budget Spending, putting us **AHEAD** for 2017. Thank You to all who gave!

WORD FOR 2018

On December 31st we talked about being intentional for 2018 and choosing ONE WORD to help you in 2018. It was a message that was received openly and appreciated by many. Below is a list of some people's word that they've shared with me. I'm sharing this to give others an idea of a word to live by for 2018. Many words are duplicated by various people of various ages. I want to encourage others to watch the message if you were unable to attend. Pray for your word and the ability to implement it in your life and for other people.

Make 2018 your best year ever!

Relax	Happy
Jesus	Love
Helping Others	Success
Hope	Peace
Health	Helpful
Trust	Satisfied
Efficient	Understanding
Wisdom	Intentional
Simplify	Faith
Good Luck	Focused
Think	Hopeful
Faithful	Compassionate
Acceptance	

Renee Thomas, Pastoral Associate



Newsboys United Concert

Current and old members of Newsboys are uniting for a tour. They will be in Dubuque on March 10th and some of us from FUMC are going. If you're interested please see the Newsboys United website for additional information or talk to Renee.



Mid-Week Lenten Services

Join us on Wednesday Night's at **7:00 PM** beginning on **February 14** (Ash Wednesday)! We look forward to seeing you!



Father/Daughter Dinner and Dance

Sunday, February 11, 2018

Dinner: 5:00 PM and Dance 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Several years ago we held a Father/Daughter Dinner and Dance and it is one of the fondest memories my daughter has of her younger years. She was Daddy's Princess for the evening! A corsage, a pretty dress, a special gift from dad, pictures and memories and she still talks about it today.

That is what we want to create for Dads and Daughters. It's time spent to show your Daughter she's special and worth the world to you and any other man that may enter her life one day.

Consider how special and important this night can be. There is no age cut off. If you're daughter is 2 **OR** 42, bring her to the Father/Daughter Dinner and Dance; hosted by the Dream Team. Don't miss this special opportunity to create memories!

COST: \$10 per Couple OR \$15 per Family (no limit as to how many tickets are needed per family) Advance tickets can purchased at the Church until Sunday, February 4

MENU: Ham, Potatoes, Corn, Fruit, Dessert and Beverage.

TIME: Dinner 5 to 6 PM and Dance 6 to 7 PM

WHERE: Fennimore United Methodist Church – Christian Education Area

Who's Serving in February?

Ushers

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
2/4/2018	Kevin Klais Family	Rod and Jackie Wehrle
2/11/2018	Pam and Chris Krueel	Kim and Chris Cathman
2/18/2018	Dan and Coletta McLimans	Sandy Knapp
2/25/2018	Ruthann Mergen and Logan Zabel	Rod and Jackie Wehrle

Greeters (Sanctuary)

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
2/4/2018	Kevin Klais and Family	Christine Klais
2/11/2018	Shawn Handfelt	Kim and Chris Cathman
2/18/2018	Sharon and Tyson Barr	Cindy Bruner
2/25/2018	Chuck and Barb Weist	Rod and Jackie Wehrle

Liturgist

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
2/4/2018	Maggie Kartman	Jackie Wehrle
2/11/2018	Carmen Burkum	Lori Budzinski
2/18/2018	Karla Witzig	Heidi Millin
2/25/2018	Linda O'Kane	Jackie Wehrle

Acolyte

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
2/4/2018	Keira Kartman	Ethan Sheckler
2/11/2018	Blake/Abigail Droessler	Jackson Sheckler
2/18/2018	Peyton Hollister	Brayden Fry
2/25/2018	Corbin/Brogan Demo	Cooper Leffler

Kid's Time

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
2/4/2018	Maggie Kartman	Pastor Bud
2/11/2018	Jeff Thomas	Pastor Bud
2/18/2018	Sherry Kieler	Sherry Kieler
2/25/2018	Krista Demo	Pastor Bud

Communion Assistants

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
2/4/2018	Thomas', Trenten and Saralyn Klais, Burkum's and Kreul's	Rod and Jackie Wehrle, Kim Cathman and Donna James



Remember our Friends at:

Orchard Manor
Doris Schneider

Good Samaritan Center
Nip Leffler, Dave Lindow, Gerry McReynolds,
Dennis Freymiller, Jeannette Schneiderwind,

Sunset Fields
Donna Blackbourn, Paul Rector

What Makes a Hero?

The Death Defying Ministry of Jesus

*Join us for our NEW Upcoming
Teaching Series beginning in February!*

Looking at pop culture heroes and others through the lens of faith we will explore how Jesus turned the concept of hero on its head. We will examine how good vs. evil, right vs. wrong, and overcoming adversity are fundamental to how Christians understand salvation. Heroes help us discern the good, fight for what's right, define identity, execute justice, spark revolution, and save lives!

A different victory story will be told — one obtained through humility, obedience to the cross, and an empty tomb. How does Jesus redefine what it means to be a hero?



**Not all Superheroes Wear Capes ...
Mine Wore a Cross**