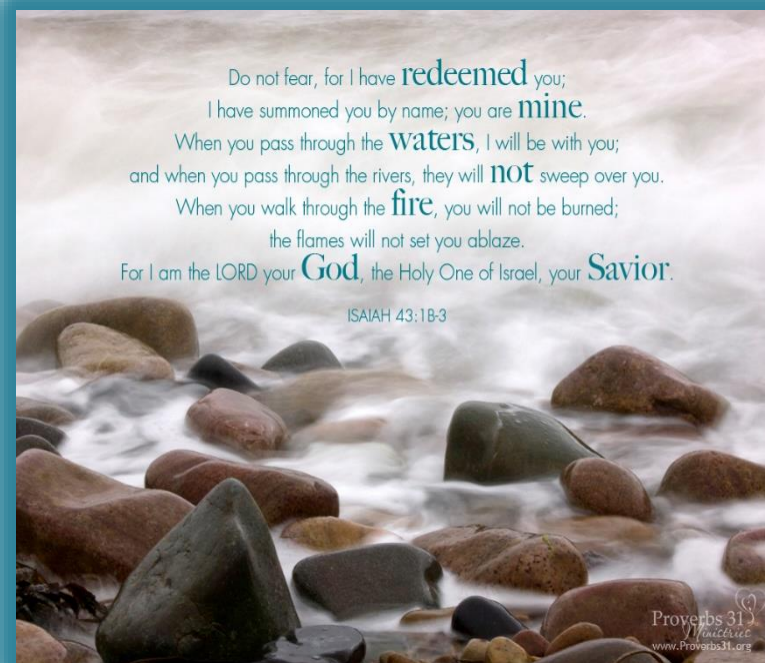


ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP (PLEASE SWITCH IF UNABLE TO SERVE)		GREETERS/USHERS: (PLEASE SWITCH IF UNABLE TO SERVE)
JAN. 7	LEOTA HUDSON & WANDA SWANBERG	
JAN. 14	BETH & RICH WEHRMAN	
JAN. 21	JIM & JUANITA LOONAN	
JAN. 28	PAT & GORDON SMITH	
FEB. 4	CALLIE & KEN SANDQUIST	
FEB. 11	SHERI & LEE SHARP	
FEB. 18	SANDY & LARRY JACOBSON	
FEB. 25	SHIRLEY MCBRIDE & HELEN JACOBSON	

- **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:** NORMAL HOURS ARE MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY MORNINGS FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON. TIMES WILL BE FLEXIBLE. CALL AHEAD AND SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT. PASTOR'S HOME PHONE: 515-964-1832; CELL: 641-590-5089. PASTOR'S ADDRESS IS: 1219 NW BOULDER DRIVE, ANKENY, IA 50023. EMAIL: PASTOR@MAXWELLUMC.ORG OR SWANBERGJW@HOTMAIL.COM.



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January 7, 2018
Rev. Jerry Swanberg, Pastor
Worship @ 10:15 a.m.
SSNOW Wednesdays @ 6-7:30 p.m.
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

ISAIAH 43:1-13

43 BUT NOW, THIS IS WHAT THE LORD SAYS—

HE WHO CREATED YOU, JACOB, HE WHO FORMED YOU, ISRAEL:

“DO NOT FEAR, FOR I HAVE REDEEMED YOU;

I HAVE SUMMONED YOU BY NAME; YOU ARE MINE.

² WHEN YOU PASS THROUGH THE WATERS,

I WILL BE WITH YOU; AND WHEN YOU PASS THROUGH THE RIVERS,

THEY WILL NOT SWEEP OVER YOU.

WHEN YOU WALK THROUGH THE FIRE, YOU WILL NOT BE BURNED;

THE FLAMES WILL NOT SET YOU ABLAZE.

³ FOR I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD, THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL, YOUR SAVIOR;

I GIVE EGYPT FOR YOUR RANSOM, CUSH AND SEBA IN YOUR STEAD.

ISAIAH 43:18-25

¹⁸ “FORGET THE FORMER THINGS; DO NOT DWELL ON THE PAST.

¹⁹ SEE, I AM DOING A NEW THING! NOW IT SPRINGS UP; DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT?

I AM MAKING A WAY IN THE WILDERNESS AND STREAMS IN THE WASTELAND.

²⁰ THE WILD ANIMALS HONOR ME, THE JACKALS AND THE OWLS,

BECAUSE I PROVIDE WATER IN THE WILDERNESS AND STREAMS IN THE WASTELAND,

TO GIVE DRINK TO MY PEOPLE, MY CHOSEN,

²¹ THE PEOPLE I FORMED FOR MYSELF THAT THEY MAY PROCLAIM MY PRAISE.

²² “YET YOU HAVE NOT CALLED ON ME, JACOB,

YOU HAVE NOT WEARIED YOURSELVES FOR ME, ISRAEL.

²³ YOU HAVE NOT BROUGHT ME SHEEP FOR BURNT OFFERINGS,

NOR HONORED ME WITH YOUR SACRIFICES.

I HAVE NOT BURDENED YOU WITH GRAIN OFFERINGS

NOR WEARIED YOU WITH DEMANDS FOR INCENSE.

²⁴ YOU HAVE NOT BOUGHT ANY FRAGRANT CALAMUS FOR ME,

OR LAVISHED ON ME THE FAT OF YOUR SACRIFICES.

BUT YOU HAVE BURDENED ME WITH YOUR SINS

AND WEARIED ME WITH YOUR OFFENSES.

²⁵ “I, EVEN I, AM HE WHO BLOTS OUT

YOUR TRANSGRESSIONS, FOR MY OWN SAKE,

AND REMEMBERS YOUR SINS NO MORE.

MAXWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JANUARY 7, 2018

PIANIST: DEB MITCHELL

***PLEASE STAND IF ABLE**

PRELUDE DEB MITCHELL

GATHERING MUSIC / WELCOME

*OPENING MUSIC “THIS IS THE DAY OF NEW BEGINNINGS” UMH #383
(VERSES 1-4)

PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER

TITHES & OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY: PRAISE GOD THE SOURCE OF LIFE AND BIRTH;
PRAISE GOD, THE WORD, WHO CAME TO EARTH;
PRAISE GOD THE SPIRIT, HOLY FLAME;
ALL GLORY, HONOR TO GOD’S NAME!

SCRIPTURE ISAIAH 43:1-3; 18-25

MESSAGE: “NEW BEGINNINGS” PASTOR JERRY SWANBERG

*CLOSING MUSIC “GENTLE SHEPHERD” GB #3096

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE DEB MITCHELL