



The Crest Connection

Connecting people with the Life that counts for eternity!

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During September, all of our un-designated mission offerings will go to the Hyde State Mission Offering of the Baptist Convention of Iowa, supporting the work of reaching Iowans for Christ.

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday:

9:00 am Bible Study
10:15 am Worship
Noon Cancer Support Ministry—(September 15)

Tuesday:

9:00 am Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm GriefShare, Women's Bible Study

Wednesday:

7:00 am Prayer Meeting
6:30 pm TeamKID, Youth and Adult Bible Studies

Thursday:

7:00 pm Light Company at SWCC (Rm 155)

Beloved,

We are also looking forward to the weekday/night activities resuming in the month of September. Our preschool (3's -K) and children (1st—5th grade) will be meeting on Wednesdays from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. for the TeamKID (Kids In Discipleship) ministry. This year, the children will be studying the spiritual disciplines of worship, Bible study, prayer, service, giving, and witnessing. Our youth will adopt the same one hour schedule with some "hang-out" time for those who can stay later.

New adult studies are also beginning this month. Of course, our on-going Sunday morning Bible studies offer a variety of groups at 9:00 a.m. These offer great times of fellowship, Bible teaching and discussion. (See page 2 for groups)

On Tuesdays, Cindy Fisher will be leading women to encounter the prophetic words in Daniel and Revelation at 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Cindy writes:

Because hundreds of specific prophecies have already been fulfilled just exactly as God said, we can KNOW that all of the prophecies about the future will also be fulfilled in the End Times and Jesus The Christ will come again. The faithful believer is to be found watching and

waiting for our Lord's coming.

Ladies, sign up for this timely study at the Welcome Center!

Wednesday nights will offer two opportunities for adults from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Tim Fisher will be leading adults in a study of the Book of Isaiah. Tim explains:

Isaiah is like a miniature Bible.

The first 39 chapters (like the 39 books of the Old Testament) are

filled with judgment upon immoral and idolatrous men. But the final 27 chapters (like the 27 books of the New Testament) declare a message of hope. The Messiah is coming as a Savior and a Sovereign to bear a cross and to wear a crown.

All adults are welcome to attend but please sign up so Tim can plan for your materials.

I will be leading a video study for men on *The Apostles' Creed*. This study will examine the essential doctrines that have connected believers through the centuries and consider how important it is for us to maintain them today.

So check out these studies that you may: "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15).

In His love,

Pastor Chuck



ADULT BIBLE CLASSES ON SUNDAYS

SUNDAY MORNING (9:00 A.M.)

Simplicity: Finding Contentment in a Busy Life – We complicate our lives with too many activities, too many possessions, too much ambition, and not enough time to do all. Behind all this drive is ultimately a focus on ourselves. When we let go of all these things, deny ourselves, and focus simply on Christ, we find contentment. Senior Adults (Fellowship Hall), Adults (Room 105), Young Adults (Room 102)

Choosing Forgiveness: Your Journey to Freedom – This five-week study will examine how a root of bitterness leads to an unforgiveness in the heart of many believers. The journey into forgiveness may require delving into areas of your life that are still sensitive, but God's way alone holds out hope of healing. Adults (Room 104)

Ephesians – “Become who you are” actually captures the theme of Ephesians; Paul wrote it into the very fabric of the book. Chapters 1-3 are about the new life given to us in Christ; chapters 4-6 are



about the new lifestyle that is based on this new life. As you engage in this study, prepare to be challenged with this key question: “How can I become in daily life who I am already in Christ?” Adults (Room 109)

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Cancer Support Ministry: We are reaching out to families who are living with cancer. Contact Joe or Gay Lynn Owens at 641-202-5004 (Fellowship Hall, Noon, Sept. 15)

ADDITIONAL CLASSES

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, 641-344-6249. (Room 105, 6:30 p.m.)

Women's Bible Study: Daniel and Revelation—The fall Women's Study will continue

in the Book of Daniel and later the book of Revelation. Biblical prophecy provides Christians with hope and an outline of God's plans for the future. Sign-up at the Welcome Center. (Room 107, 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY: **Adult Bible Study: the Book of Isaiah**—In this study, we will meet not only this outstanding prophet, but also some mighty kings and rulers, see the rise and fall of magnificent kingdoms, see God's people chastened and then restored. But above all else, we'll see the Lord Jesus, God's Suffering Servant as He does the will of God and suffers and dies for the sins of the world. Sign-up at the Welcome Center. (Worship Center, 6:30 p.m.)

Men's Bible Study: The Apostles' Creed—This study considers the core Christian doctrines as revealed in Scripture that have united the church. (Room 105, 6:30 p.m.)

THURSDAY: **Celebrate Recovery**—a Christ-centered 12-Step Ministry. Currently our church's CR is on a break. However, if you are interested, contact Amanda Davis at 641-344-2440.



- ◆ Matt and Megan Emerson, Brysen and Brayden in the death of their daughter and sister, Kayci, on August 6.
- ◆ Brian and Vicki Mullin in the death of his mother, Pat Mullin, on August 13.

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)

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Anniversary: Pat and Debbie Henry	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3 Anniversary: Rick and Tara Hanson	4 Birthdays: Tom Frey; Travis Webber Anniversary: Steve and Suzie Johnston	5 Birthday: Dee VerHelst Anniversaries: Loren and Connie Edsall; David and Liz Marroquin	6	7 Birthday: Terri Koets
8 4:00 p.m. Men's Trap Shoot Birthdays: Tinneal Harris	9	10 Birthdays: Jessica Cramer; Payton Davis; Savannah Suhre; Cassondra Hoffman; Monica Powers; Steve Wilson	11 Birthday: Connie Edsall	12 Birthdays: Eli Hartman; Alissa Hays	13 Birthday: Brysen Emerson	14 Birthday: Rebecca Hoffman Anniversary: Dale and Karen Magee
15 Cancer Support Ministry Meeting (end of worship) Birthdays: Cali Purdum; David Young	16 Birthdays: Cindy Fisher; Bonny Peinelt; Kailyn White	17 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee 6:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting Birthdays: Tristan Deemer; Randy Vicker	18	19	20 Anniversary: Ron and Rosalie Hampton	21 Birthday: Sheldon Jones
22 Congregational Meeting (end of worship) Birthdays: Sheryl Craft; Max Johnston	23	24	25 Birthday: Hailey Walker	26	27	28 Anniversary: Gert and Gloria Müller
29 Birthdays: Tom King	30 Birthdays: Olivia Cramer	Sundays 9:00 am Bible Study (all ages) 10:15 am Worship Service	Tuesdays 9:00 am Women's Bible Study (begins 9/17) 6:30 pm Grief-Share; Womens Bible Study (begins 9/17)	Wednesdays 7:00 am Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm Preschool and CrestKids; Youth and Adult Bible Studies	Thursdays 7:00 pm Light Company Celebration (SWCC Room 155)	Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am—4:30 pm

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At the beginning of every fall semester Light Company (Crest's ministry to SWCC students) likes to have a start-of-semester event on campus, providing food, playing games and getting to know students we haven't encountered before. As classes began, this past week we set up nine square and served walking tacos in the common area outside the dorms. We got to see returning students who had been out of town all summer and meet new students. We fed between 30 and 40 students and made



great connections with 2-3 students who were really interested in our group. Praise the Lord for holding off the rain and allowing this event to take place. We're looking forward to seeing what God wants to do on the SWCC campus this year!

Pastor Neal



If you have a student who is away at college, we want to stay in touch. Please email their campus address.

Men's Ministry

The men of Crest will be having a trap shoot Sept. 8th at High Lakes Shooting Range. We'll be shooting and eating from 4-8pm. For full information see the sign up sheet on the welcome center and let us know you're coming. This event is open to all men (we'll have loner guns available for those who don't have their own). Come ready to eat your fill and "kill" some clay!



**New 13 week cycle began
August 27 (see page 2)**

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