

FAYETTEVILLE BRETHREN CHURCH NEWS

October, 2012

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Sunday Worship Service: 10:45 AM

Sunday School: 9:45 AM

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Upcoming Events:

Oct 7 - World Wide Communion Sunday – Holy Communion

Oct 14 – St John Lutheran (Ellinger) Roast Beef drive-thru meal (see Burdine Divin)

Oct 20 (Sat) – Fall Synodical Committee meeting at Caldwell – 9 a.m.

Oct 21 – Licksillet in Fayetteville - Worship service at regular time!

Oct 28 – Wesley Brethren Church Spaghetti Lunch at Industry Fireman's Hall

Nov 4 – Mission Emphasis Sunday (Foreign and Home Missions)

Nov 11 – Veteran's Recognition Service

Nov 20? (Tues) – Community Thanksgiving Service – plans will be announced soon

Nov 25 – Greening of the church – fellowship lunch

Dec 1 – Church on Fayetteville C of C Home Tour

Pastor's Message:

This morning I woke up a song in my head ... "consider the lilies they don't toil nor spin." This song is based upon Luke 12:22-34. I do not know why this song was playing in my head. Perhaps it is because of our Bible study: "How to Live Confidently in a Chaotic World." So far we have learned how to be calm and compassionate for others who do not believe what we believe.

In our current world situation, with all the talk about the worldwide economic crisis, terrorist attacks, etc., it would be easy to WORRY ourselves to a frazzle.

In Luke 12 we find the calming words of Jesus – "**do not worry about your life...**"
22 Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. 24 Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! 25 Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? 26 Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?"

27 "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. 28 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! 29 And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. 30 For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. 31 But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. 32 "Do not be

afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

So, if you find yourself worried about your circumstances or events going on around you in the world, keep this scripture marked, your Bible close by and read it in those times. Jesus will give you the peace that passes all understanding.

Let not your heart be troubled,
Pastor Kay

Prayer Concerns:

Our military	Our missionaries
Char Wright	Jerry Marshall
Thanksgiving for the rain	The family of Lillie Elsie Kasperek
Allen & Jeannie Stepan	Rusty Hight
Sue Stepan	Ann Heintschel
Guy Huffman	Those who have lost family members
Matthew Huffman & family	Those who are traveling
Brenda Hammond	

October Birthdays

8 - Andrew Brown	11 - Laddie Ripple
11 - Chris Stepan	15 - Ian Woo
27 - Doris Cervenka	28 - Michael Woo

Flower and Communion Set - up: Pauline and David Ott - thank you. Holy Communion will be held on Sunday, October 7th.

Church News:

Sunday School - Adult Class: Martha and Jerry Dove are leading the adult class which is reviewing the beliefs of other religions and how as Christians we can share the good news of Jesus Christ with those of other faiths. **Children's Sunday School:** A Sunday School class is available for children. You are welcome to bring your children or grandchildren to this class.

Community Thanksgiving Service plans will be announced next month.

Board of Elders Report: The Elders encourage everyone who can to be part of the choir and Bible study activities that are being held on Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. The study is being led by Rev Kay Polasek and will continue through November. As always, if you have any comments or concerns, please let the Elders know.

Ordering Poinsettias: Order forms will be in the foyer to buy a poinsettia to help decorate the church for the month of December. They will be ordered from the local 4-H Club and the price is \$9.00 each. The proceeds from the poinsettias will go toward funding 4-H activities in Fayette County. The poinsettias are available in pink, red or white and come in 6" covered pots. They will be delivered to the church the first week in December. Please note that the sales are earlier this year – orders need to be in **by Oct 21**. Order extras for yourself! Thank you in advance for your support!

The Christian Sisters' Society: The Christian Sister's met August 12 after worship service with 10 members present. A recap of the June celebration silent auction was given. The Vintage apron show had many wonderful aprons on display – Virginia Helwig and Janet Roeder were thanked by everyone. Everyone also enjoyed the antique radio display – thanks again to Jerry Dove! Plans are underway for next year. With the proceeds and donations from the fundraisers that were held this year, several charities will be sent monetary funds. As has been done before, Unity Foreign and Home Missions is supported and the mailing of military packages continues. Other charities that will benefit with donations include the Brethren Journal Fund, Hus School Building Fund, American Bible Society, AMEN food pantry, Community Combined Action Group, St. Marks Hospital and La Grange Hospice. The Christian Sisters will continue to partner with students of Sharon Fritsch from Fayetteville ISD in a joint effort to fill the military packages and mail them.

A food drive will be held during the month of October and November for the AMEN food pantry of Fayette County. Donations will also be accepted for Operation Christmas Child. Please see the poster in the foyer for the age groups and items needed for the boxes. A Christmas Open house will be hosted by Pastor Kay & Ben Polasek on Saturday, Dec 8.

The February 9, 2013 fundraiser was discussed. It will be held on the town square. Breakfast tacos will be sold along with having a bake sale and raffle. Anyone who wants to donate towards the raffle should contact Liz. Raffle items will be collected until October 28. The Sister's Vice-President Pauline Ott is starting to make plans for a retreat sometimes next year. Dues for 2013 of \$20 are payable now to Martha. Pauline gave the devotional on being a servant and to love others today and everyday. The next meeting will be on November 4 after the worship service.

Memorials received – To the **General Fund** – For Lillie Elsik Kasperek by Mae Elsik; To the **Cemetery Fund** – For Lillie Elsik Kasperek by: Leland & Doris Miller; For Herrell Elsik by Mae Elsik. To the **Building Fund** – For Kate Cannon by Jerry & Martha Dove; For Lillie Elsik Kasperek by: Margaret & Eugene Michalsky; Joe & Liz Ripple; For Ruth Ann Seifert by Ann & Milton Heintschel; For Stephanie Chovanec Cofer by Ann & Milton Heintschel. If you would like to make a memorial for a friend or a loved one you may do so at any time. Please note it on your check.

Shan Dai Month of Prayer – Everyone is invited to take part in the Worldwide prayer movement for the Shan. If you would like to receive daily email prayers requests – email prayfortheshan@gmail.com and type "sign me up".

Commemorative Church Plate – \$25 donation - ready for wrapping. If you would like to purchase one, please contact Liz Ripple. If you would like to have one shipped to you, please send \$25.00 plus \$5.00 for shipping and handling to FBC, PO Box 11, Fayetteville Texas 78940.

Church Sesquicentennial Cookbook: \$20.00 donation of which all proceeds go to the building fund. If you would like to have one shipped to you, please send \$20.00 plus \$3.00 for shipping and handling to FBC, P.O. Box 11, Fayetteville Texas 78940.

Fayetteville School is collecting the following items for the 2012-13 school year: Box Tops for Education, Campbell soup labels, the package from Capri Suns, BIC and Sharpie writing products, Elmer's glue containers and rubber flip flops. The school sends in these items to earn credits or money that is used to purchase needed items for the children or the classroom. Please take your items to the school.