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Rock of ages

On walks, I enjoy searching for heart-shaped rocks. One day in 2020, I spotted a broken heart, which seemed fitting as illness, racism and suffering dominated the headlines. I thought of Psalm 34:18, NIV: “The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.”

Humans can be hard-hearted — pointing fingers, assuming the worst and failing to extend compassion. We often reject people who look, think or act differently from us. All these things break hearts, including God’s. Only with his help can we rise above hatred, learn to listen more than we speak, and express kindness, empathy and a willingness to learn.

Jesus, be our rock as we face life’s brokenness. Stay near and start the healing. Amen. —Julie Lee



SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship
- 5:00 p.m. P22 Ministries
- 5:00 p.m. Planet 456
- 5:45 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible study
- 6:00 p.m. Solid Ground Youth
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choir

MONDAY, JANUARY 25

9-12 noon Methodist Market

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

- 6:00 Chancel Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Small Group
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible study

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 26. Linda Coker, Jordan Goodman
- 29. Kathy Phillips, Anna Ryan Ragland



Harold Fisher

- Frank M. Patty, Jr.
- William Russell, Jr.
- Nora Gainey & Diane Moody

Susie McElroy

M/M James Cresswell



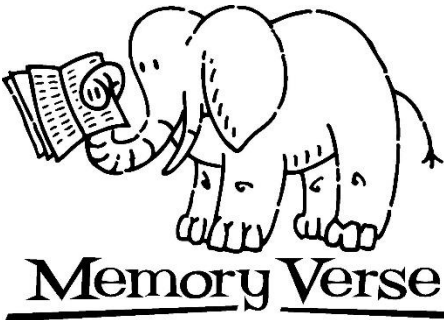
Congratulations to Caitlyn and Garrett McClellan on the birth of their daughter, Ruthie Kate McClellan, who was born December 31, 2020.

Become Hospice Volunteer



Caring for the terminally ill is a labor of love that requires a special person with just the right touch. If you have a passion for helping others, consider becoming a hospice volunteer. Contact BAPTIST HOSPICE, 732 E. 15th St., Yazoo City. 662-746-5153

Children's Page



"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but will have eternal life."

John 3:16



This week's lesson will be about a conversation that Jesus had with a Pharisee named Nicodemus. He wanted to know more about Jesus and understand him better. Jesus spent time with Nicodemus and was interested in his heart.

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Ministries**



This Sunday night, P22 and Planet 456 will meet at 5:00 p.m. We will begin our new Bible Studies that will consist of a new lesson each week. These lessons will be accompanied with a game or object lesson to help us understand it better. Snack supper will be at 5:45 in the Fellowship Hall and choir with Mrs. Lettie will follow supper. We will dismiss at 7:15p.m.





Youth Sunday School

This Sunday our lesson is focused on darkness and light. As Christians we are called to shine the “Light of Christ.” What does that mean? How do we do this? The world around us is filled with darkness, and it is easy to get lost in the dark. Our relationship with Christ and the desire to know Him better is one way to walk in the light.

Sunday Night Youth

Last Sunday the youth group resumed with our Bible Study. We talked about “IF.” The word “if” is used in the Bible 1,784 times. Most of these *ifs* are conditions on the front of God’s promises. This Sunday we will continue discussing *ifs* by beginning Mark Batterson’s Bible Study entitled *IF*. We will begin with the first lesson “*If Only* Regrets.”

Wednesday Night Small Group

Wednesday Night Small Group resumed this week. We are trying something new with the Youth Wheel of Challenge and incorporating Bible trivia, activities, and games. The Wheel of Challenge will be in correlation with our topic each week.

Sunday, January 24, 2021

Greeters	D'Ann Adams & Myra Dunlap
Scripture	Psalm 119:97-105; 2 Timothy 3:14-17
Sermon	“Rooted in the Word”
Flowers	Bay & Alice George

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

JANUARY

24. 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany	Luke 4:14-21
25. A new covenant	Jeremiah 31:31-34
26. The Lord's choice	Matthew 21:33-42
27. The forerunner	Matthew 11:7-15
28. Prophet to the nations	Jeremiah 1:4-10
29. A rock of refuge	Psalm 71:1-6
30. Love never ends	1 Corinthians 13:1-13