

# July Newsletter



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THURSDAY:	Nehemiah Prayer Group	9:00 a.m.
	Adult Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Bible Study	6:00 p.m.



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# July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	3 <b>OFFICED CLOSED</b>	
5 9:30 am Worship w/Communion	6	7	8	9 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	10	11
12 9:30 am Worship w/Family Dedication Service	13 6:30 pm Advisory Board	14	15	16 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	17 *12:00 noon Union Gospel Lamplighter Luncheon	18 *C.O.G.S.
19 9:30 am Worship	20	21	22	23 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	24 *S.A.G.E.	25
26 9:30 am Worship	27	28	29	30 9:00 am Nehemiah Prayer Group 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Study	31 <b>*TO BE DETERMINED</b>	

## JUNE REPORT

	ATTENDANCE	VIEWS	OFFERING*
6/7	27	34	\$3,594.00
6/14	35	33	\$3,045.00
6/21	33	20	\$1,279.00
6/28	NR	NR	NR

**2020 Year to Date received: \$58,097.00\***

**2020 Budgeted Amount: \$60,929.25\***

**Amount Needed Per Sunday: \$2,437.00\***

**\*These figures are for General Fund and Missions Only**

*But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.*

<sup>1</sup> John 3:17-18

## Stewardship Report

Average Weekly Donations* through <b>6/21/20:</b>	\$ 2,323.88
Average Weekly Donations Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 2,437.00**
<b>+/- Difference:</b>	- 113.12

(Last year at this time our weekly average difference was - 4.04.)

\* This figure includes only offerings for General Fund; it does not include offerings for Special Missions, Memorial Fund, Transfers, or Non-Budgeted expenses.

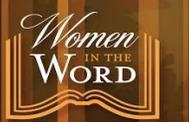
\*\*2020 Budget total: \$126,733.00 ÷ 52 weeks = \$2,437.00.



### Change of Address

Millie Kilborn has moved. This is her new address.

Millie Kilborn  
 Washington Crossing  
 4709 E 6th St #305  
 Sioux Falls, SD 57110  
 PH: 605-338-4652



**Ladies the book of the month**  
**For JULY is SONG OF SOLOMON.**

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Richard Rose
- 2 Brett Best
- 2 Makaila Wise
- Marla Harrington
- 4 Cindy Van't Hof
- 5 Elaine Hanson
- 6 Marge Sanborn
- 7 Clay Anthony Coffey
- 11 Jori Ellenbecker
- 12 Jerry Bender
- Kathy Paul (Sherman)
- 15 Russel Peters
- 16 Nancy O'Connell
- 18 Ted Ellenbecker
- Jennifer Feltis
- 20 Cynthia Lundberg
- Katie Best
- Cindy Nelson

- 21 Lisa Dawley
- 26 Elida Bell
- Jay Hoover
- 30 Delores Williams
- 31 Frank Feltis

## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Russel & Helen Peters
- 25 Bill & Cindy Nelson
- 31 Terry & Joanne Lindstrom



Thank you for all of the calls, cards, and prayers. We are so blessed to have you as our church family. A special thanks to those who have helped with my move to Washington Crossing.

Millie & Bob Kilborn

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### OUR HOME-BOUND MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Lenora McMillan    Cynthia Lundberg  
 Dorothy Heck        Bob Kilborn        Joy Ingalls

### OUR LEADERS

Pastor Brett Best    Board Members & Officers  
 Pastors Taku & Katie Longkumer and all Missionaries  
 Civil Government    Military  
 Firefighters & EMTs    Police

### OUR REGION

Pastor Dwayne Williams  
 Executive Minister Randy Rasmussen  
 Associated American Baptist Churches

# Emmanuel Baptist Church

Order of Worship

June 28, 2020

Please mute your electronic devices.

CREATION  
SUNDAY



2020  
IS OUR YEAR  
OF VISION

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

(To be repeated later on Call-Em-All if necessary)

## Pastoral Prayer

## Offering

\*"Have Thine Own Way, Lord" #591

\*"Doxology" #815

\*Dedication Prayer

**Interlude** (Videotaping will start here.)

## Congregational Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

**Special Ministry:** Helen Peters

**Message:** "Creation, All You Need to Know"

**Hymn:** "Faith Is the Victory" #727

## \*Benediction

In the beginning  
God  
created the heavens  
and the earth

# Women of Emmanuel

Dear Friends in Christ,

Here at Glory House we have a new and unique opportunity to make a positive difference in several women's lives. The Sioux Falls Women's Alliance has provided grant money for "Grief and Trauma Recovery," with the expectation that we obtain additional funding from area churches.

Here is the rationale for the program, as expressed in the grant application:

Recently more attention has been focused on "trauma-informed care" which takes seriously the participants' life history, including "Adverse Childhood Experiences" and other forms of victimization. Women at Glory House have often experienced multiple losses through abandonment, abuse, rejection or the death of an important person in her life.

Recent interviews with four clients revealed the following "typical" losses in their lives: homelessness; depression ("Going to bed and hoping to not wake up"), poor relationship with mother, separation from children (two cases), and unspecified "heavy tragedies." Unresolved grief can then manifest in various destructive ways such as addiction, self-harm, physical or mental illness, abusive relationships, and anti-social or criminal behavior.

Today I am writing to ask the Women of Emmanuel to consider a gift of \$50 toward the expenses of a series of ten group counseling sessions for 12-15 women at Glory House. We would appreciate your response by e-mail by July 31, and to receive the money by August 31 if possible. Thank you for considering this request, and as always, thank you for your continued prayer support.

**Please call Sandy Sherman (605-336-9779) with your thoughts about Women of Emmanuel going forward with this request.**

# For Your Information

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## *Our "coronavirus" table.*

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A table in the foyer is covered with a "mind map" (a way of organizing one's thoughts on a particular subject) on the coronavirus. You are invited to add your own learnings, concerns, joys, sorrows, thanks-givings, or misgivings. This is offered as a record of our community's reactions to the pandemic.

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## *Weekly Tithes and Offerings*

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Thank you for keeping current with your support of our shared ministry. You have maintained a secure financial footing throughout the pandemic. There are several ways you can give to God through Emmanuel.

- On Sundays, bring your gift to worship and put it in the offering plate in the foyer, or carry it to the front of the sanctuary, or raise your hand for an usher's assistance.
  - During the week, gifts can be made at your convenience by bringing them to the office or sending them in the mail.
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## *Communion*

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On Sunday, July 5, we will observe the Lord's Supper during our worship service. The elements will be served in the sanctuary in the form of individually packed piece of bread and a grape. Those watching online may supply their own elements.

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## *Daily Prayer Calls*

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We continue to send out daily messages of comfort from the Scripture with prayer on the Call-Em-All. You must contact the office to be added to the list of members and friends receiving these calls. On each day but Saturday, a call goes out at 7:00 pm, lasting less than two minutes.

## Scars in the Hands of Jesus

My eyes haven't seen nor have my ears heard  
What my Father has in store  
But when I hear the song of a sweet singing bird  
I'm closer than I've been before  
To that heavenly home built by God alone  
According to His perfect plan  
Where the only thing there that's been made by man  
Are the scars in the hands of Jesus

Yes I'm headed for a home built by God alone  
Hallelujah, praise the Lord, I am  
Where the only thing there that's been made by man  
Are the scars in the hands of Jesus

When I see a mountain covered with snow  
That's fallen from Heaven above  
It makes me feel small, hardly nothing at all  
To know that I'll be a part of  
That mansion world where the gates of pearl  
Are opened by an angel band  
And the only thing there that's been made by man  
Are the scars in the hands of Jesus

Yes I'm headed for a home built by God alone  
Hallelujah, praise the Lord, I am  
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## Do You Want to Cope or Have Hope?

I've been thinking lately: is it biblically accurate for us to define addictions as idolatry? Would such a definition help those who suffer from addictions?

In our culture, addiction has been defined as a "disease." While physical diseases have identifiable causes, symptoms, and cures, it is more difficult to identify those three things where mental/emotional/ spiritual issues are concerned. The "disease model" has been used by counselors and therapists to "treat" persons who have various degrees of dysfunction. The addict is called a "patient." The goal of "treatment" is to equip them to COPE with their addictive behavior and function normally in the world.

A problem with the disease model is that mental health professionals don't often use the word "cure." Instead, they attempt to use counseling and medication to restore a reasonable sense of balance and train the addict to live with control over their addiction. They offer an addict the ability to COPE.

Another problem with the disease model is that it takes responsibility off the addict, redefining them as a victim of nature and/or nurture. This view disempowers the addict, for if they had no responsibility in choosing the addiction, then it's easy to think they have little or no responsibility or power in dealing with it.

A biblical model would be to identify addictions as a form of idolatry. This approach centers on spirituality; it offers HOPE to be cleansed of sin, not just left to face a lifetime of coping with a "disease."

## Have Thine Own Way, Lord Hymn #591

Have Thine own way, Lord,  
Have Thine own way;  
Thou art the Potter,  
I am the clay.  
Mould me and make me  
After Thy will,  
While I am waiting,  
Yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord,  
Have Thine own way;  
Search me and try me,  
Master, today.  
Whiter than snow, Lord,  
Wash me just now,  
As in Thy presence  
Humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord,  
Have Thine own way;  
Wounded and weary,  
Help me, I pray.  
Power, all power,  
Surely is Thine,  
Touch me and heal me,  
Savior divine.

Have Thine own way, Lord,  
Have Thine own way;  
Hold o'er my being  
Absolute sway.  
Fill with Thy Spirit  
Till all shall see  
Christ only, always,  
Living in me.

## Faith is the Victory Hymn #727

Encamped along the hills of light,  
Ye Christian soldiers rise,  
And press the battle ere the night  
Shall veil the glowing skies;  
Against the foe in vales below  
Let all our strength be hurled;  
Faith is the victory, we know,  
That overcomes the world.

**Refrain:** Faith is the victory! Faith is the victory!  
O glorious victory, That overcomes the world.

His banner over us is love,  
Our sword the Word of God;  
We tread the road the saints before  
With shouts of triumph trod.  
By faith, they like a whirlwind's breath,  
Swept on o'er every field;  
The faith by which they conquered death  
Is still our shining shield. **Refrain**

On every hand the foe we find  
Drawn up in dread array;  
Let tents of ease be left behind,  
And onward to the fray.  
Salvation's helmet on each head,  
With truth all girt about,  
The earth shall tremble 'neath our tread,  
And echo with our shout. **Refrain**

To him that overcomes the foe,  
White raiment shall be giv'n;  
Before the angels he shall know  
His name confessed in heav'n;  
Then onward from the hills of light,  
Our hearts with love aflame,  
We'll vanquish all the hosts of night,  
In Jesus' conqu'ring name.

Let's define "idolatry" by turning to the original source: the Ten Commandments. The first two forbid everything related to the practice of idol-worship.

**"You shall have no other gods before me."**

**"You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or earth beneath or the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments." (Exodus 20:3-4)**

Based on these verses, we can understand that idolatry is putting something other than God in first place in our lives. It will probably not involve a statue or an organized religion; we're more subtle than that.

Every idol is worshiped by sacrifice. The depth of an addiction (idolatry) is measured by the persons and things we have sacrificed to serve that addiction (idol).

These commandments forbid making idols for ourselves, thus putting the responsibility right where it belongs: on each of us individually. A disease can be blamed on genes or environment, but an idol is clearly a choice we've made again and again.

Addictions take many forms: there are all kinds of idols we can create. Some are obvious (alcohol, sex, money), while others are subtle (drama, screens, pride). Whatever form an idol takes, we defeat it by confessing it as a sin, praying for God's forgiveness and help, and not making any more sacrifices to it.

<https://biblicalcounselingcenter.org/addiction-disease-or-idolatry/>

**- pastor brett best**

# Message Notes

"Creation: All You Need to Know" Romans 1:18-23

**Being a godly father requires righteous involvement in the lives of your children.**

1. God's wrath is being revealed and there are no excuses.  
(18-20)

A. THE WRATH OF GOD is His just and righteous sentence of the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. It IS BEING REVEALED (\_\_\_\_\_ tense).

C. Those under WRATH fully deserve it.

1) They are guilty of \_\_\_\_\_.

2) They are guilty of \_\_\_\_\_.

3) They are guilty of suppressing the \_\_\_\_\_ by means of their wickedness.

D. No one can use the excuse of \_\_\_\_\_.

1) GOD MADE IT \_\_\_\_\_ TO THEM.

2) The \_\_\_\_\_ qualities of CREATION point to GOD'S INVISIBLE QUALITIES.

3) MEN ARE WITHOUT \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Those who deny God put themselves under His wrath.  
(21-23)

A. People refuse to \_\_\_\_\_ him.

B. Rejection of God is their choice.

1) They refused to \_\_\_\_\_ Him AS GOD.

2) They refused to give \_\_\_\_\_ TO HIM.

C. The first earthly effect of God's WRATH: the \_\_\_\_\_ and darkness of their inner life.

D. The other effects Paul describes here are SEXUAL \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 24-27) and every other kind of depravity (vs. 28-32).

