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Newsletter from the pastor

#### FROM CARRIE TO GARRY

This is the second installment in articles about the ministry of your pastor. After serving twelve years as Executive Minister of United Methodist Urban Ministry (now Open Door and Grace Med after they split and got new names) There is more to the story.

The Kansas West Annual Conference had an annual confirmation rally for the entire conference. In those years, several hundred youth from all over the conference came to Wichita. They toured Urban Ministry in small groups, so I often gave my "I don't want you to become my clients" speech as many as twenty four times on that date.

My speech says things like, don't use alcohol, forty percent of homelessness is because of alcohol; don't smoke; don't gamble; don't use drugs; stay in church, and don't get pregnant. Those eighth graders would giggle about not getting pregnant until I told them that in an average year in Wichita forty five fourth and fifth grade girls got pregnant. But there was a major emphasis on not drinking alcohol.

About three months after I retired, I was asked to have a meeting with some folks, and I did not know what the meeting was about. They were the Board members of Kansans for Addiction Prevention. They were mostly United Methodist pastors that had come through with confirmation classes and heard me lambast alcohol. They were recruiting me to become the President of the organization.

I was not aware of the history of the organization which traced its temperance crusades back to Carrie Nation taking a hatchet to a bar in Old Town Wichita. There were leadership changes after Carrie Nation, but Richard Taylor is probably the person you might have had preach in Furley. Richard was a full time advocate for temperance, a great fund raiser, and a most effective lobbyist in Topeka. The person that took over after Richard was not as effective, so he was leaving, and I was offered a half time position.

For the next twelve years, I was THE main temperance lobbyist in the state of Kansas. I was not as effective as Dick Taylor, but there were some things put on hold, and several victories. I was promised a good salary, and good support. They forgot to mention that I was also to raise all of the money for the organization. So after those twelve years of spending time in the Capitol, I retired once again.

GOOD WORDS

**COME,  
LET'S JOURNEY TOGETHER  
LIVING LIFE,  
LOVING JESUS**

## CHANGING GOALS

Sometimes we can do similar things, but have different goals. During the worst stages of the pandemic, we wanted to have church on-line so we could continue having church. It is difficult to preach to a camera and not know if anyone is even on-line.

But now we have upgraded the technology and perhaps by the time you read this newsletter we are back on-line. We hope that you will continue to come to church and experience the service in person. But we hope that there will be persons who can not come to church because of physical problems or distance will click on the upgraded website and watch the live church service.

An additional goal that gave the project a new goal is the hope that we can find participants that are new to the Furley church. We all have family members that have chosen to stop attending church, but we might be able to convince them to watch the live broadcast. Maybe a neighbor is hesitant to attend church in person, but might watch on line. Readers of this newsletter are the recruiters for this ministry.

We have a team that is managing the technology, and we greatly appreciate the many hours that they have given in this ministry.

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### Jesus Children

#### Jesus Will Help You Carry the Load

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” Matthew 11:28

Some of you have some pretty heavy burdens to carry in life. Perhaps you have a physical handicap that makes your life difficult. Or, maybe someone in your family has health issues you are worried about them. You may be having a hard time studying or completing your tasks at work. Some of these things you just can't handle by yourself. Well, guess what? You don't have to!

Jesus said, “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest.” There is no reason for any of us to struggle with burdens that are too heavy for us. God's Word is full of promises to help us in times of trouble. Here are just a few: “Don't be afraid, I am with you.” (Gen. 26:24) “I'll give you strength.” (Psalm 28:7) “I'm with you in times of trouble.” (Psalm 34:6). These words of encouragement are just what we need to face the hard times that may come our way.

Does that mean that if we will

ask him, God will take all of our troubles away? No, but he will help us. In fact, some of our struggles may help us to grow and become stronger. They may also help us to learn to trust in Jesus. But when the load is too heavy, he will help us to carry it - and there is no burden that is too heavy for Jesus.

Dear Father, we are thankful that when we struggle under the load of life's burdens, you are there to help us carry the load. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(adopted from [www.Serons4Kids.com](http://www.Serons4Kids.com))

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#### OUTREACH TO OPEN DOOR'S HOMELESS RESOURCE CENTER

NEXT Sandwich Saturday is September 17th. Delivery of sack lunches on Monday, September 19th. Watch the weekly bulletin or our Facebook page for details on sandwich and sack lunch preparation.

Furley Church prepares 70 sack lunches during the months of March through December. The

giving of food items for the lunches AND helping hands to prepare these lunches is greatly appreciated by the Furley Church Mission and Outreach ministry team.

You cash gifts make possible the placement of little extras in the sack lunches each month, too. Personal care items such as toothbrushes/toothpaste, socks, lip balms, and Purell wipes have accompanied our monthly lunches. September's extra will be deodorant. A separate packet containing breath mints, a piece of chocolate, a scripture or prayer card and that “little extra” will be added to each lunch.

Keep praying for the staff of Open Door. The hot weather has placed added stress on all of Wichita's Homeless Ministries. Follow the Furley United Methodist Church on Facebook for updates from Open Door and the Union Rescue Mission as to most urgent needs for their ministries.

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## COMMUNITY LUNCH RESUMES SEPTEMBER 2nd

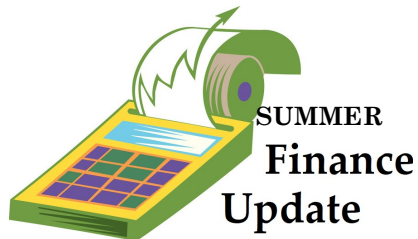
Yes. We'll be back at it, serving community a good meal and providing a safe and comfortable place for fellowship on Friday, September 2nd, 11:30 am – 12:45pm. See the flyer in this newsletter for menu details.

Invite a friend! We love to welcome new folks to the community lunch table.

The "Free Will" offering received from lunch attendees goes first to cover costs of the meal. At the end of the Community Lunch season-after the Thanksgiving meal-the Oversight Team will determine how to disburse funds, investing back into the community and special projects in the Church. In previous years Community Lunch dollars have been donated for transportation needs at Wheat State Manor, local food pantries, gift card for local law enforcement officers to carry for emergency assistance needs, and purchase more tables, chairs, serving items, and paid for cleaning the carpeting at Furley Church.

Your prayers for the planning and facilitating of these meals are greatly appreciated! Pray, also, for the hospitality of the Spirit to fill our church as we open our doors to the community. May they know we are Christians by seeing our joy in serving them and working together to do so.

**Ephesians 2:4,5** "Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved." NIV  
Lord, help us share that grace and your love with all who join us for lunch on September 2nd.



Praising God for many good things this summer in Furley Church! We have had faithful worship attendance, frequent visitors, new helping hands in ministry and strong giving of tithes and special offerings all summer.

The "Praise God" list includes. . .

- ⇒ Excellent support of the Adopt-A Teacher outreach during June and July, \$2,100.00 was poured back into educators in USD 206, plus teachers connected to Furley Church, through gifting \$35.00 Amazon gift cards to 60 educators. Blessed to bless these hard-working educators!
- ⇒ The 2022 Mission Share due the Great Plains Conference by Furley Church is now Paid in Full. Furley Church always pays this apportionment in full, but this is the first time ever to fulfill that payment in August. Total Mission Share for 2022 = \$7,915.00.
- ⇒ Upgrades to technology are ongoing. Furley Church will soon livestream on YouTube, assemble from our new website (still in the design process). Person will no longer need to be a Facebook user to worship online at Furley Church. Your faithful giving is making these upgrades possible.

Contact your Treasurer, Cheryl Slater, by emailing [cbslater58@gmail.com](mailto:cbslater58@gmail.com) or by phone at 316.737.0038 with your church financial questions or to receive a copy of the monthly financial report.

God is good, all the time!



## RECYCLE DAYS

Last names beginning...

A thru K = September 27th

L thru Z = September 13th

Recycle Often –Recycle Right

Go to [www.wm.com](http://www.wm.com) for details on what can and cannot be placed in the recycle carts.

### REMINDERS:

- Please wash out all tin cans, glass jars and plastic containers.
- Break down cardboard boxes and remove packing tape and labels.
- Blacken personal information on prescription bottles before placing in the cart. Lids may be off or on the bottles.
- **No plastic bags** allowed in the cart.

Thanks for your continued diligence to recycling.

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### ***North Butler 4-H Club July Tour and Fair Participation***

*By Cora Brackenridge, North Butler 4-H  
Club Reporter*

Touring North Butler County! The North Butler County 4-H club held its club tour July 11, 2022, and 4-H projects were shared.

The first stop was at the Amend's house and the shade tree in their yard was the perfect gathering place. Ella showed her two heifers, Broccoli and Brook. Next, everyone met her horse High Five. Ella shared her sewing skills with her striped pants she had constructed and modeled. Julia's cute bucket calf, Nellie, enjoyed all the attention she received. Julia presented how she had modeled a red and navy plaid dress for Buy Manship judging.

Next, we traveled to Whitewater. This stop the attendees saw many

types of sewing machines. These weren't sewing machines for cloth, they were for sewing leather! Natalie Worrell demonstrated sewing on her patent leather fanny pack and shared how the different machines were used for different types of stitching.

The caravan of attendees continued to grow and traveled onto Hadley Miller's home. Hadley introduced her chickens and had 4-Her's open the gate! The chickens came out to eat. A big basket of multicolored eggs were passed around. Other 4-Her's shared on their projects being prepared for the fair.

Jump, splash, and into the cool swimming pool went the 4-Her's. Dinner and swimming was enjoyed at the last stop at Judy Ingalsbe's home.

Later in the week, more 4-H fun occurred at the Butler County Fair, July 14-18. Many of the club members demonstrated their skills across multiple projects. Horse showmanship, sewing construction and fashion revue, foods and nutrition, photography, art, leather, woodworking, gardening, swine, and beef were a few of the projects with members entering items or animals for judging. Club service occurred with 4-Her's parents, and leaders working the fair concession stand, along with clean up of the fair grounds. Barnyard Olympics, judging contest, along with the food and livestock auctions are a few of the highlights. Most enjoyable is the 4-Her's hanging out together across the county and forming friendships and seeing the attendees look at the great craftsmanship and well fitted animals. The close of the fair brings the next step of the 4-H year of working on record books to record all of the activities and learning's that have occurred throughout the year.



#### To The Members of Furley Church

Thank you for your continued support of RES. I am grateful for your prayers and donations. I'm looking forward to a productive year! Thanks again for your generosity

God Bless,

Kathleen Peters

2nd Grade Teacher at RES

To My Friends of Furley Church  
Wow, what a thoughtful and generous gift for a teacher!

First of all, and most importantly, the gift of prayer. It does this teacher's heart good and I feel blessed to know others are lifting up our RES family! Thank You!

Thank you also for the gift card! Please know, it will be spent well I appreciate it so very much.

Feeling VERY grateful,  
Heide Thornburg

#### Furley Church Family,

What a wonderful surprise, to find an Amazon card in my school mailbox! Your generosity is SO appreciated!

Thank you for supporting education and our teachers at Remington!

Carla Ryan

We had a joy to share ....a good Samaritan brought a weed-eater to our yard and cleaned up our ditches and our various driveways. I am so thankful as weed-eating is a little bit of a struggle for me. I need another contraption that is lighter and easier to handle. So, what a delight to see our ditches cleaned up!!

I am mor4 comfortable with being the "doer" for others but am so grateful and I remember what our friend Lyle Brown used to say..."Don't take the blessing away from the person giving the blessing"

Jim & Jan Lane

Our Church Family,

Ron and I wanted to thank the Furley Church and all its members for a lovely lunch. Especially all the ladies who donated the time and effort with the deserts and sides.

You all make us feel very welcome.  
Ron & Karen Buss

Thank you for the Amazon Gift Cards. We cannot express how grateful we are for your generosity.

Remington High School Staff  
(signed by all the High School Staff)

Thank you for the Amazon gift card for my classroom! This gift and your prayers are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Mandy Snyder (RMS)

Thank You Furley Church Family,

The children of our Remington community are blessed by your contributions, prayers and love. As a teacher, I am greatly appreciative that you pour your love into what we do each day. Your \$35 gift card will be put to great use in my classroom! You're a blessing!

Lori Gillet  
RES Facilitator & Educator of the  
Future Generation

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If anyone has a story or article that can be used in the newsletter please let me know.

Always seem to have space to fill with something.



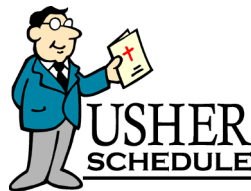
#### GREETER'S

September 4th  
Gary & Lamoyne Eilert

September 11th  
Denny & Carolyn Hill

September 18th  
Debbie & Makenzie C.

September 25th  
Jan & Kaedan Lane



#### OFFERING USHER'S

September 4th  
John Horner & Gary Eilert

September 11th  
Keith Slater & Marvin S.

September 18th  
Randey Koehn & Ron Buss

September 25th  
Gary Eilert & Keith Slater



#### OFFERING COUNTER'S

September 4th  
Keith Slater & Pam Horner

September 11th  
Pam Horner & Gary Eilert

September 18th  
Gary Eilert & Jan Lane

September 25th  
Jan Lane & Keith Slater



Psalms 37:5, NRSV



## **First Friday Community Lunch**

**September 2nd @ Furley UMC**

**11400 E. 101<sup>st</sup> Street North**

**Serving between 11:30 am &**

## **MENU**

**3 Meat Cavatini, Italian Chicken Casserole**

**Build your own Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread,**

**Fruit Salads and Desserts**

**Free will donations**

*Carry out meals available.*

*If you would like to take food home for the weekend, we'll  
provide containers for you to fill after 12:45 pm.*

*Delivery to home bound, too. Call 744-0318 after  
8:30 am on September 2nd to arrange for delivery.*



First Friday is brought to you by the  
people of Furley Church and the  
Furley Community.

**Come for good food  
and great fellowship!**

# Remember the Promises

## September 2022 Scripture Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Read John 3:16  Whosoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life	2 Read John 3:14,15  Whoever believes in the Son of man lifted up, will not perish	3 Read Romans 10:9  Confess with your mouth. Believe in your heart. You will be saved
4 Read Romans 10:13  Everyone who calleth on the name of the LORD will be saved	5 Read Joshua 1:5  I will never leave you nor forsake you	6 Read Psalms 55:22  Leave your troubles with the LORD, he will defend you	7 Read Psalm 34:7  The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him	8 Read Psalms 37:4  Delight yourself in the LORD, receive the desires of your heart	9 Read Isaiah 40:31  Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength	10 Read Ezekiel 36:26  I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you
11 Read Rev. 15:3,4  For you alone are holy, your righteous acts have been revealed	12 Read James 1:2,3  The testing of your faith produces perseverance	13 Read Deut. 31:8  The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you	14 Read Exodus 15:13  You will lead the people you have redeemed	15 Read Psalms 32:8  I will counsel you with my loving eye on you	16 Read Matthew 11:28  Come to me, all with heavy burdens, and I will give you rest	17 Read Matthew 11:29  Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, find rest for your souls
18 Read 2 Corinth. 12:9  My grace is sufficient for you. My power is made perfect in weakness	19 Read Jeremiah 29:11  The LORD declares, "I have plans for you. Plans for hope and a future"	20 Read 2 Samuel 22:4  I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and have been saved	21 Read Romans 8:28  We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him	22 Read Isaiah 40:29  He gives strength to the weary and increase the power of the weak	23 Read Isaiah 41:13  I am the LORD, your God. Do not fear, I will help you	24 Read Isaiah 54:10  My unfailing love for you will not be shaken, nor my covenant of peace removed
25 Read Malachi 3:10  Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse. . . I will throw open the floodgates of blessings	26 Read 2 Chron. 7:14  If they humble themselves . . . I will forgive their sin and heal their land	27 Read John 16:33  In the world you will have troubles, but take heart, I have overcome the world!	28 Read Psalms 23:4  God promises to go with us through the darkest valley	29 Read 1 John 1:9  If we confess our sins, HE is faithful to forgive	30 Read 1 Kings 8:23  There is no other God like you. You keep your covenant of love with your servants	

# September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 First Friday Lunch 11:30-12:45	3  Jan Lane
4	5 LBOR DAY	6	7	8	9 Bingo WSM 3:00	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Volunteer @ KK  Administrative Council 7:00 pm  Denny Hill	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	