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P. O. Box 444, Yazoo City, Mississippi 39194

Vacation Bible School



June 28-30 8:30-11:30 a.m.

The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School is "Treasured: Discovering why you're priceless to God." At Treasured VBS, kids dig into action packed, faith-filled adventures. They will discover God's greatest treasure isn't diamonds, gems, or gold—it's them!

Even if you have not signed up, please come join us and bring a friend. We will have three fun days full of spending time with friends and learning about how priceless we are to God!

We welcome those who will be entering 4K-6th grade. Registration is in the Fellowship Hall.





SUNDAY, JUNE 27

- 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

MONDAY, JUNE 28

- 8:30-11:30 Vacation Bible School
- 9-12 noon Methodist Market

TUESDAY, JUNE 29

- 8:30-11:30 Vacation Bible School

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

- 8:30-11:30 Vacation Bible School
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

SATURDAY, JULY 3

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market

Our patriotic program will be Sunday, July 4, at 10 a.m. This will be a joint worship service. We urge all of our service men and women and veterans to be present so that we might recognize them for their service to our country. Special music will be provided by the Chancel Choir and musicians. Mark your calendars for this special service.

There will be NO Sunday School.

Giving Our Best

Have you noticed that family tension tends to ratchet up as summer progresses? As you may have found during quarantine, bickering often escalates as siblings and parents spend more unstructured time together.

To be honest, I add to the problem sometimes. After I expend energy at work, navigate all our schedules and try to serve my friends and community, little of my “best” is left by day’s end. My family often gets the leftovers — literally and figuratively.

In “Be King,” Christian musician Brian Morykon sings about the struggles of expressing love, even to relatives: “Be gentle to your brother/ Jesus will show you how./ Choose to bless your enemies/ even those that live in your house.”

Our Savior sets an example by always loving me and always giving his best. That knowledge can help me flip things around and find ways to give my best, not my leftovers, to the people in my house.

—Janna Firestone



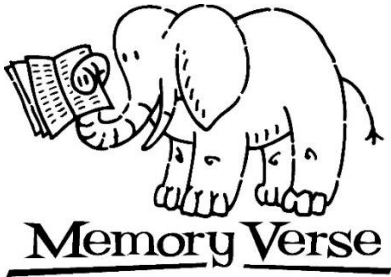
& Anniversaries

- 27. Allison Wyatt
 - 29. John Hagen Ketchum
- JULY**
- 1. Emily Cresswell, Lauren Allen

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- 27. Dr. & Mrs. Walter Burnett
- 28. Mr. & Mrs. Mike Hughes
- Mr. & Mrs. Bill McNair
- 29. Mr. & Mrs. Chip Heidel

# Children's Page



"Allow the children to come to me," Jesus said. "Don't forbid them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to people like these children."

Matthew 19:14



Throughout the month of June, we've been learning Bible stories where Jesus met different people. This Sunday's lesson is about an encounter that Jesus had with a man named Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus was a tax collector, and he was considered a traitor to the Jewish people. Therefore, he more than likely lived a very lonely life with very few, if any, friends. However, Jesus called people like this to Him. Jesus loves all people. He values everyone, even those who may not be valued by others.



## P22 Ministries & Planet 456

We have been having some fun outings in the children's program. Bowling and swimming are coming up next. Be on the look-out!

## Vacation Bible School

VBS is next week. Even if you have not signed up, please come join us and bring a friend. We will have three fun days full of spending time with friends and learning about how priceless we are to God!



## **Youth Sunday School**

Throughout the month of June, we have been studying the series, *Our Heavenly Father*. This week's lesson is about *Trust*. Trust is something we learn as we develop relationships. One of the hardest things to deal with is broken trust. When someone breaks our trust, we see them in a different way. God is someone who will never betray us. He is someone we can talk with and seek direction from. However, we must be willing to spend time with Him and listen for His guidance.

## **Summer Youth Activities**

The Youth Group left this Wednesday for a trip to experience The Ark Encounter in Kentucky. While on the trip, we will also take in an MLB Baseball game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Atlanta Braves. We plan to return home on Saturday. Please be in prayer for safe travel and a time of great fellowship for our group of 19, 15 youth and 4 chaperones.



*Pauline Bridgforth*

Ted & Libby Kendall

*Rusty Perry*

Ted & Libby Kendall

# Sunday, June 27, 2021

|           |                                                                        |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Greeters  | LaShone Robins/Millie Phillips                                         |
| Scripture | Acts 15:5-21                                                           |
| Sermon    | <b>“The Church’s First Knock-Down,<br/>Drag-Out Theological Fight”</b> |
| Acolyte   | Maddie Canard                                                          |
| Flowers   | Tim & Melinda Richards                                                 |

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### JUNE

|                                                  |                         |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>27. 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> | <b>Matthew 10:40-42</b> |
| 28. A time of singing                            | Song of Solomon 2:8-13  |
| 29. The Lord is faithful                         | Psalms 145:8-14         |
| 30. He shall command peace                       | Zechariah 9:9-12        |

### JULY

|                      |                                |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. God calls Rebekah | Genesis 24:34-38, 42-29, 58-67 |
| 2. Promised blessing | Psalms 45:10-17                |
| 3. Evil lies close   | Romans 7:15-25a                |