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### **Pastor Adam Magill Speaks**

Dr. Adam Magill, Pastor at Zion Congregational Church in Treynor, spoke to the Treynor Optimist Club on June 15, 2019 at the Treynor Community Building. Pastor Adam has been Zion's pastor since June of 2010. He lives in Treynor with his wife, Missy, and their four children: Rylie, Addy, Joslynn, and Eli.



Adam has been working in churches since he was in high school serving in various ministry roles in Iowa, Minnesota, and Missouri. He has degrees from St. Olaf College, the University of Dubuque, and Fuller Theological Seminary.

Pastor Magill began by offering an open invitation

to anyone to come talk if they are wrestling with any issues of faith. He stated the Bible is true and all relationships flow out of the love of God. His message encouraged all to reflect on looking back at their lives so that they can see better where they are going – to look how God's hand is at work. He related in his life how God influences you when He says "No" and you think He should have said "Yes". Look back at the path and thank him for the Yes's and No's.

Magill stated that the unity of the church body is a very important part of ministering. In his growing up experiences, he saw many bad examples of lack of unity which left a big impression on him. He also said that learning how to do something by seeing bad examples can be a good thing. The body of Christ can do better with leadership, communication, and grace so he's tried to help people become unified.

Magill related that there are blessings and challenges with each church and community. Prior to coming to Treynor, he ministered in a small community in Missouri which was very impoverished and the ministry became social service type work. Four churches combined with community events which then provided monies for a community fund to help those in need. He said there were people in need and people who expected help.

For his doctoral study project, Pastor Adam interviewed people in the Treynor community and involved his church members in neighborhood listening interviews and various activities. In Treynor the struggle is not poverty but a struggle with busyness and priorities. It is possible to never get to know your neighbors. There is also a struggle with being controlled and dictated by things apart from Christ.

A result from the study has been the establishment of block parties with the help of the church. The church offers to come and grill meat or loan the grill to the block groups. There are efforts to be intentional in relating to others and getting to know others.

Magill stated that nationally the average stay for pastors is 3.5 years. He's delighted to live in Treynor, "a very special place", and hopes to raise his family here and live here for a long, long time.

### **Meeting Minutes**

Bill Vorthmann, VP, called the meeting to order at the Treynor Community Building. Sixteen members were present plus two guests, speaker Adam Magill and Morrie Frazier, (Judy Gutttau's brother).

Jokes/stories were shared by Chad Gutttau, Keith Denton, Morrie Frazier, Jordan Campbell, John Klein and Bill Vorthmann followed by the group saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Jordan Campbell gave the opening prayer.

The 50/50 Drawing was won by Gary Funkhouser and the Attendance Drawing was won by Steve Irwin, who was not present so it will continue to grow. No birthdays or anniversaries were observed.

**Bragging Rights** contributions to the Youth Fund: 1) John Klein announced his grandson, Preston Jones, who is on the JV Baseball team got to play his first full game. Also he saluted the boys' baseball and girls' softball varsity teams. 2) Gary Gutttau commentd on the snow leopard at the Zoo. It has moved to the Asian Highlands and you have to look carefully as it has a great camouflage. 3) Kirk Vorthmann (\$2) thanked all those who put flags out as he couldn't. 4) Judy Gutttau praised Gary Gutttau for being aware of whose houses were missing flags and correcting the

situation, 5) Gary Funkhouser stated that Jeff Casey says work will begin on the street he lives on. 6) Mick Gutttau praised the good local eating places in the area. 7) Bill Vorthmann stated he was thankful that his brother Roger who had a couple of recent accidents, was not more seriously injured.

**Community News:**

Treynor Days is June 28-30. Mick announced that the dedication of the helicopter and a salute to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Legion nationally will be at 10:30 on Sat. June 29 at 10:30 AM. Brig. General Dennis Kerr, from Warwick, NY, who served as Mick's Commanding Officer in the Vietnam War will be speaking. Kerr was recently inducted into the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Hall of Fame.



**Old Business:**

John Klein reported the Hydrant Party will occur on Sat., June 29 during Treynor Days. Rick Saar is providing frozen treats for the kids afterwards.

The Omaha Street Percussion will perform at three events during Homecoming.

The Swim lessons bus has 32 registered. TS Bank will donate refreshments for the last day.

Gary Gutttau reported that 152 flags have been paid for totaling \$5415.

Helping with the can kennel Wednesday was Gary Funkhouser, Gary Gutttau, Keith Denton, Kirk Vorthmann, Ken Graham, Carol Klein.

Thanks to all who helped put up flags.

**New Business:**

Kirk Vorthmann volunteered to contact the Silver Creek Club regarding the can kennel sorting on June 26.

It was noted that the Vision Treynor Group new field has a green area growing. PCCF donated \$500 to help VTG.

Flags will be picked up Monday at 5 PM.

Dee Gutttau donated pumpkin and gourd seed package varieties for the auction. Jim Clausen and Keith Denton made purchases of \$5 each.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**What do you have if you have 13 apples in one hand and 10 in the other? BIG HANDS**

**Happy Fathers' Day!**

**Calendar**

- June 17 Take down flags – 5 PM
- June 29 Treynor Days, Dedication of Helicopter Hydrant Party for Kids

**Birthdays**

- June 16 Dale Willenborg
- June 20 Jeff Jorgensen

**Anniversaries**

- June 28 Mick & Judy Gutttau
- June 29 Dave & Linda Danker

**Programs**

- June Dennis White (June 22)
- Dale Willenborg (June 29)
- July Dale Willenborg

**Speakers**

- June 22: Jennifer Morris, ABA Tree Service, "Emerald Ash Borer and other tree problems"
- June 29: Brady Jorgensen, 8<sup>th</sup> grader from CB, Ambassador for the Metro Area Youth Foundation, raising money for Childhood Cancer.
- July 6: Arlyn Norris
- July 13: Tour of Dallas Johnson greenhouses, 2802 Twin City Dr, CB.

Dues/Donations/Flag Money: Mail to Optimist Club of Treynor, PO Box 354, Treynor, IA 51575