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Lessons Learned

I believe that it may surprise some of you, probably not, that I was a little bit of a rambunctious young man. During the formative years my older brothers and I set out on a path to drive our parents, ummm crazy. Often our misguided shenanigans would result in lessons being learned, on our part, not theirs. Over the years my mother had several “Lessons Learned” opportunities for me to experience her years of wisdom. These are a few things that my mother taught me.

My mother taught me about WEATHER: “It looks like a tornado swept through your room leaving destruction in its wake.”

My mother taught me about IRONY; “Keep laughing boy and I will give you something to cry about.” Amazingly my father used this same line quite often.

My mother taught me about FORESIGHT: “Make sure you always wear clean underwear in case you are ever in an accident.” My reply; “If I am ever in an accident I won’t have clean underwear very long.” I refer you back to IRONY for her response.

My mother taught me about RELIGION: One day my brother and I wear using potato chips and Kool-Aid acting out communion, when our Kool-Aid man chalice was knocked over on the new white carpet. She instructed us on the power of prayer, “You better pray that this stain comes out!”

My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION: “Stop acting like your father!”

My mother taught me about simple LOGIC: From her decisive words, “Because I said so, that’s why.” I have used these same words on my own children.

My mother taught me about STAMINA: “Yes, I know that it is hot outside we do live in the Midwest, now get back outside and mow that grass”

My mother taught me so many great things during the years that she was with me. I learned how to cook, clean, sew, iron, respect my wife and family, and be the man that she knew I had hiding in me. The final lesson learned from Mom is one that I carry with me everyday of my life. Love the Lord God your Father with all of your heart, mind, body and soul.

Happy Heavenly Mother’s Day Mom, “Lesson Learned”

See ya in Church!

Pastor T.

**Church Council
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 Lindi Kernan
Pastor: Terry Evans



LGLS News

New Life is the theme of this
quarters lessons

Check out our bulletin board of
New Life that was
made by our LGLS kids

We are a colorful bunch,
Come join us and find out more!

Congratulations to our Graduates!

High School

**Brittney Atchison
Kali Bedford
Taylor Brooks
Madison Miller**

8th Grade

Joseph Nicolaysen



BIG thank you to all the volunteers, donations and prayers for the Awana Ministry. We just completed our 3rd year of service to the children of this community. Next Awana year will begin in September 2013 and run until April 2014.

Mother's Day

Remember on Mothers Day we will be taking a second offering instead of giving gifts to our moms.

The offering that we collect will be given to Pregnancy Resources to help out other young mothers.
Thank You for your support.

Nurture Team



Humility of Mary - May 28th
Meet at church at 4:00

Serving hamburgers & hot dogs, baked beans, dessert

Donate - bananas, pears, grapes, oranges
Collecting - coffee, Styrofoam cups, creamer, sugar, men's/women's socks, and women's underwear (any size)



**Summer Sunday hours will begin on Memorial Day weekend, May 26th
& continue until Labor Day weekend, Sept 1st**

Sunday School will be from 9:00 - 9:30AM.

Worship service will begin promptly at 9:30 AM.

The Sunday School children will be dismissed at 9:30 AM, at which time they can enter the sanctuary with their family OR if they would like a snack, an adult will stay out there with them and they can enter the sanctuary as a group for children's moments.

Thank you for the delicious
community meal. We
appreciate you delivering it.
Willis & Wanda Noftsger

NURSERY

The nursery is now staffed by Angie Briggs. It is for ages 6 and under. Age 7 & older will remain in the sanctuary. There is a sign up sheet for ONE helper each Sunday. Please take a Sunday and sign up!

May 4th 5-7 Community meal.

Serving baked potato bar, salads, desserts

It's a wonderful night! Join the fun.

Invite someone who could use a helping hand.

You can work part of the night or the whole night. Let's break 100 served this month.

Need salads and desserts donated.



VBS 2013

June 10-14th @ Alpha UMC

"Gotta Move" by Go Fish.

We need volunteers for all positions

Church congregation can start picking up paper napkins,
liquid hand soap, antibacterial wipes.



Thrifty on 150 Bake Sale

Baked goods are needed for VBS. Please pre-package items into ziploc bags or disposable containers. Label items (no need to price items). Baked goods will be for purchase by donation with all proceeds going to VBS.

Booth will be set up at Alpha Baptist Church from 7am until 3pm.

Please contact Kathy Robbins (309-629-0986) with questions.

THIS MONTH'S USHERS

Parris & Desirae Silvis

May Liturgists: 5th: Cathy Jordan 12th: Sabrina Medley
19th: Jean Roberts 26th: Dave Althaus



May Birthdays

- 06: Melba Jordan
- 10: Shirley Spivey
- 13: Paul Greenman
- 24: Kay Cole
- 26: Kurt Jordan
- 31: Lawrence Anthony

May Anniversaries:

- 08: Paul & Tracy Greenman
- 17: Basil & Melba Jordan



May 21st

May Host & Hostess

- 05: Harmon's
- 12: Medley's
- 19: Sadie Carlson
- 26: Jordan's

A special thank you to Dave & Linda Lambin for making the activity bags & the wooden holder. They have been a big hit already!

Next Mission Meal:
No Meal in May



Next Community Dinner
May 4th

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Be sure to check out the church website! There have been many updates done to meet the needs of our church family and community.

Please contact Lindsi Brooks if you want any-

Taco Supper!
The Boy Scouts are having their taco supper on Tuesday, May 7th
5:00—7:00 pm
At Alpha UMC



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| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|-----------------------------|---|---|--|-----|--|
| | | | 1 5:30pm Yoga 6:30p Wolves & Bears | 2 6:45pm Sunshiners | 3 | 4 5:00–7:00pm Free Community Dinner |
| 5 | 6 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 7 5-7pm Boy Scouts Taco Supper | 8 5:30pm Yoga 6:30p Wolves & Bears | 9 1:30 UWM Chonda Pierce @ Adler Theater 7pm | 10 | 11 Thrifty on 150 |
| 12 Happy Mother's Day!! | 13 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 14 5:30 Worship Team | 15 5:30pm Yoga 6:30p Wolves & Bears | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 2:00pm AlWood HS Graduation | 20 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 21 7:00pm Church Council <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> | 22 5:30pm Yoga 6:30p Pack Night | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 <u>Summer Hours</u> <u>SS @ 9:00</u> <u>Worship @ 9:30</u> 7:00am Men in | 27 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 28 Humility of Mary 4:00pm | 29 5:30pm Yoga | 30 | 31 | |

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Terry Evans, Pastor

Sunday Schedule:

9:00 A.M. All Sunday School Classes Begin

10:00 A.M. Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

10:30 A.M. Worship Service



Have you visited our new Web site?
Lindi Brooks is the creator and manager of our Website.
Our Web address is alphaumc.org



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