



Monthly Newsletter

July 2018

Weekly Reports

June 3

Sunday School	37
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$2,289.50
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69

June 10

Sunday School	39
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$1,616.00
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69

June 17

Sunday School	49
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$1,470.00
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69

June 24

Sunday School	40
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$2,686.50
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69

Offering Surplus or Deficit

Four Weeks:	- \$ 2,820.76
YTD through May 27	- \$11,804.00

From Pastor Dale

Nahum 1:7 NAU - "The LORD is good, A stronghold in the day of trouble, And He knows those who take refuge in Him."

Studying and interpreting Scripture is a fascinating and challenging enterprise. It demands that we follow certain rules of interpretation, called hermeneutics. It is a field of study that has evoked a wide-range of opinions and disputes. One important approach is what is known as the *historical-grammatical* method. This means that we must seek to discover the original author's intended meaning of the passage. This is not to dismiss that God is the ultimate author who is working through the human agent. We must also remember that there is unity in Scripture. In other words, all of Scripture is the unfolding of God's redemptive purpose fulfilled in Christ. This is displayed through the many Christological types and foreshadows.

We often find passages where the author has a particular local meaning, while at the same time setting before us a much fuller expression as applied to God's redemptive purpose. The Old Testament prophets often did this.

The Book of Nahum is a prophecy announcing God's coming judgment upon Nineveh, the capital of Assyria. It offers a fearful warning to the Assyrians while at the same time offering comfort to God's people. It is a reminder of God's absolute sovereign dominion over creation. He governs every detail of life on this earth. His patience must never be seen as weakness and delay of judgment in no way denies the ultimate reality. Nahum proclaims God's ultimate judgment upon the Assyrians and invites God's people to celebrate the event. Nineveh was wicked and moved upon Israel with cruelty. Although, the Assyrians were used of God against the sins of Israel it did not excuse their wickedness. Judah, was delivered from the destruction of the Assyrians. **Verse 7** has an eye upon their deliverance. God is a stronghold to those who trust in Him.

Nahum also has an eye upon God's judgment that will ultimately come upon all nations. No earthly power will escape His judgment. In the face of God's fearful wrath Nahum announces, "God is good." God's people need not fear the coming wrath of God. We have found a safe refuge in Christ. Christ is our stronghold in the day of trouble, both now and on that Great Day. The Bible is the great Revelation of God's redemptive purpose in this world corrupted by sin. It is a display of God's covenant fulfilled in Christ. It bears testimony to God's kindness upon His elect people. He overshadows us in His lovingkindness. **Verse 7** ends with the marvelous statement of God's love upon His elect, "He knows those who take refuge in Him." God has provided refuge in the cross of Christ and bears us up in His mighty arm. The Gospel can surely be proclaimed from the Book of Nahum.

Morsels For Meditation

"The sublimest virtue according to philosophy is to live the life of nature, but Scripture points us to the perfect Christ as our example."

- John Calvin

Pastor Dale Crawford



Kid's Bible Club

July 17-19
9-11 am

Monthly Calendar at a Glance

- July 1 - Elder's Meeting
- July 4 - July 4th Picnic
(No Midweek Service)
- July 7 - Men's Study/Work Day
- July 8 - Fellowship Meal
- July 10 - Ladies' Study
- July 15 - Council Meeting
- July 17-19 - Kids Bible Club
- July 22 - Fellowship Meal



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| July 1 | A.M. - Carlo & Melody
P.M. - Pat & Nicole
DT - Amy C. & Karen |
| July 8 | A.M. - Chad & Amy
P.M. - Pat & Amy S.
DT - Amy C. & Karen |
| July 15 | A.M. - William & Anisa
P.M. - Pat & Amy S.
DT - Amy C. & Karen |
| July 22 | A.M. - Pat & Angela
P.M. - Carlo & Melody
DT - Amy C. & Amy S. |
| July 29 | A.M. - Chad & Amy
P.M. - Pat & Karen
DT - Amy C. & Amy S. |



Kitchen Duty

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| July 8 | Amy Shelby
Yvonne Sipe
Tate Shelby
Anisa Nelson |
| July 22 | Amy Chauvin
Carolyn Spicer
Pat Crawford
Gina Jones |



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Elder's Meeting	2	3	4 July 4 Church Picnic	5	6	7 Men's Study/ Work Day
8 Fellowship Meal	9	10 Ladies Study	11	12	13	14
15 Council Meeting 4:00 pm	16	17 Kid's Bible Club 9-11 am	18 Kid's Bible Club 9-11 am Business Meeting	19 Kid's Bible Club 9-11 am	20	21
22 Fellowship Meal	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				