

connections

TIMBER LAKE CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

September 2011

STAFF

Doug Delp

Senior Minister

Allen Todd

*Associate &
Youth Minister*

Mary Rosado

Children's Minister

Brian Sevits

*Worship &
Administration Minister*

Dawn Beaverson

*Secretary &
Accounts Receivable*

Lori Garrett

Custodian

WHAT'S INSIDE?

- 2—Minister's & Elder's Messages
- 3—Children's and Youth Ministry Page
- 4—Worship Minister Article & announcements
- 5—Announcements
- 6—Birthdays/Anniversaries Prayer Requests
- 7—Statistics Volunteer Schedules
- 8—Calendar & Events

*Welcome to the Sunday Morning
Gathering at Timber Lake!*

We are glad you're here today! Please fill out the attendance sheet inserted in Connections and place it in the offering as it is passed.



"Unfathomable"

Zechariah 3



Adult Bible Fellowships—9:30 a.m.

Builders

Led by David Fincher, Room #401

Master's Servants

Led by Dick Koffarnus, Room #402-403

Women's Ministry "Doing Life Together"

Led by Rhonda Dunham, Room #404

Encouragers

Led by Rick Fordyce, Room #405

The Life of Christ

Led by Elwood Agee, Room #406

from the leadership

A MESSAGE FROM DOUG

We have seen a lot of news lately that is discouraging, frightening, and potentially overwhelming. From 9/11 to political rhetoric about our economy. From renewed threats of terrorism to bankruptcies and foreclosures. From safety drills and background checks at church to plant closures and layoffs.

We are not the first generation to undergo some tough restructuring. (a.k.a. consequences of choices we've made) At times I wonder if our arrogance makes us think we are suffering worse than others have. All that said, I love this Psalm:

Psalm 4 *"Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!(Notice that David sees his righteousness as a priority and rooted in his relationship with God.) You have given me relief when I was in distress. (He has been here before and recalling God's faithfulness.) Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!(God owes him nothing.)* ²*O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? Selah (Distress is always accompanied by good intentions being tarnished and well meaning plans assigned ill motives, while others gloat and believe lies.)*

³*But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him. (Tough times*

ELDER EXHORTATION

Preparing for Survival—David Fincher

Recent tragedies and events have led some people to remind Americans of the need to be prepared for catastrophic situations. Whether it would be the collapse of the government and economy, weather-related emergencies, or even solar flares that might knock out modern conveniences, there is always wisdom in being prepared to survive. And with that preparation comes the potential to share one's resources with others.

What do those who plan to survive calamities suggest that we have on hand? Items range all the way from food, medical supplies, water, cash, gold, tools, fuel, weapons, clothing, and even seeds to plant a garden. While I must confess that I don't have many of those things on hand in great quantities, I admire those who are prepared for any situation and hope that they will share when my supplies run out!

I was amazed when preparing for a study for my Wednesday night men's group to see how the Bible describes itself. Consider the following verses:

Ephesians 5:26 - *having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word*

Matthew 4:4 - *Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does*

*come to those God loves but He who laughs last laughs best!)"*⁴ *Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. Selah (While some lay awake to ponder revenge, others lay awake to ponder how righteousness can be accomplished and God glorified.)*

⁵*Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD. (WOW- right sacrifices are rooted in gratitude, not bribery of the Almighty!)* ⁶*There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? (Doomsayers are a dime a dozen. Look for solutions rather than "dirt" to propagate more rumors.) Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!" (The light of His face reveals all truth and promotes justice, not just comfort and false peace.)*

⁷*You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound. ⁸In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety."* (As you must sow before you reap, so what we experience is related to what we do. But the bottom line is that every good thing comes from God, and every bad thing will receive His judgment. That means: be vigilant in wisdom and righteous, but never fear, the wrong doers will eventually receive just punishment. God is, always has been, and always will be on the Throne!)

This means, bad news will always be followed up by good news for those that follow the Lord.

See you Sunday!

not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Jeremiah 23:29 - *"Is not my word like fire," declares the LORD, "and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?"*

Ephesians 6:17 - *Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.*

Psalm 19:10 - *They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold.*

¹ Peter 1:23 - *For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.*

Did you see them? Water, food, fire, hammer, sword, gold, and seed are but a few of the ways God describes His Word. The Bible is the original survivors kit, showing us how to remain alive and grow stronger no matter what happens around us. And all of those are things that we can share with others to help them survive. The world doesn't know where to look or how to find the things that they need. But if we are in His Word regularly, we will have answers and assistance they are looking for.

Are you studying God's Word regularly? Your survival depends upon it and others are hoping you will share.

children's and youth ministries

USEFUL TO HIM?

—*Mary Rosado*

Last year, when cooking carefully for Julie, she and I struggled with the salt/sodium restrictions. Many things could be cooked with little or no salt and still taste good. But there were some recipes that were rejected, because the missing salt was so evident.

God has given each of us one or more talents. We live each day, using our talents and interacting with those around us whether family or friends or coworkers. We may take pride in our ability to run the home smoothly or wield power in the workplace or ease the pain of others. We do good things, but are we useful to God?

He has created us to be salt and light. We have the power to change the world around us by letting them

experience God's love. Have we shown that love? Are we different enough in our words and actions that those around us can see a different Love? Are we attracting others to God because of the way we act? Or have we lost our saltiness?

Choose to let Him use you as salt and light.

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men. You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:13-16

SuperStart! is October 21-22 for those in grades 4 & 5. Watch your mail for details!

CONVERGE

—*Allen Todd*

See You At The Pole is an event that draws believers of all denominations together for the purpose of lifting up our schools, our families, our friends, and our country in prayer. "Converge" is the theme this year emphasizing that when believers gather together to pray, God shows up, the Holy Spirit moves and the church effects change. Sunday, September 25th, at 2:00pm students are invited to join this community of faith at Moberly High School. Jr. High and Sr. High students will fellowship and build each other up and spend time in prayer for the area schools. Students will lead in worship, testimony and prayer. Then on the following Wednesday, Sep. 28th, students will gather before school to pray publicly for their classmates, teachers, and government leaders.

If you have a student, plan on making arrangements for your child to be at school early that day. I know Moberly SYATP is at 7:00am. Cairo SYATP is at 7:30am. —Allen

Youth Events Coming up...

September:

23-24 Rummage Sale Fundraiser at WOCC. Please bring your donations to the Mess Hall by Thursday the 22nd. Thank you!

25 SYATP area rally. 2-5:00pm at MHS school.

28 SYATP at your school. 7:00am.

30 \$6 and form due for "Reunion Fusion"

October:

2 Sr. High at McCarter's 1925 Cedar Slopes Loop

7-8 Sr. High WOCC "Reunion Fusion" \$6

(must also register for In Focus to participate)

7-8 Sr. High "In Focus" at CCCB. \$25

(Note! TLCC will be participating in Reunion Fusion. You will need to make your own housing arrangements for In Focus if you are not participating with Reunion Fusion. Thank you.)

12 Fields of Faith at the MHS Football Field. 7-8pm

16 \$10 due for "The Event" at OCC in Joplin.

November:

4-5 "The Event" at OCC in Joplin. \$35. \$10 due 10/16

more articles and announcements



TAKE NOTE *Christmas is Coming!*

—by Brian Sevits

The mention of Christmas, winter, coming snow and ice may frighten, depress, or annoy someone reading this article, and I hope that it doesn't come too quickly myself. But it is that time of year when we begin to plan for a Christmas production.



**INTRODUCTORY MEETING FOR THOSE
WANTING TO PARTICIPATE:
SEPTEMBER 25 DIRECTLY AFTER 2nd SERVICE**

TLCC Emergency Evacuation Procedure

Timber Lake Christian Church has an Evacuation Procedure to provide for our safety in case of an emergency. Should the need arise, the appropriate Emergency Alert Slide would be shown in the auditorium to guide our emergency response.

An Emergency Evacuation Procedure will be activated any time it is deemed dangerous for individuals to remain in the building. Potential reasons for evacuation include, but are not limited to, fire, bomb threat, explosion, or interior hazardous materials.

ALARM:

Fire Alarm, Intercom, Verbal Message, Emergency Alert Slides

CHURCH RESPONSE:

Upon activation of the emergency alarm system—or other notification of an evacuation—all persons will:

1. Proceed to the nearest emergency exit in a calm, orderly manner.

This year, we have held off the start of rehearsals for the program due to the nature of this year's show. We can't hold off much longer, though, because there is a lot of work to be done! This year, I am going to begin organizing a variety-style program with several unique acts. The acts can include all ages and all styles, and it is sure to be a fun event for your whole family! I hope to include, music, drama, comedy, and other elements that will keep the audience thoroughly entertained and inspired by the true message of Christmas. We will also be needing an emcee for the show, stage hands, technicians, etc., and you may be the perfect person to fill one of those roles!

This program will take place the weekend of December 11, but exact dates and times have not yet been confirmed. If you are interested in participating in this year's "Christmas Show," plan to attend the introductory meeting on September 25th after 2nd service. We will only meet for a few minutes for the purposes of beginning to make lists and form groups. If you are unable to attend, please contact me at the office or by email. Rehearsals for the Christmas show will be arranged with each solo, group, or act on a one-on-one basis. Then, a few weeks before the program we will all get together for some dress rehearsals. Let me know if you have any more questions!

2. Be alert and watch for dangerous situations. Provide help to those around you who may need assistance.
3. Exit the building, being careful not to interfere with the responding emergency personnel.
4. Proceed to the pavilion area, where everyone will reassemble.
5. Do not reenter the building until directed to do so by the responding emergency professional in charge.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A building schematic with the locations of all emergency exits and evacuation routes is located near the doorways in each room.
- All Children's Education staff and teachers have been trained to respond appropriately and safely to the Emergency Evacuation Procedure.
- Children in the nursery and classrooms will be relocated to the pavilion by trained staff, teachers, and Safety Team members.
- Elderly and handicapped individuals may receive additional assistance with emergency evacuation and relocation at Exit Door F.

announcements

LEADERSHIP

We wanted to let everyone know that all the gentlemen who were considered for either Elder or Deacon were overwhelmingly affirmed by the congregation.

YOUTH RUMMAGE SALE

The Youth Rummage Sale Fundraiser is this weekend, September 23-24 at White Oak Christian Camp. Clean out your garage, go through your closets, and bring your donations to the camp by Thursday. Call the office to arrange for pick up or for the mess hall to be opened to receive items. Thank you for your donations.

LIBRARY NEWS

Our library has several books by the well-known author, Gary Chapman, best known for his Five Love Languages. We have just been given another book by him, Hope For the Separated. This is a practical book for anyone who has begun or is contemplating a marital separation. The book includes assignments to encourage growth both as individuals and as a couple.

TB CLINIC

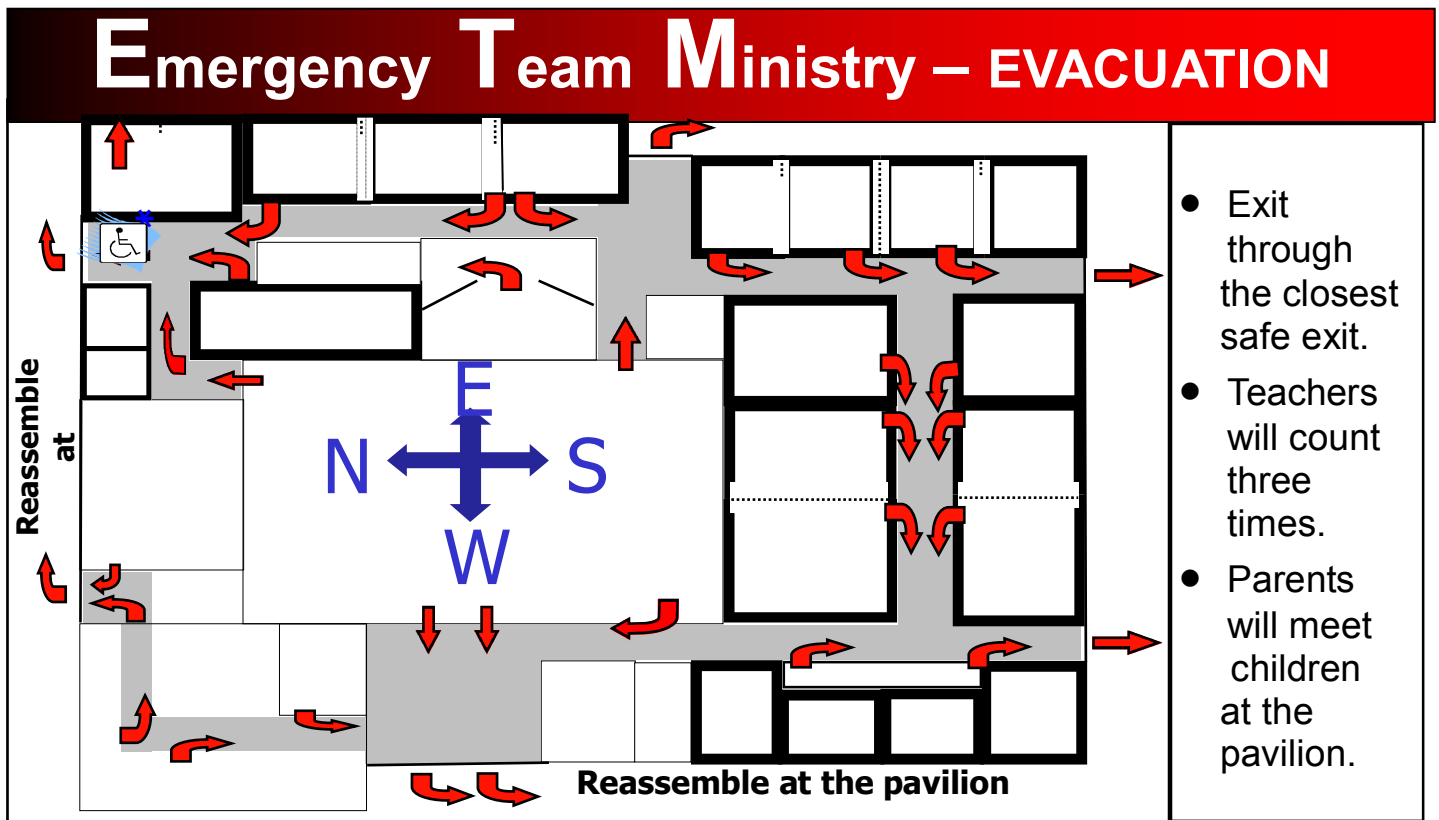
The Afternoon Bible Club will be hosting a TB clinic for all volunteers on Tuesday, September 20, at 3:00 p.m. You may also have a test done at the Health Department (for a fee) if unable to attend at TLCC. Come back at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 22 to have your tests checked.

During the next month especially, Linda is looking for additional volunteers. Give her a call if you could help out a day or two.

GOAL SETTING SESSION & MEAL

The annual Goal-Setting session for Ministers, Elders, and Deacons, will be held on Saturday, October 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the church in room 406. Leaders are reminded that their "Collaborate" books are in the office for you to pick up; cost is \$15.

The annual meal for leaders and their spouses will be held Sunday, October 9, following services at Bank of Cairo & Moberly conference room. Ron and Phyllis Self are lining up the catering for this at approximately \$10 a plate. Please RSVP to Dawn if you have not yet done so.



people and prayer requests

CELEBRATIONS

October Birthdays

- 2- Sarah Hoppe
Ali King
- 3- Shirley DeVos
- 5- Starla Richards
Jaci Woods
- 7- Kailee Goesling
- 8- Bret Collins
Frank Richardson
Jamie St. Clair
- 9- Matthew Cousin
- 10- Beverly Andrews
Jayden Seitz
Colette Tracy
- 12- Matthew Boeding
- 13- Patty Agee
Barbara Collins
Donna Defreitas
Mary Dicken
- 15- Mary Ellen Van Houten
- 17- Samantha Eravi
- 18- Landon Andrews
Bill Dowlin
Jack Woods



- 19- Camden Stuart
- 20- Anna Lewis
- 21- Steve Wright
- 24- Penny Glover
Eric Norbury
- 25- Brett Pasbrig
- 26- Lydia Delp
Canaan Marshall
- 27- Judith Smith
- 28- Gary Hargis
Andrew Samp
Matt Thornburg
- 29- Sandy Fincher

- 29- Erika Van Houten
- 30- Lindsey Mathis
Phillip Moss
Emily Stoldt
Gina Bartholmey

October Anniversaries

- 2- Bob & Reta Ollmann
- 5- Mike & Jennifer Haller
- 6- Don & Shelia Miller
- 7- Jerry & Joyce Carroll
- 11- Tony & Starla Richards
- 12- Waylon & Kelley Broemer
David & Melva Dunn
- 16- Glen & Michelle Herron
- 23- Richard & Tamara Daiprai

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember these in prayer...

Joselyn Beach, Mike Boren, Larry Braman, Jim Brooke, David Brown, Gary Collier, Barb Collins, Dave Crutchfield, Mary Dicken, Bill Dowlin, Denita Fox, Bob Franklin, Karen Franklin, Delesa Frantzen, Regina Green, Susan Hall, Henry Hamblin, Shirley Henderson, Lonnie Henry, Carolyn Herron, Don Hoffman, Bill Holtzclaw, Bethany James, Jim Johnson, Tom Kaser, Donna Marshall, Anne Menear, Jim Morgan, Paulette Morgan, Bob Ollmann, Mary O'Neal, Gail Peterson, Dorothy Pittman, Marilyn Pittman, Timothy Pittman, Trent Putnam, Frank & Margie Richardson, Bev Robertson, Rachel Stall, Naomi Thompson, Jo Watkins, Alice Weaver, Clyde Williams



Those in Nursing Homes or Care Centers...

Bluff's Nursing Home, Columbia—Catherine Williams; Cameron Manor—Anna See; Loma Linda—Dan Dolan, Betty Dunwoody; Mark Twain—Lillian Collins; Moberly Nursing & Rehab—Frank Richardson; Ravenwood Terrace—Dorothy Fausz

Those in the Military...

Afghanistan: Bobby Bulens, Grant Glover, Jerad Stokes; Alaska: Josh Conklin; California: Rafe Kossak; Hawaii: Justin Lewis, Jeff Taylor; Iraq: Nicholas Clear, Lawrence Trowbridge; Germany: Bryan Ralls; Nebraska: Gerrett Vessar; New Mexico: Jacob Dykstra; North Carolina: Travis Bash; Pennsylvania: Travis Harvey; Washington: Isaac LeGrand; Reserves: Adam Cousin, Drew Stice

statistics and serving schedules

	8/21	8/28	9/4	9/11
ATTENDANCE				
TOTAL Sun. Sch.	223	240	177	195
1st Worship	135	144	98	107
2nd Worship	235	238	201	211
Children	81	86	69	69
TOTAL Worship	451	468	368	387
OFFERING				
General	\$14,503	\$8,405	\$9,094	\$6,731
Designated	734	462	372	297
TOTAL Offerings	\$15,237	\$8,867	\$9,466	\$7,028

YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS

Worship Average:	402
Sunday School Average:	223
Total Offering Received:	\$314,772
Average Weekly Offering:	\$9,258
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$9,901

COUNTY BANK LOAN UPDATE

(Through Aug. 31, 2011)

Loan Beg. Balance (1-1-10)	\$189,272.00
Debt Reduction in 2010	-118,426.35
Budgeted Prin. pmts. YTD	- 20,215.35
Designated payments YTD	- 5,646.00
CURRENT BAL. (8/11/11)	\$44,984.30
Interest paid YTD (5%)	\$ 2,284.65

AUGUST FINANCIAL REPORT

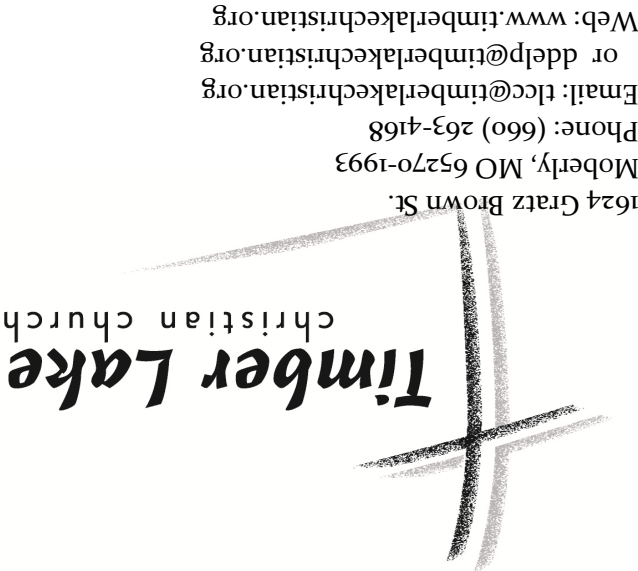
	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>YTD</u>
INCOME	35,674.23	323,987.19
Staff	17,107.10	135,358.22
Operational	3,735.50	40,663.03
Children	1,207.94	5,157.64
Youth	1,332.00	4,040.42
Missions/Other	4,049.57	27,673.31
Debt	14,578.49	116,627.92
TOTAL EXPENSES	42,010.60	329,520.54
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES	-6,336.37	-5,533.35

	Sept. 25	Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16	Oct. 23	Oct. 30
Greeters	Shirley DeVos Rob & Gena Robuck	Jack & Karen Richardson Darold & Cathy Evans	Joe & Marlene Wilson Howard Hils	Mark & Beth Wilson Brenda Hubert	Kevin & Theresa Bartholmey Penny Henry	Mark & Sherry Russell Russ & Valinda Freed
Visitor Greeters	Dan & Barb Dennis	Dawn Beaverson	Rena Lang Joyce Haller	Ray & Lorraine McCully	Dan & Barb Dennis	Dawn Beaverson
Shut-in Communion	Doug Delp Doug Henry	Fred Green	David Sears Ron Self	Jack Richardson Harley Funk	Doug Delp Doug Henry	Fred Green

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Worship services.....8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Fellowships9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Night C.A.R.E. Groups (Sept.—April)
WEDNESDAY (Sept.—April)
 C.A.R.E. Groups(times to be set by group)
 Adult and Children's Programming
 for Age 2—Grade 12.....6:30-8 p.m.



1624 Gatz Brown St.
 Moberly, MO 65270-1993
 Phone: (660) 263-4168
 Email: tlc@timberlakechristian.org
 or ddelp@timberlakechristian.org
 Web: www.timberlakechristian.org

OCTOBER 2011

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

- 5- Ladies Bible Study (Schantz) 9:30 a.m
- 7&8 In Focus @ CCCB (Sr. High) & Reunion Fusion
- 9- Leadership Goal Setting Meal, Noon
- 12- Fields of Faith @ MHS, 7:00 p.m.
- 13- Food Pantry
- 15- Leadership Goal Setting Session, 9:00 a.m.
- 19- Ladies Bible Study (Schantz) 9:30 a.m.
- 21&22 SuperStart! (Grades 4 & 5)

Recurring Events

- Sunday Worship service, 8:30 a.m.
Bible Fellowships, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday Worship service, 10:30 a.m.
GriefShare—6:30 p.m.
NAMI—7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Bible Bowl—3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Classes—6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Thursday Financial Peace University, 6:00 p.m.
Worship Team —6:30 p.m.

Wednesday evening classes are offered for ages 2 through adults from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Both men and women's Bible studies are available as well as "The 5,000 Year Leap."

Coming Sermons:

- 9/25— "Un-CONDITIONAL" (Malachi)
- JAMES— "Saturate"
- 10/2— "Saturate Those in Need" (James 1:26-27)
- 10/9— "Saturate Your Walk" (James 2)
- 10/16— "Saturate Your Work" (James 4:1-5:6)