



The Good News

REGULAR HOURS, BEGINNING 9/8:
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP 9:00AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 9:15AM
WORSHIP 10:30AM

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF RUNNELLS CHRISTIAN CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 2019- VOLUME 232

TODDLER PLAYGROUP



Runnells Christian Church will again be the site where a playgroup designed for infants through preschoolers and their loved ones meet.

Beginning on Wednesday, **August 28**, our playgroup will meet every **Wednesday from 9:15 to 11:15a.m.** during the school year as mapped out by the SEP School District. Our playgroup will recognize the school district's calendar for holidays and vacations.

Little ones lucky enough to have a parent, grandparent or other adult take them to our playgroup will enjoy a variety of activities. Our playgroup is open to any and all infants, toddlers and preschoolers who want to make new friends and play. Each parent/guardian will be responsible for supplying snacks and beverages for their respective children, as well as diapers and other basic needs.

For more information about this exciting adventure being coordinated by Runnells Christian Church, call the office at 966-2587 or Tammy Gaudette at 957.8324 or 707.3715-cell.



RUNNELLS CHRISTIAN CHURCH'S

Fall Schedule

RETURNS SEPTEMBER 8

9:15 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Worship

Pastor Katie's Notes

Dear Church,

Over the last few weeks I've been noticing the back-to-school sales at local stores. I was curious to see what school supplies were recommended, so I looked up the lists for Southeast Polk and was happy to see that many items from my childhood remain the same--#2 pencils, loose leaf paper, and pocket folders. But there were some additions that were never on my lists, like earbuds and a wireless mouse!

Now that we are back-to-school and preparing for back-to-church Sunday on September 8 (when Sunday School classes resume at 9:15 and worship returns to its 10:30 time), I wonder what supplies we might need?

Good communion bread. There's nothing better than getting a good, fluffy piece of bread on Sunday morning. Its nourishment lasts all week long!

Reading glasses. After all, the print in our Bibles can be really small.

A good pen or pencil. It's fine to take notes in your Bible! But if you prefer, take notes in a journal.

Write down your questions and ideas or something your neighbor said that made you think. This is how we come to know God's word better.

Open minds & open hearts. If we hope to grow in faith, we must come to church with minds that are open to learn and hearts that are open to love.

But the #1—absolutely necessary—back-to-church item is...

People

We need people who lift one another up in prayer, who bring new perspectives and ideas to our study of God's word, and who walk the path of discipleship with us. We need people who teach Sunday School and lead Youth Group, who plan fellowship meals and make coffee on Sunday morning, who unlock the doors and cut the bread, who pass the plate and count the change. We need all people and church just isn't the same if anyone is missing.

That's why we hope to see you at back-to-church Sunday on September 8! **We need you!**

Blessings, Pastor Katie

Pastor Katie Russell Hainline
106 Rolling Prairie Dr., Runnells
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Jump for Joy!

YOUTH GROUP IS STARTING

September 15 - 5:30 pm - Grades 6-12
Yard Games & Cook-Out at Church

Refundable Cans/Bottles

****Please separate your GLASS
from plastic and aluminum cans and bottles!**

You may drop off your refundable cans and bottles in our permanent enclosure on the SE corner of the church. Please put them in "tied up" plastic bags as they will be open to the weather.



[This is a fundraiser for our Youth Groups and they Thank You!]

Noisy Offering Report

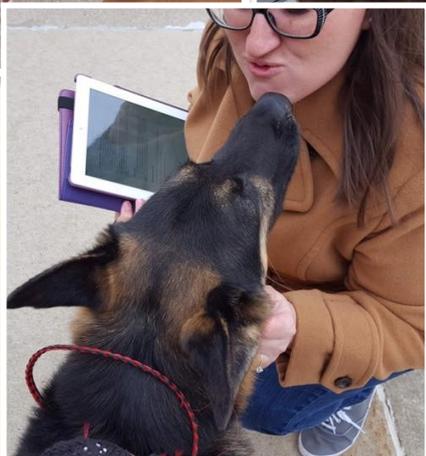
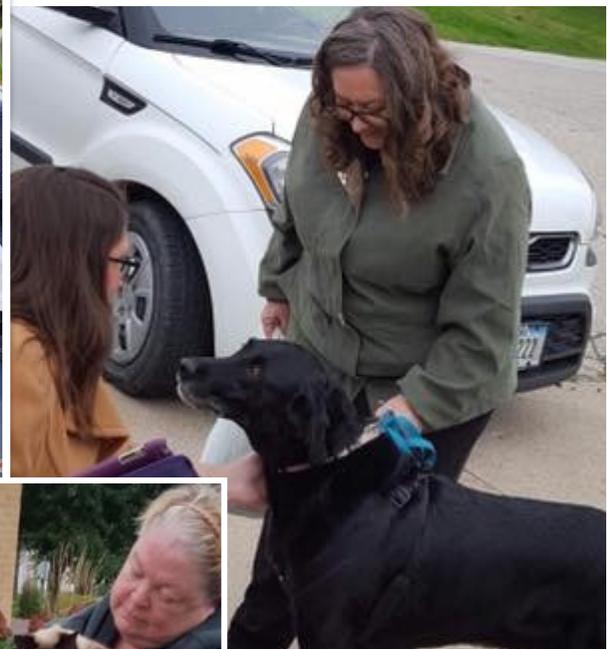
Our August Noisy Offering of \$189.47, will be used for Freeway Friday supplies. The September Noisy Offering will be sent to our Christian Conference Center.

Thank you for your support!

RUNNELLS CHRISTIAN CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 - 2:00 PM

PET BLESSING SERVICE

A PET FOOD OFFERING WILL BE COLLECTED
TO BENEFIT A LOCAL SHELTER
PLEASE LEASH YOUR PETS!



International Mission News

Katie Temple will be returning to Mountain Top Ministries with a medical mission team **September 22-29**. This is the same group Katie went with last year from Indiana and Iowa.

If you are able to donate, Katie thanks you for the Haitian people. There will be a bin in the narthex for the donations.



Please DO NOT BRING:

- Expired or near expired medicines
- Medicine belonging to other people
- Medicine divided into other containers, MUST be in their original container, unopened

Here is a list of items needed in the MTM Gramothe Medical Clinic and Pharmacy:

- Albuterol & Ventolin inhalers (Doctors are sometimes willing to donate)
- Liquid Ibuprofen (children)
- Infant Tylenol
- Acne Cream
- Diaper Rash Cream
- Hemorrhoid Cream (not suppositories)
- Nizoril (or brand with ketoconazole) Shampoo
- Dandruff Shampoo
- Pregnancy Tests
- Claritin 5mg (for children)
- Allergy meds (liquid & pill, children & adults)
- Artificial Tears
- Cough Syrup (children & adult)
- Miralax (stool softener)
- Vitamins NO Iron (children & adult)
- Small & medium size pill bags
- Low strength eye glasses, polarized sunglasses & hats (for sun protection)

Remember the Food Pantry this month!

NO more egg cartons needed at this time.
Thanks for your help!



2019 Hunger Run

September 28, 2019 — SATURDAY

Registration is now open for the 2019 Hunger Run and Tug of War Tournament, Saturday, September 28th, 2019.

We are moving to a Saturday morning this year with a 10:00 AM race start time, and have added a fun new event, our first annual Tug-of-War Tournament at 11:30 AM

We will also have a hog roast lunch starting at 11:00 AM.

Adult Standard Registration \$35 August 1st-September 11th

Youth 12-17 Early/Standard Registration \$20 July 15th-September 11th

Late Registration Adult \$40 Youth \$25 September 12th-morning of race

Standard Registrations include our 2019 edition T-shirt!

****Kids 11 and Under FREE (no T-shirt/not timed)**

Visit the Events page at our website for updates and registration!

CARING HANDS
HUNGER
RUN 5K
SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

Welcome Our New Member



Sunday, August 18, **Ann Hammen** made her confession of faith and transferred her membership to Runnells Christian Church.

Ann has been our nursery attendant since November 2016 and we are so happy to welcome her as a member of our church family.

CHOIR *It is Fall already.*

That means at RCC it is time to make a joyful noise to the Lord and **you** can help.

You do not have to be an opera star to sing with us.

We just need people that enjoy singing.

We meet every **Tuesday night at 7:00 pm** to practice and we sing once a month.

Come to see how you like it and help us make joyful music to the Lord!

First practice—

Tuesday, September 3 @ 7pm.

Mike Miller, Choir Director



All Military Personnel and Veterans

Jim Adams

Brenda Bailey—

(friend of Marti Ingle w/cancer)

Nancy Bracewell

Aislinn Brannen—

(Jane Charls' daughter)

Theo Bullington

Richard Cooper

Jodi & Kelly Dirks family

Sarah Gumina

Jax Hawxby—

(Mitchellville student w/cancer)

Jacki Kretz

Marti Ingle

Sharon Kline

Jennifer Lessard

Dale Miller

Bryston Neal

Lauri Nelson

Doug Redhead

Emma Reeve-Lobaugh

Harry & Betty Robbins

Eldon Root

Donny Sanford

Betsy Simonsen

Jay Wilson

Valley View Village:

Jeanne Vermie

2555 Guthrie Ave.

Bldg. C

Des Moines, IA 50317

Prayer Concerns



Alex Gaudette

PO Box 1742

Ft. Myer, VA 22211

Prairie Vista Village

2785 1st Avenue South

Altoona, IA 50009

Dorothy Bowers-#231

Bill Henry—#122

Doris Miller—#237

Nancy Moore—#242



Jerry Adams

13118 N 73rd Plaza

Omaha, NE 68422

Home Communion

Our elders are taking Communion once a month to those who are homebound, in nursing homes or hospitalized. If you are not receiving Communion or know of someone who would like

Communion brought to them, please contact our elder chair, Katie Temple at 515.966.2580.



In an effort to keep our prayer concerns current, names will remain on the list for four weeks. At that time names will be removed unless you have called the office to ask that a name remain on the list and give an update on the person's well-being.

Thanks for your help!

Save the date!

Outreach Auction—December 8

- * Are you a bargain shopper?
- * Are you a crafter?
- * Do you own a business?
- * Do you know someone who shops, crafts, or owns a business?

If you answered yes to any of these questions you can help in a very rewarding and meaningful way donating services, items, or time to the Outreach Auction

Each fall our congregation hosts an Outreach Auction to raise money for families in the Southeast Polk district who need assistance, (for example, rent and/or utilities) or to help with special Outreach events (like 5th Sunday Service Projects.)

Last year we raised over **\$5000.00.**

If you answered no to any of the above questions you still can help in a very meaningful way

...start saving those pennies and plan to join us for a night of fun and friendly competitive bidding.

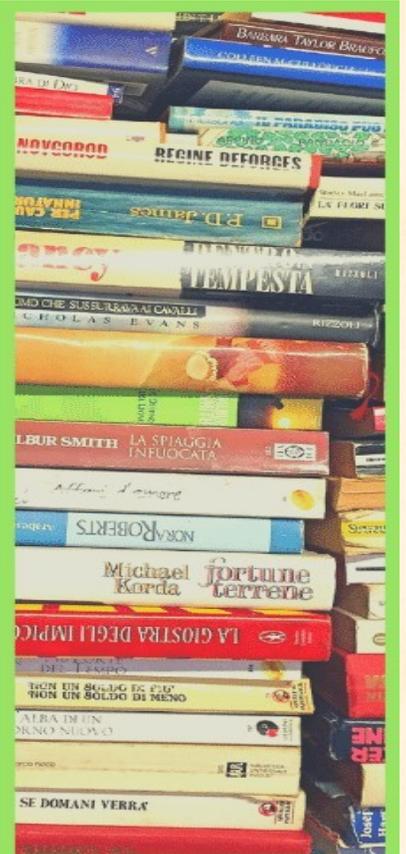
We Need a Coordinator for This Year!

BOOK GROUP NEWS

Wed, September 25 at 7:00pm

Educated: A Memoir by Tara Westover

Amazon Editors' #1 Pick for the Best Book of 2018: Tara Westover wasn't your garden variety college student. When the Holocaust was mentioned in a history class, she didn't know what it was (no, really). That's because she didn't see the inside of a classroom until the age of seventeen. Public education was one of the many things her religious fanatic father was dubious of, believing it a means for the government to brainwash its gullible citizens, and her mother wasn't diligent on the homeschooling front. If it wasn't for a brother who managed to extricate himself from their isolated—and often dangerous--world, Westover might still be in rural Idaho, trying to survive her survivalist upbringing. It's a miraculous story she tells in her memoir *Educated*. For those of us who took our educations for granted, who occasionally fell asleep in large lecture halls (and inconveniently small ones), it's hard to grasp the level of grit—not to mention intellect—required to pull off what Westover did. But eventually earning a PhD from Cambridge University may have been the easy part, at least compared to what she had to sacrifice to attain it. The courage it took to make that sacrifice was the truest indicator of how far she'd come, and how much she'd learned. *Educated* is an inspiring reminder that knowledge is, indeed, power. --Erin Kodicek, Amazon Book Review



Runnells Christian Church

The Body of Christ:



Building



Growing



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Here

Runnells Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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Barb Miller/Sue Howard/Deb Bracewell
Choir Director: Mike Miller
Children's Choir Director: Tammy Feeley
Bell Choir Director: Sheila Aukes
Pianist: Tammy Feeley
Custodian: Leonard Northway
Nursery Attendant: Ann Hammen

Address Service Requested



Has your address
changed?



Keep us
posted!

(U. S. Post Office requires P.O. Box 30 on all church mail.)

2019-2020 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Tammy Gaudette—Chairperson
Bill Ingle—Vice Chairperson
Tiffany Phillips—Secretary
Jack Merkle/Sherry Johnson
—Membership Co-Coordinators
Katie Temple—Elder Chair
Kristin Danley-Greiner/Denise Pfister
—Education Co-Coordinators
Jon Gaudette
—Finance Coordinator
Sheila Aukes
—Missions/Evangelism Coordinator
Jeff Robbins/Blair Phipps
—Property Co-Coordinators
Marybeth Martin/Jill Simonsen
—Worship Co-Coordinators

Thank You for Recycling Ink and Toner Cartridges

Bring your
empty cartridges to Church
or
drop them off at Staples.
(Church acct is
515-966-2587
Runnells Christian Church/
Barb)

If you donate 20 a Month
RCC will receive \$480.00
a year for office supplies.

August 2019 COUNCIL SUMMARY

The council met on Wednesday, August 14, 2019.

There is an elders meeting September 4th at 6:30pm at the Church

Rally day for Sunday School is September 8th

Important dates in 2019:

Hunger Run September 28th

Pumpkinville October 20th

Harvest Supper November 9th

Hanging of the Greens December 1st

Outreach Auction December 8th

Check your calendar for more important dates in August & September

Next council meeting is September 11th at 7:00pm

All our welcome to attend the council meetings

Submitted by Tiffany Phillips