



# Story

Telling Our Past  
Living in the Present  
Hope of Our Future With Jesus

September 12, 2021



Surely the arm of the Lord  
is not too short to

save,

nor His ear  
too dull to

hear.

ISAIAH 59:1

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## Story

Some of the greatest joys of scripture are the stories where the characters know that God is near. Every time God makes His presence known, big things happen to the stories of those around Him. Abraham received promises and blessings. Jacob was blessed not only with the encouragement of knowing God's house was near at Bethel, but he also had the honor of wrestling with God and receiving a new name. Moses took off his shoes when he realized God's presence and was empowered to lead the people of God. Miriam (Moses' sister) witnessed God saving her brother as a baby and later led the women in a beautiful song of praise to God when she witnessed God's leading through the parted sea. Hannah prayed with great joy after her son was born and she was able to present him to the LORD. Mary echoed parts of Hannah's song when she too realized that God was near and that the son she was carrying was the son of God. Daniel's friends were saved from a fiery furnace to become leaders in an empire that wasn't their own. Peter wanted to make three houses when Jesus was transfigured in order to keep God's glory near and was later blessed to speak good news that led thousands of souls to Jesus. John got to see the door of heaven open and beheld glories that he excitedly shared with us in Revelation, revealing a hope that our story is about the hope and joy of being near to God.

The story of God and His people is a story of constant reminding that He is near, He is present. It is when His people seek that truth, seeking His face, that their stories become blessed and go in a direction that blesses all the stories that are involved with their own. Widows are cared for, the sick become well, wisdom is spread, food is available in the midst of famines. And best of all, those that hope in and trust the nearness of God's presence are always surrounded by joy!

As Paul blesses the readers of the letter he sent to the church in Rome, may we be blessed with the joy that comes from the knowledge that God is present in our lives today!

*"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." ~ Romans 15:13*

Pat Naden is home and doing well. Remember Benjamin Oliphant, Linda Channel, Nancy Richardson, Nina Johnston, Bonnie Gray, Gladys Cobb, Christiane Hobart, Sherry Smith, Scott Cagle, Shirley Obenshain, Dale Gray, Brian Deckman, Nolan Edmondson, Ralph Cope, Helen Elder, and Rachel Pyron as they deal with ongoing health issues.

### Baptism

Bella Bass was baptized into Christ Sunday, September 5th. Bella is the daughter of Cory and Ali Bass. Their address is 14231 Case Lane, Diamond, MO 64840.

## Day of Service

*"Reaching out through acts of service and compassion"*

**September 26**

**1:45 - 5:00 pm - Service Projects**

**5:30 - Meal & Fellowship**

Teams will be doing various service projects to help those in our community.

Service projects include: house cleaning, brush clean-up, yard maintenance, Park clean up, trash pick up around Neosho. See the bulletin board for more information.

If you wish to volunteer to help with this project, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the Family Room. Wednesday is the last day to sign up. If you have questions, see Tye.

## Happy Anniversary



Congratulations to Tim and Benna Stipp. They will be celebrating their 52nd Wedding Anniversary Tuesday, September 14th.



Please pray for the 15 of us who are at the Little Prairie Fall Retreat this weekend! We should be heading home around 1 pm and back in Neosho a little before 5 pm Sunday. Prayers for safe travels are always appreciated!

We are continuing our new Wednesday Night Bible Series in class this week over Counter Culture and Current Events. I hope to see you there!!

Don't forget 8th Graders: this Friday, September 17th, at 6:00 pm is the special 8th Grade Promotion Celebration being held in your honor by the NextGen team! If you have not already let Megan or me know if you can attend, please catch us today so we can have an accurate count.

Phew! School is back in full swing and I love how our Fall Calendar is shaping up for our Youth Group. If you haven't given me your schedule of when your team is playing or when your band is performing, please get me one! I'd love to attend and try to plan a time when we can get as many Rocketdyne Teens there as possible. We shall call ourselves the "Rocketdyne Boosters"...and now I really want to make t-shirts with that name on them just because of the history of the 'Rocketdyne' name and their part in helping design the rocket engines for the Apollo space program!! Have a GREAT week! Zac



Jim Murray will celebrate his 83rd birthday September 18th. His address is 16240 Hwy V, Diamond, MO 64840.

### JumpStart Worker Shirts

JumpStart worker shirts need to be laundered and placed in the tub in the family room.



## For Ages 3 years - 4th Grade

Thank you to Blair Holding for teaching us about Nehemiah rebuilding the walls last week. Join us today as we learn about Creation.

### September Memory Verse

*In the beginning  
God created the sky and the earth.  
Genesis 1:1*

Just a reminder, whenever you are ready, you can say the memory verse to the Imagination Station teacher for a treat from the treasure box!

### Schedule

#### Today - September 12

Lesson: God Made the Sky and Earth  
Teachers: Renee Lewis, Laura Stipp  
Helper: Emma Friend  
Monitor: Jason Stipp

#### September 19

Lesson: God Made the Fish, Birds, and Animals  
Teacher: Karen Pyron  
Helpers: Rachel Pyron, Lane Pyron  
Monitor: Kevin Cutbirth

#### September 26

Lesson: God Made People  
Teachers: Shelly Kraft, Mariah Kraft  
Helper: Theresa Widener  
Monitor: Andrew Jones

Neosho Public Schools  
Character Trait For September

### SELF-CONTROL

Taking charge of yourself and your behavior  
as well as making good choices and  
being accountable for your decisions

**Our  
LEADERS**

Elders, Deacons, Ministers  
Partners in the Gospel

**Elders**

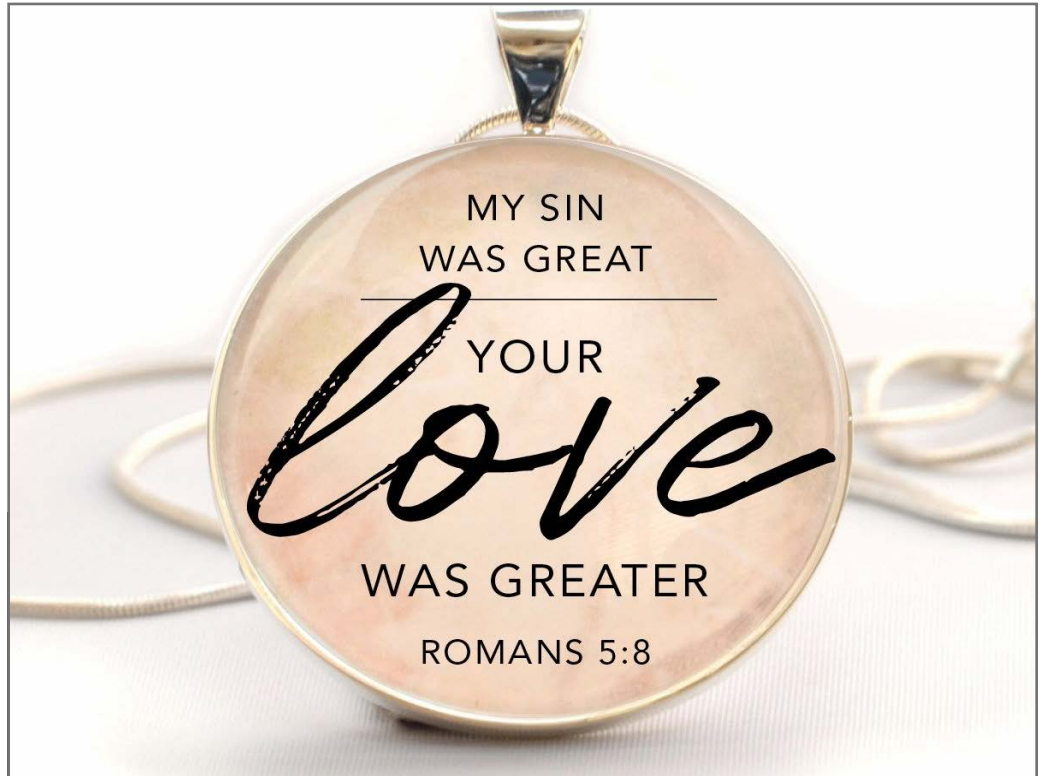
Al Beaver  
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Don Hounsshell  
Ben Lane  
Jim Pyron  
Earl Reynolds  
Ray Stipp

**Deacons**

Bryce Beeson  
David Brown  
Sage Crane  
Adam Lett  
Kael Powers  
Jason Stipp  
Alan Woodward

**Ministers**

Zac Erisman  
Tye Zola



*No Attended Nursery  
At This Time*



**Fair Haven  
Pantry  
Needs**

Instant Oatmeal

**OUR MISSION**

**To Worship God  
To Become More Like Jesus  
To Nurture the Children  
To Share His Love by Honoring and Serving One Another  
and the World  
To the Praise and Glory of Our God**

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