



## 5.25.2026 Open Arms Weekly News

### Scripture for the week:

"But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh." Galatians 5:16

### MINISTRY NEEDS

**Charitable Organization Establishment** Do you or someone you know have knowledge of 501c3's? Can you assist Open Arms in establishing one? Would you have any background in laying the groundwork for it? Speak with Pastor Eddie or Ken Kincaid. FOUNDATION NAME: *Beacon of Blessings*

**TEAM TIGERS** needs 100 fruit cups for summer school. Please place all donations in the orange Team Tigers box sitting at the entrance.

**MONDAY MEN'S WORK CREW** meets every Monday at 6:00pm to work on projects around the church and day care. If you are handy and are looking to share your skills, contact Don Wellman to get involved! **ON HOLD FOR THE SUMMER**

**AMPLIFY** – a fully integrated e-giving, check-in, directory, scheduling, and "stay connected" system – is LIVE! Be sure to get connected to see weekly newsletters, view livestreams, see the directory, as well as give your offering each week. If you have questions, contact Debbie (dreszke@openarmscenter.com).

### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

**OPEN ARMS SHIRTS** will be delivered the week of 5/25! Be on the lookout for an email for pick up throughout the week or on Sunday 5/31 before the Sunday Family Fun-day!

**Vacation Bible School** registration is now OPEN! This year's theme is "Faith on the Farm: Growing in God's Love". Scan the QR codes to register or click the tab in the Amplify app!

Next **MEAL time** will be on May 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. Join us for an Art Gallery Event featuring one-of-a-kind artwork from our Kinder Readiness class on display and for sale to raise funds for St. Judes Children's Hospital! A free-will offering will also be taken up for the MEAL to help raise funds for the parking lot.

**Next Family Fun Day** – May 31<sup>st</sup> after Worship. Follow the link (<https://forms.gle/4u4VVu6kuaTk1mmAA>) to register OR sign up at the Welcome Center BEFORE May 27<sup>th</sup>. \*Attendance is free (Go Karts and Mini Golf) - *batting tokens will be on your own!* \* Open Arms will be providing pizza!

### DIG INTO THE WORD

**Youth Bible Study** (9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) will be meeting in room 234 (North Hallway past the restrooms) after Worship on Sunday's. Bible study lasts approximately 30 minutes. If you have any questions or want to learn more, look for Tom Griffin or Kara Garcia. Our current study is in the book of Romans.

**Men's Bible Study** is held on the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays, at 6:30 pm, in the Upper Room. For the four remaining Bible Study sessions prior to our summer break, we will be reviewing the topic of the early Christian Church. The sessions will involve an informative DVD, an overview of the Book of the Acts, scripture readings, and discussions focused upon the early church vs the current church. The sessions will be held in the Upper Room, at 6:30 pm on the following dates; May 19th & May 26th. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Dave at [ferber\\_david@yahoo.com](mailto:ferber_david@yahoo.com)

**B.L.T Basic Lutheran Teaching** - members are encouraged to join the class to learn more and dive deeper into their faith! We invite lifelong members to join as well to discover hidden gems of their faith as they continue their faith journey.



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### PRAYER REQUESTS AND INTENTIONS

**Let's pray for those who are grieving:** Barb Green, Gajda Family, Beverly's cousin Ted

**Let's pray for those who are sick:** Sherry, Linda, Ron, Jason, Clydine, Gaige, Daryl Cutter, Daycare children, Barbara Jean, Richard Red, Richard, Ian, Nola, Kelly, Lennie, Colton, Kevin, Bob Rayer, Knox, Charlie and his father & mother, Dean O'Kelly, Kim Hoeft, Linda Derrick, Dan Mecker

**Let's pray for those in need of prayer:** Mildred, Aubree, Sarah, Tina, Danielle, Olena, Daycare Staff, Chelsey, Danielle, Christina, Tyler, World Peace, Hawaii

**Let's give thanks and blessings:** Thank you to everyone who participated and helped to make the Dine & Donate a success! Early estimates are around \$350 raised!

5/3/2026 attendance: 96

5/10/2026 attendance: 95

5/17/2026 attendance: 89