



INFO CENTRAL

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SENIOR PASTOR INFORMATION

I awoke very early today thinking about David, ancient King of Israel. David was a musician who loved the Lord and loved to worship his God. David grew up shepherding sheep on the hill-sides of Judea which, of course, meant protecting them from predators, providing food and shelter for them, and caring for their every need. David was the youngest of eight sons of Jesse. He wasn't tall in stature like his eldest brother Eliab. He wasn't even on his father's radar screen as a possible choice to be anointed King of Israel by the prophet Samuel (1 Samuel 16:11). But God had chosen David. Why? Because David was a man "after God's own heart" (1 Samuel 13:14; Acts 13:22). It was this little phrase that awakened me this morning – "...a man after God's own heart." What is that? What does it mean? Does it mean someone who seeks God? Does it mean someone whose personality appeals to God? I couldn't decide what it meant, so I got up and started searching the Scriptures. I found that it is actually pretty clearly stated in both the 1 Samuel passage and the Acts 13 passage. A "man after God's own heart" was/is a man/woman who will keep the Lord's commands and who will do God's will. It is pretty straightforward in both those passages. Do what God says – that's it! Now we all know that David wasn't perfect. In fact he did some pretty bad things – actually they were horrible things like commit adultery, murder, lying, fraud and cover-up. But even in all that sin, David was a man who loved God and repented of his sin and returned to the Lord. I want to be a man after God's own heart - without the horrible failures. I hope that is your goal and purpose and direction in life as well.

And we need to pray that our Nation would be a nation after God's own heart too. Christians must PRAY! Please friends, don't dismiss the importance of gathering together for prayer at the National Day of Prayer Observance on Thursday (at noon at the ND State Capitol). Let's pray for our nation, for our military personnel, for President Bush and all of our national leaders, for Governor Hoeven and our state leaders, for our Bismarck/ Mandan community leaders and for every aspect of our country. Let's PRAY, PRAY, PRAY.

This Sunday is our Baptism service in the second worship service hour. We will have a normal worship service in the 9:00 hour and Dr. Jon Hanson will be delivering the message. Then in the 10:45 hour we will celebrate the wonderful ordinance of Believers Baptism. I do look forward to seeing all of you this Sunday as we gather for this time of fellowship, worship and study of the Word of God. Remember the clear command of the Word of God that we should not forsake the assembling of ourselves together (Hebrews 10:25).

Maranatha

Pastor Terry Kern <><

NET LEADERS

Attention all Net Leaders there will be a short meeting Sunday, May 4, at 10:20 a.m in Room 301. If you have any questions please contact Doug Schelhaas.

COMMISSIONING OF SHORT TERM MISSIONARIES

FEFC will be commissioning all short term missionaries going forth from this church at our Sunday service on May 25th. Whether you have requested financial support from the Missions and Outreach board or not, we would love to have everyone from our church body who plans to serve on a mission trip this year in attendance if possible.

NURSERY HELP

How would you like to sit and cuddle or play with a little one during the second hour service? We would like to add some additional teams in the nursery during the 2nd hour service. If you are interested please call Sharon Curtiss, Nursery Coordinator.

May 25
One Worship
Service at
10:00 a.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Wow! Thanks to so many of you who pre-registered your children last week for Vacation Bible School! Registration forms are available at the VBS table located in the foyer. Don't forget, if you get your registration form in before May 15th your name will go into a drawing for a prize. Also kids, start inviting your friends to this great outreach. The dates for VBS are June 1st - 5th from 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M. For all those going into Kindergarten - 6th grade. Finally, if you would like to help paint the set please call Linnet Walter .



BROTHERS IN BATTLE - SCRIPTURE VERSE

"God is a just judge, And God is angry with the wicked every day."

Psalms 7:11



BACKPACK PROGRAM

Thank you for the food items that have been donated for the Backpack Program. We ARE making a difference and due to summer programs at the schools, Community Action can continue to deliver the backpacks through the summer - so please, keep the food coming! Thank you!!

412 Ministries

Primetime

Sunday morning for Jr. High & Sr. High 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday Night 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

R.A.G.E.

Jr. High (7th & 8th grades)

The Example

Sr. High (9th & 12th grades)

High School Grads

If you are a 2008 H.S. grad and you did not receive an envelope from the church last week, please contact Pastor Jamie right away.

C Life College Ministry

Tuesdays for college students (18 - 20 something) at 7:00 p.m. at the church in the youth room downstairs.

College Grads

We need to know who you are! Please contact Pastor Jamie if you, or someone you know is graduating college this year.

PRAYER CHAIN INFO

Please call the Phone Prayer Chain Captains and e-mail your requests to Laurie Grosz at the e-mail address below to activate your prayer requests.

EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN INFO

prayer@firstefree.com

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN CAPTAINS INFO

DAYTIME : Catherine Grosz

EVENING : Doris Ann Van Beek

WEEKLY EVENTS/MEETING INFO

- THU - May 1 Young Adult Bible Study; 7:00 p.m.
- FRI - May 2 Joy Club @ Mc Donald's (K-Mart); 9:30 a.m.
- SUN - May 4 Worship Service; 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School; 9:00 a.m.
412 Primetime; 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship; 10:15 a.m.
Net Leader's Mtg; 10:20 a.m.
Baptism Service; 10:45 a.m.
Children's Church; 9:45 a.m.
- MON - May 5 Men's Bible Study; 6:30 a.m.
Fellowship & Caring Board; 7:00 p.m.
Worship Board; 7:00 p.m.
- TUE - May 6 Women's Bible Study; 9:00 a.m.
Women's Bible Study; 6:30 p.m.
C-Life College Ministries; 7:00 p.m.
Men's Top Gun Study; 7:00 p.m.
- WED - May 7 MOPS; 9:00 a.m.
King's Kids Choir; 5:45 p.m.
All Church Prayer; 6:30 p.m.
Awana Awards Night; 6:30 p.m.
412 R.A.G.E.; 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
412 The Example; 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Men's Bible Study; 6:30 p.m.
Worship Team Rehearsal; 7:45 p.m.

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