



No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey ... YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

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## *A Few Thoughts ...*

*Fair warning here.* It's time for our summer missive concerning the financial situation of the Church and the discipleship of our individual finances and resources.

The Church, as is becoming increasingly normal, is once again severely in the red. Our income for the first half of the year has not kept up with our expenses. The council has taken steps to reduce our expenditures. It has helped some. But the reality is income still falls short of our expenses.

To quote an old and overly used joke, there is bad news, there is good news, and there is bad news. The bad news is we are seriously in the red. The good news is, we do know where the money is. The bad news is, it is still in our pockets and checkbooks.

We have seen some amazing things happen in the life of the Armada Church this year. Attendance is up. We have re-started Sunday School. We continue to have a great time and learn a lot at our Thursday Bible Study class. Mission continues to happen with MCREST and other

missions. It has become fairly exciting around here. With 10 -15 kids in worship each Sunday, I never know just what's going to happen. God provides some interesting teaching moments.

Good things are happening and God willing, look to continue to happen.

It is an unpleasant reality of our time that these good things do not happen without adequate financing. Like it or not, money is important.

If you look in the Gospels, you will see that Jesus talks about money and possessions more than anything else. What we do with our money is an important part of our discipleship. Jesus invites us to lay all we are and all we have at his feet, to be used to continue his work in our world. For many of us the starting point for discipleship is tithing. Tithing is giving God 10% of all our income and properties. Understand though, Jesus never asked his followers for 10%. He told them to give all they had to God. Money talk like that drove some folks away from Him.

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*Our mission statement ...  
To plant God's seeds of faith, hope  
and love in ministry to the  
community where we can cultivate,  
nurture and grow congregational  
strength into a foundation of lifelong  
Christian prayer, faith and service.*

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Dates & Times  
Worship & Sunday School  
Sundays 10:00 am

Communion  
Once a Month

All are welcome at  
Christ's Table

**JUNE 16, 2024  
FATHER'S DAY  
"TOOLS OF HOPE TRIBUTES"**

In Memory of: Larry Adams  
**Given by: Judy Adams**

In Honor of: Jim Fee  
Bob Schouman  
**Given by: Kay Fee**

In Memory of: John Fee  
Harry Fee  
Glenn McLaughlin  
**Given by: Kay Fee**

In Honor of: Jack Kovalic, Brother  
**Given by: Carol Przyhocki**

In Memory of: John Kovalic, Father  
Gene Przyhocki, Husband  
**Given by: Carol Przyhocki**

**DONATIONS GIVEN BY:**

**Louis & Linda Balaze  
Peter & Linda DeNardis  
Kay Rawlings  
Jack & Lori Riggs  
Lewis & Rhosan Zebelian**

**GREAT JOB!**

**TOOLS OF HOPE DONATION**

**\$225.00**



**UPDATED TOTAL FOR  
MOTHER'S DAY BLANKETS IS**

**\$290.00**

**THANK YOU FOR A  
WONDERFUL JOB!**

# GUGG Mission ...

## **Backpacks and School Supplies Mission**

Your Missions Committee is once again asking for your support in donating backpacks and school supplies to **Armada's Krause Elementary School** students.

We will be collecting backpacks and school supplies Sunday, August 4 through Sunday, August 25, with collection bins in the side room.

Please note the following is the wish list for the new school year:

### **Backpacks: Grades K-5**

Plain, No Cartoon Characters

### **School Supplies**

Glue Sticks  
Pocket Folders  
Crayola Crayons 24 or 48 Pack  
Erasers  
Dry Erase Markers  
Scissors  
Pencils  
Highlighters  
Colored Pencils

### **Classroom Needs**

Ziploc Sandwich Bags  
Kleenex  
Clorox Wipes  
Plastic Spoons  
Napkins

# Thank you!



## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **Sunday Worship**

July 7, 14, 21, 28  
August 4, 11, 18, 25

### **No Bible Study**

Resume Date TBD

### **Worship Service In The Park**

**July 14 or 21 ~ 10:00 AM**

**Please stay tuned for exact date.**

Memorial Park  
Fulton Street / Prospect NE Corner  
Between Armada Ridge  
(Main Street) & Armada Center  
(Bring a chair if able.)



### **Thursday Council Meetings 7:00 PM**

July 18  
August - To Be Determined

### **Rummage Sale**

Friday, July 26 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Saturday, July 27 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Sunday, July 28 - 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM



### **Back to School Mission Project**

Sunday, August 4 through  
Sunday, August 25

# July & August Scripture ...



## JULY SCRIPTURE

### **July 7 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Psalm 48

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

Ezekiel 2:1-5

Psalm 123

### **July 14 - Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

Psalm 24

Ephesians 1:3-14

Mark 6:14-29

Amos 7:7-15

Psalm 85:8-13

### **July 21 - Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Psalm 89:20-37

Ephesians 2:11-22

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm 23

### **July 28 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 11:1-15

Psalm 14

Ephesians 3:14-21

John 6:1-21

2 Kings 4:42-44

Psalm 145:10-18

## AUGUST SCRIPTURE

### **August 4 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

Psalm 51:1-12

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:24-35

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

Psalm 78:23-29

### **August 11 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalm 34:1-8

### **August 18 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Psalm 111

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

Proverbs 9:1-6

Psalm 34:9-14

### **August 25 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

1 Kings 8:[1, 6, 10-11], 22-30, 41-43

Psalm 84

Ephesians 6:10-20

John 6:56-69

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Psalm 34:15-22

# From the Church Office ...

## LITURGIST - JULY

July 7 ~ Carol Przyhocki  
July 14 ~ Butch Mendler  
July 21 ~ Kathy Cryderman  
July 28 ~ Kathy Cryderman

## DIACONATE - JULY

July 7 ~ Rhosan Zebelian  
July 14 ~ Butch Mendler  
July 21 ~ Linda DeNardis  
July 28 ~ Bonnie Simpson

## LITURGIST - AUGUST

August 4 ~ Gemma Rock  
August 11 ~ Ashley Welch  
August 18 ~ Judy Smith  
August 25 ~ Butch Mendler

## DIACONATE - AUGUST

August 4 ~ Carol Przyhocki  
August 11 ~ Kay Fee  
August 18 ~ Rhosan Zebelian  
August 25 ~ Butch Mendler

### **Zoom Worship Services**

If you know of anyone that would like to join us for Worship or Bible study via zoom, please give that person the link or contact the church office at [conucc@att.net](mailto:conucc@att.net) And i will email the link to them.

### **On-Line Donation**

You can give your donation to the church through our website at [armadacongregational.com](http://armadacongregational.com) Just click on the "Interact With Us" button and select the "Giving Form."

## Thank you!



Evan Rock and his family would like to thank the congregation for the High School Graduation Celebration and gift. We appreciate your thoughtfulness!

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The Scriptures tell us they were just too attached to their money to follow Jesus. There it is. I am unsure about how I can make it clearer. It's time for all of us to consider increasing our giving. Some of us can give a lot more than we have been, and so we should. Others do not have the resources that allow for large gifts. So, we give what we can. If you can give God \$.50 a week. Do it. God knows what you are doing. If you can give hundreds or even thousands of dollars more. Do it. No one else need know what you are doing. God knows what you are doing. Lorolie and I will be increasing our giving to both Armada and Gibraltar. I invite and encourage you to do the same.

*Peace and Love,  
Doyle*

You can also use the QR Code below to give. It will take you right to Tithe.ly



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### Imagine What's Possible

Your donations and gifts help the Congregational United Church of Christ provide help for those right here in our church and to people in need locally and all around the world.

If you would like to make a donation to our church or learn more about the missions we are involved in, please feel free to contact the church office. We will then put in touch with a member of the church. CALL: 586.784.5901



## *Lord Hear Our Prayers*

**Deanna Lewis** (Pastor Doyll's friend), **Joanna Fee**, (cancer, Kay Fee's daughter-in-law), **Laurie Cowert** (struggling, Devon Slanec's sister), **Jake** (Crohn's Disease, Carol Przyhocki's Grandson), **Jael Stockwell** (horrific work accident - burn victim, & **his Family**, friends of Meagan Jantamerian), **Linda Healy**, (cancer, friend of Linda DeNardis), **Carol Przyhocki** (surgery), **Judy Adams** (heath issues), **Lorolie Andrews** (surgery), **Parker** (lukemia, 15-year-old friend of Linda & Peter DeNardis), **Gracie Andrews** (Pastor Doyll's granddaughter), **Rose Beavnier**.

**All the homeless.**  
**Those in the Military.**  
**The people of Ukraine. The people of Israel and Palestine.**  
**For all those affected by gun violence.**  
**Victims of human trafficking.**

