

## **Pastor Anne's Message, All About VBS!!**

**Our 2023 Vacation Bible School was "STELLAR" ~ "Shine Jesus' Light!" All the children, youth helpers, and adult volunteers had a wonderful, learning filled, fun time June 21, 22, and 23! We enjoyed this amazing and awesome three days followed by a "VBS Worship Service" on Sunday, June 25.**

**Each morning began with singing; learning about our mission offering "Bush Telegraph Mission" which serves children in five countries in Africa: People's Republic of Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, and Uganda. We memorized a new scripture each day and on Thursday, everyone received a Bible from the Gideon's organization of Grand Junction. Thank you Steve!**

**Next came time in our classrooms (Preschool/Kindergarten; 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grades; 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grades; 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades). The daily lessons taught us about how Jesus shines His light, all based on scripture AND how we can shine His light too!**

**Snacks are always fun with lots of choices! (Reese Murphy, Julia Murphy, Julia Cox, Beverly Loftus, and Sylvia Spangler were in charge of the snacks.) During a 15 minute break/play time the children joined Juliette and Pastor Anne for "getting to know you" games which they loved.**

**Then back in our classrooms: Preschool/Kindergarten ~ taught by Cindy Price Melendy with helper Riley White; 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> ~ taught by Charli Gaddy; 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> ~ taught by Berenice Yanez with helpers Lanae White and Presley Hawkins; 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> ~ taught by Peggy Kohl.**

**The Craft and Science sessions were taught by Rachael Jennings and Suzanne Bellotti (also our VBS Director) with lots of learning, discovery, and more fun!**

**Each morning we spent our last 30 minutes together with more singing and reviewing the Bible verses.**

**Registration ~ Cyndi Leinberger, Rachael Jennings. Kids Vid on Wednesday taught by Tilda and Lew Evans.**

**Opening and Closing singing sessions were led by Pastor Anne. Mike Loftus helped us out when and where needed. *Thanks to all the volunteers!***

**Blessings to you in July!**

**Pastor Anne**