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THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Mr. Peanut



Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. – Proverbs 3:5-6

Born the son of slaves in the early 1860s, George Washington Carver grew up to become one of America's most prominent chemists. Though most people recognize him as the man who gave us peanut butter, few know he was a scientist with a close relationship with his Creator.

As we learn from the book, *George Washington Carver: His Life and Faith in His Own Words* by William Federer, after speaking to the U.S. House and Ways Committee, the committee chairman asked him where he had learned so much about peanuts. Carver responded: "From an old book." The chairman asked: "What book?" And Carver replied, "The Bible."

Wishing to know more, the chairman then asked, "Does the Bible tell about peanuts?" And Carver responded, "No sir. But it tells about the God who made the peanut. I asked Him to show me what to do with the peanut, and He did." On a different occasion, when asked the secret of his success, he answered: "It is simple. It is found in the Bible, 'In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths.'" While working in his laboratory – which he called "God's Little Workshop" – Carver developed over 300 innovative uses for peanuts and another 100 uses for the soybean, including beverages, cosmetics, paints, medicines, and food products. So the next time an evolutionist tells you that men of faith can't be real scientists, tell him the story of Mr. Peanut.

Ref: Federer, William J. (2002). *George Washington Carver: His Life and Faith in His Own Words*. St. Louis: Amerisearch. Photo: American botanist and inventor George Washington Carver at work in his laboratory. (PD)

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Sunday, January 1, 2017

Accompanist: Jan Questad and Jackie Kramer

Greeters: Glen & Doris Conradson Scripture Reader: Joan Murphy

Nursery: Aaron Skogen Usher: Mike Kresak

Children's Church: 2D Gerdes & Trevor Skogen

9:30 am

Worship Service

Welcome, Announcements, & Christian Greetings

Praise Affirmation.....Psalm 98:1-4

Hymn #125....."Joy to the World!"

Prayer of Praise

Offering

Offertory

Doxology (*Hymn #625*) – please stand

Mission Moment.....Amanda Benson

Children's Moments with Pastor Merv Kramer

Scripture Reading.....Revelation 1:1-3, 7-8

Children may be excused for Children's Church (3 yrs-2nd grade)

Sermon...SOME QUESTIONS SURROUNDING CHRISTMAS:

"Is the Christ of Christmas Coming Again?"...Pastor Kramer

Prayer Response

Communion Service

Hymn #241....."Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"

Love Offering

Closing Hymn #239....."Jesus is Coming Again"

Benediction

Postlude

***Nursery care is available for children infant thru 3 years old (Please contact an usher for information and/or direction)

***Hearing Amplifier Available – Please contact an usher

Please join us after the worship service for coffee in the fellowship room.

No Sunday School today

For Your Information and Prayer

- Wednesday: -6:30 p.m. Awana
- Thursday: -7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study Fellowship at Lindy Johnson home, 413 Heatherwood Dr

Next Sunday: January 8, 2017

- Greeters: Terry & Chris Kramer
- Usher: Scott Sittig
- Nursery: Justin & Sara Tiffany
- Children's Church: Sara Tiffany and Hailey Skogen
- Scripture Reader: Theresa Friesen

OUR GIVING:	Sunday, December 25, 2016
General Giving	\$ 3,084.00
Building Fund	\$ 25.00
Total	\$ 3,109.00

Our Missionary/Church Planters of the Week: January 1



Jon Putz, Site Pastor at Central Baptist Southeast, Edmonton, Alberta. Central Baptist has been around since 1893 and has launched many church plants around the city of Edmonton in the past century, but they began a truly unique journey in 2012 when they began a multi-site model. The main campus continues to meet at Connors Hill, while Jon Putz leads the second site in southeast Edmonton. Pray that God would use this multi-site ministry in 2017 to impact their community and grow His Kingdom. Ask that God would continue to bind both congregations together as one. Check out southeast.centralbaptist.ab.ca for more information.

Our Prayer Partnership

- Split Rock Lutheran Church, Rural Corson
- Great Plains Association Treasurer

***** Praise & Prayer*****

Elmer Gerdes, healing from hip fracture surgery
Ruth Ortiz, possible cornea transplant surgery (previous one was unsuccessful)
Ruth Hansum, recovering at home from back surgery
Lajeane Wright, wife of Jim Wright, for continued strengthening, dealing with side effects of medication; encouragement and endurance for Jim
Lorrayne Montecuello, for healing from broken hip, now home recovering
Ron Benson, brother of Mike Benson, for heart health issues
Amanda Benson, as her sending church, Amanda has asked that we lift her up in prayer as she has now entered the mission field. If you would like specific weekly prayer requests, email her at oboejo09@gmail.com

Serving Our Country: Josh Onnen, Air Guard; Chad Carlson, Air Guard (Son-in-law of Carl & Lindy Johnson); Devon Lee, Army, and Kristina Lee, Air Force (Grandchildren of Ray & Dee Olson)

DISCOVER BETHANY ADOPTION: This 1 ½ hour event is for anyone who is interested in learning more about adoption today, as well as learning about other opportunities to join Bethany in our mission to be advocates for children. We would love to have you join us for this informal group meeting to gather more information.

January 14th (Saturday) 9:00 to 10:30 am
March 14th (Tuesday) 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Where: Bethany Christian Services, 400 S Sycamore Avenue, Ste 103-1, Sioux Falls

Please RSVP to reserve a spot at bcssiouxfalls@bethany.org or by calling 605-336-6999.