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FREEDOM!

We salute the flag of the United States of America.- the emblem of our national heritage – and we continue to pay the price that liberty requires. But, when it comes to ultimate freedom, the price has already been paid. Because of this, we embrace the cross of Jesus Christ – that wooden banner of our soul’s liberation. Do you remember the words of Jesus? “If you hold to My teaching, you are really My disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.” (John 8: 31 -32; 36)

Freedom, in any form, whether national or eternal, demands a response. And in response, we offer our allegiance, our life, our all. To the Giver of life, the Author of liberty, we pledge ourselves – honored by and grateful for – freedom!

Join us this Sunday, July 4, 2021 for our Patriotic Music program when our Chancel Choir, instrumentalists, and soloists will present a tribute to our great nation!” 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.

There will be ONE JOINT SERVICE AT 10:00 A.M. , no Sunday School.



SUNDAY, JULY 4

10:00 a.m. Joint Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED JULY 5-9

SUNDAY, JULY 11

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, JULY 12

9-12 noon Methodist Market

SATURDAY, JULY 17

9-12 noon Methodist Market



5. Chat Phillips

6. Maddie Canard

11. Dee Webb

13. Linda McDonald

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16. Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Whitaker



Billy Joe Ragland

Ruffin Smith

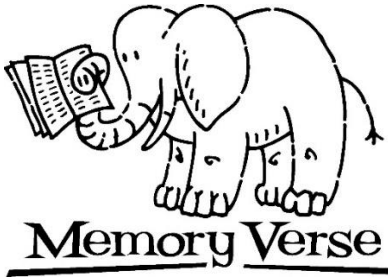
The Chancel Choir will be "on vacation" during the month of July. We so appreciate their faithfulness each week as they lead us in worship.

The Church office will be closed the week of July 5-9.



Happy 4th of July!

Children's Page



"But who knows? Maybe it was for a moment like this that you came to be part of the royal family."

Esther 4:14b



The month of July will bring us many Bible stories and lessons from the Old Testament. In our next Sunday School meeting, we will learn about a young boy named Josiah. Josiah was chosen by God to become a king at a very young age. He was only 8 years old!! In our next meeting, we will learn more about this unlikely hero.

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 week was fun!! We were so excited to be able to come together with friends (old and new) to discover and be reminded that we are God's treasure - WE ARE PRICELESS! He created us all to be special and unique. We all are called for a plan and a purpose!





Youth Sunday School

Our next series in Youth Sunday School is entitled "Family." This series will discuss the important roles that our families play in our spiritual growth and development. All of our families are different and are driven by different interests. However, the one thing all Christian families should have in common is God as the center. He should be the main focus.

Summer Youth Activities

Thank you to Melissa Gooch and Seth & Jamie Swafford for traveling with our youth group last week as we stopped for the Ark Encounter in Kentucky. We also took in a Major League baseball game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Atlanta Braves. We had a great time and lots of laughs. Thank you to all the parents who have encouraged your children to participate in Children's and Youth Bible studies, activities, and trips. The lessons they are learning and memories they are making will be things they will take with them. If your child is not involved, please consider encouraging them to participate.



Sunday, July 4, 2021

Greeters	Howard & Vicky Webb
Scripture	Exodus 5:1-5
Sermon	“The Declaration of Independence”
Flowers	Chip & Donna Heidel

Sunday, July 11, 2021

Greeters	Alice & Bay George/Chip & Donna Heidel
Scripture	Numbers 1:1-16
Sermon	“The Wilderness Years”
Acolyte	Maddie Canard

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

JULY

4. 6th Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 11:16-19,25-30
5. Like a two-edged sword	Hebrews 4:12-16
6. God’s life-giving word	Isaiah 55:10-13
7. Awed by your signs	Psalms 65:(1-8), 9-13
8. A careless bargain	Genesis 25:19-34
9. Light for the path	Psalms 119:105-112
10. God will give life	Romans 8:1-11
11. 7th Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 13:1-9;18-23
12. As you sow...	Galatians 6:7-9
13. There is no other!	Isaiah 44:6-8
14. Abounding in steadfast love	Psalms 86:11-17
15. An encounter with God	Genesis 28:10-19a
16. God’s faithful presence	Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24
17. Waiting for redemption	Romans 8:12-25