

Messenger

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All Workers Are Essential

The concept of vocation, Latin for “to call,” previously referred only to a calling to church work. But then Martin Luther emphasized the importance — and even sanctity — of *all* types of labors. The reformer pointed out that “God doesn’t need our good works, but our neighbor does.”

RJ Grunewald, in a blog post titled “God Makes Pizza,” describes how this looks today: “God is busy about *his* work in the midst of *your* work whether you realize it or not. The laundry, the spreadsheets, the phone calls and the cups of coffee are all deeply spiritual because God is at work in the world. He is serving your family, your coworkers and your community through the work you do. God is at work providing ‘daily bread’ through the work that you do, no matter what that work is.”

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZUR Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- 6 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6 p.m. Youth Small Group

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 6. Tommy Tenhet
- 8. Connie Dees, Bettina Newman
- 9. Scott Myers
- 10. Dixie Roberts
- 11. Warner Adcock

- 7. Mr. & Mrs. Billy Melton



Sympathy and love is extended to Diane and Reece Vaughan in the death of Diane's father, Houston William Ward, who died August 28, 2020.

Sympathy and love is extended to Peggy Appleton in the death of her father, J. B. Isonhood, who died August 30, 2020.



Memorial Gifts

Truett Duncan

M/M Tom Huff

Susan Mazelle Simmons

M/M Davis Gary

Helen Hendrix



Solid Ground Youth

There are only two more lessons left from the book of Proverbs. This week the focus of the lesson is on seeking advice of wise counsel. Our youth will be looking at how to measure the message in the advice and how to choose what advice to follow.

Sunday Night Youth

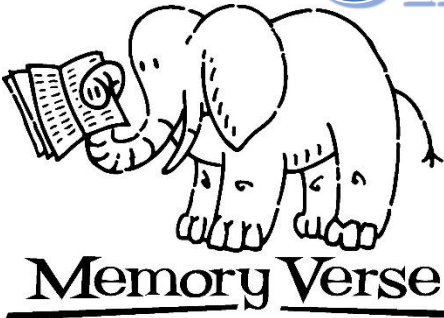
The Youth group will not meet this week due to Labor Day weekend/holiday. We will pick back up on Sunday, September 13, beginning at 5:45 with supper in the Fellowship Hall, followed by Bible Study in the Youth Basement. We will continue with our study on **Gideon**.

Wednesday Night Small Group

Side note about next Wednesday . . . The Yazoo Fair will be in town, and next Wednesday (10/16) our Youth Group will meet up at the Fair for a night of Fun and Fellowship.

Beginning Wednesday night (10/23) in small group, we will start a new series called **Forever Changed**. In this series we will be talking about the life of Saul/Paul. We will see how God can truly transform lives. We just need to be willing to completely surrender to Him. God wants what is best for us, but we must be willing to trust Him.

Children's Page



"God saw everything he had made: it was supremely good."

Genesis 1:31



Hiskidz and Deep Blue:

This Sunday we will begin a new series on *Genesis* that will carry us through the month of September. This week we will be talking about the Creation Story. God created everything and He said it was good!



We will not meet this Sunday night due to Labor Day weekend. We will resume next week on our regular schedule with Planet 456 at 5:00 pm. followed by snack supper at 5:45 p.m. After snack supper we will have choir practice. Everything should wrap up by 7:15 p.m.



**P22
Ministries**

We will not meet this Sunday night due to Labor Day weekend. We will resume next Sunday, September 13, on our regular schedule with P22 Ministries at 5:00 pm. followed by snack supper at 5:45 p.m. After snack supper we will have choir practice. Everything should wrap up by 7:15 p.m.

Volunteers serving Sunday, September 6, 2020

Greeters
Scripture
Sermon
Flowers

Donna Heidel/Owen Richards
Matthew 5:1-12
“The Transformed Life”
Sam and Sharon Smith

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

6. 15th Sunday after Pentecost

7. Labor Day

8. Encounter at the well

9. Fear seized them all

10. The danger of complacency

11. Wisdom without words

12. Gentleness born of wisdom

Mark 7:24-37

Ecclesiastes 3:9-15

John 4:1-26

Luke 7:11-23

Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalm 19

James 3:1-12