

The Soo Chimes



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

What a Week

VBS 2015 has to rank as one of the better vacation bible school programs in over20 years of ministry. VBS gave us the opportunity to do something very concrete in response to the great commission Jesus gave us in Matthew 28:16-20, "16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

We were fortunate to have the opportunity to minister to 104 kids. It was no small feat. The program required the efforts of a lot of volunteers. It started with the planning and required volunteers to staff the various stations; opening and music, recreation, pre-school, snack, movie and bible lesson. It took helpers from age 13 to 84 to ensure the program ran smoothly. It was amazing how it all came together to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ.

The first day the message was God has the power to provide. The Bible story that was chosen was when Elijah delivered the message to King Ahab that it would not rain and there would be a drought. Ahab being an evil king sought Elijah to punish him, but God told Elijah to hide and provided both water and food brought by ravens to feed Elijah. Elijah depended on God and God provided. The second day the message was God has the power to comfort. A story about Elijah was again chosen. Queen Jezebel sought Elijah to kill him. She had already killed many of the prophets of God. Elijah was scared and he ran to avoid capture by the queen. His journey took him to Mount Sinai where he experienced great winds, earthquake and fire. Here the lesson took some creative license and indicated Elijah was frightened by the wind, earthquake and fire. In this way the kids could relate to Elijah not only being afraid for his life at the hands of queen Jezebel, but when unexpected and frightening things can happen in life. The kids learned God comforted Elijah on the mountain and God can comfort us too.

Wednesday the kids learned God has the power to heal. The story was Naaman the Syrian who had leprosy. He was encouraged (Continued on page 2)

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The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:

Invite people to know and glorify God Grow together as followers of Christ Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit Receive your
newsletter by email
and in color, too.
Call the office to
find out how!

to seek the prophet Elisha in Israel. By just washing in the Jordan seven times he was healed. God had the power to heal Naaman and has the power to heal us too. Thursday the kids learned God has the power to forgive. The story was about when Peter denied Jesus three times on the night Jesus was betrayed. If God can forgive Peter, he can forgive us too. We ended the week with the message that God has the power to love us forever.

What a wonderful witness the week was to our Lord.

Peace in Christ, Mark



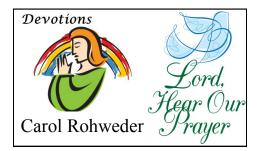
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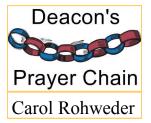
Jaymie Guzzo





If you or someone you know are in the hospital and would like a visit from the Deacon's please contact the church office or one of the Deacons









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Doris Boogerd



At Home

Bea Woodgate 1008 Johnston Street Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

Tendercare— Sault Ste Marie

1011 Meridian

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Jean Smith

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Audrey Bush
Emily Hamilton
Jane Kellan
Margaret Olson
Carmelita Schrumpf

WMH Long Term Care
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Lois Myers

McKinley Manor 2023 West 4th Avenue

> Vera Steffens Jeanne Gantz

Hearthside Assisted Living 1501 W 6th Avenue

David Shaw

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Dorthea Allen Michigan Masonic Home 1200 Wright, Room 167 Alma, MI 48801

June MacInnis 900 Glen Haven Circle, Apt 2 Petoskey, MI 49770

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Verna Campbell, Kevin Tastor, Jean Smith,
Kay Family (lost home to fire), Leslie Henderson,
Jean Smith, Carl Smart, Pat Whyte, Kady Love,
Irene Martin, Kalan Mason, Terry East,
Jim Schmidt, Delphine Porter, Lauren Wood,

Don Dagnal, Ruth Thesing, Dorothy Smart, Gina Gough, Ellen Meister, Jane Kellan, Susan Brock, Margaret Olson, Robert Jewell, Judy Knutsen, Ellen Woodgate, William Kellan, Colleen Sibbald, Bea Woodgate, Glen Tompkins, Wendy (Menard) James, Glen Tompkins, Margaret Vonderwerth and her family, and all members of missionaries and the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer requests.



Our Sunday Worship Service starts at 10:00 a.m.

We hope to see you on Sunday!







Every Wednesday

4 pm - 6:30 pm.

June 10th, through

November 18th

Ashmun & Portage

Relay for Life in Sault Ste. Marie Friday, July 10, 2015 - Saturday, July 11, 2015 1 pm on Friday to 1 pm on Saturday.

Relay for Life at Sault Area High School on Marquette Avenue in Sault Ste. Marie.

Brenda and Ginger are available to purchase luminaries for the event!







WANTED:

Adult leader(s) for FUPC Youth Group. Several of our youth (middle to high school age) would like to form a youth group within the church. However, they can't do it without some help! If you would like to help form the future of our church, either by lead-

ing, or just helping with this effort, please contact Rev. Gabbard through the church office or by email at pastor@soopresbyterian.org.



Jim and Suzanne Worsham	07/03
Connie and Theodore Lawrence	07/05
William and Lisa Justin	07/08
Carl and Dorothy Smart	07/24
Clyde Marsha Cross	07/25
Steve and Kathy Gerrish	07/26
Carla and Ernest Grenier	07/27



To Brenda Ransom, CRE and

Rev. David Henderson for their messages during Rev Gabbard recent vacation





The Choir's on Vacation | Summer is around the corner and the choir will a much needed vacation. be taking Wednesday evening rehearsals are over for the summer and will resume on Wednesday, September 9th.

07/09

07/10

07/10

07/13

07/14

During this time of rest, summer choir will meet every Sunday morning to rehearse at 9:15 a.m. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to join us each Sunday morning.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come into presence with singing. (Psalm 100:1 - 2)

Julie Martin

Skylar McKee

Nicholas Gerrie

Catherine Agar

Suzanne Worsham







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		William Krempel	07/17
Esther Hollingsworth	07/01	Shelby Myers	07/17
Mary Moran	07/02	Margaret Zenda	07/17
Dolores Sundstrom	07/03	Gavin Averill	07/20
Judd Howson	07/04	Marsha Cross	07/20
Lois Roo	07/04	Gary Gorsuch	07/21
Addison Gerrie	07/05	David Knowles	07/22
Taylor Worsham	07/05	Danielle Robinette	07/22
Kris Dunbar	07/09	Jennifer Smith	07/23
Ginger Stratton	07/09	Douglas Lundstrom	07/28
Tom Woodgate	07/09	Delores Swick	07/31

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The 4th of July is a special day in our country, but not just for signing the declaration. Many interesting things happened on this day, such as: Three American presidents died on this day;

John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and James Monroe.

Calvin Coolidge was born on that day in 1872. West Point academy opened on that day in 1802. The great Stephen Foster was born on that day. The song "America" was sung on that day for the very first time, in Boston in 1832. Alaska and Hawaii became states on July 4th. Slavery in New York was abolished on this day in 1845.

And on July 4, 1776, that great document was written declaring that all mankind was created equal and given rights by our creator. In the 1321 page document God is mentioned four times. The document was written to separate us officially from the repression and authority from England. This taught us that we no longer wanted to come under England's justice. Fifty six men signed the Declaration. Two of them were only 20, 16 were in their 30's, 20 were in their 40's, 11 in their 50's, 6 in their 60's, and Ben Franklin, the oldest at 70.

Who were these men who laid their lives on the line? In total, each on an average had 6 children. Twenty four were lawyers, fourteen were farmers, four were doctors, nine were merchants, and one a preacher. These men were educated, and highly civilized. History shows that they all paid a price for their stance against England because they had a cause in which they believed.

Today, our nation has been on a negative path for

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TV, heat and air conditioning, and a liberty and a lifestyle that only the wealthy enjoy around the world. As a nation we grow one third of the world's food while many countries have difficulty even feeding the day in 1872. West

Proverbs 28:5 says 'Evil men do not understand justice, but those who seek the Lord understand all things," Godly leaders must walk with God. Only those who seek the Lord understand, because they seek to do that which is positive and correct, by defending those who cannot help themselves.

If we want to continue being blessed as a nation we have to be obedient, involved, active, which leads to being decisive.

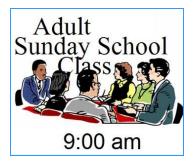
This So, how do we truly celebrate Independence Day? We do that by voting on issues that face our nation, states, and cities. By voting historically, we have been given freedoms and these freedoms are what made our country the greatest nation in the world.

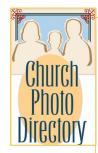
Those who are called by his name can demonstrate humility, as our forefathers did. Prayer should always be a part of our lives, not just at meal time.

Happy 4th of July

Don Myers, CRE







NEW 2015 FUPC DIRECTORY

will be coming soon.

FUPC Session Elders have scheduled a 2015 FUPC Directory. Family photo pictures will be held in the FUPC social hall on September 29, September 30 and October 1, 2015. All church members will be called to schedule an appointment to have pictures taken.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL





The halls of FUPC were filled with joy and laughter as over 100 children learned about the love of Jesus Christ through singing and dancing, games, and crafts. The Mission Project chosen for this year's VBS was to help with a need right here in our own community. There are a number of local students that are in need of basic supplies and food. This year a total of \$635 was donated to benefit the "Sault Schools Transition Program For Homeless Students". Thanks to everyone who donated to this cause.





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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



"EVEREST—CONQUERING CHALLENGES WITH GOD'S MIGHTY POWER!"



It was a fun week, with over 100 children attending.

We couldn't have had such a successful week without many, many volunteers—of all ages! Thank you to all who helped throughout the week. And many thanks to everyone who donated time, talent, and money to provide the food, decorations, and supplies that we needed. We greatly appreciate the generosity of our church family.



This year, we embarked on an icy expedition where kids overcome obstacles with God's awesome power.

The goal was to "Anchor kids in rock-solid Bible truths that will guide them through life's challenges."



Our scrip program is well under way and we are fundraising without even trying! Scrip is super easy and does not cost you any extra money. Nor do you have to buy things you don't need! We placed our first order in May and it was received within 6 days! Our order total was just about \$1200 and the church made \$36! How cool is that. Soup Kitchen and PW are on board and helped support the first order! So all of our church organizations can utilize it! We will be doing orders the 1st and the 15th of each month. You may bring your orders in to the office at any time and or place them with Brenda. Orders do need to be paid in advance.

What is scrip you might ask? Scrip is the opportunity to purchase gift cards for face value from our scrip program at the church. We deal with Great Lakes Scrip. So when we place our order, the cards are purchased at a "discount" and the church receives that in to their fundraising account. For example: If you purchase a GFS card for \$25, you still pay \$25, but the church pays \$24 and keeps the \$1 to put in the fund. Each business offers

different percentages back and it can range from 2% to 15% for some. There are over 600 different places available to purchase from all the way from Amazon to Holiday Gas, Walmart to Walgreens, and even Dairy Queen! The best part is that it does not cost you or the church extra money. It just requires a little bit of pre planning on your part, but once you get in the habit, it is so easy!

If you have any questions, feel welcome to connect with Brenda, check the church website for a link, or read the information on the board in the hall by the office. Again, this is a super way to help raise money and not over ask our members!

Brenda Ransom, elder tallulah@lighthouse.net



Newborns

Congratulations!

Kendyl Elizabeth Gorsuch born on May 28, 2015. She is the daughter of Greg Gorsuch and Andrea Kleir and the sister to Kadence Gorsuch

Emerson Joseph Kiernan born on June 12, 2015 in Portage Hancock Hospital. He is the son of Dan and Angela Kiernan and Great Grandson of Leitha and the late Howard Vollick

Don and Marilyn Myers are pleased to announce the birth of a second Great Grandson, Landon Aaron Holzer born on June 12, 2015. Landon's parents are Lauren (granddaughter) and Aaron Holzer and big brother William of Indianapolis, IN. The Grandparents are Debbie Myers of Dallas, TX, Donald Myers of St. Louis, MO and John and Tammy Holzer of Dallas, TX. Great Grandparents are Don and Marilyn Myers and Betty Moore of Little Rock, AR.



Connor Gorsuch Kids Fishing Day

July 25, 2015

Soo Area Sportsmen's Club presents "12th Annual Connor Gorsuch Kid's Fishing Day, July 25th, 2015. Come out to bask in the sunshine and have a competition with the fish! Kids sixteen and under can enjoy a free day of fishing at the kids fishing pond at Rotary Park.

Registration is July 25th from 8am-9am. Children eight and under will fish from 9am-10am. Children nine to sixteen will fish from 10am-11am. From 11am-12pm, all registered children will be able to fish.

The community has donated food, refreshments, and prizes for the event. All registered kids can catch three fish and register two. Wilderness Treasures is providing the bait. Some fishing equipment will be available, but you are encouraged to bring your own. There will be no use of Lures, only Hooks and Bobbers. For those in need of transportation, please call: 906-632-0110. Parking will be located at Aune Osborn Park.

For further information, please call Roger Greil at 906-635-1949, Gary or Angela Gorsuch at 906-253-0304, or Tom Pink at 906-632-2421





Don't forget to get your reservations in for the FUPC cottage on Sugar Island. It's a beautiful place with all the comforts of home and a wonderful view. It's never too early to think about a relaxing vacation at the shore. Contact Denise for available dates and rates.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 7 PM - 8:30 PM.

MUSIC IN THE SOO LOCKS PARK EVERY WEDNESDAY BRING A LAWN CHAIR FOR BLANKET AND ENJOY THE VARIETY OF PERFORMERS PLANNED FOR THIS YEAR'S EVENT.

JULY 1 - ERRANT LATE-NIGHT GARDENERS

IULY 8 - GENTLEMEN GEORGE

JULY 15 - BLUE WATER RAMBLERS - FOLK MUSIC FROM MICHIGAN.

JULY 22 - PETOSKEY STEEL DRUM BAND

IULY 29 - STEPHANIE SABATINE & KATHRYN CONNELLY

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1	Mark 11:1-14	1 Kings 1	Hosea 4:1-5:4
2	Mark 11:15-33	1 Kings 2	Hosea 5:5-15
3	Mark 12:1-27	1 Kings 3	Hosea 6:1-7:2
4	Mark 12:28-44	1 Kings 4-5	Hosea 7:3-16
5	Mark 13:1-13	1 Kings 6	Hosea 8
6	Mark 13:14-37	1 Kings 7	Hosea 9:1-16
7	Mark 14:1-31	1 Kings 8	Hosea 9:17-10:15
8	Mark 14:32-72	1 Kings 9	Hosea 11:1-11
9	Mark 15:1-20	1 Kings 10	Hosea 11:12-12:14
10	Mark 15:21-47	1 Kings 11	Hosea 13
11	Mark 16	1 Kings 12:1-31	Hosea 14
12	1 Corinthians 1:1-17	1 Kings 12:32-13:34	Joel 1
13	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	1 Kings 14	Joel 2:1-11
14	1 Corinthians 2	1 Kings 15:1-32	Joel 2:12-32
15	1 Corinthians 3	1 Kings 15:33-16:34	Joel 3
16	1 Corinthians 4	1 Kings 17	Amos 1
17	1 Corinthians 5	1 Kings 18	Amos 2:1-3:2
18	1 Corinthians 6	1 Kings 19	Amos 3:3-4:3
19	1 Corinthians 7:1-24	1 Kings 20	Amos 4:4-13
20	1 Corinthians 7:25-40	1 Kings 21	Amos 5
21	1 Corinthians 8	1 Kings 22	Amos 6
22	1 Corinthians 9	2 Kings 1-2	Amos 7
23	1 Corinthians 10	2 Kings 3	Amos 8
24	1 Corinthians 11:1-16	2 Kings 4	Amos 9
25	1 Corinthians 11:17-34	2 Kings 5	Obadiah 1
26	1 Corinthians 12	2 Kings 6:1-7:2	Jonah 1
27	1 Corinthians 13	2 Kings 7:3-20	Jonah 2
28	1 Corinthians 14:1-25	2 Kings 8	Jonah 3
29	1 Corinthians 14:26-40	2 Kings 9	Jonah 4
30	1 Corinthians 15:1-34	2 Kings 10	Micah 1
31	1 Corinthians 15:35-58	2 Kings 11	Micah 2



Lee Mason and Cindy Howson

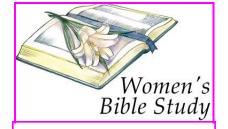


The next Deacon's Meeting will be held in September.



Men's Bible Study every Friday morning at 9:00am.

All men are welcome to join us!



Summer is here and the Woman's Bible Study is taking a break.

Study will start back up on September 9th.





Circle 3 Meetings will resume in September Enjoy your summer!

Our Luncheon Meeting was held at Applebee's. We reviewed the year and discussed our fall season. The Treasurers report was discussed from January through May. Most of our Mission Pledges Meeting have been paid. We voted a Birthday Offering to the Presbytery, this

is an annual mission project we have given to for many years. The annual rummage sale was a success, remaining items were taken to the Salvation Army. We served luncheons for the following; 5 funerals, 2 soup kitchens and I coffee hour following the Church Service.

The next P.W. meeting will be in September



November 7, 2015 Tea & Bazaar The theme is from the movie "Frozen"



We hope to have young people involved with their theme dresses. We still need people involved for this event, please consider some way to

Contact Diane McMeeken, Doreen Gordon, or Denise in the office.



June 2015 Gathering!

Good Food, Good Fellowship, Good Times, and Precious Memories.

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QUILT RAFFLE

This year's quilt is a king size diamond pattern quilt made by Carolyn Shaw and Annie Hillman

Quilt will be on display at the August 4th Summer Art Show Tickets are available from P.W. Ladies and in the church office \$1 each or 6 for \$5

The drawing will be held on November 7, 2015



Tuesday at 9:30 am July 21st

(the 3rd Tuesday),

All ladies are welcome to join us for an informal gathering.



This is the time to start thinking of a member of our Church to receive this annual award.

The Women's Association gives this honor to one or more persons (male or female) who have given of their time and service to our Church in a special way.

Nominations can be made in writing, detailing their service and why you feel that they should be recognized for this award. The committee will review these nominations and select a recipient. The deadline for letters is August 31, 2015. Letters can be given to a committee member or placed in the PW mailbox.

Diane McMeeken, Emily Hamilton, Bev Ward

July 4th Parade in Sault Ste. Marie Saturday, Jul 4, 2015 TIME 10am – 12pm

Line up is at Sault Area High School at 9:00 a.m.

Parade route is: From Sault High left on Marquette, right on Minneapolis, left on Easterday to Ashmun. Right on Ashmun to Portage Avenue, left on Portage and left on Magazine Street.

Theme: "Uncle Sam. In addition to your overall theme display you should try to have at least one real American Flag. The end result shows the Uncle Sam in a respective manner. If you choose to have your parade participants dress in the Uncle Sam theme, please be sure to choose respectful and appropriate clothing.

Prizes will be awarded. Fireworks after 10:00 pm.



July 24 - 26, 2015

Rendezvous in the Sault

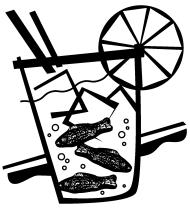
Rendezvous in the Sault is a living history event that will take place along Historic Water Street at the City Hall Grounds and at the Historic Homes. In addition to local participants, over 115 visiting historical re-enactors, musicians, entertainers and merchants will set up camps and displays with presentations and demonstrations on military and civilian life in the period of 1668-1840. Food, music, dancing, cannon firing, drum and fife corps, puppet shows, storytelling, crafts and games will be just some of the fun things to see and do on Saturday and Sunday of the last full weekend of July.

Individuals and groups that are interested in participating, donating and/or volunteering either at the event or during the planning stages may call the Chippewa County Historical Society (906) 635-7082 or contact Angie Patterson at apatterson@sault.com or (906) 632-5734.



OCEAN WATER

After a busy summer day, relax in the shade with this cool drink.

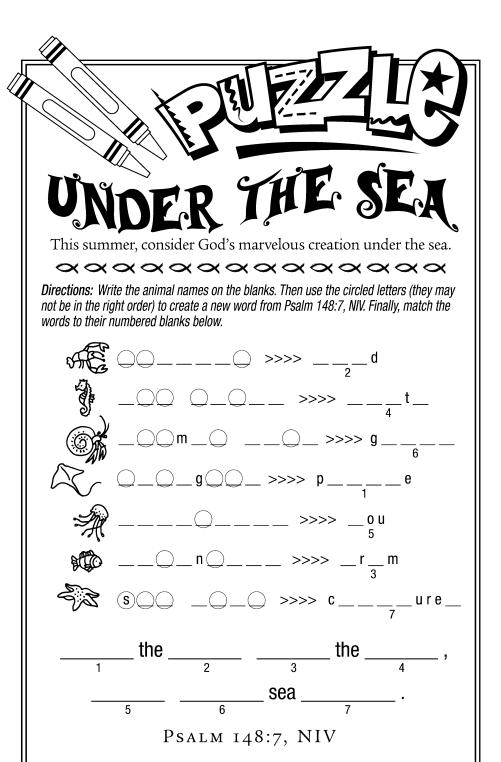


What you need:

- 3 Tablespoons water
- 3 Tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon coconut extract
- 3 drops blue food coloring
- 24 oz. (2 cans) lemon-lime soda
- Clear cup or glass
- Ice
- Swedish Fish candy

What you do:

- 1. In a small microwave-safe bowl, combine the water and sugar. Heat for 1 minute. Stir until sugar is dissolved.
- 2. Pour the mixture into a pitcher. Add coconut extract, food coloring and soda. Stir.
- 3. Pour into cup. Add ice and fish. Enjoy!



Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures. Psalm 148:7, NIV

Answers: lobster > Lord, sea horse > earth, hermit crab > great, stingray > praise, jellyfish > you, clownfish > from, sea star > creatures



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Saturday	4 Independence Day 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A. Independence	11 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.	18 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.	25 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.	Independence Day
Friday	3 Office Close 9:00a Men's Study Grp	9:00a Men's Study Grp	9:00a Men's Study Grp	9:00a Men's Study Grp	31 9:00a Men's Study Grp
Thursday	7	ි ග	16	33	30
Wednesday	Canada Day				
Tuesday	-	9:00a-12:00p Food Pantry	9:00a-12:00p Food Pantry	9:00a-12:00p Food Pantry 9:30a Ladies Coffee Hour	28 9:00a-12:00p Food Pantry
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Sunday Worship Schedule

Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School (all grades) 10:00 a.m.

Church Staff

Rev. Mark Gabbard, Minister
Don Myers, CRE
Brenda Ransom, CRE
Kay Boyne, Music Director
Denise Goldade, Financial/Administrative Assistant
Jesse Witte, Sexton

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