



# Grace Notes

Enjoying the Gift of God Together at FCPC!

May 2018



## May Anniversaries

Davey and Marilyn Jensen  
May 5

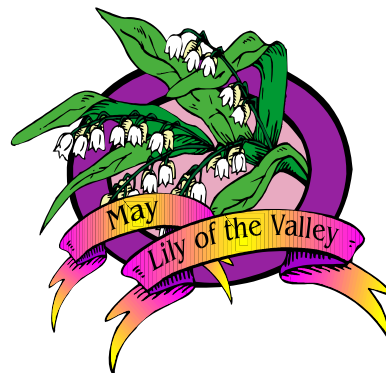
Josh and Ronee Christensen  
May 11

Ward and Melissa Ruge  
May 18

Larry and Laura Krajicek  
May 31

## May Birthdays

Clint Lewis	May 5
Jim Meyer	May 5
Owen Miller	May 5
Louis Lester	May 10
Max Steinhausen	May 12
Chris Mlynarik	May 17
Sharon Voss	May 17
Dawn Bradburn	May 18
Stu Sprick	May 18
Ella Bouwman	May 19
Joanne Slader	May 24
Ronee Christensen	May 25
Pat Nelson	May 31



For the month of May we will be collecting Jam and Jelly for the Washington County Food Pantry.

Thank you for your continued support!!



## PASTOR'S CORNER

We have been looking into the dream God has for us. God dreams for us to be truthful, always following God, be a unified group of people, love, and follow God's way. Tough at times, but worth working at!

This month I want to encourage you with this thought: Living into God's dream becomes a reality as we work at it. Remember this is the relationship that you are in with God, and if you want the relationship to grow and bear fruit then you must work at it. I know that you have heard this all before but let me give you an example from my own life.

I start my day by reading the lectionary readings for the day. I signed up for this to be sent to my inbox every morning. Over the years, I moved in and out of doing this, but it has been almost 8 months now, and I can say that it is something I look forward to every morning. The email sends me the Psalm for the season, Old Testament, New Testament, and a Gospel passage. I am enjoying coming to understand all the words and images that have been written to describe our God. It reminds me of how big and awesome God is! I now let God be all that God is for my life and relationship. Such a simple step every morning but getting into the Word of God strengthens my relationship with God. It takes work to not sit down at my desk and jump into all the things I need to work on. I stop myself and open that email and connect with God through the Bible. What can be work is now needed to allow myself to listen to God and for God to blow my mind with how awesome God truly is.

How are you living into God's dream for you? How much effort are you putting into your relationship with God? Relationships take work, and FCPC is here to help you work on your relationship with God! I pray that you will not dread working at your relationship with God – join your brothers and sisters weekly for worship to ask questions, celebrate life, and allow God to show you more of who God is. I would love to hear your stories of how God is moving in your life or what you are doing to strengthen your relationship with God. Let the blooming earth help you bloom your relationships!

Peace, Gregg

**Congratulations to our  
2018 Graduates!**

**Hunter Bolen  
Taylor Coulter**



Keep in touch with the Kman  
Family on their Face Book  
Page!

GanNaySay

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY  
MAY 6, 2018

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION  
MAY 12, 2018  
2:00

BEGINNERS GARTEN GRADUATION  
MAY 16, 2018  
7:00

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
JUNE 4-8, 2018

**Bella Benoit  
Cameryn Lewis  
Landon Miller  
Ethan Shaner**

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**Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to staff our  
Nursery/Toddler Room on Sunday mornings. We have  
every week covered except the first Sunday of the month. If  
you are interested in helping fill this opening please see  
Cheryl Miller.  
Thank you!**

- First Sunday: STILL OPEN**
- Second Sunday:** Jamie Bouwman and Taylor Coulter
- Third Sunday:** Kristy Bolen and Olivia Quinlan
- Fourth Sunday:** Melville's and Boyer's (alternating months)
- Fifth Sunday:** Shawn and Leah Klabunde

FORT CALHOUN AMERICAN  
LEGION POST 348

MONTHLY FUNDRAISING DINNER  
MAY 9, 2018  
5:00-7:00  
LEGION HALL  
\$10.00 Per Person

Grilled Smoked Pork Chops, baked  
potato, Bavarian red cabbage, green  
beans, dinner roll, beverages, ice  
cream sandwich and cookies.

**The proceeds will be going to the  
Javelan, Inc. organization. This  
is a non-profit group dedicated  
to providing service dogs to  
military veterans.**

## Fort Calhoun Community Garden Preparation Weekend

With the weather finally turning toward Spring, we have set aside a couple of times in May to prepare for the planting of the garden. Saturday morning on May 19 we are looking to begin to get the garden ready, and work on holding those pesky weeds at bay. Sunday afternoon on May 20 finishing up the prep work.

Here are some of the items we need to get done on this weekend:

- Fix the raised beds – the weather takes a toll on them.
- Turn over the raised beds
- Till up the planting rows
- Lay weed barrier between the planting rows
- Set up green bean poles and netting
- Set up poles for cucumbers, and other plants to help keep them off the ground
- Clean out the water tanks and position them for the season
- Check tomato cages and fix broken ones
- Create a list of needed tools or equipment to help the garden be prosperous

Remember that this garden is truly a community garden. If you don't plant a garden anymore, come and help and then share in the fresh produce. We give it all away. What a great opportunity to help children learn how to garden and to share.

Many hands make for light work and for getting things all ready for the growing season!

May 19 – 9:00 – 12:00 N

May 20 – 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The Next Session Meeting  
May 20, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

The Next Deacon Meeting  
May 20, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
FCPC BLOOD DRIVE  
JUNE 24, 2018  
9:00-3:00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED  
SUPPORT!

AND THE WINNER IS.....FAITH VILLAGE!

The winner of our first annual Hunger Games is Faith Village. Coming in second was the rest of the Congregation and Jr./Sr. High Youth was a close third. Overall we collected 464 items for the Food Pantry.

That is fantastic. Thank you all for contributing.

# May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 9:00 am Aerobics 7:30 pm Lifegroup	3 3:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Bible Study	4 9:30 am Aerobics	5
6 9:30 am Confirmation	7 9:30 am Aerobics	8	9 9:00 am Aerobics 5:00 pm Legion Dinner 7:30 pm Lifegroup	10 3:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Bible Study	11 Bolen Graduation Party Fellowship Hall	12 2:00 pm High School Graduation
13 9:30 am Graduation Blessing HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	14 9:30 am Aerobics	15	16 9:00 am Aerobics 7:00 pm Preschool Graduation 7:30 pm Lifegroup	17 1:00 pm FC Women's Club 3:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Bible Study	18 9:30 am Aerobics	19
20 11:00 am Session Mtg 11:00 am Deacon Mtg	21 9:30 am Aerobics	22 Prayer Shawl 7:00 pm  Last Day of School	23 9:00 am Aerobics 7:30 pm Lifegroup	24 3:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Bible Study	25 9:30 am Aerobics	26
27	28 Memorial Day 	29	30	31 3:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Bible Study		



