

From the Pastor's Pen...



Pastor and author, John Ed Mathison writes the following;

"I once read a story about a lady who went to work at a large mill where her job was to sew. On her first day, the foreman said, "the most important thing you need to know is this; If your threads get tangled, call me and I'll fix them." He then pointed to a sign on the wall. There, right in front of her was a reminder: "If your threads get tangled, call the foreman."

The lady sat down and began to sew. Eventually, her threads start to tangle. She thought, I won't bother the formen; he's too busy. I'll do it myself. She tried to untangle the threads, but they just became more and more tangled. Before long, she really had a mess on her hands. The foreman came by and said, "You didn't do what your were told, did you?" She replied, "No, I wanted to do it myself." Then she added "I want you to know that I did the best that I could." The foreman responded, "No, you didn't. If you had done the best that you could, you would have called me."

Isn't that what's wrong with life most of the time? We all know so many people who are doing the very best that they/we can, but life is still getting all tangled up. And all they/we have to do is to call on the One who made our lives, who made the thread, the One who knows how to untangle it and put it all back together into something beautiful.

Consider this: Do you seek God? When you have a decision to make, do you seek His advice? When you need comfort, do you seek His presence? That's where abundant life is found. When we are willing to believe that there really is more to life and that God is the only One who can provide the way, all sorts of things begin to happen. He is able to take all of those threads we've managed to tangle up and begins weaving them together into a tapestry that we couldn't previously imagine for ourselves.

On October 16 we will begin a new sermon series, "Thirsty" that will help us take a closer look at the process of seeking God. This stewardship focused study will help us better understand that the more of ourselves we are open to giving to God, He will give us more of Himself. Come and worship with us, come and be filled to the brim and let God's presence overflow from our lives.

Pastor Amy



The first Mom2Mom meeting will be held on Sunday, October 16 at 3:00pm at McDonalds, 3430 S. Hydraulic. Our first gathering will be kid-friendly and very casual so we can all get better acquainted. Please feel free to invite your friends, neighbors, or relatives as this is open to all mom's with young children.

For more information, please contact Pastor Amy, 620-200-0094.

Watch Our Church Facebook page, our church website (www.dawsonumc.org), and or your mailbox for more information!

3D Resumes!



3D Returns to Wednesdays.

Join us for DINNERS, DISCIPLESHIP, at DAWSON!!
Dinner will be served at 5:30, Intergenerational worship at 6:00, then small group studies for Children and Adults from 6:15-7:00pm. Come and see how fun and meaningful church can be!

CROSSWALK

In the month of October the CrossWalk youth will be meeting on Sunday, October 9 immediately following the worship service, we will dine with the rest of the congregation during our monthly church-wide potluck luncheon, then we will continue our study on the book of James. On Sunday, October 23, after worship we will meet at the parsonage for a light lunch and time of fellowship and study. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited and encouraged to attend.

Ask Pastor Amy for more details.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

This group meets every Tuesday at 10 A.M. They are studying of the book of Romans. Everyone is welcome to join us anytime. Come grow with us!

You are welcome to come early on Sunday mornings to Finley Hall between Sunday School and Worship. Coffee, juice and snacks are served with a chance to chat and visit with others between 9:15 and 10:30. We also welcome any snacks brought by others or if you would rather contribute cash to help buy snacks and juice, a basket will be in the table for that purpose. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday mornings.
Jan Hunt - Hospitality Committee



CHARGE CONFERENCE

**TUESDAY
OCTOBER 25TH
6:30 PM**



Pancake Breakfast

October 8th

8 - 10 AM



WELCOMING WELL

There are many very important things that we do as a church, but one of the most important things we must do is welcome well. How we greet and meet our friends, family, and neighbors are paramount parts of hospitality. Your help is needed to be a part of our hospitality team of greeters and ushers...if you have a smile, you are qualified! Jan Hunt and Pastor Amy invite and warmly welcome you come be a part of our hospitality team so we can welcome well, together!

Pastor Amy

SING WITH THE CHOIR



We meet every Wednesday @ 7 PM

Please come and join us as
we raise our voices in
praise to the Lord.

(And have a lot of fun doing it)

If your are interested
contact Russell 393-0055 or
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FULL COLOR Newsletter

Would you like to see a full color, interactive version of this newsletter?
It is available on our website.

Go to http://www.dawsonumc.org/class_index.cfm

There is a PDF archive of all of our newsletters from July of 2014. Plus,
the monthly calendar is posted there and upcoming special events.

To get the full version of the website you will need to sign up as a
member but it is very simple and private and you get access to all of the
content about your home church. If you have any questions Shirley
Dieker can help guide you thru the process

Greetings! Meals On Wheels, Senior Services of Wichita, needs your help! Senior Services, Inc. of Wichita was incorporated in 1968 as the Senior Activities Center and began delivering Meals On Wheels on January 13, 1969 to 17 recipients. We have never stopped. Currently, Meals On Wheels is delivering about 850 meals each day Monday through Friday. We are dedicated to serving senior citizens in our community. In addition to delivering a hot and nutritious meal, Meals On Wheels has many benefits, for both our recipients and YOU. *Provide a welfare check. *Reduce isolation. *Be a bright spot in someone's day. Our Meals On Wheels volunteer is often the only person our recipients see. *Give back to our wonderful community. *Bring along family and friends for some quality time together. *Volunteering is an impressive addition to any resume. Meals On Wheels would not be successful without our volunteers.

We are recruiting to expand our pool of substitute drivers. Those whom we may call on to fill in when our regular volunteers are unavailable. To join our team and begin making a difference in our community, call (316) 267-0122 We are located at 200 S. Walnut, Wichita, KS 67213 www.seniorservicesofwichita.org

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Thank you! Meals On Wheels Staff





The October Change 4 Change offering will go to "Food for Kids" program.

Plus we are also collecting White socks, underwear and "teen" deodorant for the students of Anderson School.



We Need Your Leadership – Charge Conference is Coming

That's Right ...Charge Conference is Tuesday October 25th. Please consider how you can help shape the future of Dawson. We are all given and develop gifts by the grace of God. I urge to consider giving your time to serve God, Dawson and your brothers and sisters by allowing God to guide you into your leadership gifts. There are many opportunities available..... Some folks have been serving in positions for a long time and would really like to give others a chance to learn and grow in Gods church. The nominating committee will be contacting you soon. Prayerfully consider a resounding YES!

Family Promise of Greater Wichita

We are happy to inform you that Dawson UMC is now a support church for Family Promise. We will be partnering with a church in Derby. Mary Lou and Pastor Amy attended a training event recently. We are looking forward to meeting with our partner church and having more information to share with you soon. Meanwhile for more information please check out these links:

Opening Gala sponsors – <http://www.familypromisewichita.org/sponsors/>

CLUB316 members – our ongoing giving club is pivotal to our success and sustainability. Cash donations are multiplied by THREE TIMES when we count all the donated/in-kind contributions of time and resources. <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzdKxhqIhrHqU2pURTdSemdQZU0/view>

Pet Fostering – this program is seeking volunteers to temporarily host pets for our client families. Please share with any pet lovers you know. More info at <http://www.familypromisewichita.org/pet-fostering/>.

Thank you for your wonderful participation with Family Promise!



Outreach

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields"

Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35