

June Birthdays		June Anniversaries	
10	Seth Moss	6	Teclia & Paul Cunningham
16	Colleen Sikes	18	Linda & Ian Stewart
26	Jim Taylor	19	Shaundra & Stacey Moss
28	Ron Hansen	28	Judeen & Gene Petersen

June 29, 2025		
Greeters:	Ken Davis	Terry Reader
Announcements:	Len Gates	
Song Leader:	Dan Greene	
Opening Prayer:	Stanten Sikes	
Closing Prayer:	Len Gates	
Lord's Table:	Len Gates	Terry Reader
	Stacey Moss	Lincoln Gates
Coordinator:	Kelly Beek	



When you visit us...

June 22, 2025

You can expect to find your friendly neighbor, assembled to worship God the Father, and proclaim the love and grace He has given to us; and remember Jesus, the Christ, our example—our Savior. We will strive always to provoke love and good deeds of one another.

As in the 1st Century New Testament Church, our worship to God is simple - without mankind's rituals. You will find a wholesome respect for the Word of God as inspired by the Holy Spirit. We study only the Holy Scriptures—no human creeds will be used by us.

In addition to the worship of our Creator, we strive to fulfill our Savior's stated plan for us by sharing His Gospel message with this community and throughout the world.

Sermons every Sunday will be based wholly upon the Word of God. They will be Christ - centered and Biblically based so we can develop a deepening relationship with God through our understanding and personal involvement with Him and His truth in our everyday life.

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Sunday
10:00 amBible Class
11:00 am.....Assembly
Noon.....Fellowship Meal
1:30 pm.....Devotional

Wednesday
7:00 pm.....Devotional
or Bible Class

Mission Work Areas

Quito, Ecuador
Mazatlán, Mexico
Reitoca & San Carlos, Honduras

New Prayer Requests

Robbie Sikes (Stanten's mom) – is home again after testing in the hospital. She will be receiving palliative care at home. Please keep her in your prayers.
Ralph & Lala Schultz Family – friends of the Byrnes and elder in the church were both killed in a traffic accident last week. Please keep the family in your prayers during their time of loss.
Marion Like – is doing better. She is at Kim right now and will be moving into an assisted living facility in Pueblo. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
Judeen Petersen –shoulder surgerv has been delayed. It must be done at a loser elevation (Denver). Please keep her and Gene in your prayers.
Glenda Cox – injured knee. The MRI showed a torn meniscus. Surgery is scheduled for July.

Long Term Prayer List

Stanten Sikes	Richard Pedrie
Ian Stewart	Greg Pyle
Gary Stewart	Ron Hansen
Marilyn Bartlow	Norma Bartlow
Joan Lawrence	Betty & Danny Sidebottom
Diane Spomer – Cancer	JJ Autry and family
Kelly Mortensen (Toni G's dad)– kidney cancer	Lola Gates (Len's mom) – recovering from her fall – will likely have surgery
Dane Tate (Stanten's brother-in-law) – recovering from a fall	Jean Riffel (Marion's sister) – fall and other problems
Patricia Bulmer (Scott's mom)	Linda Beek – hip problems

Elders

Stanten Sikes (719) 207-0629
Ian Stewart (720) 878-2919
Terry Reader (719) 427-7141

Deacons

Stacey Moss (719) 207-0588
Ken Davis (719) 748-8654
Kelly Beek (719) 342-5856
Len Gates (719) 207-0039

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Ears to Hear

Nathan Combs

Jesus used various parables to teach his disciples and the crowds, but his constant drumbeat was this: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear" (Matthew 11.15, 13.9, 43, etc.). We see this phrase repeated in Revelation 2-3, as Jesus gave messages to seven congregations in the Roman province of Asia. Because of pride, disinterest, preoccupation, or some other reason, we humans can be poor listeners. Jesus not only wants his hearers to understand his words, he also desires action in response.

This phrase "ears to hear" has deep roots in the Old Testament Scriptures. In Moses' last address to the Israelites before he died, he told them that "to this day the Lord has not given you a heart to understand or eyes to see or ears to hear"

(Deuteronomy 29.4). God's people saw the ten plagues fall on Egypt, lived in the wilderness for forty years while wearing clothing that never wore out, won dramatic military victories over ferocious foes, and experienced God's provisions in countless other ways. They received the law at Mount Sinai and were listening to Moses expound on its importance. Yet, because they lacked devoted hearts, the words of God did not penetrate them.

During the prophet Jeremiah's time, he said to his fellow Israelites in Jeremiah 25.4 "You have neither listened nor inclined your ears to hear, although the Lord persistently sent to you all his servants the prophets." In fact, Jeremiah said that he himself had repeatedly spoken God's words to them for twenty-three years up to that day, but to no avail. The dire consequences for Judah was destruction by Babylon, followed by seventy years in exile.

At the same time as Jeremiah, far away in Babylon, the prophet Ezekiel was working with the Israelites already in exile. In Ezekiel 12.2, God comments on the spiritual condition of the people: "Son of man, you dwell in the midst of a rebellious house, who have eyes to see, but see not, who have ears to hear, but hear not, for they are a rebellious house." Although their capture and removal from the promised land should have humbled their hearts, the people remained obstinate.

Although God is repeatedly faithful to his promises, his people repeatedly closed their ears. That continued into the days of the first century. The Pharisees looked with horror at what their ancestors did to God's messengers – "If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would not have taken part with them in shedding the blood of the prophets" (Matthew 23.9). And yet, they went on to murder Jesus, the prophet of prophets.

Are we any better? Do we wag our fingers at the hard-hearted characters of Scripture while failing to change our thinking and behavior? Are we better at expressing our own religious opinions than we are at listening humbly to teaching from the Word? All of us have ears capable of hearing, but are we using them the way God intended?



Fire & Ice Celebration

July 4th
6:30 PM



At the
Church Building
– bring a dessert & a chair

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We invite you to stay for our Weekly Fellowship Lunch & Afternoon Devotional! We hope you'll stay and eat, fellowship and worship with us immediately following morning services.

For your calendar.....

Weekly Fellowship Luncheon	Sunday – 12:00 Noon
1 st Wednesday Singing	July 2, 2025 – 7:00 PM
Fire & Ice Celebration	July 4, 2025 – 6:30 PM