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GLAD TIDINGS FOR AUGUST 30, 2026

Welcome! Enjoy coffee fellowship in the parish hall after worship, hosted by the Deacons. The congregation is invited to bring refreshments to share. Large print hymnals are available on the bulletin table. Ask an usher or me if you need our **family comfort room**, with baby changing table and rocking chair. Restrooms are located outside the parish hall doors.

Today, I continue my *Amazing Children of the Bible* message series with "Little Maid of Israel," and we baptize **Karina James Sabella**, child of Nikki and Mark.



Sunday School begins on **Rally Day on September 13** with worship in the Sanctuary at **10 a.m.** followed by a **potluck brunch**, organized by Year of Christian Fellowship. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex for food items that folks are willing to bring and volunteers to help with set up, serving, and/or clean up. Rally Day worship will include a commissioning of the teachers and staff and a "**Blessing of the Backpacks.**" Children are urged to **bring their backpacks** to church for this special blessing.



Our Book Group is reading *One Summer in Savannah* by Terah Shelton Harris and *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi to be discussed on Sept. 16 and Nov. 18 at the manse. All are welcome!

Kathy Seymour invites us to buy school supplies for children in need. Here is the list:

Box of 12 colored pencils
2 pocket folders
Glue sticks
Blunt, rounded tip scissors
30 cm / 12-inch rulers

Handheld pencil sharpeners
Large erasers
Unsharpened pencils with eraser
Box of 24 crayons
Pencil pouch

God bless us with joy and peace!
Pastor Karen

 Please pray for...

- Cathy Kelleher, ovarian cancer
- Kathy Seymour, breast cancer
- Members recovering from surgeries
- Bill Brenner, Lisa Hubbs' father, suffering with Parkinson's

 **Happy Birthday!** 

August 31 - Joanna Furco
September 1 - Rick Booth
September 5 - Kathy Seymour



Recent Messages from the Pastor's Blog



Josiah

Amazing Children of the Bible Series

<https://pastorkaren.org/2026/08/25/amazing-children-of-the-bible-series-josiah/>
August 23, 2026

Solomon

Amazing Children of the Bible Series

<https://pastorkaren.org/2026/08/18/amazing-children-of-the-bible-series-solomon/>
August 16, 2026

David

Amazing Children of the Bible Series

<https://pastorkaren.org/2026/07/26/amazing-children-of-the-bible-series-david/>
July 26, 2026

Samuel

Amazing Children of the Bible Series

<https://pastorkaren.org/2026/07/19/samuel/>
July 19, 2026

Miriam

<https://pastorkaren.org/2026/07/13/miriam/>
July 12, 2026