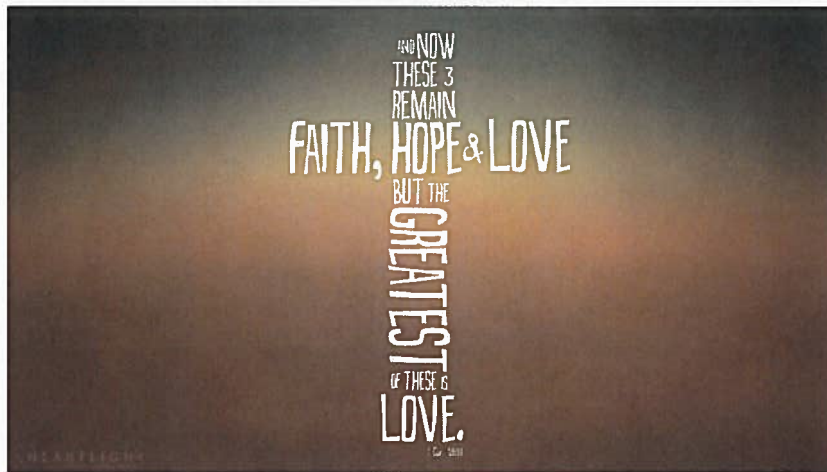


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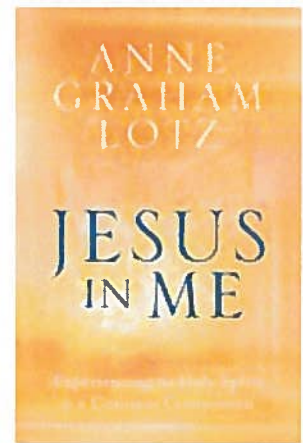
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## AMBC NEWSLETTER

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#### Book suggestion for July



Welcome to July!

Can you believe it...summer is already here! This time of year brings us beautiful sunny weather and a chance to maybe take life at a little slower pace. Rest, we all can use some of that from time to time. But as we do that this coming summer, let's not forget the important things that God puts in front of us.

We are called together as a body of believers to worship God and serve Him while loving and encouraging one another along the journey. Hebrews 10:23-25 (NIV) remind us of this:

*"Let us hold unwavering to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.  
And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,  
Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing,  
But encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."*

This summer, let's take these words to heart. We must continue to do these things while enjoying some down-time for recharge and refreshing. God is still busy at work, even in the summer, let's not miss out on all that he is doing—and then, let's join in!

Pastor Scott

#### WAYS TO GIVE YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

In person—drop your check, cash or pew envelope in one of the boxes located in the Fellowship Hall or front of the church.

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Text—text your amount to 607-333-7858

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## COME JOIN US!

Each Sunday we have an opportunity to stay connected in worship by attending our Sunday service to enjoy to a shared message and study through scripture.

Join us as we continue to enjoy our worship and messages with Senior Pastor, Scott Burtis.

I encourage you, if you do not already, to join us in our sanctuary on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am and also join us at 11:15 am for our in-person Sunday School. We are also live streaming on YouTube. Check our website at [www.ambccandor.com](http://www.ambccandor.com) for more details.

Please be sure to contact us if you need anything!

### A Question for Summer

It's been quite a few years since I've been able to plant anything in the ground. We have lived in staff housing with no yard, just a parking lot for the past six summers. That said, we've been enthusiastically tilling up several patches of soil around our new home recently. And when I say "we," I mean Scott has been doing the sweaty work.

I invited our darling 4-year-old granddaughter to spend the night last week so we could plant sunflowers and a pumpkin patch together. A pumpkin patch! What could be more delightful come October than for our grandchildren to wander around Mimi and Pop's garden to select their favorites?

I was reminded of a question I read many years ago in the spring that I consider annually: What will you harvest for God this summer?

As you know, in this part of the world, we arrange our calendars to enjoy all the outdoor recreation we can while the sun shines because we know we have limited time—for winter is coming. Nothing wrong with that. However, in our enjoyment of the much deserved "summer vacation" days of July and August, we Jesus followers must still pursue growth even in our leisure time. Because if nothing beautiful or useful is planted, nothing grows (except weeds). We can't take the summer off from spiritual pursuits—growing closer to God and serving others. It would be a waste; fun for awhile, but nothing of substance at the end to show for it. No, we want to nurture good soil, plant healthy seeds and wait for hearty growth to present to our beloved Gardener. How sad if we yielded no crop for His glory.

"A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people..." Galatians 6:7-10

**What seeds of the spiritual nature can you plant now that will, in season, bear fruit for God's Kingdom?**

P.S. Stay tuned for updates on the Burtis pumpkin patch.

Angela Burtis

June 2021

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27	28	29	30			

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August 2021

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**Sunday**

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**Saturday**

					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> B-Don Schoneman B-Tim Sandgren	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Independence Day	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> B-George Spicer	<b>8</b> 6:00pm Deacons' Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> B-BJ Halstead	<b>11</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 6:00pm Deaconesses' Meeting 6:30pm Trustees' Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> A-Dave & Bev Nichols	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> B-Nicola Soper	<b>18</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> VBS 6:00-8:00pm	<b>20</b> VBS 6:00-8:00pm	<b>21</b> VBS 6:00-8:00pm	<b>22</b> VBS 6:00-8:00pm	<b>23</b> VBS Closing 6:00pm Family Movie Night	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> B-Charlotte Spicer	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> B-Bill Sandgren	<b>31</b>	
<b>Regular Sunday Services:</b>	9:45am Worship Service 9:45am Journey Kids 11:15am Sunday School						

Announcements for this newsletter should be received by Tammy Podufalski by the 23rd of the month prior to publication. You can send your announcement to Tammy by email at [ambcsecretary@hotmail.com](mailto:ambcsecretary@hotmail.com), phone at 607-280-4039 or by placing your announcement in the Secretary box in the hallway near the offices.



### Mark your Calendar

July 4	Independence Day
July 19-23	VBS
July 23	VBS Closing Program/Family Movie Night in Gym at 6:00 pm
August 1	Communion
August 7	Church Work Day (8:00 am-12:00 noon)
August 18	6:30 pm Quarterly Business Meeting
August 20	Family Movie Night
August 29	All-Hymn Sunday



This year's VBS theme is To Mars and Beyond. VBS will be held from July 19 through 23 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

If you would like to help decorate the 4th of July float or participate (either riding or walking) in the parade, please see Arianna Aman.

Children who are preschool age (and potty-trained) through those going into 5th grade next year are invited to attend.

#### Ladies:

For more information or to sign up for the Summer Women's Book Club, contact Angela Burtis at 315-254-6972 or by email at [amburtis@yahoo.com](mailto:amburtis@yahoo.com). Sign-up sheet is also available in the Fellowship Hall.

The book club will meet on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 pm beginning on July 8 and continuing through September 2.



#### Daily Bible Reading Plans:

For online reading and videos:

[www.branchtogether.org](http://www.branchtogether.org)  
[www.backtothebible.org](http://www.backtothebible.org)  
[www.blueletterbible.org](http://www.blueletterbible.org)  
[www.biblegateway.com](http://www.biblegateway.com)



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