

We are in the heat of summer, and it probably looks a little different than you had planned. We've made shifts at home and at church. Some changes may have even turned out for the better. Check out some of the options below as you make your summer plans. If you have any comments or questions, please contact Deaconess Lisa Brand at lisa@oslcmandato.org or 385-2185.

Highlights

It has been so encouraging to see your smiling faces again! You don't realize how much you miss it until you're back together again. Even the kids are excited to see one another. Hopefully you are all well. Feel free to contact the church if there is any way we can be of service.

Summer Sunday School

With the restarting of indoor worship, we have restarted Sunday School. We've been meeting in the Fellowship Hall where there is plenty of room to spread out. Our theme this summer is "Even the Wind and Waves Obey Him". God is so powerful that he can stop the sun or move the water. Come learn with us through music, story, and craft. (There is no class July 5)

Reading

Many of you already have the habit of reading to your kids. Even if they are getting older, it is a great opportunity for bonding and learning. We're mailing out Christian books to add to your collection and encourage talking about your faith.

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Bike Ride

Outdoors is the place to be this summer. We'll begin at 1:00pm at Riverfront Park in downtown Mankato. You can bike as far as you or your kids would like. There's even an ice cream shop in the neighborhood.

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3-7**

VBS

After much discussion, the Board of Education decided to cancel VBS for this year. While we were sad to do this, we do have a variety of other educational and social opportunities this summer. Hopefully you can find something that fits your family and can look forward to a great VBS next summer.

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Potluck & Study

This is a great opportunity to get to know other families and eat REALLY GOOD FOOD. We all eat together at 5:30pm, and then the adults discuss topics while the kids play. Last month we met at a park. Check with Pastor Matheny for the next location.

**AUG
16**

Hiking

Here's another chance to get out into nature and visit with one another. Plan on starting at 1:00pm on Sunday. Watch for details on location.

**JUL
24-25**

Camping

Mark your calendar for a church family camping weekend, Friday night into Saturday. As sites get opened, we'll update you on location and time.

Dates to Know

June 14 – Aug 30 – Summer SS
July 12 – Riverfront Park Bike Ride
July 23 – Potluck & Study
July 24-25 – Camping
Aug 3-7 – VBS 2020 is CANCELED
Aug 16 – Hiking
Sept 13 – Fall Sunday School begins
Sept 16-20 – Men's Group BWCA trip

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BWCA

When was the last time you were in the Boundary Water? Would you like to go back? If you haven't gone, now is your chance. The Men's Group is making plans and can loan out gear. Check with Matt Brand even if you're just a little interested. Maybe you have a son, brother, father, or friend that would like to join you.

Questions?

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