#### DASSEL COVENANT CHURCH

251 Lake Street Dassel, MN 55325

#### Leading People to a Transforming Relationship with Jesus Christ



#### **Weekly Activities & Ministries**

Sundays 9:30am Prayer

9:00am Sunday School & Confirmation (Sept-May)

10:00am Worship

Mondays 9:00am Coffee Fellowship

10:00am Seated Fitness 6:30pm Prayer Meeting

Wednesday 6:00pm KidsQuest (Sept-April)

6:00pm Men's Group

6:30pm Youth Group (Sept-April)

Thursday 9:00am Seated Fitness Saturday 7:00am Men's Bible Study

\*Visit the Church website & social media for more information and details!

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# Dassel Covenant Courier July 2023

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Secretary: Amanda Fusari office@dasselcov.com

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Custodial: Randy & Marcia Dischinger "...ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers..." Ephesians 1:15–16

Greetings and God's Blessings,

As you read this month's newsletter, we are just getting settled in to begin our time of ministry with you for this period of transition at Dassel Covenant Church. We are very excited to be with you and are looking forward to getting to know you! Most importantly, we are very much looking forward to seeing what God will do in each of our lives over this period and in the life of our church.

#### **First Preaching Series**

We hope our first preaching series which we have named, Encounter Jesus in John, will be a blessing to all as we are going to be looking at the various personal interactions specific people had with Jesus. We intend each Sunday's message to be an intimate look at the individual people who had life-changing personal encounters with Jesus as recorded by John. It is in examining these events that we see Jesus' love applied to the real-life needs of these men and women. It is also in examining these that we can better imagine and believe in Jesus' love applied to our own real-life challenges!

This study will provide us continuity through the weeks of summer, but each week's story of an encounter with Jesus can stand alone in case you will be away some Sunday for some summer fun.

#### **Focus During Transition**

Transitions, by their very nature, are unpredictable which can be a bit disconcerting as most people like to know what might be "coming around the bend." So, let us assure you of a few things right away. We are excited about coming and you will find us to be very open and approachable. Please be sure to come to the Q & A time being planned for 9:00 am on Sunday the 9th of July, so we can begin to get to know one another and so you can ask any questions of us that you want. Please also know that, though we love helping churches through times of transition, there is no "magic formula" and no church's context or situation is the same. There is no "one size" transition that "fits all." We will have a very simple focus during the time we serve with you, that is that we teach, preach, encourage and model personal growth for each person in our individual journeys of following Jesus. We want to encourage the same thing for the community of believers who call Dassel Covenant Church their church home. So, you can expect us to regularly encourage you to consider what kind of person you are becoming and what kind of church we are becoming with the aim of becoming more Christlike in all we say and do.

#### **Our Contact Information**

You can reach us at:

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God's grace and peace to you, Pastor Mary and Pastor Linda

#### **July Volunteers**

#### Ushers

- 2: Brian & Maria Anderson
- 9: Leon Nordberg, Marlene Blunt
- 16: Chad Dischinger, Dan Rinden
- 23: Tim Paulson, Jim Hallquist
- 30: Al Olson, Sharon Radke

#### Nursery

- 2: Carolee, Britton, Rachel
- 9: Sonja Olson
- 16: Maddy Pankratz
- 23: Kristi & Karlie 30: Tonya Hastings

#### Fellowship Time

- 2:
- 9: Visitation Team
- 16: Community Meal
- 23:
- 30:

#### **Leadership Team Note**

- Pastor Marv and Pastor Linda are coming on June 30. Q&A time set for Sunday, July 9 at 9:00 a.m. to get to know them.
- Authorized Randy to access the youth expense accounts for summer activities.

#### **Book Club**

Book Club will be meeting Tuesday, July 25th at 6:30pm.

The book selection is "The Red Notebook" by Antoine Laurain



The Ecuador Mission Trip is
October 14-22!
Please be praying for the team!

#### Mission Trip Fund Raiser

Do you have a wood burning fireplace? A firepit? A woodburning stove? Campfires? These firestartes are a 'sure fire' way to light your fuel source. Made from egg cartons, saw-

dust and wax OR muffin liners, sawdust and wax, these firestarters burn for 15 to 25 minutes. Bag of a dozen - mixed egg carton and muffin liner - only \$5.

Available in the office.



#### **Quilt Retreat**

July 19th, 9am-9pm
July 20th, 9am-9pm
July 21st: 9am-9pm
July 22nd, 9am-4pm
Sign up by the church office.
Questions? Contact Marlene Blunt

#### **Q&A** with

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Pastor Mary & Pastor Linda!
Sunday, July 9th at 9:00am
Come and get to know them!

#### **June Church Attendance**

4th	Sunday: 114	Online: 32	Total: 146
11th	Sunday: 106	Online: 23	<b>Total: 129</b>
18th	Sunday: 92	Online: 35	Total: 127
<b>25th</b>	Sunday:	Online:	Total:
	Sunday:	Online:	Total:

#### **Church Family Humor**

By Su Asplin

-What do you call a man who likes Doris Day songs?

Whatever Schwalbe Schwalbe
-What do you call a man who robs
ships? Sea burglar

-What do you call a man who is rendered immovable by a gun?

Bang stun

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## July 2023 Youth

Events are for those going in to 7th-12th grade unless indicated otherwise.

More info in the monthly newsletter!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5 Frontier Kids Camp Sunday School family activi- ty day 3-6pm	6 Frontier Kids Camp	7 Frontier Kids Camp	8
9 Jr Hight Camp	10 Jr High Camp	11 Jr High Camp	12 Jr High Camp	13 Jr High Camp	14 Jr High Camp	15
16 Trailblazer Camp	17 Trailblazer Camp	18 Trailblazer Camp	19 Luce Line Bike Ride 12:30-5pm Trailblazer Camp	20 Trailblazer Camp	21	22 Swappers meet 8am-12pm
23	24	25	26 Scavenger Hunt at Sibley State Park 12:30-5pm	27	28	29
30	31					

### July Youth Events:

Wednesday, July 5: Sunday School Family activity Day

<u>Families with children (PreK-6 grades) event at Collinwood Park.</u> Come when you can —swim, fish, canoe, paddle boat, lawn games. Supper served at 5 pm. Contact Randy if you have questions or if transportation is needed.

Wednesday, July 19: Luce Line Bike Ride (from Watertown to Winsted) 12:30-5pm(7th-12th grade)

Saturday, July 22: Wright County Swappers meet. We will leave church at 8am and return by noon. (7th-12th grade)

Wednesday, July 26th: Scavenger Hunt at Sibley State Park 12:30-5pm (7th-12th grade)



Most Unbelievable Ultimate Urban(ish) Camping Experience

August 10-12

**Buffalo Covenant Church** 

Thursday afternoon, August 10th - noon on August 12, MUUUCE ).

MUUUCE is designed to give middle schoolers and junior high students a chance to connect with Christ and their peers. This fun event is for students entering 5th grade through completing 8th grade (fall 2023). The cost is \$130.00 per student which covers all activities, great speakers (Craig and Molly Sanborn), a trip to Valleyfair, 5 meals and a t-shirt. Students will want to bring extra spending money for the various concession stands at Valleyfair. Buffalo Covenant is hosting the event. Registration is due to the NW Conference by July 31 which means student forms and payment must be turned into Randy or the church office by July 15. Forms are available in the church office.

Interesting in going? Talk to Randy Dischinger

#### Lake Beauty Summer Camp 2023

Let's surround our camper in Prayer!

2023 Campers:

Frontier Kids (July 5th-7th) Alex Darwin, Mackenzey Mills

**Trailblazers (July 16th-20th)** Jeffrey Diederich, Jagger Hastings, Kendall Hendrickson, Ava Ring, Khetta Schultz, Story Beyer, True Beyer, Carmello Booker, Emily Darwin, Skylee Jones, Brooklyn Schlichting

**Jr High (July 9th-14th)** Rachel Fusari, Russell Fusari, Amara Hastings, Karlie Keith, Connor Mackenthun, Cash Olson, Evan Darwin, Britton Harrison,

## LIT-Leaders in Training (July 9th-20th) Dylan Mackenthun



Thank you to everyone who helped get all of the students to camp for FREE this year!

#### **Mustard Seeds**

July 30th, Walking tour 90 minutes long 1:30 - 3:00pm Gather at church to carpool

St. Anthony Falls - How Waterpower Built a City

David Berg, retired interpretive actor with the Minnesota Historical Society, with tell the story and history from the perspective of William De La Barre, the hydro engineer that re engineered St. Anthony Falls to maximize the power of falling water to run the largest flour mills in the world, making Minneapolis the city that it is today.

We will meet behind Mill City Museum and venture out onto the Stonearch Bridge. Wear comfortable walking shoes and dress appropriately for the weather.

While an entrance ticket to Mill City Museum (\$10 for seniors) is not necessary, it is a fun place to visit and will get you a ride on the Flour Tower elevator that will take you up to the 9th floor observation deck. From there, you have a phenomenal view of the river, the lock and dam, the bridge and the Guthrie Theater next door. You will have time after the walking tour to take in the museum. There is a parking ramp directly across the street from the museum. Carpooling is recommended. David is not charging for this presentation. We will 'pass the hat' for tips at the end. of the tour.

Contact Sandy Ward or Lois Dahl with questions.

Please sign up by the church office

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#### **Church Family Camping Weekend at Lake Beauty Bible Camp**

The Millpoint Campground is reserved for Dassel Covenant on August 11-13, 2023.

#### Here are a few details:

- Arrival time is 3:00 pm on Friday, August 11
- Departure time is 2:00 pm on Sunday, August 13
- There are 15 sites with full hook-up. One tent is allowed per RV site. There are
  other sites in an adjoining campground available with water/electric
- The cost is \$37 per night
- Beach and waterfront activities available (canoes, paddleboats, kayaks)
- Lawn games or sitting around the campfire
- Great fellowship and fun!
- Payment: Checks payable to Dassel Covenant Church or cash. Please give ALL PAYMENTS TO MARCIA by July 30. (\$37 per night per site)

See Marcia if you have any questions.





# Community Me

# Happy Anniversary

#### July Birthdays

- 2 Willard Block\*
- 4 Jeanne Voelker
- 5 Emma Jorgenson
- 8 Oliver Beckman
- 9 Keith Dahlseng
- 10 Jonas Hallquist Emily Seaberg
- 11 Nancy Olson
- 12 Jagger Hastings
- 3 Patty McCain
  Ethan Mayer
  Tom Beckman
  Tami Hungerford
  David Koehler
  Jeffery Diederich
  Tonya Hastings
- 14 Dalene Walsh
- 17 Michael Good Brandon Hedlund
- 18 Clarice Bengtson\*
- 19 Velma Jorgensen
- 20 Leon Nordberg
- 21 Sandy Crayford Tom Weseloh
- 22 Yvonne Morehouse\*
  Beverly Danielson\*
  Claire Pankratz
- 24 Andy Kraemer 25 Phil Anderson
- Ruth Block
- 26 Tabitha Beckman Mandy Darwin
- Hunter Green
- 29 Dylan Seaberg
- 30 Tim Carlson

\*80+ years

#### July Anniversaries

Matt & Amanda Fusari July 1, 2006

Wayne & Kari Jorgenson July 3

Josh & Sonja Olson July 12, 2008

Keith & Paulette Dahlseng July 16, 1994

Matt & Jessie Hohenstein July 24, 2010

Anthony & Brooke Cron July 27, 2019

Phil & Ann Anderson July 28, 2006

Ruth & Willard Block July 29, 1979

\*50+ years

#### **Office Hours**

#### **General office hours:**

Monday: 8:30am-3:00pm
Tuesday: 8:30am-3:00pm
Thursday: 8:30am-3:00pm
Friday: Closed

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# July 2023



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 7am Men's Bible Study
2 9:30am Take 25 Prayer 10am Worship	3 9am Coffee Fellowship 10am Seated Fitness 6:30pm Prayer	4 Closed	5 Frontier Kids Camp	6 Frontier Kids Camp 9am Seated Fitness	7 Frontier Kids Camp	8 7am Men's Bible Study
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# MISSIONS



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Thursday, August 31st—8am-5pm Friday, September 1st—8am-5pm Saturday, September 2nd—8am-12pm

All proceeds are used to help our youth attend conference, go on trips, and other events, as well as our Ecuador Missions Team!

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#### Leadership Team meeting, June 20, 2023

Diane highlighted the Visitation Team's meeting report. The Visitation Team hosted a coffee time for members/friends at Lakeside on June 13. The Stewardship and Finance Team met on June 11. Ron was on vacation so he was not able to provide a report on this meeting. There were a few questions about the written report. Ron will meet with Kristin to clarify and then communicate by email with the Leadership Team. Motion to approve the reports was made by Marcia, seconded by Ron. Carried unanimously.

#### New Business:

- 1. Gary Noble is preaching on Sunday, June 25. Jayla Hastings and Kelly Kraemer will be sharing about their experience attending Adventures in Leadership.
- 2. Youth Randy Dischinger has volunteered to coordinate the youth events this summer. Motion was made by Wayne to authorize Randy to access the youth expense account (6200) and the youth ministry expense account (6107), seconded by Diane. Marcia abstained from the vote. Motion carried.
- 3. Furniture at the Parsonage We discussed the things Pastor Marv and Pastor Linda will need at the parsonage. Motion was made by Wayne, seconded by Diane, to spend up to \$2,500 to fill the minimum list. Once Pastor Marv and Pastor Linda are here, we will find out what other things they will need in the house and get at that time. They are arriving on Friday, June 30.
- 4. Church Picnic Ron will touch base with Amanda to see if the Collinwood Picnic Shelter is available in July or August.

Leadership Team monthly meetings. To accommodate Pastor Marv's and Pastor Linda's schedule and the vacation plans of Leadership Team members, the July meeting will be Monday, July 24 at 4:00 p.m.

#### Old Business:

- 1. Dealing with members who willfully neglect their responsibilities to the church or who err in doctrine or conduct. Tabled until Pastor Marv and Pastor Linda can give guidance on it.
- 2. Security Plan/Safety Team Training Procedure. It was suggested that Health/Medical Emergency be added to the Training Procedure. After considerable discussion, this item was also tabled until we have input from Pastor Marv and Pastor Linda.
- 3. Birthday/Anniversary list, mailboxes and email list. Amanda asked for guidance and direction on when to add or remove someone from the lists.

The church membership list is being reviewed.

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#### Mission Trip Needed:

Prescription medicine containers for Ecuador Mission Trip. .The mission team will be bringing the containers to be used in the medical clinic. They must be WASHED and LABELS RE-MOVED. Please place in the box by the Missions display.

#### Home For At Risk Children (Santiago Partnership)

The Home for At Risk Children is in need of new twin size quilts. We brought down quilts for them 2016, but there are now 20 children instead of 10 that were originally in the Home. If you would like to donate a quilt top or money towards the purchase of supplies for the quilts, please mark your check "Ecuador Quilts". It takes about 5 yards of fabric for the top and another 5 yards of fabric for the backing. Fabric costs have risen to almost \$13 / yard.

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Evangelical Covenant Church of Dassel					
Financial Summa	ıry				
5/31/23					
General Fund	Month Ended	YTD			
General Operating Income	23,185	108,950			
Actual Expenses	25,639	124,733			
Total Income Less Expense	(2,454)	(15,783)			
Giving to General Fund YTD Last Year 2022		71,002			

Building Fund—Beginning Balance 1/1/2023			9,859
	Thi	s Month	YTD
Contributions:	Building Fund contributions	2,160	11,500
	Designated Memorials	0	0
	Transfer from Carry over/under	0	20,000
Payments:	Payments to NCP	2,600	33,000
Current Buil	ding Fund Balance		8,359
Building Loan	1/1/2023		99,836
2023	Principal Payments-Regular Giving	2,328	11,289
	Principal Payments-Carry over/under	c = 0	20,000
	Principal Payment-Memorials	0	0
Current Loan Balance 3/31/2023			68,547
Women Minis	\$8,553.12		

The 1st Sunday of each month, we will be taking a special offering for the Benevolent Fund.

The money collected for the Benevolent Fund helps support those from our Church family in a time of need.

#### Don't forget about the online giving option!

http://www.dasselcovenant.org/store/c1/Featured\_Products.html

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