



June 2026
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First Forum

What a great beginning to 2026 we have had at Kearney FBC! Last fall, we had a capital campaign that detailed the need for debt reduction and finishing some spaces in the building that we had held off from back when we moved in 2019. It went so well that we green-lit the construction immediately. What a blessing! Duncan-Theis has been rocking and rolling this spring, and we are looking for the work to be done in June already.

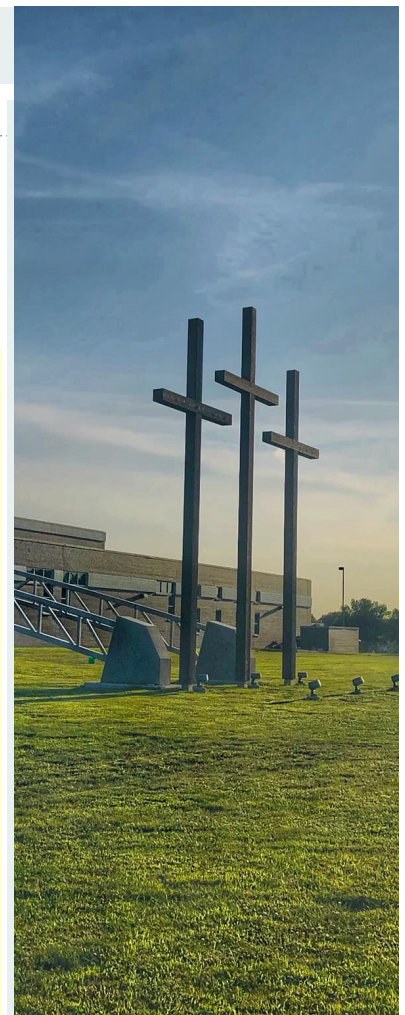
Look what happens when the people of God sacrifice – spaces literally transform. Each of you that gave toward this project decided to place the financial needs of the church before some personal desire in your life. That brings praise to the Lord as the Spirit moves in your hearts. Very few people in this world know what amount you gave – but God knows. Take joy in that!

Now, we turn our attention toward debt reduction. Keep it up – keep up the giving and the sacrifice. Remember why you initially pledged and remember how important opening up dollars in our budget remains as we strive toward committing resources toward discipleship.

Have you recently joined this Church body and begin to call it “home”? We’d love to have you join in. The \$1 million in commitments toward each of the debt reduction and construction project can still be added to! Let’s continue to reach toward greater debt reduction together – we want more money going toward serving the people God sends us out toward and less going to interest rates.

Do you have questions about where money goes around here? Please don’t hesitate to ask. Whether it’s myself or one of the trustees, reach out to us and we will help encourage you that we are committed to maximizing money toward growing disciples. Your money is too important to waste as we apply it for the Lord’s purposes.

~ *Pastor Sean*



RENTALS & RESERVATIONS

If you would like to reserve or rent a ROOM in the church (for Bible studies, events, weddings, etc.) or rent the gym, please contact the church office at (308)234-2311 or LReed@kearneyfb.org. New rental forms will be required for ALL reservations (including in house) in 2025. These forms are available at <https://kearneyfb.org/room-reservations/> or through the church office. Please **NOTE** the facility use reservations are visible on the calendar via the church website. *Please double check your reservations on that calendar.*

NOTES FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

June Finance Committee Update:

Greetings from the Finance Committee. It's hard to believe we are in the sixth month of the year already. April was an above average month for giving, which I would like to thank you all for your continued generosity and support of the general fund this year. The trustees and finance committee continue to work the expenses to keep things as low as possible. The budget remains tight this year but so far we are doing well and staying within our means without a need to dip into capital reserves at this time. Please continue to pray for guidance in stewardship of your gifts for Gods purpose in our church and community. Please continue to give faithfully as you have been to keep the general fund in a good position as we go through the summer months.

Capital Campaign Update:

Construction! Construction! Construction! Many of the little things are being completed and we are waiting for the large glass door to arrive now in early June. The painting projects have been mostly completed (thanks to all those who have volunteered time to that end). As of May 26th we have received \$1,252,894 of the 2.1 million dollars pledged.

As always, the finance committee appreciates your continued financial support as well as your prayers that construction will progress smoothly and safely.

Numbers 6:24-26 "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord turn his face toward you, and give you his peace."

2025 Capital Campaign Update

« Mortgage Reduction »
Chapel & Restroom Buildout »

TOTAL PLEDGED
\$2,163,212.92

TOTAL RECEIVED
\$1,252,894.33

*Funds will be collected thru May 2027.

Hebrews 12:1-2
FAITHFULLY FORWARD
Thank you for your faithful support!

The graphic features a silhouette of a person running on a path towards a sunrise over mountains.



Searching for ways to give electronically?

Scan here!

A red double-headed arrow points between two QR codes. The left QR code is blue and has the Venmo logo next to it. The right QR code is green.

Kisújszállás, Hungary Mission 2026: Preparing for Our 5th Journey!

Our departure date is approaching fast! From June 25th through July 5th, a team of 10 people from our church family and friends will journey to Kisújszállás, Hungary. This will be our fifth time visiting this beloved community and teaching at the local school.

Over the years, we have seen God work powerfully through us to share His Word and reflect His glory. This summer, we are excited to host a VBS-style English Bible Camp for 70 students ranging from 1st through 12th grade. It is an incredible joy to stay in touch with these families year after year and watch these children grow in their understanding of the Gospel. In fact, there will be students who will be attending their fourth or fifth camp with us this year!

What's New This Year?

We are trying something different and exciting for this trip! We will be using students from the local Kossuth High School as our translators. There is a wonderful chance that some of these high schoolers were actually young campers in our previous Bible camps. What a joy to see them advance from student to teacher. Additionally, as we do every camp we hold, every child who attends will receive a Bible in their native Hungarian language, and we will be teaching them how to use them.

Meet the 2026 Team

Please keep these 10 team members in your thoughts and prayers as plans quickly come together: Mark S. Liljehorn, Brooklyn Liljehorn, Holly Peterson, Tyler Peterson, Sue Boden, Erica Crouch, Eden Purdy, Trenton Reed, Joelle Nye, and Adrianna Taylor

How You Can Support Us

1. Financial Partnership

We are still in need of financial help to cover trip expenses. If you feel led to donate, please ensure your contribution is labeled "**Hungary Mission.**" You can give in person at the church office (100% goes to the Mission) or use our online giving platforms (fees apply).

2. Cover Us in Prayer

The team relies heavily on your prayers. Please join us in praying for:

- **Travel & Safety:** Safe travels and good health for the team during transit and throughout our stay in Hungary.
- **Global Peace:** Pray that current global unrest will not negatively impact our travel, but instead open the door for meaningful conversations about how God remains good in times of uncertainty.
- **The Gospel Message:** Pray for our VBS curriculum, that it encourages the kids and brings them closer to God. Pray that our message is never lost in translation.
- **Our Translators:** Lift up the Kossuth High School students working alongside us.
- **Hearts & Growth:** Pray that God moves in everyone we encounter, and that our team members grow deeply in their own faith through this experience.
- **Families at Home:** Pray for peace and protection over the families we leave behind while we are away.

Thank you for your continued generosity, love, and prayers as we prepare to share the light of Christ in Kisújszállás!



Kids Express



July 13 -17
9am - 12:30pm

1st - 5th Grade
Lunch Provided
Kearney First Baptist Church
Register at kearneyfb.org/kids



Missions



Diaper Depot

This month's Diaper Depot will be held Saturday, June 27th from 10am to noon in the East Lobby.

For more information, or to make a donation, please contact Tonya Cretacci at 308-224-4090.

YOUTH GROUP SUMMER SCHEDULE

5/6 - Last night of youth group for the school year

5/27 - Guys & Girls Fun Night

6/3 - Summer YG Begins 6-12th grade combined, 6-8pm.

(Supper will be provided the 1st Wednesday of each month. Snacks will be provided on the other Wednesdays)

Calling All Volunteers!

Our volunteers will be essential to making our upcoming Kids Express week a great success! If you've attended APRM training and had your background check completed, expect to receive a letter asking you to volunteer for Kids Express week. We'd love your help! Haven't attended APRM yet and would like to volunteer? Plan to attend training either June 10th or June 28th! Questions? Reach out to Brandon Jacques, Children's Director!

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PARKING IN SOUTH LOT



Please remember, if you are a member or regular attendee, to utilize our south parking lot on Sunday mornings. This will allow space in our main lot for visitors and those who need easier access to our main entrance. Not only will this give those visiting our church for the first time a more welcoming experience, but it will also give you a chance to enjoy our newly and beautifully redecorated south entrance! As our church continues to grow, making use of our south lot and entrance will be ever more important! Thank you for your help!

Women's Prayer Group

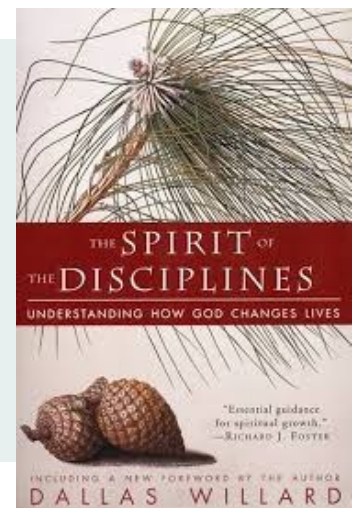
Please join our women's prayer group that meets each Monday morning! This Monday, February 16th they will meet at 9:30am in the Prayer Room here at the church. Please use the South Entrance doors. All ladies are welcome!

Pastor Sean's Book Recommendation

The Spirit of the Disciplines: Understanding How God Changes Lives

By

Dallas Willard



Steps for Contacting the Church in an Emergency:

1. Monday Through Thurs. 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Call the Church (308) 234-2311
Press 1 for Lori
2. After Hours
Call the church (308)234-2311
Press 0 for Emergency
It will forward to a pastor.
3. If you are going to the hospital, please call the church to let us know. Make sure to tell us which hospital. Due to HIPPA laws the hospital will not call us.
4. The Care Ministry will be in touch with you to ask if you have any needs and will line up ways to care for you.
5. If you're involved in a small group, please let your group leader know as well.
6. The Care Ministry, Licensed Pastors and Diaconate Members make visits, calls and send cards to those unable to get out.
7. If you have a prayer request, please email lreed@kearneyfb.org to get the request out to the congregation.

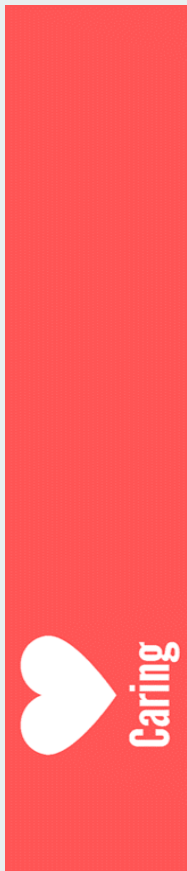
We want to do our best to care for you in your time of need. Please help us to know your needs by contacting us. 308-234-2311 or contact@kearneyfb.org

EMERGENCY



A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.
Proverbs 17:17

June 2026 Celebrations



Men's Breakfast

Men's breakfast will be June 20th at 7:30am in the Multi-purpose Room!

Questions? Contact William Bolen at 308-627-5915

	Birthday	Anniversary
June 1	Chinwe Amoo	Dale & Vonnie Martin Gordon & Elizabeth Steele
June 2	Collin Jenkins, Connie Simmons, Kara Stevens	Zach & Kaelyse Adler
June 3	Shawn Krueger, Michaela Watts, Claire Spivey	
June 4	Derek Mitchell, Drew Wagner, Brielle Kenney, Saylor Wagner	Braylen & Alyssa Luke
June 5	Dennis Bedke, Charity Allan, Denton Bradley	
June 6	Kerry McNish, Cassidy Clark, Sonya Griffith	Paul & Amy Pape Soren & Sam Brunken Chris & Kate Roehrich Robert & Elaine Colson
June 7	Julia Sparks, Ben Gillming	Dennis & Lynelle Miller
June 8	Jessica Dunn	
June 9	Tim Martin, Meggan Gangwish	Larry & Elena Schmidt
June 10	Emily de Kluyver, Elaine Colson	
June 11	Al Halstead	
June 12	Linda Kay Liscano, Elsie Nordhues	
June 13	Annie Littlejohn	
June 14		Lue & Charity Allan
June 15		Jared & Angela Samuelson
June 16	Pat Wood	
June 17	Larry Kenton, Analise Narcisse	Paul & Robin Hanson
June 18	Jackson Steele, Ryker Murdoch, Teegan Nordhues	
June 19		John & Kathy Arnold Bill & Mary Peters Clayton & Rochelle Edwards
June 20	Val Gwin, William Rodehorst	Tyler & Jordan Cretacci
June 21		Bill & Reesa Bebb
June 22		
June 23	Addilyn Bettles	Aaron & Kara Estes Joshua & Charice Murdoch
June 24	Brayden Hutsell	
June 25		
June 26	Joe Limbach, Emmy Moench	Joe & Becky Lucas
June 27	Sheryl Robison	
June 28	Kent Olson, Cody Cervantes Nalani Danielson, Hattie Pape	Gary & Charlene Jezbera Tim & Kyla Martin Ben & KateLyn Gillming Trenton & Lori Reed
June 29	Bennett Murdoch, Melvina Bundy	
June 30	John Bisbee, Jeff Griss, Titus Goodwin, Murphy Narcisse	Jerry & Julie Stall,



“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.”

Galatians 6:2

Card List

At Northridge

5410 17th Ave
Kearney, NE 68845
Carl Gangwish #146
Lula Cepel #11
Alex Gangwish, #22
Jo Wright, #245

At Autumn Village

1712 E 39th St
Kearney, NE 68847
Marvin Ebinger #4
Rose Hullinger #14
Beryl Topps #6

At Prairie View Gardens

1705 Prairie View Place
Kearney, NE, 68845
Jeanne Chamberlin #211

At Mother Hull

125 E 23rd St
Kearney NE 68847
Shirley Rosenthal #20

At Cambridge Court

4107 Central Ave
Kearney NE 68847
Linda Salter, #116

At Mount Carmel

412 W 18th St
Kearney, NE 68845
Gary Hansen #114

At St. John's

3410 Central Ave
Kearney, NE 68847
George Bundy E 15

At Brookstone Gardens

2615 W 11th St
Kearney, NE 68845
Norman Hicken Apt 404

At Kearney Manor

2715 Ave I
Kearney, NE 68847
Carol Abramson, #12
Carol Baetz, #81
Charlcy Hoff, #28

At Homestead

4205 6th Ave
Kearney, NE 68845
Ron Mason, #26

Mrs. Faith Kamm
2309 W 42nd Street
Kearney, NE 68845

Richard & Arlys Kleckner
(Mailing address only,
Contact office for visitation
info)
44770 Highway 40
Sumner, NE 68878

Marvin Gillming
c/o Jerry Gillming
1711 Eastbrooke Dr
Kearney NE 68847

Doris Van Vleet
4429 P Ave
Kearney, NE 68847

Mary Lou McFarland
44086 Rd 768
Sumner, NE 68878

Jerry & Julie Stall
2665 E 95th St
Kearney, NE 68847

Pat Hird
2005 7th Ave
Kearney, NE 68845

Quidon Brown
1909 W 38th St, #4
Kearney, NE 68845

Roger Anderson
515 W 1st St
Minden, NE 68959

Doug DeNeui
Nebraska Veterans Home
4510 E 56th St.
Foxtrot 2 Rm 215
Kearney, NE 68847

Andy & Julie Compton
1421 Ave E
Kearney, NE 68847

Sam & Merrilee Thomas
5095 Long Island Rd
Kearney, NE 68845

Caring



Sunday School Classes & Growth/Small Groups:

Would your group like to adopt several of our shut ins as a card ministry? If your group is up for sending cards to several of our shut ins each month, please reach out to the church office and let us know. Help bring cheer into their days in this small way! LReed@kearneyfb.org

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Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 31	Jun 1 9:30am PRAYER GROUP	2 7:00pm Praise Team	3 6:00pm Youth Group 8:00pm Men's Group	4 9:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom) 12:00pm 2026 Community Connections (Zoom)	5 6:00am Men's Basketball 12:00pm Godly Men in the Workplace (Pizza Ranch)	6
7 Communion Sunday 8:30am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 5:00pm Radio Broadcast	8 9:30am PRAYER GROUP	9 7:00pm Praise Team	10 6:00pm Youth Group 8:00pm Men's Group	11 9:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)	12 6:00am Men's Basketball 5:30pm Chariots 4 Hope Bingo Night	13 9:00am Foster Care Closet
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21 8:30am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 5:00pm Radio Broadcast	22 9:30am PRAYER GROUP	23 7:00pm Praise Team	24 9:30am Ruth Circle 1:00pm Dorcas/Tabitha Circle 6:00pm Youth Group 8:00pm Men's Group	25 9:30am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)	26 6:00am Men's Basketball 6:00pm Dwell & Delight	27 10:00am Diaper Depot
28 8:30am APRM Training 8:30am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 5:00pm Radio Broadcast	29 9:30am PRAYER GROUP	30 7:00pm Praise Team	Jul 1	2	3	4


Did you know...
The calendar is also available to view on the church website? <https://kearneyfb.org/calendar/>

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