

## In Case of Emergency

What do we do when there's an emergency? We have gadgets and gizmos to help one another make it through the tough times. But what do we do when our hearts are in distress? When we have a spiritual emergency?

This week we'll reflect on our choral anthem based on a Psalm of lament and grief. Entitled, *Lord from sorrows deep I call*, it has much to teach us about hope in time of despair. This week take some time to read Psalm 79 and Romans 5. We look forward to seeing you!

For the next two weeks you'll have a special guest for worship. Next week I'm taking a conference week, attending the UCC Synod virtually in the evenings, and during the days packing and helping my family move North! The following week I will be taking a vacation week to help everyone settle in. Thanks for your thoughts and prayers for our family during this transition time.

Pastor Karen

UPDATES: We are blessed to be “Good Busy” at Grace United. We had a great fourth of July

celebration-Outside after church last Sunday. My estimate of members and friends is 32 +? Lots of great food including "Chef Ed's" gourmet Hot Dogs. Thanks Ed the "Saw Man". Carol and John F were not able to join us but provided several lawn games. Good to say the only minor casualty of the day was one of John's antique Bean Bags sprung a leak 😊. Thanks to all who organized and all those who in typical Grace United fashion jumped in to help any way needed. At Grace United we take our Food and Friendship seriously.

Thanks to all who help to keep our buildings looks hospitable. Committee members and members. This week Dave Toot helped out Dale J with some yard/sidewalk maintenance at the Mission Center. Several of us have had the benefit to get to know Pastor Karen even better. She graciously offers local members/friends an opportunity to get up close and personal with her Paint, Moldings, Paint, Window blinds, Paint etc. etc. The house is coming together nicely, and I expect there will be an opportunity to see it firsthand when Karen and Mark have settled in.

Adult discussion in still on hold, the choir is sounding great and this Sunday will be a little extra special with Carol F putting her skills with Jim K. Regarding

choir- Dave Toot is a glutton for punishment- anyone interested in singing with the choir is welcome to join regardless of ability- no rehearsal or prior experience needed. Same for hand bells.

Bible Discussion continues on Tuesday evenings. Contact Ann Gardner or call the office. 593-5015

The Chicken BBQ is July 17<sup>th</sup>. Cut off will be after this Sunday at Church. \$10 presale only.

Committee Meetings: Praise will meet after Church this Sunday due some members not available for prior date.

Target time 11:15. Sue Johnson has sent out the agenda. She expects to Zoom in for discussion.

Ministry meets next Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>. At 10 am.

Stewardship is tentatively set for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. John will update members with any changes.

Anyone can attend these meetings-a heads up to the chair would be appreciated as to questions or concerns. Also my friendly reminder that anyone may pitch in on any events or just help out. You do not have to be a member of the committee. You may leave a message at the office express your interest.

Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup> part of our parking lot will be used by our Church neighbor for a Graduation Party.

We have rental space available at the Mission center- please share that should the opportunity arise. Share with Dale Johnson any leads you may have. There is an award for leads that lead to a new tenant. One extra cookie at the next Social event.

The sale of the Parsonage is still in the “works”. When we know more we will share the information.

Pastor Karen will be in Tennessee wrapping the moving agenda and will not be with us for two Sundays as she stated above.

Thanks to all who have supported our new activities- I can feel our energy growing as we team up with Pastor Karen looking outward from our Church and engaging with our local community. From one of my old favorite westerns: **Head Um Up!!! Move Um OUT!!!**

Blessings and Peace be with you.  
George

