

July Birthdays

BIRTHDAYS

4- Alex Higginbotham
 7- Jacque Dryer
 8- Mia James
 Marshall Krause
 9- Christopher Arnett
 Cooper Halsey
 11- Wayne McReynolds
 12- Abby Shroeder
 14- Richard Mencl
 15- Dan Brandt
 17- Wayne Buck
 Lindsey Sullivan
 18- Sam Krog
 19- Kelsey Payne
 20- BrynaLynn Clark
 Buddy Coslet

22- Norman Gibbins
 28- Charlene Crawford
 Lynn Phillips
 30- Bryanne Payne
 31- Rachel Clemons
 Elizabeth Cline

July Anniversaries

1- Marshall & Pat Krause
 4- Kevin & Jacque Dryer
 6- Jared & Jeremi Jackson
 11- Leroy & Kay Wise
 12- Jerry & Judy Frerking
 14- Wayne & Carolyn Buck
 16- Seth & Elizabeth Cline
 18- Bert & Melisa Shannon
 Wane & Vickie Wise
 21- David & Kara Clark
 23- Vince & Jill Buck
 26- John & Trish Fletcher
 Dennis & Madison Jacobs



It is our rotation to serve Meals-On-Wheels beginning Monday, July 28th. Please notify Ken Bryant, or the Church office, if you are able to help.



Help save lives in Marshall! Our church is hosting a community blood drive on **Monday, June 29th**, from **1:00 PM to 5:00 PM** at the Knights of Columbus Hall (corner of English Avenue and College Street).

SAVE A LIFE



GIVE BLOOD

**CHAT
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at Bloomfield's Family Restaurant on July 2nd at 11:00 AM! Everyone is welcome.

The Community Food Pantry in coordination with the Ministerial Alliance has asked each church to rotate the items donated to enable them to better estimate what items will be contributed. Please place these items in the large box inside the east doors. Thank you!

July 05 – Canned soup

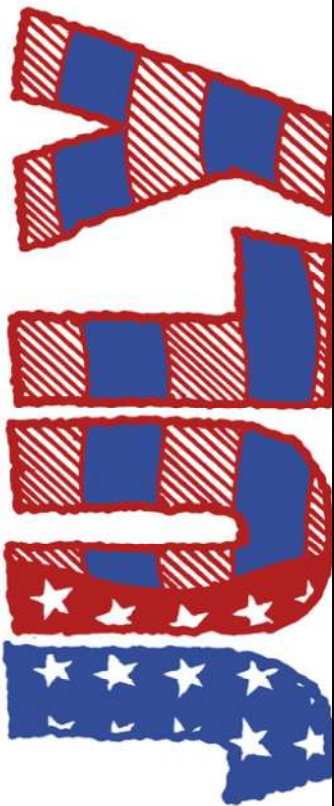
July 19 – Pasta or rice

July 12 – Boxed meals

July 26 – Hot or cold cereal



A gentle reminder that we do NOT hold a General Board meeting in July.



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A Message from our Pastor...

Semiquincentennial or Sestercentennial? Whatever we call it, it is the two hundred and fifty year anniversary of the Us of A.

In our lifetime, the United States of America has lasted for two hundred and fifty years. And it seems to be going strong. We have been through wars, storms, depression and recessions, assassinations of presidents both foiled and completed. We have had huge successes like getting men to the moon and failures like the war in Vietnam.

We are still here. We still have the many freedoms listed in the constitution. We have, as Abraham Lincoln noted in his Gettysburg address, "...government of the people, by the people, and for the people...."

We have made it this long and this far due to the good and righteous people who have done what was necessary to maintain the Constitution and our great nation.

Paul's letter to the Romans 12:18 states that we "if it is possible, as far as it depends

on you, live at peace with everyone." And in Romans 12:21 Paul writes, "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good."

May God bless this nation with whatever we need for our democracy to survive for another two hundred and fifty years (at lease). May we do all that we can to help deliver our democracy to our children and their children even to the seventh generation.

The Congressional Research Service (CRS) documents 469 instances of the use of US armed forces abroad since 1798. Of those, 36 are commonly classified as major conflicts. Only 5 received a formal declaration of war from Congress.

Blessings, Rev. Randal

