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In light of all the tragedies that are occurring in our world today, such as hurricanes, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, flooding, foreign threats, and extreme violence, we need to look to our God, who is almighty and able to handle all of these situations, and to trust in his love and grace to bring peace and healing in the midst of our hurting world. May this prayer from St. Francis of Assisi be our prayer for comfort and peace.

*Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.*

*O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*



Anniversaries and Birthdays

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

- 14. Chrissy Hughes, Mallory Pender
- 15. James Cresswell, Laura King
- 16. Jack Robinson
- 18. Nancy Hart, Brenda Paul, Cadi Appleby
- 19. Buford Atkinson, Derek Parker
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- 16. Mr. & Mrs. Billy Joe Ragland
- 20. Mr. & Mrs. Steve Newman

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 5:00 p.m. Planet 456
- 6:00 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study/Bro. Lauren
- 6:30 p.m. Youth

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17

- 3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
- 4:30 p.m. Ladies' Handbell Choir
- 5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study/Bro. Lauren
- 6:15 p.m. Youth Small Group

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market

IN MEMORY

Margaret Davis Garrett

M/M Edwin McDonald

George Caldwell

Frank Patty

Sue Parker

Sympathy and love is extended to Allison and Mike Hughes and family in the death of Allison's father, George Caldwell, who died October 3, 2018.



ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS

If you are chairperson of a committee or serve in a capacity that requires financial support from the church budget, it is important that your budget request for 2019 be turned in to the Church office by November 1, 2018.



Solid Ground Youth

Our 15- week study of the Old Testament History has led us to the life of King David. This week we find ourselves in part 2 of a three-part lesson of David. Last week we discussed David's life before he was King and left off with the death of King Saul. This week we continue to follow David as he prepares to lead the nation of Israel. Hope to see you on Sunday!

Sunday Night Youth

Sunday night we continue our series entitled *Salt and Light*. This week's lesson is entitled *Who is My Neighbor?* We are called by God to "Love our neighbors as ourselves," even those who don't accept you or who are mean to you. This is a very hard thing to do, but who said being a Christian would be easy. When we accept Christ in our lives, we are to strive to live as He would.

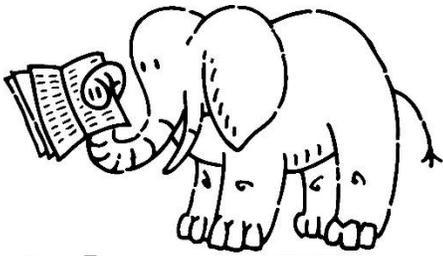
Wednesday Night Small Group

Small group has taken a break for the past few weeks due to Fields of Faith last Wednesday night, and the Fair this week. This Wednesday night, October 17, the youth group will be going to the Yazoo County Fair. This will be a time of fun and fellowship with friends. Small group will resume back on October 24th.

Spring Break Youth Trip:

The spring break youth trip has been planned for this year. The dates will be March 12-March 16. We will be going to Williamstown, KY to view The Ark Encounter, and then travel on to Cincinnati, Ohio to see a different part of the U.S. Detailed information for this trip is available in the Youth Basement for the youth to bring home. Please contact Tera if your youth is planning on attending the Spring Break trip in March. The first payment is due this week. Thank you.

Children's Page



Memory Verse

"A voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son whom I dearly love: I find happiness in him'."

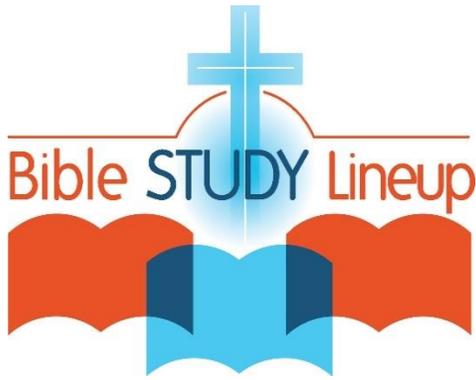
Matthew 13:17



As we continue to study about families in the Bible, this week we will hear a familiar story. It is the story of Joseph and his brothers. This story is filled with jealousy, loneliness, forgiveness, and redemption. God was present through the all of the ups and downs that Joseph went through, and Joseph was never alone.



This Sunday night we will continue with our series called ***The Power of Words***. We have been learning how our words can have an effect on people. We have had a lesson on *Gossip* and *Encouragement*. This week our lesson is entitled *Crude Language*. We live in a world today where T.V. shows write in harsh language, and radio stations either bleep out the language in songs, or sometimes just leave it. We are becoming less numb to crude language, and kids are beginning to find it easy to speak harshly to others. This week we will talk about the importance of letting our words be pleasing to God.



Every Sunday and Wednesday night at 6 p.m. Brother Lauren will be teaching a Bible Study on the Book of Matthew. Room #306 on the second floor. Everyone is invited to attend.



Weeks after the children receive their Gospel Booklets the local churches follow-up with their Discipleship Program. The children are taught 10 lessons on how they can receive forgiveness, eternal life and become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. Since 1999 more than 12 million children in 66 countries have participated in the Bible programs. At the end of the program each child is given a Bible in their language. If you haven't picked up your shoe box, brochures and labels, please do so this week. Include some fun in each box as this may be the only gift these children receive all year.

Volunteers serving Sunday, October 14, 2018

Greeters	Albert & Christy Vandevere/Marilyn Burnett
Worship Leader	Rich Knox
Acolytes	Mattie Burton/Maggie Day Ragland
Scripture	Acts 15:1-6, 12-21
Sermon	“Safeguard the Essentials”
Security	Buford Atkinson/Brent Chaney
Flowers	Van & Amy Ray

Attendance, October 7, 2018

Worship Services	181
Sunday School	122

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

OCTOBER

14. The other nine?	Luke 17:11-19
15. No other rock	Isaiah 44:6-17
16. I have seen God	Genesis 32:22-31
17. God's watchful care	Psalms 121
18. Promised days of restoration	Jeremiah 31:27-34
19. God's law enlightens	Psalms 119:97-104
20. Carry out your ministry	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5