The Ripple

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WELCOME TO APPLE RIVER COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reaching out to our community with Jesus' love

We welcome you and hope you will visit our church and join us in worshiping our Lord.

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, August 4
9:30am Sunday School
10:15am Fellowship
10:30am Worship /Children's Church

Sunday, August 11
CRU Missionary, McKenzie Jensen
9:30am Sunday School
10:15am Fellowship
10:30am Worship/Children's Church
Noon: Potluck *(Circle 2)*

Sunday, August 18
9:30am Sunday School
10:15am Fellowship
10:30am Worship/Children's Church

Sunday, August 25
9:30am Sunday School
10:15am Fellowship
10:30am Worship/Children's Church
7:00p Sunday Night Live! *(Circle 3)*

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God Chose You

Pastor Justin

From the Pastor

Ephesians 1:11 says: "In Him we were also chosen, having been predestined to the plan of Him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will."

God chose you. Have you ever thought about that? We often think Christianity is about US choosing GOD… but the Bible tells us otherwise. God CHOSE YOU. Out of all of creation, God chose you. He has called you to be is child.

We usually think the other way, "I chose God." Or, "I accepted Christ." That is true, we need to respond to God. But God does the choosing. Jesus said it, "No one comes to Me unless the Father, who sent me, draws him." – John 6:44

God CHOSE YOU.

The relationship with God changes when we consider Him choosing us rather than us choosing Him. We move from being consumers of God's grace to recipients of God's grace. When we are consumers, we might complain about the way it is delivered, what is asked of us, and the life that follows. If I am a consumer of a product, I may not like the color, the packaging, the size or the shape of the product. But, when I am a recipient, I simply receive what is given to me. It is a gift.

What would you call someone who received a gift and complained about it? You would probably use the term "ungrateful" to describe such a person. As it is, with our relationship with God, he took the initiative to enter our world and reach out to us.

God CHOSE YOU.

How do I know that God chose me? You can know that God has chosen you in a few different ways:

First, you have been given the opportunity to HEAR the message of the Cross. You have been given the opportunity to RESPOND to the message as well. If you are recognizing that God is speaking to you and leading you… this is the beginning part of his choosing you.

Second, you can know God has chosen you by recognizing your HEART has been CHANGED. The deadness of your heart has been removed and now, the promised Holy Spirit is dwelling inside of you. Do you feel convicted when you sin? This is part of the Spirit working

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MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Apple River Community Church is to glorify God by helping people to find Jesus and grow to be like him.

OUR AFFILIATION *Apple River Community Church is affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America (Forest Lake District).*

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Deepest sympathy to the
Family of Paul Streif
who went to be with the Lord
on July 3, 2019
Paul will be missed by many.

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in you. Do you feel prompted to do good for Christ? This is also part of the Spirit working in you. The Spirit is the sign of God choosing you.

Third, you can know you are chosen by God by the confirmation of others noticing God working in your life. You don't serve to be noticed, but when you serve it is noticed. (Sounds like something Yogi Berra would say.)

Finally, you know God has chosen you by FAITH. Faith, as defined by Hebrews 11:1 is the evidence of things hoped for and being certain of things not seen. You know God has chosen you by faith.

God CHOSE YOU. It is time to live like it.

Our Prayer Chains are Active.

If you have a prayer concern, contact Bev Richmond (715-268-4226) or Lynne Peterson at (lybrpeterson@yahoo.com). Also contact them if you want to be added to a prayer chain.

Hospital Calls: If someone is hospitalized, please contact Pastor Justin and/or Pastor Bruce.

The deaconesses also need to know so they can visit, send cards, etc. Our deaconesses are Judy Nelson, Linda Wetzig and Carol Smith.

Keep our Bible camp, nation, church, youth, teachers, schools and the sick and hurting in your prayers as well as those being persecuted for their faith!

Senior Saints meet again at 5:00p August 27.

Senior Saints was cancelled in July due to the tornado that hit Hunky Dory and many of our families.

Tornadoes

Several ARCC families were hit by the storm of July 19. Although many trees were downed and there was a loss of power, there were no casualties. Many pitched in to help those affected by the storm.

Those families send a THANK YOU to All that helped during their time of need.

The Polk County Sheriff's office coordinated a volunteer effort to help the storm victims. Pastor Justin sent out their plea for help. The Volunteer site is Unity School, and instructions were given for victims to call 2-1-1 to get on a list, as well as for the volunteers to call 2-1-1. Volunteers must be in good physical condition and wear appropriate clothing and shoes. Bring chainsaws if you have one.

Potluck Resumes In August

White Cross day—ALL Day.

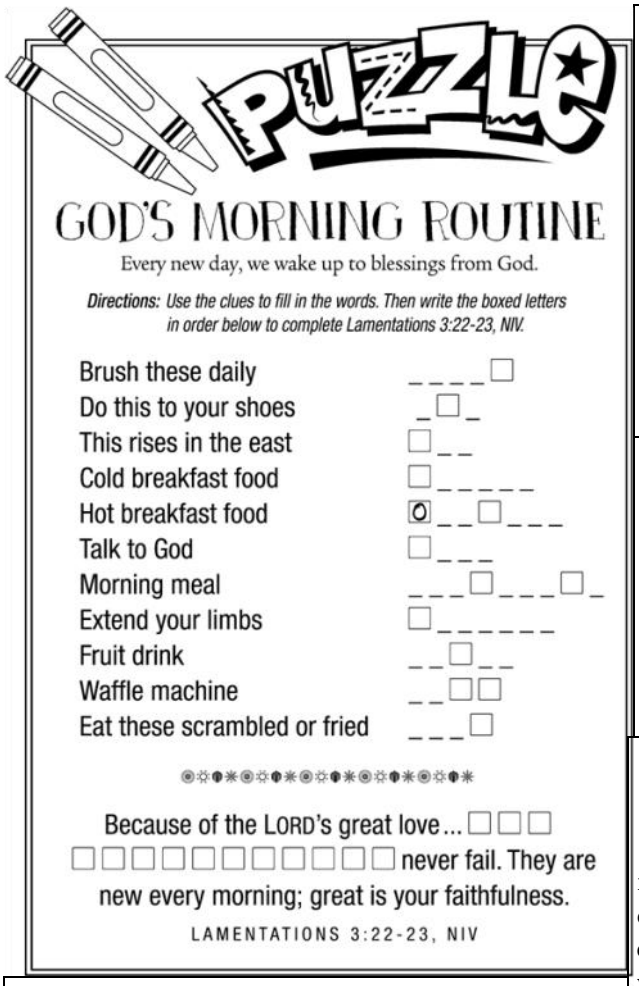
Thursday, August 1 at 9:30AM

The morning will begin with coffee and treats.

We have a guest speaker - Rita Krueger, from Somerset, WI. Rita will share her ministry "WOW PILLOWCASES". Rita will talk about making pillowcases to send to missions in the USA and overseas.

Lunch will be provided. Afterwards, we will pick out material to begin making pillowcases.

Ladies join us for the day!



See calendar page for answer. The Bible Quiz, puzzle, cartoons and articles are from NewsletterNewsletter to which we subscribe and have permission to reproduce.

Bible Quiz:

During the dramatic experience when God called Isaiah to be a prophet, who or what filled the temple?

A. 144,000 worshipers
B. The bottom of God's robe
C. Smoke
D. Priests offering sacrifices

Answer: See calendar page

RENT-A-TEAM

Help our youth earn money to pay for camp or Districts Youth Conference!

Our youth are doing a fantastic job in doing the work and money earned.

They would love to help! There are no set fees – you decide your contribution for the project.

Call Alice Brown at **715-857-5246** to schedule a crew (large or small), or sign up in the church foyer.

Thank you for your support!!

CEF Potluck Picnic and Games
August 11 at 4:00 P.M.

Clear Lake park under the shelter.

Meat and beverage provided.
Learn about the 5-Day Clubs from our summer missionaries including Alice Brown and about the one at our church.
Come one ,come all!

Postcard received from CEF

(Child Evangelism Fellowship):

We are truly grateful for your partnership with our local CEF ministry. God is at work and we are especially excited to have eight summer missionaries who truly love Jesus and want to tell children about Him! Please pray with us for a powerful summer where lives are changed forever. Pray for our new Good News Club beginning in Baldwin next school year.

Lord Bless You, Bill Stirrat, Field Missionary

Camp Arrowhead Pole & Paddle 2019

by Corbin Wright

This year I went on the Pole & Paddle trip.

The group had Betty and Paul's grandsons, Ethan and Conner from Colorado, Micah Wright, two other boys, and two leaders.

We drove to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in MN. We needed to watch a video of special rules of the BWCA.

We then drove to a boat landing where we loaded up four canoes with all our gear and paddled to the campsite.

For the five day adventure we fished, had a day long canoe trip, hiked, swam, and had lots of fun!

Thank You Corbin for your report

Let's keep our youth "On Fire" for the Lord.

A Note of Thanks
From **Options for Women**

ARCC Raised $114.26 in the Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser. The full letter is posted on the bulletin board.

2019

Birthdays and Anniversaries

3 Kendra Tylee
4 Ted Majeske
5 Dan & Carol Smith (1967)
7 Jackie Miller
9 Karina Zimmerman
10 Larry Strandine
10 Nancy Granica
11 John LaDoucer

13 Saheer & Hanna Khoury (1995)
18 Bill Tylee
19 Wayne Tanner
20 Dick McCloud
20 Gary & Bonnie Fredrickson (2010)
22 Brad Peterson

22 Gary Fredrickson
23 Gordon & Rosette Palmer (1954)
24 Stan & Jackie Miller (1962)
24 Lillian Powell
27 Matt Nelson
29 Ken Johnson

August 2019

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Missions — Bruce and Candice Beatham—Wycliffe Bible Translators in Mexico

Translation: The book of Mark is being "back translated" (from Mixtec into Spanish) so the script can be sent to a consultant. We praise God for Elizabeth and for her willingness to be our back-translator! We also pray that God will use her reading His Word to strengthen (or begin?) her faith journey. There is still more to do after the consultant checks this – making suggested changes to the text with the translation team and maybe checking it again in the village. But we think Mark will be ready to be printed this year! Hallelujah!

God allowed us to overcome many obstacles in translation - trials, loss, displacement. But God is good . . . all the time! We praise God that Ernesto will soon be returning to the translation desk after serving in a job in his village for the past year. We just got word that he will be released from this position on July 11 and move back out here to continue working with us! This is a huge praise!

Family: There have been many changes in the lives of our family. As you recall, Jeremiah married Abbie, a nurse, last June. Nathaniel joined the Marine Corp and is serving in Japan for the next three years. Benjamin graduated from high school in May. He took several online courses at LeTourneau University his last two years and will attend LeTourneau full-time in August. Abby, entering 8th grade this fall, is the only child at home and will continue to be homeschooled.

Pray: Bruce and I have had some health issues recently with Bruce's back getting injured and my knee. We ask for your continued prayers and for our work of translating God's Word into the Mixtec language.

Thank You and Blessings, The Beathams

August 11: McKenzie Jensen, granddaughter of Stan and Jackie Miller, will share with us in Sunday School and briefly in the morning service. She is with CRU and would love to share about her desire to reach college students. CRU is the name of Campus Crusade for Christ International in the U.S.

September 8: Duane Dietz, our missionary to Japan will be with us for Sunday School and 5 minutes in the morning service.

SAVE THE DATES:

WOMEN'S FALL REFRESHER

at Arrowhead Bible Camp.

SEPTEMBER 20, 21, AND 22.

Speaker: Cathy Jensen
from Elk Mound, WI.

Cathy is a woman of God who loves to minister to women and make them laugh. She loves to say "seriousness is not a fruit of the spirit" so be prepared to be filled with joy!

Prices are: Full weekend: $97 Friday/Saturday: $63
Saturday/Sunday: $67 Saturday only: $32

Relax with home-cooked meals and the beauty of God's creation. Be refreshed and renewed as you worship together with other women and discover how to experience the life God planned for you.

Kingdom on Wheels

"If you love what you do, you're going to talk about it," says Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Carson Wentz. "I love Jesus … so I'm going to talk about [him]. But I'm not going to force [Christianity] down your throat, either." That's why the pro athlete tries to show his faith by "how I live and what I'm about."

Wentz started the foundation AO1 (Audience of One) to make a tangible impact beyond the gridiron. With a local church, he sponsors Thy Kingdom Crumb, a food truck that offers free meals to people in the community. The motto painted on the mobile restaurant sums up the message Wentz wants to share with his neighbors: "It's on us … 'cause he loves you!"

The Question in the Ripple: How do we know God is real? The disciples could have lied.

First let me say GOD IS REAL. How do I know? I've experienced God in my life. I've felt the peace that passes all understanding when my world turned upside down. I've experienced God in my being healed of cancer and being cancer free for 10 yrs. I've seen God in the eyes of a child coming to believe in Jesus as Savior. I've seen God in all nature, especially in the life cycle of a butterfly. About the disciples faith: they were all martyred save one. Someone might die for a truth, but not for a lie. Jesus' disciples died because they knew the Truth. All these and more prove to me God is real. *cbrown*

"Like" Us

By Deb Brown

"I have been doing a Facebook page for the church and another for One Way Club. If you have not "Liked" those pages please do so. I will be posting more things on it. Someone offered to help with the page and I will take her up on it.

If you don't know how to use Facebook but have access to it, I am working on making a video explaining how to use Facebook and how to "Like" posts and how to comment on them.

Some people look for churches on Facebook and then go to their website to find out more about the church."

The Tate Family

Do you know how many members of the Tate family belong to our church?

There is old man Dic Tate, who wants to run everything, while Uncle Ro Tate tries to change everything. Their sister, Agi Tate stirs up plenty of trouble, with plenty of help from her husband, Irri Tate.

Whenever new projects are suggested, Hesi Tate and his wife, Vege Tate, want to wait until next year. Then there is Aunt Imi Tate, who wants our church to be like all the others. Devas Tate provides the voice of doom, while Poten Tate wants to be a big shot.

But not all members of the family are bad. Brother Facili Tate is quite helpful in church matters. A delightful and happy family member is Miss Felici Tate. Cousins Cogi Tate and Medi Tate always think things over and lend helpful, steadying hands.

Of course, there is the black sheep of the family, Ampu Tate, who has completely cut himself off from the church.

Author Unknown

Puzzle!

Write the names of the parents of these biblical children. For help, look up the verses in an NIV Bible.

Joash *(2 Kings 11:2)*	A _ _ _ _ _ _
Obed *(Matthew 1:5)*	B _ _ _
Joseph *(Genesis 35:22-24)*	_ _ C _ _
John the disciple *(Matthew 4:21)*	_ _ _ _ D _ _
John the Baptist *(Luke 1:13)*	_ E _ _ _ _ _ _ _
	F
Lo-Ruhamah *(Hosea 1:3, 6)*	G _ _ _ _
Jezreel *(Hosea 1:2-4)*	H _ _ _ _
Esau *(Genesis 25:28)*	I _ _ _ _
David *(1 Samuel 16:19)*	J _ _ _ _
Jacob *(Genesis 25:28)*	_ _ _ _ K _ _
Samuel *(1 Samuel 1:19-20)*	_ L _ _ _ _ _
Gershom *(Exodus 2:21-22)*	M _ _ _ _
Samuel *(1 Samuel 1:19-20)*	_ _ _ N _ _
Jesse *(Matthew 1:5)*	O _ _ _
Gershom *(Exodus 2:21-22)*	_ _ _ P _ _ _ _
	Q
Joseph *(Genesis 35:23-24)*	R _ _ _ _ _
Isaac *(Genesis 21:3)*	S _ _ _ _
John the Baptist *(Luke 1:13)*	_ _ _ _ _ _ _ T _
Jonathan *(1 Samuel 14:1)*	_ _ U _
Solomon *(1 Kings 2:1)*	_ _ V _ _
	W
	X
Jesus *(Matthew 1:18)*	_ _ _ Y
Isaiah *(Isaiah 1:1)*	_ _ _ Z

See calendar Page for answers ☺

"Heroes in the Bible"

MCCrim

The heroes in the Bible
Were just like you and me
Normal men and women
Who had the faith to see.
Even though they faltered
Always coming home
Calling for the Father
When they were most alone
Intercession by the Son
On them the Spirit shown.
Guiding all their footsteps
Providing them with courage
Strengthening their souls
So they won't be discouraged.
A light among the wicked
To journey with the lost
Sharing the good news
Unmindful of the cost.
Struggling for answers
Fleeing from the dark
Struggling for answers
While staying on the mark.
The heroes in the Bible
Were just like you and me
Normal men and women
Who had the faith to see.

"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing and the lawn mower is broken."
—James Dent

MEMBERSHIP

Interested in membership? Contact Pastor Justin at pastorjustin@live.com or 763-954-1642 or Dick Berhow at 715-268-5768.

Ripple:

Got News? Upcoming Events? Submit your article by **August 19** to be included in the September issue. Preferably by email to **arcc@amerytel.net**, or put in the Ripple box in the church office.

2019

Apple River Community Church
Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:30a White Cross w/guest speaker.	**2**	**3**
4 *8:45a Praise Team* 9:30a Sunday School 10:15a Coffee & Fellowship 10:30a Worship/Children's Church	**5** 6:30p Women's Bible Study	**6**	**7** 10:00a Men's Bible Study	**8**	**9**	**10**
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18 *8:45a Praise Team* 9:30a Sunday School 10:15a Coffee & Fellowship 10:30a Worship/Children's Church	**19** 6:30p Women's Bible Study RIPPLE Deadline!!	**20**	**21** 10:00a Men's Bible Study	**22**	**23**	**24**
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Bible Quiz Answer: Answer: B and C (See Isaiah 6:1-8)
Puzzle of God's Morning Routine: teeth, tie, sun, cereal, oatmeal, pray, breakfast, stretch, juice, iron, eggs
his compassions

Puzzle of Names: Ahaziah, Boaz, Jacob, Zebedee, Zechariah, Gomer, Hosea, Isaac, Jesse, Rebekah, Elkanah, Moses, Hannah, Obed, Zipporah, Rachel, Sarah, Elizabeth, Saul, David, Mary, Amoz

MISSING: "One Year Book of Hymns" a paper back book. Please return it to the church office. Thank You!

Ripple Articles **MUST BE** received by the deadline to be included in the Ripple. Send to **arcc@amerytel.net** ***(PREFERRED)*** or put in Ripple box in church office. Bulletin items must be received by Thursday for the next Sunday's bulletin.

Thank You,