

Dundee Presbyterian Church Newscaster

Loving God, Sharing Jesus Christ



July 3, 2011

***Where in the World Is God?
Finding God in God's Promises***

Dr. Bob Jordan

Scripture Lesson:
Numbers 13 & 14

WORSHIP & EDUCATION TIMES

9 am: Worship Service - Rejoice! Praise Team

10 am: CRASH & Christian Education

11 am: Worship Service - Chancel Choir



Ways to Get Spiritually Lost - Exodus 32

Life is full of all kinds of challenges. We start off not knowing how to speak or feed ourselves, yet the expectations of those closest to us is that we learn to do both within our first two years. These same people want us to achieve complete potty training just as quickly as we possibly can. The junior high/middle school years present the Mount Everest of human socialization trials. Massive insecurities fueled in part by new and extreme hormonal fluctuations and their effects on our physiques (or the lack there of) make the Khumbu Icefall look like a walk in the park. We're asked to navigate our high school years and to become safe drivers with less than fully developed frontal lobes. We then enter the work force, the military, or college, taking those first steps (a.k.a. blind leaps of faith, stumblings, and/or accidental falls) toward independence and productivity.

It seems, however, that even though these challenges are numerous and arduous, the large majority of humanity overcomes them quite successfully. People eventually speak, feed themselves, and utilize modern plumbing with regularity. We mostly survive the bullies and mean girls of middle school, even if we were them. The preponderance of the miles we drive end up being accident free, and somehow we wind up serving some productive end in our larger society.

There is a spiritual challenge which Christians face, however, that doesn't fit this typical pattern of "growing up." So much of life is dedicated to the process of becoming an adult who makes adult decisions and behaves like adults should behave. Jesus told his followers that in matters of faith he wanted them to do just the opposite. He said, "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." Those wishing to follow Jesus face the challenge of "growing down."

Jesus' teaching on this subject only provides additional clarity to a standard God had previously celebrated. With God's prompting, Moses sent 12 spies into the land that God had promised the Israelites. Ten of the 12 came back speaking like adults with adultish opinions, "While the agricultural possibilities are substantial, our cost-benefit analysis leads us to conclude that we'd be better off going back to Egypt as Pharaoh's slaves." Two of the ten, Joshua and Caleb, spoke more like a couple of kids that just came back from Disneyland. They had faced the challenge of embracing childlike faith and experienced success, "It's great there. Don't be afraid. God is with us! He promised!" Embracing God's promises can be among the greatest challenges we face in life. We spend so many years overcoming one obstacle after another on our journey toward adulthood that it can flat out seem foolish to encourage and adopt a childlikeness. Yet it is only with childlike eyes of faith that we can see God in the midst of his promises. Speaking and using modern plumbing are great achievements, but embracing God's promises and living into them will achieve for us a closeness with God and a future with Christ beyond our wildest dreams.

So the challenge before us now is to overcome the pattern of growing up and choose instead to grow down. Jesus said stuff like "whoever wants to be great must be your servant" and "seek God's kingdom and his righteousness first and everything else will be given to you." It might not make much adult sense, but God is in these promises!

-Dr. Bob Jordan

New Group for Young Adults

If you're in your 20's or 30's, join us today in the Dining Room Annex for coffee and conversation following the 9 am service. We will meet from 10:10 am to 10:50 am.

Step Out and Serve

"Step Out and Serve" is coming back. Sunday August 21, 1-4 pm. Dundee Church will again participate in this city-wide event. Churches join together, expressing God's love for our city in practical acts of service. This is for everyone, of every age and skill.

The Mission Committee has some ideas of projects but we really want to know what you want to do. Is there something you would like to see DPC do? If you have a group that would like to do a good deed together, please contact Ann Hosford, ahosford2@gmail.com or 551-4862, by July 16. Ann will be able to coordinate and promote your project and answer questions.

Block Party with Dundee and Abide Ministries

Abide Ministries in Omaha is dedicated to bringing folks in the "inner city" to Christ. Eventually, the ministry plans that Omaha will no longer have an "inner city!" Getting there will take literally thousands of small steps, many of them in partnership with some of Omaha's pm, Dundee has a chance to participate with Abide in a Block Party at 33rd and Fowler on July 12. We'll gather at 4:30 for prayer, instructions, and dinner. We'll help set-up, and during the party (which starts at 6:30), we'll serve snow cones and dinner, lead games, listen to music, and just enjoy meeting and getting to know folks in or near that block. We need 50 or more volunteers to help out, and the more the merrier. We are the face of Christ in the world. Meeting you may be someone's first step toward knowing Him.

If you'd like to know more about Abide and this opportunity, there will be an informational meeting on July 10 at 10 am in the Dining Room. See you there!

Food Donations

The Community Outreach Team of the Deacons is making a plea for nonperishable foods for Together, Inc. Summertime is a time in which many of the children are not in school and needy families are having to buy more food for home use. Please bring canned goods, cereal, pasta, personal hygiene items, etc. and any other nonperishable groceries/items to the church. Place those items in the bins in the Narthex and in the hallway outside the Admin office.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee for church officers has met and is asking for your help. Nomination forms will be available Sunday, June 26 in the Narthex and in the hall across from the Sanctuary Annex. Please consider those you know whose gifts would fit them for services as a Deacon, an Elder, or a Trustee and submit their names by July 26. Further information may be ask of the committee through Anna Castner Wightman (402-669-7232) or Becky Means (402-556-0903).

Dundee Christian Education

Adult Sunday School & Bible Study

All classes and Bible studies always encourage drop-in visitors. **Join Us!**

SUNDAY, 10 am

- During the summer months, Sunday's Christian Education classes take a break. They will resume in the fall. If your class will continue through the summer months and is not listed below, please call Ashley Morrison, 402-558-2330.
- **Truthseekers** - Chapel - The class uses videos to teach about Scripture, doctrine, and theology. There is lively discussion. All are welcome.
- **Listening for God**, Library - We will follow the sermon series using the scriptural references and materials recommended by Dr. Jordan.
- **Young Adults**, Dining Room Annex - Anyone in their 20's and 30's is welcome to join the group for a bible study and fellowship.

TUESDAY

- **Women's Bible Study** - 7:30 am, Paradise Bakery (Regency)

WEDNESDAY

- **Bible Study** - 1:15 pm, dining room, with Dr. Jim Eckman.

THURSDAY

- **Men's Bible Study** - 6:30 am, Rockbrook Garden Café
- **Retired Men's Bible Study** - 8 am, Village Inn (78th & Dodge)

FRIDAY

- **Men's Bible Study** - 6:30 am, Rockbrook Garden Café
- **Women's Bible Study** - 6:30 am, Wheatfields (One Pacific Place)

SATURDAY

- **Men's Bible Study** - 7:30 am, parlor

Youth Ministries

CRASH - For junior & senior high students. Sundays, 10-11 am in the Underground. Come Rejoice And Sing Hallelujah! There will be singing, praying, hearing God's word, and spending time with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Jr. High - Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm - includes small group discussion and heart-throbbing games.

Sr. High - Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm - includes small group discussion and irresistibly fun games.

Children's Ministries

Join in as the children grow in fellowship, Bible knowledge and faith – and have a really great time!

Kids' Own Worship & Sunday School are on break this week and will resume on Sunday, July 10.



Dundee Church Calendar

Sunday, July 3

7:00 a.m. · Rejoice Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary

8:15 a.m. · Prayer Walk – Sanctuary

8:15 a.m. · Weekly Prayer Group – Parlor

9:00 a.m. · **Rejoice! Worship**

10:00 a.m. · Café Connection - Sanctuary Annex & Narthex

10:00 a.m. · CRASH (7th - 12th grade), Summer Sunday School, Christian Ed.

10:00 a.m. · Prayer & Healing Ministry – Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. · **Traditional Worship**

12:00 p.m. · Café Connection - Sanctuary Annex & Narthex

12:00 p.m. · Prayer & Healing Ministry – Sanctuary

Monday, July 4 - Fourth of July!

Office Closed

Tuesday, July 5

7:30 a.m. · Women's Bible Study - Paradise Bakery in Regency

10:00 a.m. · Staff Meeting - Parlor

6:30 p.m. · Deacons Board Meeting - Room 202

7:00 p.m. · Deacons Meeting - Parlor

Wednesday, July 6

1:15 p.m. · Bible Study with Dr. Jim Eckman - Dining Room

5:30 p.m. · Rejoice Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. · Youth Group - Youth Room

Thursday, July 7

6:30 a.m. · Men's Bible Study - Rockbrook Garden Café

8:00 a.m. · Men's Bible Study - Village Inn

7:30 p.m. · Brownell-Talbot - Parlor

8:00 p.m. · AA - Underground

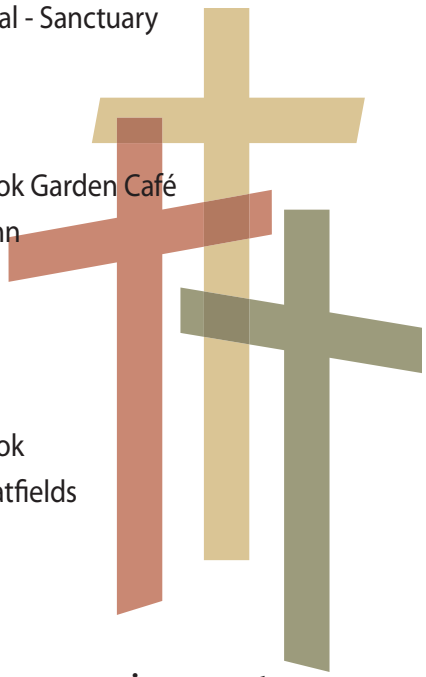
Friday, July 8

6:30 a.m. · Men's Bible Study - Rockbrook

6:30 a.m. · Women's Bible Study - Wheatfields

Saturday, July 9

7:30 a.m. · Men's Bible Study - Parlor



**For more information on upcoming events,
please visit www.dpcomaha.org**

For nursery reservations, call Christine Benedix at 402-558-2330.

Pop Tab Donations Accepted

The Ronald McDonlad House has sent us the following message: "Dear friends, Thank you so much for your pop tab donation! Our families, staff, and volunteers appreciate your support. We couldn't do it without dedicated friends like you. Thanks again, Your friends at the Ronald McDonald House."

Please remember your tabs not only from pop cans but also from pet and fruit and vegetable cans. It costs us nothing but last year paid their whole electric bill! You can drop off your tabs in the Admin office or give them directly to Pat Berton. Thank you!

Dr. Bob on Twitter

Stay connected and informed when you follow Dr. Bob Jordan, @pastorbobdpc, on Twitter. You can also stay up-to-date when you "like" Dundee Presbyterian Church on facebook - www.facebook.com/dpcomaha. And for the latest news and events, visit us on the web at www.dpcomaha.org!

Fellowship Servers:

9 am & 11 am: Bob & Ginny Garfoot, Elinor Brooks

Ushers: 9 am: Dennis Riekenberg; 11 am: Scott & Sandie Knudsen

Prayer Team: 9 am: Kathy Wischow, Mo Anderl

11 am: Lois & Dave Balsillie

Chancel flowers are given by Barbara Ford in loving memory of her husband, John P. Ford and their son, John H. Ford.

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