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# The Good News Herald

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**A Small Church with a Big and Open Heart!**

## Is Your 'Go' Broken?

BY DR. JACK GRAHAM

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20*

A little girl was playing with her wind-up toy animal one day when it stopped working. She wasn't proficient with her vocabulary yet, so she took the toy to her mom and said, "Mommy, I think its go is broken."

I think that's an appropriate diagnosis for many in the church today. Their "go" is broken. They have the command from Jesus to "Go and make disciples," yet, for the sake of comfort, convenience, or some other excuse, they stay put and never even cross the street for the sake of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

But the Lord's commission stands as unwavering and uncompromising today as it did when He uttered those words 2,000 years ago. That means our mission is the same: to go and make disciples. Obedience to this command is one of the most important parts of the Christian life!

It's the love of Christ that compels us to follow the Great Commission and to go share Christ with others. So don't live life with your "go" broken. Whether you cross the street or the globe, go and share Jesus with those who don't know Him!

Go and share Christ with others who don't know him, wherever it takes you.



Dr. Graham was ordained to the Gospel ministry in 1970, and has a master of divinity degree with honors and a doctor of ministry degree in Church and Proclamation from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.



**PASTORAL  
SEARCH**

The Search Committee has completed all initial interviews with the existing candidates. The team had an update meeting with Lorraine Ceniceros, Associate Conference Minister and will meet next week to determine next steps. In the meantime, we will continue to accept and review any additional ministerial profiles received via the Wisconsin Conference.

Your Search Committee,  
Sarah Boley, Laura Herfel, Dave Pauli, and Petra Streiff

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## **YUMMMMM!!!**

The congregation is invited to an authentic Hungarian goulash dinner prepared by Pastor Dean on Sunday evening, September 12 at 5:30 pm. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. We will be collecting a free will offering. We need to know how many people will be attending by August 15, to determine how much meat to purchase. Please email Debbie Versnik at [verskraut@yahoo.com](mailto:verskraut@yahoo.com) or call her at 608-516-4914 to make your reservations.



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## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Kody William Versnik, son of Randy and Melissa Versnik, Oregon, was baptized into Zwingli UCC - Paoli on Sunday, June 27, 2021 by Pastor Petra Streiff in a private home ceremony. Godparents are Bryan and Mandy Versnik.

## Of Note

### Birthdays

Kriss Ace

Katie Beal

Douglas Dahlk

Marilyn Haak

Karen Sponem

### Anniversaries

Ken & Gail Bauman

Scott & Ashley Mansfield

Dwight & Sandra Spring

Mark Your Calendar!



Will meet

September 12, 2021  
Immediately after worship



**CONTACT FAITH WITTWER AT  
608-206-1075  
TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS**

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**If You Are in Need**

**Contact Petra Streiff at 608-527-4155**

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**Donation  
Time Change!!**

**Kriss Ace will open the church on the  
last Saturday of the month from 9:00 to 10:30  
for food bank donations.**

**The next drop off date:  
August 28**

# GETTING TO KNOW YOU!!

Pastor Dean and Faith Wittwer have been visiting church families, taking pictures of their livelihood. Recently they toured Lee and Becky Stilwell's llama and prairie farm. Check out the colorful totem pole carved into a dead tree!



# Women's Guild Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2021

Meeting was called to order by President Debbie Versnik following the church service.

Pastor Dean led us in prayer.

**Secretary's Report:** Read and approved – Motion Trina Pauli – 2<sup>nd</sup> Katie Batker

**Treasurer's Report:** Trina reported a balance of \$5,029.39. **Note:** the full amount we committed to the church treasury was all paid in 2020 even though it did not show in the 2020 budget.

**Sunshine Report:** Sandra Spring will be sending cards to Mike Bovre, Lee Stilwell, Esther Pulfer and Gary Johnson. Please notify Sandy if you know of any member needing a card.

## **Old Business:**

- The brat sale held on April 24 at Burreson's was successful with a profit of \$700.00 Thank you to all who helped.
- Kwik Trip/car wash cards will again be offered in November/December

## **New Business:**

- No Ice Cream Social will be held in August due to lack of time for planning and preparation.
- We discussed our annual Bazaar/Auction in length. With the uncertainty of the still existing restrictions of COVID, it was decided to again hold the auction online. We will again still sell raffle tickets with auction items donated by church members. The Guild will provide prizes of \$200, \$100, and \$75 with a motion by Katie Batker, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Trina Pauli. Other prizes will be accepted as well. The date is Friday, November 5, 2021. More details will follow as plans are being made.
- A drive-thru breakfast is being tentatively planned for October 3, 2021. Motions by Linda Everson – 2<sup>nd</sup> Gail Dahlk. Our first breakfast was very successful. Committee of Sandra Spring, Eileen McCormick, Debbie Versnik and Linda Everson. More detail will be announced.

The proceeds from the fundraisers will be distributed to area organizations that we support throughout the year. All donations are welcome.

- Something new has been added. We are excited. We will hold an authentic "Hungarian Goulash" supper on September 12, 2021, at 5:30. Pastor Dean will be our "chef". Members will be asked to provide a salad or dessert. Beverages and bread will be provided. More information on this elsewhere in the newsletter. Motion – Trina Pauli – 2<sup>nd</sup> Louise Brunkow.
- Pastoral concerns – Pastor Dean was very pleased with the work of the Guild and looks forward to working with everyone.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Linda Everson