



In the Loop

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”

Isaiah 41:10

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Centennial Fun on the Lawn!

Mark your calendars and plan to be part of a great time on the lawn at Centennial Christian Church on Sunday, July 26 at 6:30 PM. This is being sponsored by the Elders. It will be a time of fun and fellowship but in a safe way. We need to be together! Plan to bring your lawn chair. If you do not have one let the church office know and we will have a chair for you. More details will be coming!

Prayer for Boldness In the Face of Injustice

Written by Rev. Dr. Beth Rupe

Eloah, we call out to you with confidence and expectation. We trust that as you heard the cries of the children of Israel from the slave huts of Egypt, you hear the cries of those crushed by the domination systems of today. We trust that as you gave Ruth the courage to accompany Naomi, to risk the dangers of a single woman gleaning in the fields, and to seek a way to secure her future, you will help us find the courage to act in bold ways. And so, Eloah, we come to you thirsty for water from the rivers of justice and hungry for the bread of your righteousness.

In our own town, Eloah, we have heard the cries of black and brown brothers and sisters who continue to be pushed down by systems of domination today. We denounce the message of the Klan as it seeks inroads in our town. We denounce all who seek to oppress people of color. We have heard of long time community members who are suddenly viewed with suspicion because they have darker skin. We denounce the fear and anger that turns neighbor against neighbor based on color.

In our nation, Eloah we have heard the cries of immigrants who like Ruth want a better future for those they love. Help us act like Boaz who cared for and protected Ruth, an immigrant seeking sustenance from his land. We have heard the cries of Natives as they were stripped of their land, their identity and dignity. We denounce policies and practices that protect white neighborhoods and communities while ignoring and at times actively endangering the health and well-being of neighborhoods and communities of persons of color.

Eloah, help us to trust you as Ruth trusted you. Help us to see beyond our own self-interests and needs to have compassion for others as Ruth had compassion for Naomi. Help us to be like Ruth, agents of renewal and hope so others may be restored from places of bitterness to places of joy and generational possibilities. Eloah, help us to engage like Boaz speaking out for the safety and well-being of others. May we seek to provide food for the hungry. May we advocate that the immigrants and the strangers in our midst have safe passage. May we act boldly, seeking justice and working for the day when all may sit under their own fig trees without fear.

Eloah, you are the God of Israel and the God of the nations. We see your heart and experience your passion in the ministry of Jesus Christ. Hear our prayer, O Lord, guide us and instruct us to be Christ's voice and hands, living with your passion and acting with your compassion wherever we go. Amen.

Spiritual Inspiration



Pastor Heather Spiritual Sugar Devotion Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11AM at:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/centennialcc.org/videos/?ref=page_internal

Join us for virtual Worship every Sunday at 10:15 AM at:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/centennialcc.org/>

Sunday	Scripture
July 19	Ruth 2:1-20 and 4:9-17
July 26	Ruth 1:14-18 and 3:1-15
August 2	Esther 1:1-22
August 9	Esther 3:1-11 and 7:1-10

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sunshine Wetzel	07/04
Sarah and Aaron Todd	07/14
Elsie Wetzel	07/15
Steve Lienhop	07/22
Geoff Davis	07/24
Cynthia Ferguson	07/29



PRAYERS OF PETITION

Diane Armstrong, Peggy Bates, Shaun Brien, Ann Burmaster, Ricky Cantu, Julia Cleinmark, Cheryl Conlin, Cameron Cook, Evelyn Cunningham, Muriel Dawson, Terry Foland, Scott Griffith, Jim Hawkins, Joan, Karen, Tammy Leonard, Stewart Pequignot, Lexi Peterson, Pete Rasmussen, Ronnie, Fern Scaggs, Cindy Schroeder, Joe Schroeder, Barbara Short, Don Short, Rhonda Smith, Rick Stevenson, Cindy and Robert Trail, Kay Vance, Vicky, Marian Wrinkle

AT HOME/ASSISTED LIVING: Sue Boyd, Pat (Westminster) and Earl (Martin Health) McIntyre, Anita Poling, Pauline Sisson, Pat Watson, Elsie Wetzel

NURSING HOMES: Heritage Manor— Billy (Tom) Robey, Rev. Barbara Short, Don Short; The Loft—Cynthia Ferguson; *Sugar Creek Care Center*—David Gibson

MILITARY: Mark Brien, Keyla Folsom, Troy Guyran, Benjamin Horn, Michael Iverson, Adam and Angie Lienhop, Clay Short, John Thomas, Darrell Walton, Christopher Wilson-Poston, Glen Whitecotton

Rae Geske— needs prayers of support and healing as she gets testing done to find out why she is in continuing pain.