

# The Lyons Community Church Mid-Week Message

Thursday, November 3, 2016

Greetings Friends,

As we launch into the month of November, I am struck by the beauty that surrounds us here in Lyons. We truly are blessed by the fall colors on the trees around town, the mountains that surround us, as well as all of the amazing people that make Lyons who Lyons is! What a joy it is to serve here and to be in ministry here!

Last week we kicked off our Annual Stewardship Campaign. Throughout the next few weeks we will continue to look at the various Heroes of the Bible along with how they are being stewards of all that God has given them. We will also look at the different ways that God has called us into a life of stewardship. Along with our weekly hero we will have a stewardship focus, with it all culminating on Commitment Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** – The Act of *Service* through the Life of Ruth, the Moabite

**Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>** – Offering our Best *Gifts* like Joseph, the Dreamer

**Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** – The Value of *Presence* in both the Mary & the Martha way

**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>** – *Praying* for the church like Mary, the Mother of Jesus

***Commitment Sunday (commitment cards received)***

These biblical hero stories, like each of our own stories, offer a unique perspective and a unique blessing to the life of this church and to the vitality of this community. May we continue to be reminded that stewardship is about financial supporting the existing and future ministries of the church, but it is also about offer our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

This week we will look at the life of Joseph. His story is one of trial and tribulation, but also of grace and forgiveness. He

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**Sunday, Nov. 6, 2016**

**Message:** Unlikely Heroes of the Bible: *Joseph, the Dreamer* - Pastor Emily Kintzel

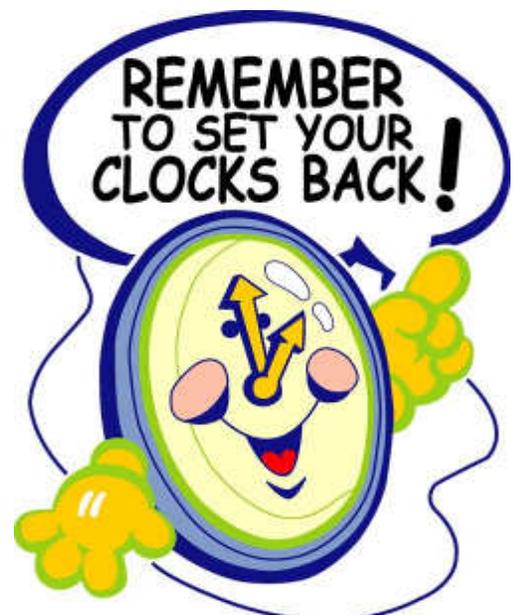
**Scripture:** Genesis 45:3-11, 15 and Luke 6:27-38 (NRSV)

**Reader:** Deb Tabor

**Flowers:** The Brightons

**Refreshments:** The Tabors & Littles

**Greeter:** Christine Boys



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trusted in God and used the gifts given to him to make a difference in the community he found himself in and eventually amongst his brothers who had previously rejected him. Joseph offers up his best self, his best gift, even when it was a challenge.

I look forward to gathering together on Sunday as we continue to look at the stories of some of the Unlikely Heroes of the Bible and how their stories impact our lives today!

Blessings,

*Pastor Emily*

## Prayers

Joy: Upcoming birthdays of Anna Little (11/8) and Greg Schwenn (11/11)

Joy: LEAF's fundraiser Rave to the Grave was a huge success!

Joy: The giving and caring spirit of the community and the small town atmosphere of Lyons

Joy: Deb & Jerry Tabor's 44th Wedding Anniversary

Joy: Geneva getting to ride in the Mead football team's home-coming float and that Mead won the game!

Joy: Thankful for visitors who join us in worship, may they feel welcomed here

Joy: Grateful for the gift of music in our church and throughout the community

Continued prayers for the Brighton family and baby Michael who is growing stronger everyday!

Prayers for those in our community and families experiencing loss

## Prayer Requests

Contact Kitty Keim, [kathkeim@earthlink.net](mailto:kathkeim@earthlink.net),  
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Prayer team: Pastor Emily, Holly & Steve Beck, Mark & Christine Boys, Pam Browning, Sandi Fikes, Janet Freeman, Vance French, Alyssa Frideres, Ellen Hine, Jani Little, Steve Mikesell, Jerry & Jean Peila, Carol Pranschke, Richard & Deborah Salmon, Debbie Tabor, and Sandra Willis.

## Announcements

**Worship Team Meeting** on Tuesday, Nov. 8th from 12:30-2:30 pm

### Lyons Community Food Pantry

Current greatest needs are: empty egg cartons, cereal, interesting pastas (penne, egg noodles, fusilli, linguine, tortellini), canned beans, canned fruit, canned vegetables, and paper products. Please bring any donations to the church and place them in the tub marked "LEAF Food Donations."



### SAVE the Date!

#### Family Soup Supper

We will have a Family Soup Supper on Thursday, November 17th from 6-7:30 pm. Soup, Bread, Dessert and Drinks will be provided. As the season of Advent approaches we will gather together to make something special for each of our families (and those families unable to be there that night) that will be a part of our Advent experience and even part of our Christmas Eve experience! It is sure to be a wonderful evening of fun, food, and fellowship! We hope you can be there! Bring your family. Bring your friends! All are invited and welcome to come! If you forgot to RSVP, still come as there will be plenty of food! Hope to see you there!

## Advent & Christmas

The Worship Team will be meeting on Tuesday and one of our tasks will be picking out hymns for the next few months. We invite you to send your requests for hymns for the Advent and Christmas seasons, as well as for the new year.

Please reply to this email or jot down your song titles to put in the offering plate on Sunday. If you miss singing a favorite hymn, let us know about it!!

