



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 worshipping our Lord.

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, September 2

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

Sunday, September 9

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

POTLUCK (Circle 3)

Sunday, September 16

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

Sunday, September 23

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

Sunday, September 30

9:30am Sunday School
10:15am Fellowship
10:30am Worship/Children's Church
7:00p Sunday Night Live! (Circle 4)

Hidden Pains

Pastor Justin



About a week ago I was playing "tag" with a bunch of kids in the dark. I was running through some tall grass and tripped over a kid who was lying down hiding in the grass. I rolled over the kid and landed on my ribs. Nothing hurt that night, but since that night onward, my ribs have been killing me. It hurts when I bump them.

We are strong people around here... not the kind to let a little thing like sore ribs slow us down. Right?!? So, I went to play basketball. No one could see my sore rib. I didn't even think much about it myself until I set a screen for a "big guy" who pushed me out of the way. Where did he push? He pushed my rib of course. It slowed me down for a minute or so. No one knew about my sore rib... but it sure hurt.

A little while later, another guy came down to make a shot, and I caught his shoulder right in the bad rib. He made the shot, and I stumbled backward a few steps. I bent over and grabbed my knees to support myself. To everyone else, I looked winded. But, I was in severe pain. I stumbled around for a little while waiting for the guys to come back to my end of the court. I couldn't run. I just wanted to sit down and go home. I stayed and finished the game and two more.

I tell you this story because many people around us have sore "ribs" that we know nothing about. Some might be struggling with loneliness that we know nothing about. Others might be struggling with financial hardships that are masked by their smiles. Some might be having a difficult time with their marriage and be taking it out on the wrong people. Still, some people may be struggling in a different area that hides from our vision.

Proverbs 14:10 says, "Each heart knows its own bitterness, no one else can share its joy."

I'm not pointing this out so we have an excuse to hide our burdens. We are supposed to share those with one another and to encourage each other along the path of life. I am sharing it because we have a propensity toward judgment of one another. We may see things that need to be done and wonder why "so and so" won't do them. We may

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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.

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Justin Hosking*
VISITATION PASTOR
Bruce Tanner*

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Rod Wetzig
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Darlene Holecek
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Joan Talmage*

TREASURER
Dana Powell*

* = Appointed

“The Armor of God” by Priscilla Shriver.

The study led by Kathy Lundgren includes a video and a lesson book.



Ladies Bible Studies

**Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study
begins September 11th from 9:30 -11:00 AM.**

We will use a study by John Stott that looks at Jesus as a teacher, servant, and Savior.

All are welcome! Invite your neighbors!

Please sign up on the registration form in the foyer so we can order the correct number of books. Any questions—call Carol Smith at 715-268-2835 or e-mail to cvabs42@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S FALL REFRESHER

At Arrowhead Bible Camp

SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2018

Speaker: Kathy Carlton Willis



Women's

Fall Retreat

Workshops on Saturday on various skills and topics. Chapel services, and time to rest and reflect.

Ladies, set aside this weekend and come for a time of fellowship. Registration slips and sign-up sheet are available in the foyer.



Men's Retreat Sep. 28-29

At Arrowhead Bible Camp

“GO M.A.D.—**Make A Difference**”

Learn about the difference we can make in our homes and communities.

Highlights: Ultimate Frisbee, Fishing, Archery, Ping Pong, Billiards, Foosball, Disc Golf, Board Games, Outdoor Sports and an ATV trip.

Brochures available in the foyer.

**It's Back—
Pot Luck September 9th**



Women's Ministry

Thursday, September 6 at 9:30 A.M.

Morning coffee treat by Joyce Brown

White Cross all morning working on projects: Decorations for the Christmas Tea, rip and roll sheets for bandages (we have a box of sheets).

Lunch 12:00-12:30. Bring your own sack lunch.

Women's Ministry 12:30-2:00 PM. Devotions and Dessert provided by Sandy Sias. Business meeting after.

IT'S A MIRACLE!

Jesus performed many amazing miracles during his earthly ministry.

Directions: Match the words and pictures of different healings, from one column to the other. Then fit the word pairs in the blanks below to complete Matthew 11:5, NIV.



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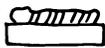
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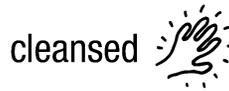
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The _____ receive _____, the _____, those
 who have _____ are _____, the _____
 _____, the _____ are _____.

MATTHEW 11:5, NIV

dates.
We meet at 5:30 p.m.

Invite your friends,
 neighbors, anyone age 2-
 Senior High.



Come and learn more
 about the Bible, learn memory verses
 and grow to know and love Jesus more!

Our evenings start with games, then
 music, teaching time... and everyone's
 favorite "the store"!

**Come to a new study at the
 Adult Sunday School Class
 "How to be Certain You Are
 Saved".**

Starting September 2 at 9:30 AM

WANTED:

Cookies or other finger
 goodies for Sunday Coffee Time.



Our freezer is empty!

Thank you in advance!

HELP!

**Thursday, Sept. 20 at 2PM
 Birthday Party**

Come help celebrate birthdays at Willow
 Ridge. Lend your voice, share a smile and
 handshake. Your presence means a lot.

The Bible Quiz, puzzle, cartoons and various articles are from the Newsletter to which we subscribe and have permission to reproduce

Bible Quiz A

Who was Moses' father-in-law, and what was his occupation?

- A. Joshua; shepherd
- B. Miriam; tentmaker
- C. Aaron; farmer
- D. Jethro; priest



Keep Our
 Nation,
 Church,
 Youth,
 Teachers,
 Schools
 and the Sick



3 Amber Elmer
 5 Mark & Dana Powell (1998)
 8 Samantha Newbauer
 9 Richard & JoAnn Frankson (1989)
 9 David & Dawn Lundgren (1989)
 10 Jessica Brown
 10 Tom McKinstry
 11 Tom Berry

12 Brock Hosking
 13 Larry Phillipson
 17 Bob & Judy Traynor (1966)
 18 Paul & Betty Anderson (1967)
 18 Orville Lundgren
 18 Chris Majeske
 18 Ward Taber
 18 Penny Schultz

21 Steve Reed
 22 Suzette Taber
 23 Makaila Brown
 23 Betty Cheshire
 28 Carol Stevens
 29 Jesse Elmer
 30 Betty Anderson
 30 Olivia Lundgren

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Mission of the Month—Wangraibou & Michele Ngonamai Serving in Northeast India with WorldView Ministries.

By God’s grace, this year has seen a marked increase in productivity of the translation team. The use of their new building, along with new laptops to directly translate (rather than writing out all translation by hand), and an extra measure of God’s grace seem to have combined to encourage and motivate their translation team to have completed drafting more than 60 percent of the New Testament! They expect to complete this initial draft of the New Testament this year.

In March they launched the first year of their Christian School to provide strong Christian education for the local children. In their first year of operation, they offer Pre-K and Kindergarten. Each year they plan to add one more grade. Praise the Lord for providing teachers who love Him and are passionate to teach the village children His love and ways.

Michele had the opportunity to spend the month of April in Kathmandu to get a focused learning Nepali, away from daily demands of life and ministry in the village. Wangrai spent the last two weeks of April with her, where he also had opportunities to improve his understanding of Nepali. Please pray for them to be able to learn the language to the point where they can effectively use it to communicate on a heart level with the Nepali Hindus and Buddhists who surround them.

PRAY FOR: Salvation and spiritual growth of saved children during VBS in June; Continued progress in Bible translation; Much fruit that remains, and Increased financial support of their ministry.

T.A.C.T.I.C.A.L.
September 27 at 6:30 PM
 Convention of States Speaker

Blood Drive
Apple River Community Church
Thursday, September 13
12:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Give blood—Help save lives.



Church Signs—a part of our culture.
 By Stan Miller

The First Baptist Church of Barron, WI proclaimed, **“Goodness is the only investment that never fails.”** Paul seems to agree with that as he writes in the letter to the Galatians, “So don’t get tired of doing what is good. Don’t get discouraged and give up, for we will reap a harvest of blessing at the appropriate time.” Chapter and Verse is 6:9.

Invest implies a return and one worth waiting for. Everyone agrees with the concept of doing good. Not everyone has a right motive. Psalms 19:17 agrees with that assessment, when the writer says, “If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord— and he will repay you.”

Invest because you want to do good, you want to do right. You will be repaid at the appropriate time. There are no notices from the lender, no frauds, no laundering or other ‘worries’. It’s a straightforward deal that doesn’t need a lawyer, 1,000 pages of legalese, and signatures of both parties. Dated of course. God

Proverbs 16:2 says, "All a person's ways seem pure to them, but motives are weighted by the Lord."

It is for God to judge. He knows the hidden hurts that others face. He understands why they make "foolish" choices. He sees through the pretensions of those who would like to "look like they have it all together." The Lord knows better.

This leads to a double warning. 1. Don't falsely judge. You don't have all the facts. You can't see the heart. We are to wise, but wisdom holds the hand of humility. 2. Know that the Lord Judges. Walk in humility before him. He knows your heart. He understands your sin. Don't just do what seems right... be right in your heart as well.

**Olive Tree Minisries
Understanding the Times 2018
Annual Conference
September 29 8:30 AM—5:00 PM
Conference Host: Jan Markell with
Eric Barger**

Solid Rock Church at
258 North 3rd St., New Richmond
is hosting this event live stream.

No cost or registration needed.

It will be on a big screen.

There will be a one hour lunch break - on your own, or feel free to bring your own lunch. Coffee will be provided in the morning.

See the poster on the bulletin board with the list of speakers.

Olive Tree Ministries fills Grace Church in Eden Prairie, MN to maximum capacity including their overflow rooms. Usually 5,000- 6,000 attendees.

Our Prayer Chains are active. If you have a prayer concern, contact Bev Richmond (715-268-4226) or Lynne Peterson at (lybrpeterson@yahoo.com).

Hospital Calls: If you learn 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 Darlene Holecek, Judy Nelson and



Taylor's Falls Pot Hole Adventure

Date: Sept 15th 2018

Time: 10:30 AM to 3 PM

Location: Taylor's Falls.

Cost: \$30.00 per family

See Poster

on

Bulletin Board

The Devil Wore A Derby Hat

By MCCrimm

The devil wore a derby hat and a bloody red bow-tie
He smoked a Camel cigarette flicking ashes in my eye.
He was natty dressed and debonair but his arrogance
was rude

He said I wish to speak with you with no wish to intrude.
Your gall's unmitigated I replied with great disdain
Your intrusion is accomplished What do you seek to
gain?

I have a proposition your interest may be stirred
I raised my fist and shouted I'll not listen to a word . . .
Get behind me, Satan. Your promises are wind
An endless stream of lies multiplying without end.
No good has ever come from you you prowl and hunt and
slink

With an appetite for weakness that's boggling to think.
You disgust me to my marrow you vile and slithering
snake

You're the only fallen angel the epitome of disgrace.
You're shameless and you're evil and misery's your ware.
You sell vice as virtue, manufacturing despair.
You're a wolf in disguise and a stealer of sheep.
A twister of words and a robber of sleep.
You're a render of havoc and souls you destroy.
You manipulate thoughts and demons employ.
You are everything wrong and opposite love
Rightfully outcast and thrown from above.
Not one of His children want you about
And that includes me so kindly get out.
Drift off like the smoke from your own cigarette
In your bow-tie and derby I'll be quick to forget.
You're destined to lose for the capstone will crush



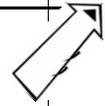
Apple River Community Church Calendar of Events

2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>5a Praise Team</i> Sunday School Fellowship Worship/Children's Church</p>	<p>3 Labor Day</p>	<p>4 6:30-8:00 PM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>5 10:00a Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>6 White Cross ALL DAY. See page 2.</p>		<p>1</p>
<p>Apple Grandparent's Day <i>Praise Team</i> Sunday School Fellowship Worship/Children's Church Outlook (<i>Circle 3</i>)</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 9:30a Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study 6:30p Deacon's Meeting 7:30p Executive Board Meeting</p>	<p>12 10:00a Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>13 12:00p to 6:00p Blood Drive</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
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<p><i>5a Praise Team</i> Sunday School Fellowship Worship/Children's Church</p>	<p>24 RIPPLE DEADLINE</p>	<p>25 9:30a Women's Bible Study 5:00p Serenity House 5:30p Senior Saints— 6:30p Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>26 10:00a Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>27 6:30P T.A.C.T.I.C.A.L.</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Live Street standing the T at Solid Rock C Pg. 5 Men's Retreat</p>

Puzzle: How sweet are your words to my taste
sweeter than honey to my mouth! Psalm 119:111

Bible Quiz: Answer: C (See Numbers 17:1-11,
specifically v. 8.)



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