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September/October Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF.....

pastor Jared

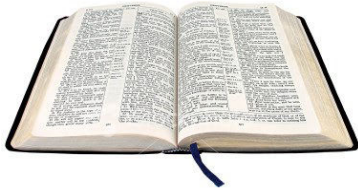
Fall is my favorite season. I loved school as a kid, and so I loved the fact that I was going back to school. I love the cooler temperatures and the way the world looks as the color on the trees begin to change. As summer ends, we return to rhythms and routines and, at least until the holidays, things settle down.

As fall comes in the church, we gather back together after our summers away. Fall marks the beginning of our regular activities. During the month of August, we spent some time talking about what Church is. Church is...more than a building...about more than ourselves....an imperfect place...and out there. But as we gather back together, I hope we can remember that church is also more than what happens between 9 and 11 am on a Sunday morning. Church is just as much about the days between Sunday as it is about Sunday. We come together to be formed in worship, but our formation should not stop there.

So, as fall begins, and we start up our rhythms once more, what rhythms do we start up as we come to church? Are we more than a Sunday Christian? My sermons this fall are going to focus on the call of Christ to follow him. What does that mean? What does that look like now? How do we grow? We know the church forms us, but let's dig deeper in that! What does that look like? What is our homework during the week?



WORSHIP LEADERS



Scripture Readers:

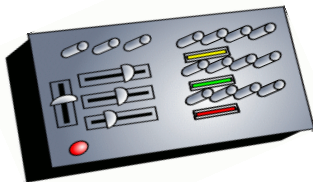
September 3: Pastor Jared
10: Cindy Anspach
17: Pastor Jared
24: Wendy Smith

October 1: Pastor Jared
8: Sue Ellen Bowman Keith
15: Pastor Jared
22: John Harmon
29: Pastor Jared

Greeters/Ushers:

September: Richard and Sue Lasher

October: Richard and Diane Miller
Larry and Joan Strait



Sound System Operators:

September 3: Don Brubaker
10: Dick Lasher
17: Barry Smith
24: Don Brubaker

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29: Barry Smith

Acolyte:

September: Michelle Patrick

October: Shay Funck



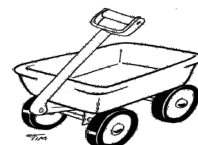


Mark Your Calendar

>> UPCOMING EVENTS

Caring Cupboard **September 10, 2017** **October 8, 2017**

Please bring your donations of non-perishable items and place in the wagon at the rear of the sanctuary. All donations are greatly appreciated!



Administrative Council Meetings **September 11, 2017** **October 9, 2017**

6:30 pm in the downstairs social hall. Anyone is welcome to attend!

Addiction Support Group

Meets Sunday evenings at 5:00 in the social hall.

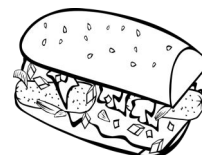


Bethany Yoga Returns!

Wendy Smith will be offering Yoga on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm, beginning on Thursday, September 7 and running continuously until November 16th, with the exception of Thursday, October 5th. All ages and abilities are welcome!

Yum! Yum! Sub Sales!

September orders are due by September 20, 2017 and can be picked up between 10:30-11:30 am on September 28, 2017. October orders are due by October 18, 2017 and can be picked up on October 26, 2017. Order forms are on the information table.



Loyal Workers

Monday, September 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

The Loyal Workers will be collecting candy and small bottles of water for Trick or Treat Night! A basket will be in the overflow room for contributions. Thank you! Happy Halloween!



Rally Day **Sunday, September 24, 2017**

Birthday Blessings!

- September 5: Wanda Watts
7: Allison Deimler
Pastor Jared
9: Karen White
14: Thomas Gussler
22: Jane Kline
23: Janet Lilly
David Brandt
26: Barry Smith
27: Dylan Schell

- October 5: Diane Schell
11: Marilyn Betz
14: Bethany Oleyniczak
19: Richard Lasher
Carol Marocci
Audrey Scipioni
21: Timothy Miller



Save those Redner's Receipts!

Please collect your Redner's Market receipts and place in the mailbox drawer marked "Redner's Receipts". Bethany receives a percentage of all our purchases. Let's go shopping!



Sponsors are needed for altar flowers. Several spots remain open for the remainder of the year. If you are interested in placing the flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone special, please see the altar flower sign up chart in the hallway next to the library.



Holiday Bazaar
Saturday, November 18, 2017