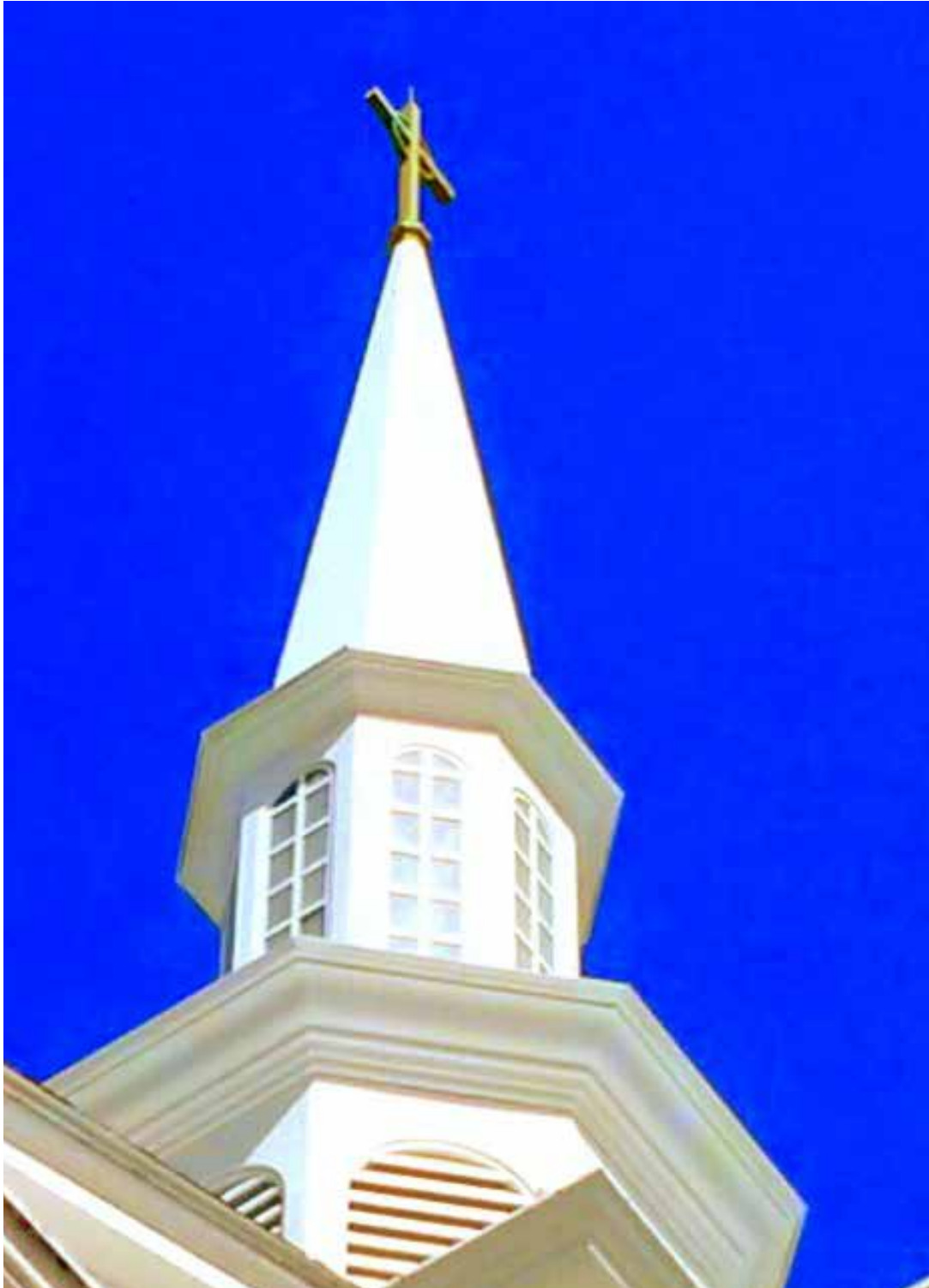


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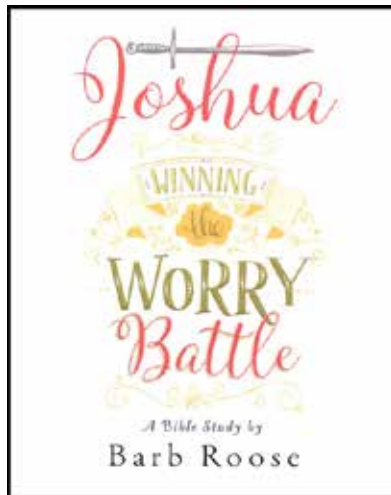
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BIBLE STUDY



One study reports that the average person spends 55 minutes per day worrying. Discover how God paved the way to victory for Joshua and the Israelites when they showed up and fought in faith. Barb Roose applies these principles and offers practical tools to use for victory as we show up and fight in faith the worry battle.

Joshua

Winning the Worry Battle

Bible Study for Women

Mondays at 5:30 p.m., Heritage Room

Questions to Melanie Black 388-6920

Men of Faith

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast, Devotions, Discussion

June 5 & June 19

Meet each first and third Saturdays at 7:30 a.m..



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Volunteer In Mission Projects

The VIM team has several projects in the next few months. All of the following projects will have electric hook-ups for RVer's and good places for sleeping for non-RVer's. Registration fee is \$100.00 per person.

June 6-11 Alpha Christian Children's Home near Perry, Kansas

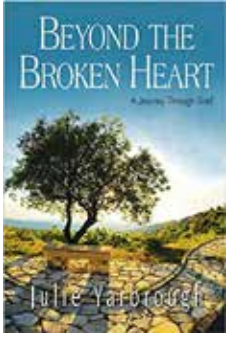
June 27 - July 2 Youthville in Newton, Kansas

July 18 - 29 Buckhorn Camp near Fort Collins, Colorado (7,800 ft. elevation)

If you are interested in any of these projects, please contact Chuck or Linda Buchmueller (620-770-0411) for details.

BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART: A JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

Pastor Nicole's next short term study will be a Bible study using *Beyond the Broken Heart: A Journey Through Grief* on Wednesdays at 1:30p.m. Books are available through Cokesbury or Amazon. A daily devotion companion to the study, *Beyond the Broken Heart: Daily Devotions for Your Grief Journey*, is also available.



From the study's description: "How does the heart understand grief when it is broken by the death of a loved one? To survive and live forward, those who grieve must find answers. *Beyond the Broken Heart* is an eight-week support and ministry program for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Author Julie Yarbrough chronicles her personal experience combined with a deep love of Scripture and years of leading grief support groups to create an authentic and deeply personal exploration of the grief journey. Previous participants have found this study to be powerful and to help them during their journey through grief.

This study began on Wednesday, April 21 and will continue on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.

The Bible Study

Simultaneous in-person & Zoom Bible Study for Women

Alicia Van Slyke (620) 388-3836

This small group will focus on application for mothering/parenting in today's world. If you have ever sat down to read the Bible and found yourself lost, confused or just completely overwhelmed by it all, this is the study for you. The Bible Study is a study guide through the Bible which will help you to better understand the Word. You will grow your relationship with God and have a better understanding of His Word and how to relate it to your life today. Meets every other Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Entrusted

Simultaneous in-person & Zoom Bible Study for Women

Peggy Ellison (620) 770-0469 Wednesdays –10:00 a.m., Conference Room

In this study of 2nd Timothy, Beth Moore will challenge you to do the same. God has a plan for you. He has entrusted you with the gospel message and has gifted you to carry it. He's calling you to be His mighty servant, willing to face whatever difficulty you encounter as you carry out His mission.

The Walk — Lenten Study

Simultaneous in-person & Zoom Bible Study for Women

Pastor Nicole—(620) 770-0469 Wednesdays –10:00 a.m., Conference Room

In *The Walk*, Adam Hamilton focuses on five essential spiritual practices that are rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament. Each of these practices is intended as part of our daily walk with Christ while also being an essential part of growing together in the church. In each chapter, Hamilton explores one of these practices, its New Testament foundation, and what it looks like to pursue this practice daily in our personal life and together in the life of the church. Deepen your walk with Christ as we explore the five essential practices of worship, study, serving, giving, and bearing witness to our faith

Abby Black is returning from the mission field to be State-side for a while, and she will be here on June 20th! Please come hear about how God has blessed, changed, and sustained her ministry in Niger. She will be presenting during both Sunday services. The presentation will not be recorded for the online viewers for security reasons

She will also have some bags and hand-woven fabric for sale from a few of her Christian Nigerien friends if you're interested.



At Pratt First United Methodist Church, we have made a commitment to our local schools. This has stemmed from both the commitment the Great Plains Annual Conference (Kansas and Nebraska) of the United Methodist Church made entering into partnerships with public schools in their communities to support schools, teachers, and students and our own desire to support the schools, teachers, and students to see our community and world transformed in positive ways.

Pratt First United Methodist Church has several ways that we fulfill this commitment and we strive to find new ways to partner with Pratt USD 382, Skyline USD 438, and Cunningham USD 332. This year, our congregation is praying for the teachers, administrators, and staff of these districts. We will pray for every teacher, staff member and administrator by name, each for a week. We will also pray for the schools and students.

Pastor Nicole requests feedback— All Church Children/Youth Ministries Survey
Pastor Nicole would like some feedback in regard to children/youth ministries. Questions in the survey include what do you see as most important for these ministries, how will you support these ministries, what traditions in these ministries have you enjoyed. There are also questions about Confirmation as Pastor Nicole making plans for it. This survey is not only for parents, everyone can take it! Go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XX8SVV7>

**Attending College/ University/Technical School?
2021**

Our church is asking all Pratt First United Methodist Church members or friends, who plan to attend college/university or technical school to complete the information below and return it to the church office, to Eunice Proctor or to Brenda Fowler as soon as possible. Please provide the information no later than the start of the semester. If you live in a dorm you may not be able to provide that address until you move in.

We also wish to display your photo with other college students in the hallway south of fellowship hall. We are asking students to provide a portrait billfold size photo (2 5/8 in. wide x 3 5/16 in. high) on photo paper for this display. This size is necessary for placement in the display board. Please leave the photo in the church office, give to Eunice Proctor or give to Brenda Fowler. Or you may email a portrait photo to Brenda Fowler @brenfowler@sctelcom.net.

To keep our college students in our thoughts and prayers, a church member will be designated as a prayer partner for each student who provides the requested information. The prayer partner will pray for the student daily and contact them by mail or e-mail. They may also remember you on your birthday and during final exams. We are interested in you and wish you well. You are encouraged to answer contacts from your prayer partner.

Eunice Proctor, 1326 E. Third St., Pratt, 672-5464, ek-proctor@sbcglobal.net

Brenda Fowler, 20351 SE 20th Ave., Pratt, 450-7517, brenfowler@sctelcom.net

Student Information

Name _____

Name of College/University/Technical School _____

School residence address _____

e-mail address _____

Date of Birth _____

Phone Number where you can be reached this summer: cell phone _____

Parent's phone _____

Parent's name _____

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 1 Helen Bailey	June 10 Opal Hemphill	June 17 Georgie Fowler
June 1 Nathan Buchmueller	June 12 Elyse Birdsong	June 17 Deb Goyen
June 2 Gary Barker	June 12 Caden Schowengerdt	June 17 Wendell Howell
June 2 Suzanne Moore	June 12 Cole Winklepleck	June 17 Curt Wilson
June 2 Shelley Patton	June 13 Steve Mead	June 19 Lisa Austin
June 2 Charmaine Swanepoel	June 13 Cathy Millen	June 19 Katherine Shanline
June 3 Kaden Barker	June 13 Richard Rose	June 21 Jean Tharp
June 4 Albert Kendall	June 13 Emma Shrack	June 22 Charles Kizzire
June 4 Craig Wilson	June 13 Darrel Wehling	June 23 Darrel Brehm
June 6 Owen Utter	June 14 June Daughhete	June 23 Lois Gray
June 7 Brent Hoener	June 14 Brett Laprairie	June 25 Jeff Shanline
June 7 John Mathes	June 15 Denise Dover	June 26 Michaela Freeman
June 7 Merle Rose	June 15 Natalie King	June 26 Krista Laprarie
June 10 Makala Fitzsimmons	June 16 Darrell Shumway	June 27 Brantley Gish
		June 29 Summer Younie



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June 2 Kelli & Tim Barker	June 11 Jane & Bill Biles
June 2 Peggy & David Ellison	June 12 Genny & Gary Schmidt
June 4 Whitney & Kyle Briggeman	June 14 Jenny & Trent Mcatee
June 6 Brenda & Wakon Fowler	June 17 Rebecca & Tom Post
June 6 Madeline & Milt Martin	June 21 Nikki & Nate Humble
June 7 Alison & Tanner Peissig	June 23 Karen & Robert Pinkall
June 10 Suzanne & Kent Moore	June 26 Pat & Don Schwartz
June 11 Jami & Christopher Battin	June 27 Shari & Kevin Gates



FUMC Worship Service each Sunday

at 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Each Sunday here at First United Methodist Church, we provide a unique worship experience. Whether you are a life-long member or a first-time visitor, we welcome you to our congregation!

Our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service is recorded and uploaded to the church's Facebook page,

<https://www.facebook.com/PrattFirstUMC> and at the church website, <http://prattumc.org/sermons.html> as soon as possible following the service.

Sunday School Classes are meeting!

June Calendar

If you have something that you would like to put in The Spire, please email Jane Bolen jane.bolen@yahoo.com or call her at 620 770-2110 by the 20th of the month before the next Spire.

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SUNDAYS

Church Service 8:00 a.m.
 Church Service in Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

MONDAYS

Ladies Bible Study, Heritage Rm 5:50p.m.
 Women's Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
 every other Monday


WEDNESDAYS


Ladies Prayer Group, FH 8:00 a.m.
 Ladies Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Pastor's Bible Study, Conf. Rm 1:30 p.m.
 Senior High Youth Group 7:00 p.m.


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ENJOY BOOKS IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY

We have many new books in the Church Library that we hope you will enjoy so we invite you to check them out.

We have seven books on the 2021 UMW shelf. They are a memorial to Sharon Brehm from her Stitch Club. Among them are:

The Journey Between Us
Sleep, Pray, Heal
Crocodile Crossing-A Children's Book
Speaking Well

The 50-50 Sunday School Class has given:

It's Going to Be Okay—in memory of Barbara Shinkle
Don't Miss It —in memory of Carter Barker. This book was written by Dave Dalke who was our Church Youth Director in the 1960's.

They are on the Suggested Reading Shelf.

If you have a type of book that you would like to have in our library, please call Marilyn Kennedy or Ginny Houdyshell.

New text, email system

We have a new text and email system to share information about things going on at the church. If you would like to keep updated on things going on here, text CONNECT to (620) 254-8885. You can also follow this link:

<https://textinchurch.com/groups/familyform/MjA4Mjkw> to get set up.

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You may pick up your copy of *The Spire* at the church. If you wish to have your name added to the email list, please advise Jacqueline Johnson at jjohnson@prattumc.org or Jane Bolen at jane.bolen@yahoo.com

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