



Good News
Evangel Baptist Church

July 3, 2016

Prelude

Alethea Funck

“The Bread, the Cup” (Southbridge)
“Let Freedom Ring” (arr. by Paxton)

We Gather Together . . .

“His Watchful Eye”

Reflections in Recognition of Independence Day

My Country ‘Tis of Thee (#807 vs. 1, 4)

My country, ‘tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing:
Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims’ pride,
From every mountainside let freedom ring!

Our fathers’ God, to Thee, Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright with freedom’s holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, great God, our King!
(by Samuel F. Smith)

America, the Beautiful (#799 vs. 1-2)

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law!
(by Katharine Lee Bates)

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America, the Beautiful (#799 vs. 3-4)

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!
(by Katharine Lee Bates)

To Ask the Lord’s Blessing . . . Pastor Dave
Invoking God’s Presence to Bless His People

Story of Prayer Bill France
Benjamin Franklin at the Constitutional Convention

Song of Response
If My People’s Hearts Are Humbled (#805)

If My people’s hearts are humbled, if they pray and seek My face;
If they turn away from evil I will not withhold My grace.
I will hear their prayers from heaven; I will pardon every sin.
If My people’s hearts are humbled, I will surely heal their land.

Then My eyes will see their sorrow,
Then My ears will hear their plea.
If My people’s hearts are humbled I will set their nation free.
If My people’s hearts are humbled, if they pray and seek My face;
If they turn away from evil I will not withhold My grace.
(by Claire Cloninger; based on 2 Chronicles 7:14 ©1986 Word Music ARR)

Worship in Giving Alethea Funck – Offertory
“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies, A Meditation” (Broughton)

Ushers today:
Doug Fogwell, Mike Wagers

Children dismissed for Children’s Church (Rm. 5)

God’s Word Read Joyce Patterson
from Numbers 13 and 14 (NLT)
(Pages 146-148 in Black NIV Pew Bible
& Pages 121-123 in Blue ESV Pew Bible)

God’s Word Taught Pastor Dave
“In God Is Our Trust”

Observance of the Lord’s Table
Servers: Joyce Patterson and Mike Wagers

Fellowship Offering

Sing Praises to His Name . . .
The Star-Spangled Banner (#802 vs. 2)

O thus be it ever, when free men shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war’s desolation;
Blest with vict’ry and peace, may the heav’n-rescued land
Praise the Pow’r that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just;
And this be our motto: “In God is our trust!”
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave.
(by Francis Scott Key)

He Forgets Not His Own . . . Pastor Dave
Blessing People with God’s Promises

Postlude Alethea Funck
“God of Our Fathers, National Hymn” (arr. by Warren)
(CCLI #575345)

Prayer for Eternal Life
“Dear God, I confess that I have sinned many times in word and deed. I humbly confess that I have broken Your law and that my sins have separated me from You. Here and now, I ask Jesus Christ to be my Savior. I believe that Jesus is Your only begotten Son who died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. With all my heart and soul, I trust Jesus alone for my salvation. Please forgive my sins, save me and make me a brand-new person. These things I ask in Jesus’ name, Amen.”

Praying God’s Purpose for His People
An Invitation for Personal Intercession
(Bill France, Leader; in Pastor’s Study – Turn Right Down Hall)

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK
JULY 3-10, 2016

Sun. No L.I.F. @ E. TIME (Summer Break)
Tues. COTTAGE PRAYER MTG. (@Patterson's) 9:30 AM
Wed. MIDWEEK PRAYER SERVICE 7 PM
Thurs. MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST (McDonald's) 6:45 AM
Sat. MEN'S CONNECTION 7:45-9 AM
Next Sun. WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 AM

LOOKING AHEAD

July 9 – Men's Connection in Fireside Room 7:45-9 am

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Gloria Neal's summer office schedule is Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Announcements are due on Friday at 9:30 a.m.

ELECTION JUDGES NEEDED

The DuPage Election Commission currently is recruiting judges to work during the General Election on Tuesday, November 8. Election judges are responsible for the conduct of the election at precinct polling places on Election Day. Per Illinois statutes, the following are qualifications for those wishing to serve as an election judge. Applicants must: be a citizen of the United States; be a registered voter in DuPage County; be of good repute and character; be able to speak, read and write the English language; be skilled in the four fundamental rules of arithmetic (addition, subtraction, division, multiplication); not be a candidate for any office at the election; not be an elected committeeman. Illinois statutes require bipartisan representation in a polling place, so a judge must declare the political party he/she wishes to represent. Attendance at a training seminar is required, and judges are paid based on the level of training received. For more information, contact Bob Saar at robert.saar@dupageco.org or visit www.dupageco.org/election.



BIRTHDAY

The Community Care Board is asking that we encourage our shut-ins by sending them birthday cards/greetings. Elaine Showers has a birthday on **Tuesday, July 5**. Please remember her by sending a card/greeting (see directory or call the church office for address).

BIBLE READING GUIDES

Our Bible Reading Guides for this year highlight key Bible passages. The July/August bookmark is available on the table in the Fireside Room if you have not yet obtained a copy.

COTTAGE PRAYER MEETING

Considering the decisions surrounding Evangel in the near future, Dave and Joyce Patterson would like to open their home for a daytime Cottage Prayer Meeting. It will be held **this Tuesday** at 9:30 a.m. at their home (925 Wheaton Oaks Drive, Wheaton). Please note that this is a "fast and pray meeting," so no food will be served.

BIRTHDAY / ANNIVERSARY LIST

Pick up your copy of the July birthday/anniversary list in the Fireside Room. Not on the list? Contact the church office.

CONNECTIONS FELLOWSHIP TIME

The **July-September** sign-up sheet for our Connections fellowship time is in the Fireside Room. More than one person/family can supply the food. We need lots of volunteers!

C. S. LEWIS ONSTAGE

For the first time, Max McLean takes audiences on a fascinating theatrical adventure as C. S. Lewis, tracing his journey from atheism to belief in C. S. Lewis Onstage: The Most Reluctant Convert at the Mercury Theater **July 23- August 14**. Adapted from Lewis' writings, Max McLean inhabits Lewis from the death of his mother, his estranged relationship with his father and the experiences that led him from vigorous debunker to the most accessible and eloquent Christian intellectual of the 20th Century. C. S. Lewis Onstage: The Most Reluctant Convert is 70 fast-paced minutes brimming with Lewis' entertaining wit and thought-provoking insight. One of the most engaging personalities of our age comes to life on stage in C. S. Lewis Onstage: The Most Reluctant Convert. Visit www.fpatheatre.com for tickets.

NEW ADDRESS

Mrs. Geraldine McCullough
c/o Lee McCullough

(Please send Geraldine's mail and e-mail to Lee so he can communicate it to her, as Geraldine's eyesight is failing. She is at the DuPage Convalescent Center.) See *the full bulletin or directory for Lee's address and e-mail*.

PAUSE TO PRAY

Continue to pray for **Julie L**, who has been moved out of Intensive Care at CDH. Intercede for her and for her father, Richard, during this challenging and difficult time.

Pray for **Nimrod and Vivian Tica and their family** as they travel to Canada and other parts of North America. Intercede specifically for their ability to raise support in anticipation of their return to the Philippines next year and for safety in their journeys. They plan on returning to Wheaton later in August.

Continue to remember **Mike H**, who underwent tests on Monday to review viability for possible surgery later this summer. Pray, also, for Bonnie as she interacts with medical personnel regarding his care.

Pray for **Geraldine M**, who is now in hospice care at DuPage Convalescent Center. Intercede, also, for Lee and his brother Larry and their families at this challenging time. Give thanks for Geraldine's long life of faithful love of the Lord and His people.

Pray for **those traveling** by air this summer, that the Lord would restrain the evil intentions of those who seek to murder and maim for religious or political ends. Intercede for law enforcement and security efforts to be effective and vigilant.

Our **Feasibility Team** has an important meeting scheduled with their counterparts at College Church for Wednesday, July 20. The results of this meeting will most likely determine the direction of our possible merger. Intercede for the Spirit's leading that day, for effective dialogue, careful listening and a desire to see the gospel of Christ increase its visibility in our community.

Praise the Lord for an excellent month of **giving and attendance** for the month of June. In both categories, it was our "best" of the year. Give thanks for the healthy position in which we find ourselves financially as we look to our future.

Give thanks for **recruiting efforts** that are proving fruitful in many evangelical mission agencies. Intercede, specifically, for more candidates to be drawn to Europe and other areas where an effective, culturally-sensitive witness is urgently needed. Pray, also, for Converge Worldwide as they seek to place qualified individuals in fields of service.

Members & Friends: Danielle W, Sharon W, Gil and Norene Z

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