

Heavenly Headlines

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Happy May to Everyone,

It seems that Spring might finally have arrived. The signs are all around. Grass is growing and needs to be mowed. More and more bugs are out buzzing, and dandelions are starting to burst out of the ground. To most people dandelions are weeds. They are botanical pests that are very hard to get rid of, but to most young children they are beautiful flowers that make wonderful bouquets. This reminds me of a profound piece of wisdom I learned long ago: Weeds are just plants that we have not found a use for yet.

A weed is the term we used for unwanted plants. This says a lot about our perspective. Why do we value green grass over yellow fields of dandelions in our yards? Our collective dislike of dandelions says more about us than it does the plant, and I think there is a spiritual lesson hidden somewhere in there.

I am not the first one to notice this. There was a Christian band in the late 90's/early 00's called Five Iron Frenzy that sang about this in one of their songs appropriately titled Dandelions. The song begins with telling a simple story, that nearly every mother has experienced. A young child picks dandelions to lovingly give as a bouquet to his mother. The mother treasures these flowers, putting them proudly on display in a vase. In the chorus the lead singer crones, "She sees love where anybody else would see weeds."

In the next verse the song pivots to God. After singing about God's greatness and mercy the song lyrics question: "Where do I fit in this puzzle, what good are these gifts? Not a martyr or a saint/ Scarcely can I struggle through/ All that I have ever wanted, was to give my best to you. " The song concludes: "Lord search my heart/ Dandelions- You see flowers in these weeds."

When it comes to putting our faith into action, one of the reasons why we do not is because we are left wondering what kind of difference will we actually make. We see only limited results, we see inconsequential drops in a bucket, and we see what we think amounts to nothing more than weeds. However, dandelions are a reminder that not all weeds are useless. I know it is an obscure and unknown song, but Five Iron Frenzy was onto something. When we seek to make disciples, nurture disciples, transform the world, and serve God in love then God sees beautiful flowers. God sees love and obedience where others might see weeds.

In the kingdom of God there are no weeds, there are just people that have not found their purpose yet. There are so many ways that you can use unique passions, talents, and gifts to make the world a more loving, peaceful, and kind place. May you do that. May you not be afraid of failure, of being called out, or of not getting earth shattering results. I feel assured that whenever we humbly and earnestly seek to serve God, then God does see flowers in the weeds. ***Happy Spring,***

Pastor Robin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LmFyjfsXpw> (Five Iron Frenzy, Dandelions)



Donna Goes Walkabout

Once again it was a beautiful Easter Sunrise Service. This year we had 65 people join us for the service to celebrate our risen Savior.

Pastor Robin gave a wonderful message and the weather awesome! I hope you were able to attend and were blessed. We have a great team of people who make all the nuts and bolts of the service work well. And a big thank you to the owner of the St Georges Creamery for graciously allowing us to use the space for the service.



As I write this, I have just returned from the Mercy's Well concert. It was a great evening of music and fellowship and we look forward to when the guys will be coming back to sing for us again.



Next on the calendar is the annual Women of Hope Banquet on May 8. This year's beneficiary is *atTack addiction*, an organization that raises awareness about the disease of addiction. Donations are being accepted for the silent auction and you can contact Anita Mokienko to reserve your tickets.

Mother's Day is just around the corner. If you are blessed to still have your mom with you, don't dwell too much on what gift you will end up giving her. Instead, give her the gift of your presence. A visit. A chat. For those of us whose moms have gone on to their reward, we would all cherish just a few more moments with the women who taught us so much. Cherish the moments when you

can. You will never get them back. I still have many moments when I think, "I need to tell Mom that" or "Mom would have loved to have gone there". Just as you miss your mom, I miss mine every day. I'm happy she is spending her days with the savior but I sure do miss her here.

Thanks for everything Mom! Love forever. I try to honor you every day. God blessed me with you. We won't be able to get together on Mother's Day, but I will count my blessings all day.



I believe the weather has made that final turn to warm temps and we can finally get out in the yard and plant. I've started but there's much more to do. Have fun!

That's all for this month. I'll see you on Sunday morning.

Donna



"Honor your father and mother." Ephesians 6:2

Men's Bible Study - Don't forget to join the men's Bible Study on Thursday mornings from 10am to noon. Currently studying the book of Genesis.

Women's Bible Study - Women's Bible Study is Wednesday mornings 11am -12:30pm Currently studying the book of Ecclesiastes





Happy Birthday to

Donna Cavender.....May 7

Jim Stewart.....May 7

Heidi McEvoy.....May 15

Kyle McEvoy.....May 15

Happy Anniversary to...

Doug & Melissa Cavender.....May 16

Sue & Jim Tobin..... May19

Kent & Heidi McEvoy.....May 20

Earl & Carole Jaques.....May 31

(If you have not seen your birthday shared here during your birthday month, please let Donna know/we want to celebrate with you!)

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. – Philippians 4:7

United Methodist Women

The ladies of the church met after service on Sunday April 13. Final decisions and assignments were made for the Hope Banquet fundraiser coming up on May 8.

Final reminders were shared regarding the Easter Sunrise Service refreshments and the upcoming refreshments for the Mercy's Well Concert.

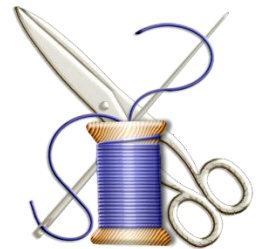
Heidi McEvoy has volunteered to decorate the sanctuary bulletin board for the upcoming season.

Carol McGlothlin is still in the process of doing an inventory of the flowers we have on hand so we know if we need to purchase any more to maintain the presence of flowers around the church at all times. Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday June 8th after service. All the ladies of the church are invited to join us.

**“Everything is possible for one who believes”-
Mark 9:23**

Friendship Star Quilters

Friendship Star Quilters will be meeting on Tuesday, May 6th from 9:30 to 4:00 at the church. Please bring your sewing machine if possible. We have several quilts at various stages to work on. Lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Kris Foltz at krisofoltz@aol.com or 302-834-9444.



**May you have a safe and
enjoyable Memorial Day!**



Remember those
who served ~
All gave some,
some gave all.

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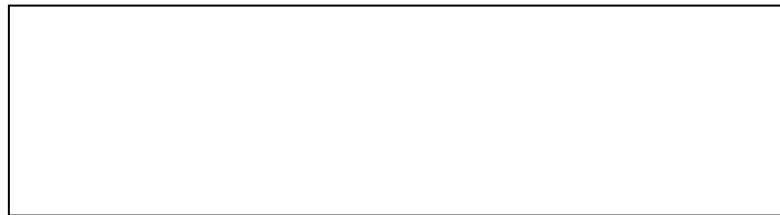
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Dates to Remember

May 3.....Mercy's Well Concert 6pm

May 6..... Friendship Star Quilters 9:30am

May 8.....Women Of Hope Banquet 6pm

May 11.....Happy Mother's Day!

May 26.....Memorial Day