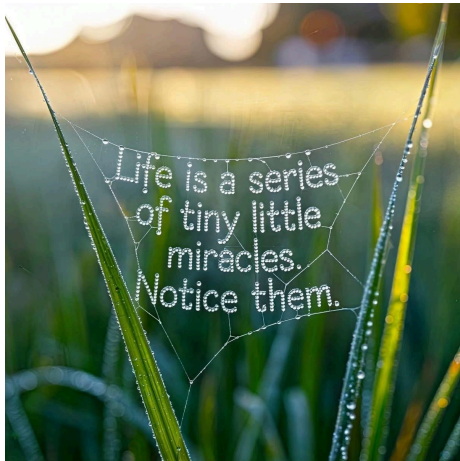




*"Look at the birds of the air..."
- Jesus (Matt. 6:26)*

This little clip from Jesus' teaching comes from the Sermon on the Mount where He is talking to the crowd about *worry*. "Look up!" is the invitation to refocus away from the fearful challenges nipping at our heels. Look up and notice the great expanse of brilliant blue and all the activity going on! Look all around you and witness the awesome world that is so much bigger and so much more magnificent than your fleeting problems! God is there, drawing your timid heart toward the Larger Perspective.

Just today, a friend, Candis Collick, posted a beautiful image and reminder to watch for God's creative hand in the small things of life. As the Earth comes alive this spring and summer, remember to look up. Take time to wonder. Take time to be in awe of small miracles. And, of course, take time to be thankful for the life that you have. Enjoy!



Scott

Psalm 148

KEEPING YOU INFORMED:

- **POTLUCK/BBQ JUNE 7** after worship! The church supplies hotdogs, brats, and drinks. You bring a side dish or dessert, along with a friend or two!

- **Video Discussion Group** focusing on Jesus' ministry according to John's Gospel. Join us **Thursdays @ 6:30 pm** for stimulating reflection on a video clip (& no Bible knowledge needed!).
- **Leadership Meeting** Sunday, 6/14, after worship.
- **THANK YOU** again to all of you who gave a little extra to support us through the lean winter months!



We passed **out ice cream to students and staff of our Elementary School** on May 28th. It was a hit, as usual.

Thank you to the helpers who distributed the sweet treats with me.

Also, LCC is a **Gold Sponsor of the PTG "Fun Run"** to raise money for field trips and other extra-curricular activities to enrich our young people. *Watch for our sign* on the School playground fence!

Romania Outreach: Oct. 2-17, 2026. Pray about joining a group which will minister to needy, rural Romanian families. Not a missionary? Come anyway! This could be a life-changing adventure for you! Find details on our website homepage. Thank You, Shirley Hollister 517-425-2836

Second Quarter Mission Focus is directed toward taking care of Jesus' kids: [Bay Cliff Health Camp](#) and [Compass](#) Pregnancy and Resource Center. Check them out! Collection is Sunday, **June 28th** (and July 5).



I recently heard a message from 2 Kings 4:1-7 about the widow and the oil. Although it's a familiar passage of scripture to me, this time I heard it

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differently. After expressing her need to Elisha, the widow was asked two questions. Elisha asked her, "What can I do for you?" and "What do you have in your house?"

She said, "Your servant has nothing at all, except a small jar of oil." It was that response that caught my attention. The widow saw her "small jar of oil" as "nothing at all" while it actually held the potential for her provision. I realized I often do the same thing!

So I began to look for "small things" mentioned in the Bible. We only need faith as small as a mustard seed to move a mountain, (Matthew 17:20). A small lunch of five loaves and two fish fed five thousand (Matthew 14:13-21). Jesus loved the little children (Luke 18:15-17). The widow's offering of two small coins was of greater value than what others gave because she gave all she had (Luke 21:1-4).

It made me think about our church, and the individuals who are only able to do a "small thing" to serve because of time constraints or physical limitations. But because of their "small things," babies are rocked, offering envelopes are refilled, bulletins are folded, mint bowls are refreshed, trash is picked up, lights are turned on, copies are made, and chairs are prayed over. I'm so thankful for them and for those "small things"!

It's so easy to feel pressure to do big things for God and to overlook the small things we do. A sincere smile or an affirming word seems small but can make a big difference to someone struggling or discouraged. Sending a card to a sick person or taking a meal to a family that has experienced a loss can mean so much. What some would consider of little value is very significant to the Lord when we do it lovingly for others. I love how God takes our little and makes it much.

I'm asking God to help me be more mindful of the "small things" He has entrusted to me and

not be so quick to discount them. I pray that as I give my small things to God, he will use them to release a miracle impact in my life and others. I'm praying the same for you as well.

(by Kim Ewoldt: from <https://significantchurch.com/god-is-in-the-small-things-by-kim-ewoldt/>)

Pearls Of Wisdom

"Our True Identity In Christ"
We are one in Christ with all other believers.
See: Galatians 3:28
❤️ - Ruth Wise

June Birthdays

- 7 Ruth Wise
- 8 Eldon Seaman
- 11 Nancy Marsh
- 17 Ron Green
- 26 Tim Mitchell

June Anniversaries

- 3 Linda & Dave Van Rhee
- 21 Kirk & Sue Tyler

(If we don't have your birthday or anniversary, PLEASE let us know!)

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