

# white creek church



independent - congregational  
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village of white creek, adams county

## Welcome to Worship

March 8, 2026

Announcements

Hymn #188 "Glory To His Name"

Devotion

Hymn #241 "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus"

Offering

Doxology

Special Music

Testimonies - Memory Verses

Message

Hymn #245 "Trusting Jesus"

Prayer

## DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost AMEN

## CALENDAR

Sundays: Adult Sunday School - 9:15 A.M.

Morning Service - 10:30 A.M.

Communion is on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month.

Fellowship Dinner is every third Sunday.

Tuesdays: Ladies' Bible Study - 9:30 A.M.

@ Senior Housing Clubhouse, Adams

Thursdays: Men's Bible Study - 5:30 P.M.

@ White Creek Church

Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> - Country Jam - 1 -3 P.M.

@ Adams Community Center

Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> - Ladies' Gathering- 10 A.M.

@ White Creek Church

## LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies' Bible Study will meet this week, on Tuesday, at 9:30 A.M. We meet in the Club House of the Senior Housing development

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men's Bible Study will meet on Thursday, at 5:30 P.M. we are finishing Matthew 28. We are seeking to train men who are willing to be disciples of Jesus Christ. See you next Thursday.

## March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Mark Nelson 12

JoAnn Bacon 17

Hans Menck 21 Herb & Lois Babcock 25

Pat Hodel 30

\*\*\*\*Please notify us of additions or changes. Thank You\*\*\*\*

We have had some computer issues which altered our birthday list.

We have corrected to the best of our knowledge, but if a name has been left off, please let us know.

## CHURCH BOARD MEETING

The Church Board will meet on April 12<sup>th</sup>, at NOON, for its quarterly meeting.

### CHURCH BOARD 2026

Pastor: Sam Downey - 608-547-8198 - msg

Clerk: Pam Morse

Treasurer: Meryl Lanphear

Deacons: Martin Sytsma

Stuart Burdick Moderator

Trustees: Skip Collins

David Seelenbinder

Michael Zblicki

Missions Director:

Beverly Downey

Other Officers :

Custodian - Meryl Lanphear

Sunshine Person - Anna Sytsma

*If you know of a concern the Church Board needs to address at it's next meeting, please contact a Board Member.*

## CONSIDER THIS

I cannot set myself up as a language expert, by any means, but I need to mention something linguistic about the present subject of the Gospel of Christ. Sometimes, the Biblical languages are not precise when they are translated into English. Often Hebrew words from the Old Testament, derive their meanings from their context, which means they might be misunderstood or misapplied, if the context of the verse they appear in is not given proper consideration. In the New Testament, written primarily in Greek, there are instances of two or more original words with different meanings which can be translated into the same single English word, giving us a different meaning than the author originally meant.

I would like to address the word "power" which appears in the verse we are considering today in Romans 1:16. Last week we talked about the real meaning of "Gospel" in verse 16, and now we come to consider that it is the "power" of God unto salvation, for all who believe in Jesus Christ. This is a remarkable and important point we need to understand, especially as it is compared to "power" which is stated by Jesus in Matthew 28:18, which the men are studying on Thursdays. In this case, the same English word conveys two totally different meanings in the two passages.

In Matthew, Jesus says He has all power in heaven and earth, and He is commanding His followers to go and preach the Gospel under that power. The Greek word translated power - exousia - means, in this case, authority. Jesus is giving His disciples, and you and me, the authority to make disciples of all people.

In the Romans passage, Paul uses the Greek word -

dunamis - to define the Gospel that we have the authority to preach. Instead of focusing on that authority, Paul chooses another word which can be called "power." This word means an active, effective force which operates within the Gospel, to bring about change or transformation in a person's life. This is much more than just declaring moral laws, or even justification, it is engaging in regime change over the hearts of men and women.

There is so much more to the Gospel than we have thought. "Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound." Romans 5:20. Are we not aware that the grace of God, operating through faith, is stronger than ANY sin? Please Lord, help us to see your abundant provision for our lives. AMEN!

*Pastor Sam*

### PRAYER LIST

We are encouraged in the Scriptures to be constantly in communication with our Father, concerning every issue and area of life. Please pray always!

Marilyn Wellman

Nancy Seelenbinder

Gary Nordman

Norm Roberg

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