



Weekly Booster

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A photograph of three smooth, light-colored stones stacked on a green lawn. The text 'HOW TO CURE THE SHANKS' is overlaid in white and blue on the left side of the image.

HOW TO CURE THE SHANKS

Eliminate the Shanks from Your Life Swing

Butch Harmon, who has instructed professional golfers from Fred Couples to Tiger Woods, tells the story of a club member who was having problems with the shanks. That is a poorly played golf shot. He spent 20 minutes trying to get him to work his stance, his weight transfer, his wrists, his arms and shoulders, and his chin. He tried everything but the man still shanked every shot.

He went into the pro shop and told his father the problem. Claude Harmon went out to the man, watched him swing one time, and told him to keep his clubface square. Five minutes later the guy was hitting the ball down the middle of the fairway.

Butch asked him how he knew what the problem was after one swing. Claude said, "I knew what he was doing before I stood up from behind my desk. . . . A shank is a shank. I knew the guy was hitting it with a shut clubface before I walked out here. The only question left was, what did I need to tell him to get him to stop?"(1)

Jesus already knows what is causing the "shanks" in your life. He knows why your life "swing" is off. And he knows the solution before you even know to ask for help. He knows because he corrected your problem on the cross. It is there he uttered these words: "' It is finished!' With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit" (John 19:30).

On the cross, Jesus paid a debt that was owed by those (us) who were unable to pay it. He finished the work of satisfying both the holiness of God and the love of God.

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“When praying, don’t give God instructions. Just report for duty.”

“If you’re serious about changing your life, you’ll find a way. If you’re not, you’ll find an excuse.”

Reminders

July 29th & 30th

ShenDig BBQ
Elks Lodge (outback)

July 30th

Men’s Bible Study – 8:00 a.m.

August 3rd

Praise Team - 5:00 p.m.
No choir until fall

August 4th

T.O.P.S. – 4:30 p.m.

****Sunday School is just around the corner consider volunteering**

****Consider joining the choir when it resumes this fall!**

****Worship Assistants are needed for August**

**** Fellowship Volunteers needed sign-up in Fellowship Hall**

**** Special Music is needed for the summer. If you or you know of someone that would like to charge their musical talents this summer, please contact the office**

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The fact that God is holy is foundational to Scripture. Holy means he is “above,” he is “higher than.” He is not just better. He is not just an improved version of us, but he is “set apart.” Way apart.

“Holy” means something that is set apart from us. And this difference is manifested in the way he views sin. He sees it differently than we do. He can do nothing to do with sin. It has to be punished.

But God also loves. The fact that God is love is foundational to Scripture. So, he put our sin on his Son and punished it there. In doing so, he took care of sin, and he took care of you and me when we embrace him as savior.

¹ The greatest father: Claude Harmon's wisdom and lessons still show the way, [Golf Digest, June 2006](#) by [Butch Harmon](#) at http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_m0HFI/is_6_57/ai_n26885507/?tag=content;col1

Adapted from the article about The Story was originally written by Pastor Rick Brown of Christbridge Fellowship in Tomball, Texas.

ROOM AT THE TABLE

“Room at the Table” is a program envisioned by the First Presbyterian Church in Shenandoah. In this program, meals will be served monthly in the fellowship hall of the First Presbyterian Church for families facing life struggles. After the meal, children will be excused to enjoy childcare activities-play in the nursery, table activities such as games or coloring, short movies, bowling, or tennis with the Wii. Adults will remain in the fellowship hall for a presentation by one of our community partners, sharing services that are available in our community, and how to access those services with our goal being to overcome systemic poverty in our community. We may also have BINGO games, with prizes being items not available with the use of SNAP (food stamps) such as paper products, soap, and detergent.

In addition to service organization partners, we are seeking other congregations to partner with us to prepare a meal and assist with childcare. It is our goal that no church will need to be responsible for this more than once or twice a year. Meals may be prepared in the Presbyterian Church kitchen and there will always be a member of the Presbyterian Church available to assist as needed

For more information or questions call Millie Pepple, Mission Coordinator, at 402-657-0889 or Pastor Rick Sleyster at 712-246-3592.

“Life doesn’t have to be perfect to be beautiful.”

Volunteers Needed



First United Methodist Church

Please wear your name tag on Sunday mornings



Church Office Hours

**** Children & Jr.-Sr. High Sunday School 10:15**
Questers (Adults) 10:30

****Chancel Choir –**
 Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.
 Sunday 8:30 a.m.

****Sunday School & Choir only during the school year.**

The front door to the church will be unlocked during office hours and closed only for errands and lunch.

Monday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Tuesday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Wednesday
 CLOSED

Thursday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Friday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Please continue to call in advance if you need in the church to make sure someone is in the office. If you reach the answering machine please leave your name, number, and a brief message and your call will be returned. Calls after 2:00 p.m. may be returned the next business day.



How many talents of gold were used to cover the temple's Most Holy Place?

- a) 10
- b) 50
- c) 100
- d) 600

Who drew his feet up into his bed before he died?

- a) Abraham is fair
- b) Isaac
- c) Jacob
- d) Joseph

According to the book of Titus, what should be the character of an overseer?

- a) Arrogant
- b) Quick-tempered
- c) Above reproach
- d) Drunkard

Check page 4 for answers in next week's booster

Birthdays and Anniversaries



- 31st – Loraine Manchester
- 1st – Luella Hickman, Michael Blane
- 2nd – Emma Bowen, Rachel Hobbie
- 3rd – Lexa Dunkeson, Rebecca Manchester
- 4th – Heather Christiansen, Linda Tyler
- 5th – Cooper Lundgren
- 6th – Richard & Pat Perkins

****See a wrong birthday or anniversary, or need one added, please call the office, or send an email to office@shen.church**

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<https://shen.church>



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Shenandoah, IA

<https://www.facebook.com/methodist.church.shenandoah>



Services are now on our Youtube
channel only. <http://bit.ly/3skF0p9>

*Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: **Terry Stafford**

Call to Worship

Leader: So many things draw us away from God.

People: We are tempted by trinkets and gadgets and information.

L: We place our interest in temporal things.

P: But Christ calls us to a higher level.

L: We are called to focus our lives on living as God would have us live.

P: We are called to be open to ways of service and compassion.

**“Into the Wilderness: Reconnect
through Prayer”**

First Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:1-13

Second Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Third Scripture Reading: Mark 1:35-39

Songs

Lord Listen to Your Children Praying #2193 (Black Book)

Still #3134 (Green Book)

Surely the Presence of the Lord (#328 (Hymnal)

You Are My All in All #3040 (Green Book)

Last Week's Attendance

In-Person Worship – 70

Online Worship – Youtube 12

Our Mission:

“Know & Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love.”

Our Vision:

“We will grow in holiness, our community will thrive, & we will make a difference in our world.”

Answers for July 24th are b) tents b) because they shall see God b) 5 cities

Quiz Hints – Q1 2 Chronicles, Q2 Genesis, Q3 Titus



5 Bible Reading Techniques for Spiritual Growth

Scripture tells us that God's Word is "alive and active" (Hebrews 4:12). As Christians, we engage with this living Word as we foster a lifelong relationship with God through reading the Bible. But this is not just like any other activity on our "to-do" list; we don't want to approach Bible reading as an obligation that requires us to simply go through the motions.

It's helpful to discover fruitful new ways to approach Scripture so that we can benefit from it. Here are five ways that you can change up your Bible-reading time.

1. Casual reading

Spending time just reading the Bible is like having a casual conversation with a friend. It keeps you connected and allows for spontaneous insights and discoveries. But that doesn't mean that you need to always start at the front cover and read straight through to the end (unless you want to).

There are all kinds of [reading plans](#) available to help you work your way through Scripture. For instance, you can read a little of the New Testament and Old Testament every day to move through the entire Bible in a year (or more). You can also read through the Bible in chronological order. Check out [Bible Gateway](#) for many more print and online options.

2. Bible study

The Bible is a collection of ancient writings from an entirely different culture. So we must put time into understanding the geography, context, and history of the Bible so that we can comprehend and apply it more accurately.

Resources like the [NIV Storyline Bible](#), the [NIV Cultural Backgrounds Study Bible](#), or the [NIV Study Bible](#) can provide facts and insights that will make Scripture come alive.

Other tools that can aid your Bible study include:

- Bible dictionaries and concordances
- Topical and [book](#) studies
- Commentaries
- Bible atlases

3. Bible journaling

[Bible journaling](#) is an interactive way of reading Scripture, but it's much different than studying. To put it simply, Bible journaling involves reading your Bible devotionally and taking time to respond to the insights you receive. For many, this means spending time exercising their creativity by responding to God's Word artistically, either through writing or artwork.

You don't need a lot of [tools to get started](#). You can start with a pen, some colored pencils, a notebook, and a Bible with big enough margins for documenting your thoughts and artistically rendering your insights.

If you're interested in finding a quality large-margin Bible, check out the [NIV Journal of the Word Bible](#) or the [NIV Beautiful Word Bible](#).

4. Spiritual reading

Technically all Bible reading is a spiritual exercise, but people approach different kinds of reading with specific goals in mind. With study, they're after information that will help them understand Scripture better. But sometimes they come to the Bible with a desire to strengthen their immediate connection to God.

For instance, there are times when you want to focus on reading responsively. That's why it's helpful to set aside time where you can focus on reading Scripture and responding with prayer. [A prayerful reading of the Bible](#) helps you respond to God with questions about what you're reading as well as confessions and petitions.

It's also useful to incorporate your imagination into your Bible reading. For instance, in the story of Peter walking on the water in [Matthew 14:22–33](#), it can be helpful to imagine yourself in that scene and from different perspectives. What does it feel like to be Peter amid that storm, taking that step of faith? How did he feel when he started to sink? How would you have felt? Your imagination can give you insights that you wouldn't get from just studying the information.

5. Memorization

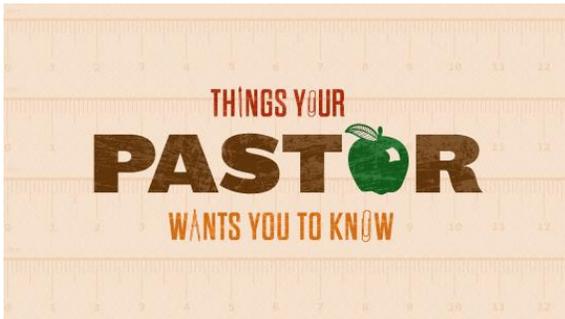
Beyond simply reading, [committing Scripture to memory](#) is a significant way to get God's Word into your inner being. The Spirit then uses the verses and passages you've committed to memory at surprising times and in delightful ways.

Pastors and leaders like John Piper, Howard Hendricks, Dallas Willard, and Chuck Swindoll all agree that Bible memorization is a key Christian discipline. It helps to both solidify your faith and enable you to share it.

Putting these methods to work

Some of these suggestions might lend themselves more to your personality type than others. By all means, enjoy whichever method you choose. But it's important to get comfortable with different ways of interacting with Scripture. You'll find that they each have their benefits!

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Ministry Action Plan Workshop

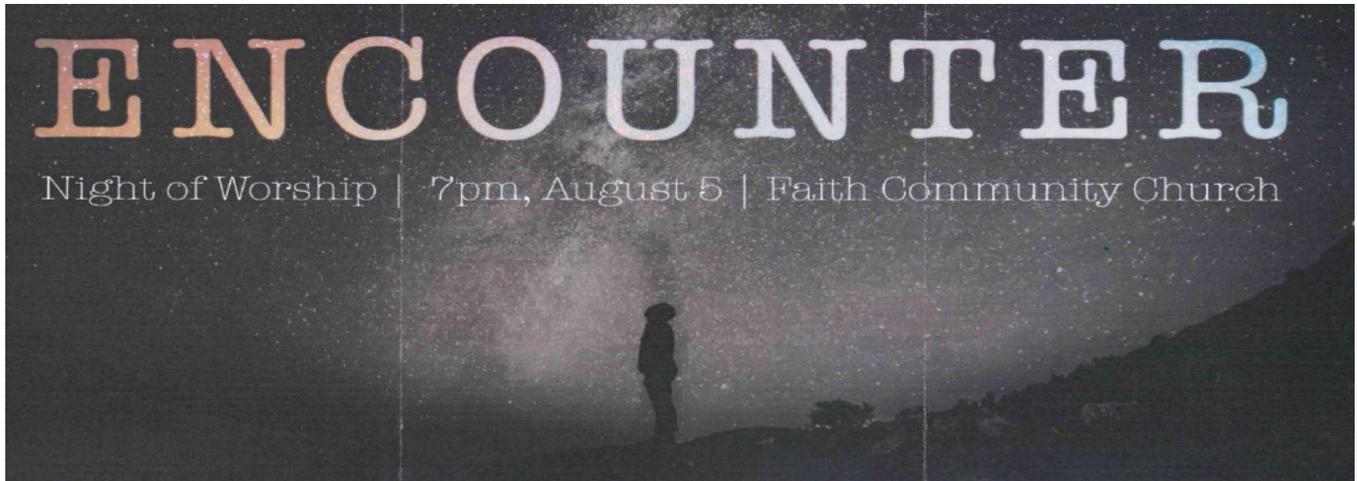
On August 18th (6-8pm), our District Superintendent will lead us in a workshop to identify our missional priorities.

Shenandoah FUMC's mission statement is "To Know and Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love." Missional priorities are those areas that we will choose to direct our energies toward in

order to live out this mission in our community. Another way to say this is, how are we going to be the church.

From the CAT survey, some areas of emphasis that were identified were: 1) Make necessary changes to attract families with children and youth to our church, 2) Develop and implement a comprehensive strategy to reach new people and incorporate them into the life of the church, 3) Provide more opportunities for Christian education and spiritual formation at every age and stage of life, and 4) Develop ministries that work toward healing those broken by life circumstances. The workshop is meant to be collaborative and generative, so the priorities that emerge might include the above, but might also identify other areas of emphasis.

While the workshop is intended for the Administrative Council and SPRC, it is open to anyone who wishes to get involved with moving Shenandoah FUMC forward in mission this next year. If you have questions or would like to be involved in the workshop, please contact Edi (Ad Council chair), Jodi (SPRC chair), or myself. Grace and peace, Pastor David B. Clark, 308-258-7749.



Faith Community Church in Red Oak, Iowa will be hosting ENCOUNTER: A Night of Worship on August 5th at 7:00 p.m. This event will be held in our sanctuary . We would love to have you come and join us as we anticipate an ENCOUNTER with the living God through prayer and music. We are praying for a revival in southwest Iowa.

If you have any questions you can contact, Julie Showalter, Director of music ministries at Faith Community Church. He email is jshowalter7294@gmailcom or call cell number 402-880-0231.

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JULY 29TH & 30TH	
THE ELKS LODGE 701 S FREMONT STREET	
FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •LIVE MUSIC AFTER 5PM •BENEFITING LOCAL EAGLES RIDE FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •3 LIVE BANDS INCLUDING LOCAL SENSATION: GAS N GRASS •\$10 DONATION - LIVE MUSIC & BBQ SAMPLER PLATE FOR FIRST 400 PEOPLE
FOOD TRUCKS ONSITE SATURDAY JUDGING STARTS SATURDAY @ 12 CASH AWARDS TOTALING \$5600	



SHENDIG SCHEDULE

BBQ COMPETITION

FRIDAY
7.29.22

COME MEET THE COMPETITORS
FRIDAY AFTER FIVE STYLE

- ~BBQ food trucks on site 4pm-8pm
- ~Jim Larson on the stage from 5pm to 7pm
- ~Meet cooking teams at 6pm by main stage.

SATURDAY
7.30.22

THE SHENDIG

- ~Grounds open at noon.
Includes Axe throwing, community booths and much more.
- ~ Food trucks on site 12 pm- 7pm.
- ~ BBQ sampler plates served at 1pm - Gone to the first 400 guests.
- ~ Awards start at 3pm.

MUSIC SATURDAY

- ~ Our local legends GAS n GRASS on stage at 2pm.
- ~ TIM KOEHN BAND takes the stage at 3pm.
- _ MATT WOODS BAND takes the stage at 5pm.