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Bulletin Deadline	Youth Pastor Hours
Friday 8:15	MWThSu 5-8

LEGRAND FRIENDS CHURCH

Friend to Friend

Friends,

What do we have to offer? So often when that question is asked, our minds go to financial offerings. We have the example in Luke 21 where Jesus is commending the widow who gave so generously of the very little she had and the admonition to follow her example. At this time of year I am reminded of God’s command to give our first fruits, to give to Him first from the harvest and thus demonstrate to ourselves and to Him that He is God and to be honored. Of course, there are not many farmers among us, working the fields specifically, but this time of year can serve as a reminder of this concept. Perhaps the harvest from your work is every Friday, or once a month like me when a paycheck comes in. Is God being honored through my “first fruits? I want to honor God through giving first fruits of my finances, but while money is a very big deal in our lives and it is so important that God be Lord of our finances, there is more to us than that.

Are we offering our worship to God, our time to do so? Are we offering our forgiveness to others, even if we have been wronged? Are we offering ourselves as workers in the harvest of God, prayerfully preparing ourselves so that when we are in the midst of a conversation, it is a natural thing to share the gospel with others? Are we offering some of our time to serve others, elders, young people, anyone God gives us opportunity to serve? Are we offering our focus, taking specific and consistent times to pray and meditate over God’s words and teachings? Are we offering our love for God unashamedly and love for others selflessly?

Proverbs 3:9 NIV

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops;

May God receive our “First Fruits” in all of these areas. God bless you.

In Christ,
Alan

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sundays

- 8:15am Praise Team
- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Worship
- 6:00pm H.S. Youth
- 6:30pm Young Adults

Monday

- 6:30 pm Bible Study

Wednesday

- 5:15 Chuckwagon
- 5:45 Pioneer Club
- 6:00 M.S. Youth

Thursday

- 9:00 Men’s group
- 6:30pm Bible Study

laYM Upcoming Events

- Man Camp** CQH Oct 6-8
- U.S.F.W. Fall Retreat** Oct 7 – 10-2:30
- Battle Ready Men's Conference -**
Oct 13 & 14 Fairfield Friends
- All Boards Retreat** Oct 27-28 @CQH

In Memory of Bernice Duncan

The kind and gentle spirit of 98-year-old Bernice Duncan, longtime LeGrand resident, left her earthly life on the afternoon of Sunday, September 10th at the Iowa Veterans Home, where she has resided since 2013.

Born on May 29, 1919 in Osage, IA; she was the daughter of William and Ila Mae (Hickman) Moore. Later her mother was united in marriage to Mr. Loney. She received her education in Marshalltown and graduated from the Marshalltown High School in 1937. On May 1937, she married the love of her life, Max L. Duncan, and they called LeGrand home. They were blessed with two children – Sandra Jean and Larry Lee Duncan. Bernice was employed as the head cook for the LeGrand schools for 13 years and later Smitty's Big Town as a bakery cook, where she learned the art of cake decorating. Mrs. Duncan was a faithful member of LeGrand Friends Church, the LeGrand Literary and Music Club, LeGrand Senior Citizens and the USFW of the church. Any day spent with her grandchildren was a good day. She and Max enjoyed dancing in younger years and traveling to wintertime destinations like Florida, Texas and Arizona. She was known for her cooking and baking, and enjoyed music and playing cards.

Left to celebrate her 98 years of life are her daughter, Sandra (Darold) Nuese of Dillon; daughter-in-law Barbara Duncan of Montour; 6 grandchildren, 13 precious great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren. In death she rejoins Max, her loving husband of over 70 years, her parents, son Larry Duncan, sister Leona in infancy and half-brother, Wally Loney.



Women's Fall Retreat

At Middle River Church, Carlisle, IA

October 7 10:00-2:30

Speaker: Kerry Hadley

Register by e-mail: dcfz35@gmail.com

\$10 includes meal.

All Women Welcome

Belize Mission Trip

It is hard to believe that the trip to Belize is just around the corner, we leave early on the morning of November 3rd. We are looking forward to our time of painting, framing, sheet-rocking, cleaning, essentially whatever is needed. We would appreciate your prayers for us to have a safe journey and time of helping the ministry in Belize. Travis Vaughn, Gary Bryant, Lloyd Stangeland and Alan Mullikin are your work team. ***We also invite you to make a further donation toward the materials needed for the remodel*** being done at the Belize School/Church facilities. Thank you so much.

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*Let us not become weary in
doing good, for at the
proper time we will reap
a harvest
if we do not give up.
Galatians 6:9*