

Dear Church Family, for the week of **August 19th**

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Sunday morning worship is at 10:00 a.m. Of this week's readings, Pastor Jeff says: Psalm 34 is only 22 verses long. In those 22 verses, the word fear(s) appears 5 times, usually in reference to the wisdom of “fearing” God. How far can fear take us in life? How does fear impact our joy? If God is a God of loving kindness, why this mention of fear? Lots of questions so let’s explore the limits of fear in our lives and in our relationship to God.

This Sunday we welcome the Seven Stars Recorder Ensemble to supply service music. The players are: Chris Rua (leader), Cynthia Crawford, Wayne Cripps, Deidre Ellerson, Tracy Gillespie, Susan Hodges, Peter & Thelma Thompson, Ethel Weinberger.

Lectionary readings for this coming week:

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14 (Solomon's wise choice)

Ephesians 5:15-20 (walk wisely, purposely, joyfully)

John 6:51-58 (abide in Christ)

Psalm 111

theme hymn: *Be Thou My Vision*

September 2nd ... we welcome Rev. Pam Lucas to our pulpit ... no Sunday School that day

September 9th ... Welcoming Sunday; blessing students and educators; Sundae Sunday!

- Click on **EPISTLE** to get this month's Lectionary readings.
- Past Sermons can be accessed at [News & Sermons](#) .
- The latest “back story” can be accessed at “[Upcoming Worship](#)” or at [Church News](#)
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