

# The Messenger

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Carlock Mennonite Church  
Worship 10:15 am  
Sunday School 9:00

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Sharon Brubaker - Musician  
Emma Brandt - Musician  
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## **For June 2023**

### Hospitality Committee

Lori Amberg  
Emma Brandt  
Julie Greenburg  
Carol Hoffman

### Sunday School Teachers

Kindergarten – Melinda Hartter  
Elementary – Kayla Myers  
Jr High – Carrie Schwoerer

### Food Pantry Item

Pasta

### Sunday School Nursery

June 4 – Carol Hoffman  
June 11 – Ken Schwoerer  
June 18 – Barb Karr  
June 25 – Susan Waller

## **Board News**

- Outreach committee will help fund the June youth group trip
- Attic repair is on hold
- Video worship has begun
- Continued discussion on refinishing the basement floor
- Discussed scraping and repainting the ceiling in the choir loft, due to peeling
- Board decided to begin passing the offering plate again during service
- FEC conference is in July, anyone may attend with Pastor Doane
- Board will again be discussing possible name change for our church
- As of now, there will be no combined youth group when Brandts step down in June

## JUNE CALENDAR

June 1-2	FFC Garage Sale Fundraiser
Sunday, June 4	Morning Worship, Hospitality Time, 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Game Night
Wednesday, June 7	Church Board, 7:00
Thursday, June 8	MW, 6:30
Sunday, June 11	Morning Worship
Sunday, June 18	Morning Worship, Father's Day
June 19-23	Vacation Bible School
June 18-25	FFC Mission Trip to Kentucky
Sunday, June 25	Morning Worship

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

3	Melinda Hartter
3	Colt Myers
12	Scott Larson
14	Elsie Schwoerer
15	Blake Otto
17	Lynlee Moran
23	Nick & Kathy Moran (A)
27	Racann Staulcup
30	Ethan Otto
30	Ron & Deanelle Schieber (A)

### **Library Corner**

**Upstairs...** middle shelf. Holy Roar by Chris Tomlin, musician and Darren Whitehead, pastor

The title (and the next line under) caught my eye – “7 words that will change the way you worship”.

The seven words are praise. Our English language lacks the Hebrew words to define these different expressions of praise.

One purpose of this book is to open our hearts to freely worship and praise God. We are communicating with Holy God.

The authors also encourage us to read the Bible verses of praise (listed in each chapter) and know sincere, deep joy in praising God.

**Downstairs...** a blue cover, on a low shelf. This review is from Olivia. Please read The Rhyme Bible Storybook (published by Zonderkidz). It's my favorite choice at bedtime. Jonah, Daniel and Esther are 3 stories in a row that I know by heart!

## **From Pastor Doane...**

David prayed; “Do not abandon me, O Lord. Do not stand at a distance, my God. Come quickly to help me, O Lord my savior.” (Psalm 38:21-22)

In that Psalm, a despondent, dispirited man called on God. Miserable over the guilt and shame of his sin, David confessed. Harassed by enemies and abandoned by friends, he pled for relief – hoping his Savior would not also distance Himself.

We may tend to pray like that when there is a big crisis. But is there really even a moment when we do not need our Lord to uphold us up close?

Whether we walk through the day seeing light and clarity all around, or confusion and darkness, we need the prayer. Modern sailing vessels may stay on-course with no one near the wheel. But we have no spiritual auto-pilot capability for navigating safely through life’s shifting currents.

So, let it be your prayer today, "Father, abandon not your child, lest I fall. Good Shepherd, stay near your lamb, lest I wander from the safety of the fold.”

“Almighty Master and Commander, do not forsake me at any moment of my life. Not in my joys and pleasures, lest they absorb my devotion. Not in my sorrows, lest I’m lost in despair. Not in the moment of my repentance, lest I give up hope of forgiveness. And, not in my hours of most solid faith, lest my faith is corrupted by ego and pride.”

“Do not stand at a distance, my God. Apart from you I am helpless. But with you, strengthened and upheld by you, I can do all things.”

*He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. Psalm 91:4*

Take His Word for it.

Doane