

Groceries Ant Style

Proverbs 6:6-8

“Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.”



Even a small household must have some organization to keep enough food and supplies on hand for the family. Yet, the thousands of members in an ant colony never run short of supplies even though there is no central organization and not one shopping list. Modern science is discovering how the ant's astonishing system works.

An ant colony depends on worker ants to bring in water and supplies. In the morning, workers search mainly for drops of dew that can be carried into the nest. Some of the water is shared with nest mates. Some of the water is delivered to the brood chambers where immature ants are still developing. This water is used to soak the ground to keep the humidity inside the chamber high. Food is likewise collected by the workers and returned to the colony to be shared with every member of the colony. Food is most often shared by regurgitation.

To learn how widespread this sharing in the colony is, researchers gave one worker ant sugar water that was radioactively tagged. Within a day, some of the tagged material had been shared with every member of the colony. Within a week, every member of the colony had an equal amount of the tag. This means that through continuous food sharing every member of the colony always has an equal amount of food. When one worker is hungry, she knows that the entire colony is hungry.

This simple, yet ingenious grocery system designed by the Creator keeps ant colonies supplied through the sparsest of times.

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, September 12, 2021

8:00am - Early Worship
9:30am - Discipleship Groups
10:40am - Worship - Junior Church (PK -3rd grade after music)
10:40am - Baptism - Chase Locke
9/14 - Karate Begins
9/18 - Beast Feast

A Look Ahead

9/19 - 2:00pm - New Haven Care Center
10/13 - Business Meeting
10/31 - Fall Fun Fest
10/31 - Yesterday's Kids will have a booth at the Fall Fun Fest.

Week of September 12, 2021

Joy Junction

9:30am Sunday School - Brenda K.
10:40am Svc. - Robin G., Katelyn T.
Wednesday, 9/15 - Mike C.

Junior Church

Jesse W., - Linda W.
Wed., 9/15 - Kids' Connection
Wendi N. - Rachel S.

Usher Ministry

Early - Kevin M., Gary S.
Sunday School - Kevin M.
10:40am - Chris S., Curtiss C., Lester O.
Wednesday, 9/15 - Dave M., Pat M.

Deacon Elections

Deacon nominees are Ryan Gerling and Chris Smith. If you have any questions or concerns about any of the nominees, please contact a pastor or current deacon before September 19. We will vote on the nominees at the October 13 business Meeting.

Missouri Missions Offering

Please pray about giving generously to support Baptist mission efforts throughout the state of Missouri. Our church goal is \$2,000.

Christmas Cantata

Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you would like to be part of the Christmas Cantata.

Crib Shower for Monroe Louise Konrad

Monroe Louise Konrad was born September 8, 2021 to Isaac and Megan Konrad weighing 6lbs. 14 oz., 20" long. There will be a crib set up outside the sanctuary for the next two Sundays if you would like to give a gift.

Beast Feast

The Beast Feast will be September 18 in the FLC and will include bow and BB gun shooting events from 10am - 3pm. Dinner will be at 5pm. See the flyer at the Welcome Center or on Facebook for details.

Franklin Graham "God Loves You" Tour

If you would like to ride the church bus to the Franklin Graham "God Loves You" event on September 21st, please sign up at the Welcome Center.

Church Cookbook

Recipes are due October 1st. Men are welcome to submit too! Contact Rachel or Laura with questions or recipes. You can also place recipes in their church mailbox.

Part-time Preschool Kitchen Helper Needed

The Light Academy is looking for a part-time kitchen helper to cook and clean Monday through Friday between 10am and 2pm. If you are interested, please contact the church office.



VITAL SIGNS

September 5, 2021

Sunday School	81
Sunday AM Worship	191
Last Year	194
Virginia Mines Campus	27
Last Year	40

Weekly Budget

Needed weekly	\$	6,976.15
Received	\$	10,419.25
Over (Under)	\$	3,443.10
Y-T-D Over (Under)	\$	24,860.06
BTIF	\$	25.00
Missions / FPG	\$	20.00
MMO - Rheubin South	\$	53.00

Week of September 19, 2021

Joy Junction

9:30am Sunday School - Christine G.
10:40am Svc. - Julie & Lindsey S.
Wednesday, 9/22 - Chris S.

Junior Church

Jan K., - Laycie K.
Wed., 9/22 - Kids' Connection
Wendi N. - Beleta P.

Usher Ministry

Early - Dave G., Ben S.
Sunday School - Dave G.
10:40am - Jesse W., Jim S., Anderson M.
Wednesday, 9/22 - Duane B., Jim F.