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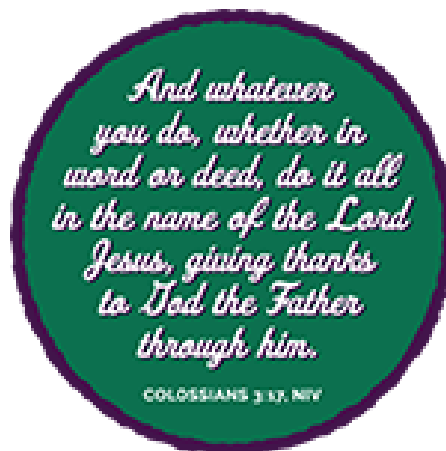
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# Messenger

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## Laboring for the Lord



For many people, the pandemic redefined work, with more employees logging hours from a home office — or kitchen table. Boundaries between job and personal life blurred, as did any sense of being “off duty.”

Most of us prefer clear divisions between our tasks and time. While such separations may help with scheduling, they are artificial human constructs. “*Whatever* your task,” says Colossians 3:23 (NRSV, emphasis added) — whether in public or private, family or job, spiritual or worldly activities — “put yourselves into it as done for the Lord.” Verse 17 tells us to “do everything” in Jesus’ name, “giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

That means even work and worship interlock. As Rick Warren writes, “Work becomes worship when you dedicate it to God and perform it with an awareness of his presence.”

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# SEPTEMBER

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

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

6:00 p.m. Bro. Lauren's Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Youth

## SEPTEMBER 13

9-12 noon Methodist Market

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

6:00 p.m. Worship Committee

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

5:00 p.m. Children's Choir

5:45 p.m. Planet 456 & Children's Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Bro. Lauren's Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

6:00 p.m. Youth

6:15 p.m. Snack Supper

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9-12 noon Methodist Market

# Happy Birthday!



- 13. Rosemary Knox  
Hayes Bardwell  
Emmalynn Hicks
- 14. Michael Newman
- 15. Lettie Terrell
- 16. Emily Poe  
Annsley Smith



With  
Deepest  
Sympathy...

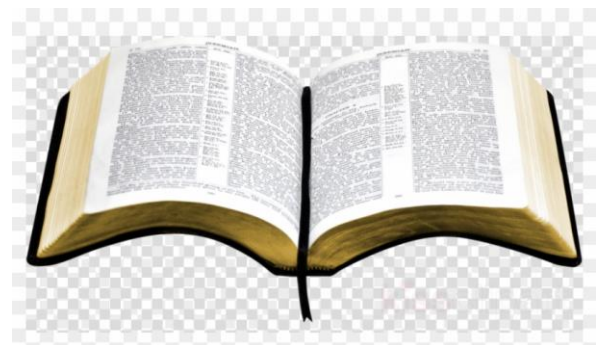
*Sympathy and love is extended to the David Fagan family in the death of their daughter, Kristy Fagan Pruet, who died 8/30/21.*



*Memorial Gifts*

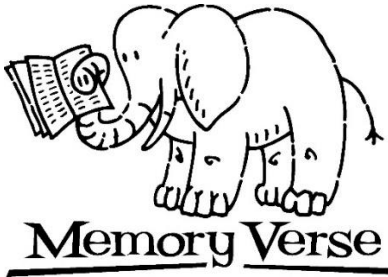
*Larry Adams*

Dr. & Mrs. Jack Varner



***Bro. Lauren's Bible Study***

Starts Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.



God saw all that He had made, and it was very good.

Genesis 1:31



This Sunday's lesson, *Appreciating Creation*, is the second part in our series for the month of September, ***The God Who Created Us***. God created everything, and everything He created was good. Man creates things from God's creation. God is the only one who can speak things into existence and out of nothing.

## W.O.W. WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our Wednesday night children's Bible Study just kick-offed a 12-week study called "TOY STORIES: Bible Stories". Last Wednesday, our "toy story" was about a space ranger and the story of Noah's Ark. Next week we will learn how a slinky can help us remember the story of Gideon and his army.



## W.O.W. WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. - Choir

5:45 p.m. - Game & Bible Study (by ages 4k-3<sup>rd</sup> & Planet 456)

6:15 p.m. - Supper

6:30 p.m. - Dismiss



## Youth Sunday School

Our series for the month of September will be on “The God Who Created Us.” Creation gives evidence to the existence of God. In this week’s lesson, ***Order in the Cosmos***, we are reminded that God created light first. Everything God does is by order and design. We, as Christians, are to be a Light of Hope in a dark world. Are we fulfilling God’s purpose?

## Sunday & Wednesday Night Group



As we continue with our series “Credit Card Faith” the lesson last Wednesday Night was entitled ***No Easy Way Out***. The youth learned that when we aren’t willing to wait on God, it can cause all kinds of trouble. Next week we will study lesson 3, ***The Big Payout***. This lesson is a reminder that God always fulfills his promises. It may not be on our time, but we must always remember that God is always on time.

Group will meet on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Night Group will meet each Sunday from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

# Sunday, September 12, 2021

Greeters	Claire & Sammy Burnham/Linda & Bob Coker
Acolytes	Maddie Canard & Myla Wallace
Scripture	John 1:35-51
Sermon	<b>“Can I Get a Witness?”</b>
Flowers	Byron and Robin Kelly

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### SEPTEMBER

<b>12. 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>Matthew 18:21-35</b>
13. Rich in good works	1 Timothy 6:17-19
14. Should I not care?	Jonah 3:10-4:11
15. Generations declare your mighty acts	Psalms 145:1-8
16. God's answer to grumbling	Exodus 16:2-15
17. Delivered with joy	Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45
18. Firm in one spirit	Philippians 1:21-30