

Serving This Week:

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Brian Horner

Song Leader: Brian Horner

Opening Prayer: Dan Higgins

Scripture Reading: Kyle Richardson

Lord's Supper:

Presiding: Mel Hebert

Serving: Aaron Hebert

Ken Grandstaff

Preaching: Ben Flatt

Closing Prayer: Howell Todd

Sunday Evening

Opening Prayer: Brian Horner

Preaching: Chris Wilson

Closing Prayer: Mel Hebert

Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer: Dan Higgins

Devotional: Brian Horner

Closing Prayer: Mel Hebert

Serving Next Sunday:

Pres. Lord's Supper: Mel Hebert

Preaching: Ben Flatt

Opening Prayer: Dan Higgins

Closing Prayer: Howell Todd

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to all who helped yesterday for VBS! We couldn't have done it without you!

Our Gospel Meeting and campaign starts Today!

Remember tonight's worship is at 7:30.

There is a Potluck meal following worship. Everyone is invited to stay!

Please call to inform us of News items or Prayer Requests that need to be in the Bulletin:
Kyle Richardson - 495-7106
Dorthy Jean Smith - 444-5437

GROW TEAM MEETINGS

Correspondence - Sunday evenings after worship *see Kyle Richardson.*

Visitation/Bible Study - For assignments see *Brian Horner.*

Member Care - Regarding Member needs contact *Mel Hebert: 443-7779.*

Flower Request - Please call *Danise Fisher: 237-3239*

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Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

My Grandmother Was a Cereal Killer

I don't think that I have ever really told many people this. In fact, I'm sure that most of the family didn't know it, but it's true, she was.

Grandma was a jolly soul with a big heart and personality to go with it.

She was slight in stature, and I always remember her with an apron on.

Her kitchen always smelled good. There were always home cooked meals and those wonderful pies she turned out. In my minds eye I can see her still with remnants of flour and other goods on her from baking and cooking.

I can still feel her big bear hugs. From these memories you wouldn't think there was a mean bone in her body. I remember once I was on the receiving end of her temper and felt her wrath on my business end if you catch my meaning. I had disobeyed her and she let me know who was in charge. It was only that one time though and you can believe me I didn't want to cross her again. The thing that hurt me most was she was right and I am lucky that I wasn't killed. Oh...not from the spanking, but from my actions that brought on the discipline. Anyway, that's another story.

Grandma, Martha was given name, was an early riser as were most farm wives of her era. As a young lad, for whatever reason, this morning I was up, too. I pattered into the kitchen to find grandma lunging forward and stabbing in the air up toward the kitchen cupboard top with a big meat fork. You know that kind you use with turkeys and big hams.

I had never seen her do this violent behavior before, but then again I was never up this early before either. I later found out that this was a regular occurrence for her. When she spun around I think she was just as startled

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at seeing me as I was at what I had just witnessed her doing. She still had the weapon I hand. Then there was that big smile of hers and she said come give grandma a morning kiss.

To my relief I found out that it was grandma's way of getting the breakfast food boxes down. She would stab them because she could not reach them.

What has this to do with a Bible lesson? I'm glad that you asked that. As I think back there are a lot of Bible lessons one could draw from this.

Persistence such as "fight the good fight" 1 Timothy 6:12, don't give up until you have accomplished what you have set out to do. Then there is discipline of children Proverbs 19. There is more, too.

Now I built up the story a bit for effect, but I want you to know I wasn't afraid that grandma was going to do anything to me. I knew she loved me, and cared for me. I had this understanding: that no one had to tell me that she was there for me.

Paul teaches the same thing about God in Philippians 4:6,7 "In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard you hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus."

God wants us to have the peace that only He can give, just like as children we receive from loving parents and grandparents a peace that passeth all understanding. We get this from our conversations and being around them. We receive the same from prayer and study of God's word.

David Shearer - Marshalltown, IA

**People will judge you by your actions not your intentions.
You may have a heart of gold, but so does a hardboiled egg.**

Via Bulletin Digest



Remember in Prayer

Shut Ins:

Vallie Andrews
Fannie Bell Warren
Janelle Arrington

Others:

Bradley & Betty Glover
Hollis Cluck
The Pfaffs - Missionaries
Diane Chopay
Vickie Wade
Craig Cook
Judy Higgins
Muril Todd
Karen Hudson - cancer
Diane G.'s mother - asthma
Charles Grisham
Christy Garrett
The Entire Bryan Family
Annie Smith
JW Smith
Elisha Garrett
Margie Taylor
Jerry Garrett
Billy Brewer

September Birthdays

18 - Sophia Hudson

September Anniversaries

22 - Josh & Heather Hebert

Daily Bible Reading

DAY	MORN.	EVE.
Sunday	Issiah 38-40	2 Cor 4
Monday	Issiah 41-42	2 Cor 5
Tuesday	Issiah 43-44	2 Cor 6-7
Wednesday	Issiah 45-47	2 Cor 8
Thursday	Issiah 48-49	2 Cor 9-10
Friday	Issiah 50-52	2 Cor 11
Saturday	Issiah 53-55	2 Cor 12-13

This Week's Bible Trivia:

Q - What men blamed a beast for the evil that they had done?
Check back next week for the answer!

Last Week's Trivia:

Q - Who said it was better to live on the roof than with a quarrelsome woman?
A - Solomon. Prov. 21:9