

# Helmar Heartlines

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### From the Pastor's Study

***Were they ashamed because of the abomination they had done? They certainly were not ashamed, and they did not know how to blush*** (Jer. 6:15; 8:12).

Jeremiah was saddened and concerned in the above verse (found twice in his book) that his generation knew no shame and could not blush. He knew God's blessing had been withheld because they refused to be ashamed for their sins (Jer. 3:3).

Vance Havner writes: "People used to blush when they were ashamed. Now they are ashamed if they blush. Modesty has disappeared and a brazen generation with no fear of God before its eyes mocks at sin. There is no revival, because even God's people will not humble themselves in sorrow for sin. Nothing is more needed than a sense of shame." These words were written in the early 1950s! But they describe our world today with astounding accuracy!

One characteristic of sin is that it hardens us to its dangers. As a people, we compromise with it under the banner of tolerance. When sin is literally paraded before our eyes, we join in the acceptance and accommodation. And, sadly, many Christians see nothing wrong with that picture. We say we are simply enjoying life as we embrace sin. After all, shouldn't we be loving and accepting. But, all the while, Jesus weeps just as He wept over Jerusalem (see Luke 19:41).

It is good to be reminded that Jesus died for our sins. So how can we be



comfortable with that for which Jesus died? A very important part of repentance is that we seek to daily forsake sin, to flee from it, and to walk with the Lord.

The apostle Paul wrote: "He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (II Cor. 5:21). May this truth challenge and encourage us, as followers of Christ, to live for His glory in a sin-infested world. Yes, in the world but not of it!

Pastor Steve

## Family Mission

On Sunday, August 22nd, Becca Heye from Safe Families Organization will be giving a program following the church service. While you have already been very generous recently to this organization, she would like to share more on how our church can become involved in being a "Safe Families Church". Brunch will be served.

## IT'S PALOOZA TIME!!

Wooo hooo! Saturday, August 14th is the First Annual (and possibly last annual-haha!)

### HELMAR PALOOZA!

We are excited about this outreach to the community. We are seeking Helmarites, but also people that aren't from any church background to take part in good old country fun.

The music starts out more traditional with Chicagoland Pops Orchestra at 3:00 playing patriotic selections. Then at 4:00 "Soldiers of the Cross" from Montgomery will provide Good old Gospel Songs. At 5:00 the group, "We the Least" from Mendoza will provide light hearted Christian music. 6:00 we are blessed to have Anne Wilson whose hit "My Jesus" is heard on all the Christian radio stations. Finally, 7:30 we will have 7eventh Time Down. Their big hit "God is on the Move" was number 1 for 5 weeks straight nationally!

We also have 3 on 3 basketball tournaments, Pickleball, sand volleyball and bags tournaments! If you have a team please register on-line by Saturday, August 7 so we can make brackets. Enjoy by participating or spectating.

We have fun for the little ones too. Bounce houses to hula hoops and bubbles.

Finally, there will be food trucks and cook outs.

If you register AHEAD of TIME on-line, each person attending will receive \$10 in food vouchers for any of the food vendors

But you must sign up on-line for this! We want to have enough food! Please tell everyone that plans to attend that they have to sign up for the food vouchers!

Bring a lawn chair, blanket and your neighbor (especially ones that aren't used to partaking in Christian activities.)

Finally, please bathe this event in prayer. Praying that God will bring exactly the souls that are needing to hear the Gospel and are in need of "lifting up"!

See you there...After you register at.....helmarpalooza.com

## Birthdays and \*Anniversaries For AUGUST

### August 4

Sheila Mathre

### August 5

Tim Karales

Jeriel Quarles

Ron & Ann Thorson\*

### August 7

Mike Perkins

Niki & Muriel Sucher\*

### August 10

Wyatt Urton

Austin Wiesbrook

### August 11

Adaline Mathre

### August 13

Stan & Terri Osmond\*

### August 20

Adam Chelsen

### August 22

John Chally

### August 23

Steve & Angie Lombardo\*

### August 25

Josh Greven

### August 26

John & Laurie Chally\*

\*Anniversaries

# AUGUST 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9am Worship	2 8am Adult Pickleball	3 4pm Adult Pickleball 7pm Adult Volleyball	4 6:30am Men's Fellowship @ Southern Belle's 8am Adult Pickleball 7pm Youth Group	5 4pm Adult Pickleball	6 8am Adult Pickleball 9am Ladies Prayer Hour	7 8am Men's Bible Study
8 9am Worship	9 8am Adult Pickleball	10 4pm Adult Pickleball 6:30pm Deacon's Mtg. 7pm Trustee's Mtg. 7:30pm Council Mtg. 7pm Adult Volleyball	11 6:30am Men's Fellowship @ Southern Belle's 8am Adult Pickleball 7pm Youth Group	12 4pm Adult Pickleball	13 8am Adult Pickleball 9am Ladies Prayer Hour 5-7pm Food Pantry	14 8am Men's Bible Study <b>3pm HELMAR PALOOZA</b>
15 9am Worship	16 8am Adult Pickleball	17 4pm Adult Pickleball 7pm Adult Volleyball	18 6:30am Men's Fellowship @ Southern Belle's 8am Adult Pickleball 7pm Youth Group	19 4pm Adult Pickleball 6:30pm Faith Circle	20 8am Adult Pickleball 9am Ladies Prayer Hour	21 8am Men's Bible Study
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