



# The Crest Connection

Connecting people with the Life that counts for eternity!

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 *In July all undesig-nated mission gifts will support the Cancer Support Ministry and its outreach efforts to cancer patients.*

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### Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday:

9:00 am Bible Study  
10:15 am Worship

#### Tuesday:

6:30 p.m. GriefShare;  
Women's Bible Study

#### Wednesday:

7:00 am Prayer Meeting  
6:30 pm Youth Group

#### Thursday:

7:00 pm Night Light at  
McKinley Park

Beloved,

As of this writing, we have yet to finish June but the heat of summer has arrived. And, with the heat comes the July activities of 4th of July, camp, county fair and V.B.S.

Cali Purdum will be coordinat-



ing a Crest VBS float in the 4th of July Parade. If you can assist in that, please arrive in the staging area by the livestock sale barn around 10:15 a.m. This is a great opportunity to reach out to our community and get the word out about our upcoming V.B.S.

Speaking of V.B.S., please make that a daily prayer item as it is such a strategic ministry in reaching children and families for Christ. Pray for the children who will be coming, as well as the workers!

The Cancer Support Ministry will be having a training time and their annual Hope Floats boating outing for cancer patients/ survivors on July 26. If you would like to be a part of this vital ministry, contact Gay Lynn Owens.

We have a completed parking lot and hope to have the striping finished this month. We have had a hard time getting canopy bids but hope to have another this month.

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Hi Church Family,

Summer has officially started for youth, we had a great kickoff party and we're beginning the summer schedule which is a little more laid back, fun and relational. This is to provide a low key time for students



as they're navigating a busy summer full of work, sports, and family vacations. It also serves as a good transition time for students who have just completed 5th grade to start to transition into youth. Incoming 6th graders are welcome any time this summer.

In June, Bethany hosted a paint



party for the Crest Youth girls. They spent a Saturday morning hanging

out and working on some personal works of art.

We have six youth going to camp. Please pray for this time during which youth will have times of growing closer to God and having opportunities to serve Him.

*Pastor Neal*

### ADULT BIBLE CLASSES ON SUNDAYS

SUNDAY MORNING (9:00 A.M.)

**Living by Faith: Women Who Trusted God**—Faith is far more than a belief system; biblical faith infuses all parts of life. Six women in the Bible faced unique challenges, yet their faith in God took the forefront in how they dealt with the situations. This, then, gives us a great picture of what it means to live by faith.

**Mentoring (July 14)**—This special focus lesson will glean from the mentoring relationship between Paul and Timothy, intentionally investing in another believer. **Living a Godly Life in an Ungodly World (July 21)**—Through this 6-week study of King Asa, you'll discover how to face life head on as you focus on God, live a lifestyle of worship and persist with courage and dependence on Him. Senior Adults (Fellowship Hall); Adults (Room 105); Young Adults (Mayflower Office)

**Mark** – For many today, Christianity is about morality, knowledge, or social connections. But for first century Christians it was first about



identity with Jesus – following after Him, doing what He did, and obeying His commands. This may challenge you about what it actually means to be a follower of Jesus. Adults (Room 109)

**The Life of David** – This 7-week study by Alexander MacLaren will examine the circumstances of David's life and link them to the Psalms attributed to him. Adults (Room 104)

SUNDAY EVENING

**Cancer Support Ministry:** We are reaching out to families

who are living with cancer. Contact Joe or Gay Lynn Owens at (641) 202-5004. This month's meeting is on July 21 in the Fellowship Hall for lunch and training by Dr. Chuck Hoyt.

TUESDAY

**GriefShare**—This is a Christ-centered 13-week series for those grieving the death of someone close. Cost is \$15 for materials. Contact Brian Cramer, 344-6249. (Youth Room, 6:30 p.m.) 7/16, 23

**Daniel**—This six-week, video driven study by Beth Moore will help women learn how to maintain integrity and stand firm in a culture that bows down to the things of the world. Sign up for this class at the Welcome Center.

THURSDAY

**Celebrate Recovery**—Contact Amanda Davis, 344-2440 for current details about opportu-

Preschool, Children and Youth classes are also offered on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and Youth on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

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Thanks for your flexibility in parking during the construction phase and for your financial gifts and commitments toward this project.

As always, I am grateful for the many ways in which you are reflecting the love of Christ to one another! What a joy it is to serve among you.

In Christ's love,

*Pastor Chuck*



Anthony and Sheona Fienhage on the birth of their daughter, Ellowin Louise, born on April 30.

Seth and Zaidy Tjelmeland in the birth of son, Mansel Charles on May 16

Palmer and Tasia Scott are the new parents of a son, Langley Roger, born on June 18.



Crest will have two opportunities to serve the "food insecure" in Creston. Help is needed for

Open Table on July 16. Food and servers are needed by 5:00 p.m. at the UCC Church. Also, volunteers are needed at the Food Pantry on July 28 from noon –3 p.m. Patty Mare and Mark Eblen are the coordinators of these two events.

# July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Sundays</b> 9:00 a.m. Bible Study (all ages) 10:15 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>Cancer Support Ministry Noon (Lunch &amp; Learn 7/21)</p>	1	2	3 <b>Birthday:</b> Zaylee Sandeman	4 <b>Office Closed</b>  <b>Birthday:</b> Michelle Hanson	5 <b>Anniversary:</b> Randy and Anne Vicker	6
7	8 <b>Birthday:</b> Scott Sawtelle	9	10 <b>Birthday:</b> Olivia Hartman	11 <b>Anniversary:</b> Ross and Monica King	12 <b>Birthdays:</b> Rick Hanson; Jacob Webber; Seth Hanson	13 <b>Birthdays:</b> Carolyn Duskin; Elmer Young
<b>Pray for Resonate—Youth Conference at Grandview College</b>						
14 <b>Anniversary:</b> Bige and Diane Fienhage	15	16 4:00 p.m. Finance 5:00 p.m. Open Table 6:00 p.m. Church Council <b>Birthday:</b> Tara Hanson <b>Anniversary:</b> Joe and Gay Lynn Owens	17	18	19	20
21 <b>Congregational Meeting after Worship</b> <b>Birthdays:</b> Mindy Gutmann; Jamie Travis	22 <b>Birthday:</b> Becky Shields <b>Anniversary:</b> Phil and Beth McIntosh	23	24	25	26 <b>Birthday:</b> Pam Hoffman	27
28 <b>Noon—3 p.m. Food Pantry</b> <b>Birthdays:</b> Paisley Goodenberger Chuck Hoyt; Della Kramer	29 <b>Birthday:</b> Neal McRae <b>Anniversary:</b> Wayne and Michelle Hanson	30	31	<b>Tuesdays</b> 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Beth Moore Women's Bible Study (Daniel) BOTH meeting only on July 16 & 23.	<b>Wednesdays</b> 7:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m. Youth Fun Night	<b>Thursdays</b> 7:00 p.m. Night Light at McKinley Park
<b>Vacation Bible School 7/28-8/1 6:00—8:30 pm</b>						



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Throw on your camera strap and buckle your seatbelt. VBS 2019 takes you on a wild adventure—with elephants and egrets, polar bears and penguins, cockatoos and crocodiles. As you seek out exotic animals, you'll also find snapshots of real-life encounters with Jesus in Scripture. Kids go from bewildered to believing as they get "In The Wild" at this summer's VBS, July 28-August 1. Register children who are pre-K thru completed 5th grade at [crestbaptistchurch.com/vbs](http://crestbaptistchurch.com/vbs).

### Women's Summer Bible Study

Women are invited to the Beth Moore "Daniel" video study on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Learn how Daniel maintained integrity and stood firm in a culture that bowed down to the things of the world. Find out how relevant that is to our walk with Christ in today's culture. Lesson dates will be July 16, 23, August 6, 13, 20 and 27. Sign up at the Welcome Center



If you are considering joining Crest, Pastor Chuck will be leading the *Discovering Church Membership Class* on July 14 at 2:00 p.m. Sign up on the tear-off.

### IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Tom and Jane King and family are in our prayers following the death of her mother, Carol Miller, on May 30, and his mother, Katherine King on June 11. She was the grandmother of Ross (Monica) King and Sarah King.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction... (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

**Crest Baptist Church is... Committed to Christ—Connecting with Each Other— Commissioned to Serve Our Community and World**