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Love Never Fails

It is very common for events to be shocking to us particularly when they happen suddenly like the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, or the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941. We remember, as adults, where we were at the time the shocking news hit the news stands, or television.

In 2001 we recall not only the news of airlines flying into the Twin Towers in New York city, the Pentagon, and the crash in Pennsylvania, but we remember these tragic stories, and where we were. Do you know where you were when all of this was taking shape? Were you listening to the radio, driving somewhere, watching television? No matter where you were you will never forget, will you? Ground zero became something in our minds that very day.

We realize how little we connect when we are confronted with hate or violence. Floods, and tornadoes like we had where I was born in Oklahoma that seemed to follow us to Kansas every once in a while, and sometimes even as far north as

Michigan.

No one today can say for sure where they will be twenty years from now. rich or poor, honored or despised, have friends or know what the world is going to face.

What we do know is that We love God, know that he is our Creator, and Savior. He in turn loves each and every one of us as we go about our daily routines.

Don Myers, CRE

*You shall love the Lord
your God with all your
heart, and with all
your soul, and with all
your mind.*

Matthew 22:37

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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!*



Owen Nicholls, Shane Miller, Jean Smith,
Gina Gough, Alex McCready, Andrea Klier,
Della Porter, Dorothy Smart, Kevin Tastor,
Family of John Graham, Pat Whyte, Jim Schmidt,
Jane Kellan, Joyce Cross, William Kellan, Lillian Donelson,
Tom and Ellen Woodgate, Christine Mickelson, Tara Jean Brody,
Geraldine Carnahan, Wendy (Menard) James, Margaret Vonderwerth &
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!**



**Deacon's
Corner**

The next Deacon's
Meeting will be held on
September 17th.



**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 17TH
2:00 PM
BARB KENN**



**Office will
be closed on
Friday
September 1st and
Labor Day, Monday,
September 4th.**

Deacon



**Barb
Kenn**

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



**HOMEBOUND
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In memory of ...

John Graham
08/05/17



Wanda Eby



After the summer break, the Choir will rejoin our Worship Service on Rally Sunday, September 10th.

Choir Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, September 6, at 7 p.m.

New singers are welcome to come and join in.

Contact Kay Boyne for more information.

“Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!”



FUPC Session

PW Honorary
Life Membership

Award

September 17th



THANK YOU

We would like to express our gratitude to
Rev. David Henderson and
Brenda Ransom, C.R.E.
for sharing their messages with the congregation.

OPEN OUT OF THE OFFICE



LABOR Day

September 4, 2017

Office Closed



LOOKING TOWARD FALL



Our gratitude goes out to our guest musicians, Lisa Justin and Ardith Bawks. Thank you for sharing your musical talents with us during our August Worship Services



The Deacons are pleased to announce that food pantry distribution will begin on September 12. Due to the funds raised through the Meijer Simply Give program, we received \$6900 value in food cards to support the pantry. As this is a one-time gift (there will be other campaigns, but they will benefit other area pantries), we need to be frugal. To that end, we will distribute food on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, from 4-6 pm. The time was moved to later in the day to accommodate those with a need who are working. We are increasing the number of bags from 12 once a month

to 15 twice a month. There is a need for volunteers to assist with distribution. Please contact Jeanne Shibley to sign up to volunteer.

The Deacons have a new e-mail address: fupcdeacons@gmail.com. Please contact us with your requests for prayers, hospital visits, interest in helping with our mission, concerns, etc.

Have a blessed Labor Day holiday,

Jeanne Shibley, Deacon Chairperson



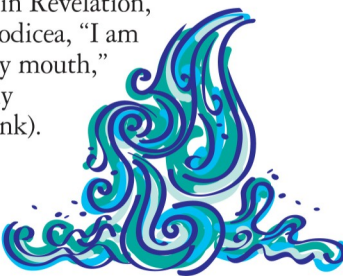
SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Mark and Melissa Gabbard	09/01
Louis and Anita Weinrick	09/05
Catherine and Roland Akre	09/18
Chad and Denise Folkersma	09/29

Bible Quiz

In memorable language in Revelation, God tells the church in Laodicea, "I am about to spit you out of my mouth," because it is metaphorically _____ (fill in the blank).

A. too hot
B. too cold
C. tasteless
D. lukewarm



Answer: D (See Revelation 3:16.)



Dennis Boogerd

Doreen Gordon

Sue Trombley

Special Birthdays



Be yourself for God

Rabbi Joseph Liebermann describes a dream where he dies and goes to stand before God's judgment seat. As he waits, the rabbi fears that the Lord will ask him, "Why weren't you a Moses ... or a David ... or a Solomon?" Instead, God surprises him by simply asking, "Why weren't you Rabbi Liebermann?"

When our lives are over, God won't ask us why we weren't a Mother Teresa or another saintly soul. He simply wants us to be who he created us to be.

"We are his workmanship," St. Paul writes in Ephesians 2:10. In Greek, *workmanship* means "a piece of art." You are God's masterpiece. Life isn't a game of comparison. It's a journey of discovery of how God has uniquely created you to perform specific tasks in this life.

Your life is God's canvas. Don't hinder the painting process!

—Mike Paulison



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Denise Folkersma	09/02	Dennis Boogerd	09/16
Ann Bourque	09/03	Richard Brawley	09/16
Joyce Cross	09/03	Doreen Gordon	09/17
Eli Folkersma	09/06	Angela Gorsuch	09/17
Michael Lussier	09/07	Sandy Shaw	09/17
Michelle Markstrom	09/08	Jaylen Dunbar	09/19
Brooklyn Smart	09/08	James Martin	09/21
Nathan Rioux	09/09	Roger Bawks	09/22
Daniel Hewitt	09/10	Louis Weinrick	09/22
Carolyn Shaw	09/12	Mark Aldrich	09/24
Melissa Gabbard	09/15	Joanne Arbic	09/24
David Pearce	09/15	Roberta Pearce	09/24
		Susan Trombley	09/24
		Jaymie Guzzo	09/26
		Fred Michels	09/26

God's left hand

A 6-year-old and his grandma went for a walk one autumn day. "Look at the gorgeous leaves!" Grandma exclaimed. "Just think, God painted each one of them just for us!"

"Yep," said her grandson, "and he did it left-handed."

Perplexed, Grandma asked, "Why do you think God used his left hand to create all this beauty?"

"Because," said the boy matter-of-factly, "we learned in Sunday school that Jesus sits on God's

Friends of Three Lakes Lay Academy (3LLA),

It's hard for me to believe that it is already August and that in a little over a month and ½ we will be into the fall term for 3LLA. Trust that all of you are having a wonderful summer and that you get to do some of the things that you really enjoy during the summer months.

Each of you is a critical part of 3LLA. Some of you will pick up and continue classes when the fall begins. I look forward to seeing you at the fall classes. Please let me know if you plan to attend so that I can communicate with you about books. All of you are critical for helping to promote 3LLA. We always enjoy and welcome new students.

Thank you for your help in making 3LLA a vital part of the ministry of the Presbytery of Mackinac, Presbyterian Church (USA), and the Northern Great Lakes Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church.

David Van Dam

**Three Lakes Lay Academy
Fall 2017 Class Offerings**

Schedule: Thursdays from September 14 – November 16, 2017

4:00 pm – **Exegetical Work** – 1st five weeks

Christianity in the World – 2nd five weeks

5:30 pm – Shared meal 6:00 pm – Shared Devotions

6:30 pm – **New Testament from Romans to Revelation** – 10 wks

8:00 pm – Depart

Please pre-register with David Van Dam, 231-838-9128, davidvandam68@gmail.com or with David Tielbar, 906-643-7870, david.tielbar6@gmail.com before September 8, 2017 to make sure you can get books by the first class! For information also contact David or visit www.presbymac.com.



REMEMBRANCE

1 Corinthians 11:29; Luke 22:19

“Do this in remembrance of me” (CSB, NIV, NRSV, RSV)

“This do in remembrance of me” (KJV, FUPC)

My parents started to take me to church when I was two years old (Boogerd rule). I have since been in numerous Presbyterian and Reformed churches. All of these churches were the same in one regard: they all had a table in front of the church or on the pulpit. Etched on the table in all these churches were the words “Do this in remembrance of me.” Please notice that many churches do not have a table present. In this regard we are unique. There are two most important pieces of liturgical furniture for Presbyterians: the baptismal font and the Lord’s table.

Again we observe that Jesus speaks to us in the imperative mood—the voice of command. Jesus teaches us that this is something we must do. We must remember what Jesus has done for us; namely, give his body and shed his blood for us on the cross. We are to focus our attention on Jesus in eating the bread and drinking the cup. The heart and soul of the Lord’s Supper is Jesus.

I participated in my first Lord’s Supper when I was sixteen. My parents gave me some instructions; 1) Do not skip taking the Supper. Since I was ordained on October 19, 1973, I have not missed a celebration. God called me to administer the the Supper. 2) Do not drop the bread or spill the wine. 3) Be absolutely quiet. No noise! 4) Place the cup (we used glass cups then) in the proper pew holder. 5) Do not cough. My parents impressed these matters on my mind and heart. I still remember them when I administer or participate in the Supper.

Remembrance. We must NEVER forget that Jesus on the cross is the center and focus of the Lord’s Supper. He is our salvation and redemption. The bread and wine are signs of our remembering. It is Jesus’ Supper! To Him be the honor and glory.

Rev. Dennis J. Boogerd



**Come and join us for Sunday,
September 10th for
Rally Sunday!**

The leaves and weather may not feel like fall, but it is time to Kick Off our Sunday School season. Please join us on Sunday, September 10th for our first day!

We have classes for all ages!

And we always welcome new volunteers to assist and or teach.

**Hope to see you all
there!**

Soup n'
Sandwich



**Rally Sunday
September 10th
FUPC Trustees**

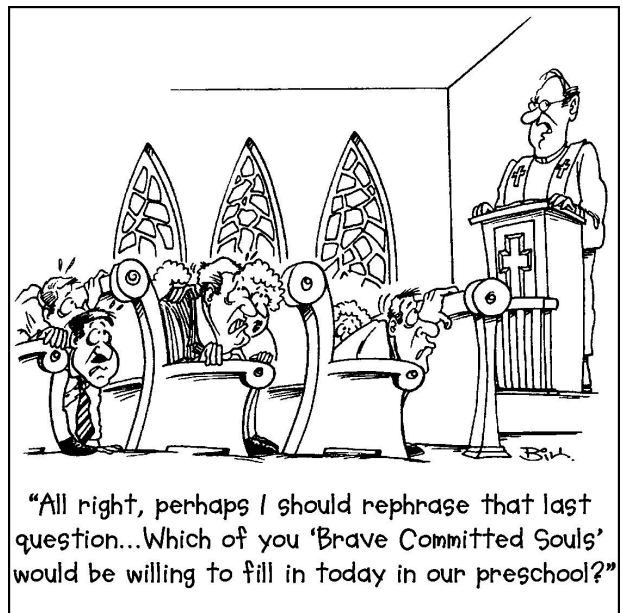


BACKPACK BLESSING

Celebrating Back to School

SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

All the children are invited to bring their backpacks to church on September 10 during the 10:00 worship service. During worship our congregation will bless these backpacks as well as the students and teachers in our church.



"All right, perhaps I should rephrase that last question...Which of you 'Brave Committed Souls' would be willing to fill in today in our preschool?"



*The Memorial Committee invites you to the
Annual Memorial and Dedication Service*

Sunday, October 15, 2017

During the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

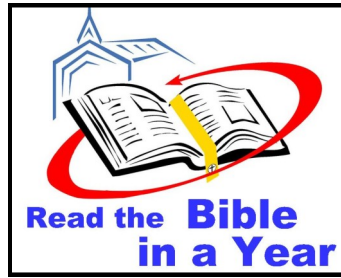
*Candles will be lit in memory of church members
and friends who have passed away during the past year.*

We will also dedicate new purchases from the Memorial Fund.

Please call the church office, if you have any questions.

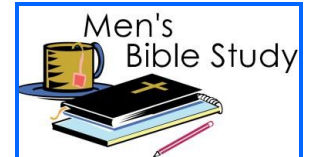
Coffee hour will follow the service.

September

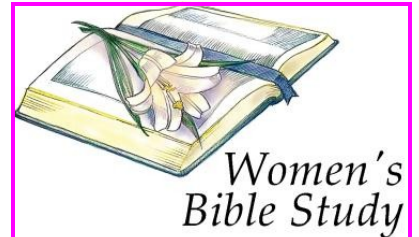


Dave Pearce
and
Michelle Markstrom

1	John 9:1-23	2 Chronicles 6	Malachi 2:17-3:18
2	John 9:24-41	2 Chronicles 7	Malachi 4
3	John 10:1-21	2 Chronicles 8	Psalms 73
4	John 10:22-42	2 Chronicles 9	Psalms 74
5	John 11:1-27	2 Chronicles 10-11	Psalms 75
6	John 11:28-57	2 Chronicles 12-13	Psalms 76
7	John 12:1-26	2 Chronicles 14-15	Psalms 77
8	John 12:27-50	2 Chronicles 16-17	Psalms 78:1-20
9	John 13:1-20	2 Chronicles 18	Psalms 78:21-37
10	John 13:21-38	2 Chronicles 19	Psalms 78:38-55
11	John 14:1-14	2 Chronicles 20:1-21:1	Psalms 78:56-72
12	John 14:15-31	2 Chronicles 21:2-22:12	Psalms 79
13	John 15:1-16:4a	2 Chronicles 23	Psalms 80
14	John 16:4b-33	2 Chronicles 24	Psalms 81
15	John 17	2 Chronicles 25	Psalms 82
16	John 18:1-18	2 Chronicles 26	Psalms 83
17	John 18:19-38	2 Chronicles 27-28	Psalms 84
18	John 18:38b-19:16	2 Chronicles 29	Psalms 85
19	John 19:16-42	2 Chronicles 30	Psalms 86
20	John 20:1-18	2 Chronicles 31	Psalms 87
21	John 20:19-31	2 Chronicles 32	Psalms 88
22	John 21	2 Chronicles 33	Psalms 89:1-18
23	1 John 1	2 Chronicles 34	Psalms 89:19-37
24	1 John 2	2 Chronicles 35	Psalms 89:38-52
25	1 John 3	2 Chronicles 36	Psalms 90
26	1 John 4	Ezra 1-2	Psalms 91
27	1 John 5	Ezra 3-4	Psalms 92
28	2 John	Ezra 5-6	Psalms 93
29	3 John	Ezra 7-8	Psalms 94
30	Jude	Ezra 9-10	Psalms 95



Men's Bible Study every
Friday morning at 9:00 am.
All men are welcome
to join us!



Welcome Back!!!

Woman's Bible Study
begins on Wednesday,
September 6th at 9 AM.
We look forward to seeing
everyone again!!



Presbyterian Women Updates

On August 1st, we attended the Art Festival at LSSU with the quilt donated by Carolyn & Sandy Shaw.

PW NOTES

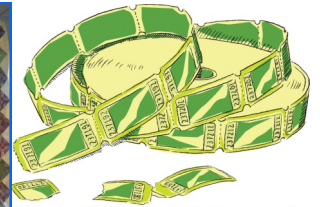
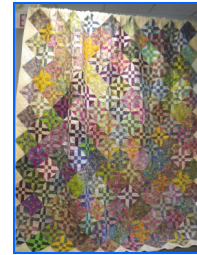
August 4th, we were at the Downtown Sidewalk Sales (Quilt Tickets). Many thanks to our church family who gave their time to make the ticket sales successful. Tickets are available in the church office.

On September 17th, we have the Honorary Life Membership Award presentation during the Church service followed by coffee hour in the Social Hall.

On September 19th, the Ladies Coffee Hour will start at 9:30 A.M. Planning has started for the Annual Tea & Bazaar, "It's Christmas." We again will have trees in the Social Hall and these can be decorated in any color or theme. Come join us and bring ideas.



The Ultimate Cloth Great for your Cleaning projects!
Get yours at the church office
\$6.00 each or 5 for \$25.00



Get Your Tickets!

Quilt Raffle

This year the PW will be raffling another beautiful hand made king size quilt by Carolyn Shaw.
Tickets are available .
The drawing will be held
November 4, 2017 at 4:00 pm.



WOMEN'S COFFEE

Tuesday , September 19th
at 9:30 AM

Please join us for fellowship and treats.

All Ladies welcome!



ANNUAL PW TEA & BAZAAR

Saturday,

November 4, 2017

1:00 to 4:00 PM



Circle 3
Meetings
Thursday,
September 14th



This award will be presented during the Church services on September 17th. A coffee & cookies fellowship will follow in the Social Hall after the Worship Service.



Dish Cloths!
Colors to match every kitchen Only \$1.00 each
Available in the church office.

Brought to you by the
Presbyterian Women



Textile Social

THURSDAY TEXTILE SOCIAL RESUMES

Thursday, September 21st, from 10 am to 2 pm in the Social Hall.

You are invited to bring your textile project and a sack lunch and share time with others with similar interests.

By May 2017. we completed and donated to five organizations: 106 pillow cases, 12 backpacks, 1 baby quilt, and 2 denim quilts.

FALL 2017 STARTER PROJECT

We are wanting to make textile/hand crafted Christmas tree decorations for our own Christmas Tree display at the November Bazaar. Bring your ideas and instructions to our September and October Thursdays..

Hope to see many of you September 21st.

Call Ruth Wilson at 632-9355 or Anita Weinrick at 632-3207 with any questions.



PASSAGES

Bereavement Support Group

Mondays

September 11, to October 16

6:30 - 8:00 PM

Hospice House of the E.U.P.

Grief Support Room

308 W 12th Avenue

For all adult members of the community, free of charge. Passages is designed both for those who have experienced a recent loss and those struggling with unresolved grief from long ago. The group can become a source of emotional support and help through education and sharing.

To register or for more information:

Please call the Hospice House at: 259-0222



Year-to 08/31/17 offerings	\$109,605
Year to 08/31/17 expenses	\$116,260



Soo Theatre

Friday, September 8, 2017 7 pm

"RAISE THE ROOF"

Joe Hertler

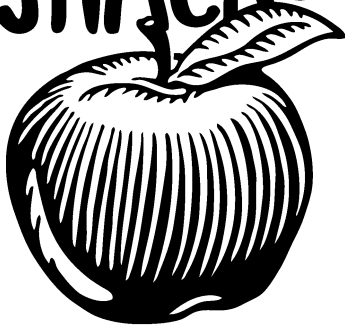
And the Rainbow Seekers

Concert Series

Help "Raise the Roof". All money raised will go to the Soo Theatre's new roof.



APPLE SNACKS



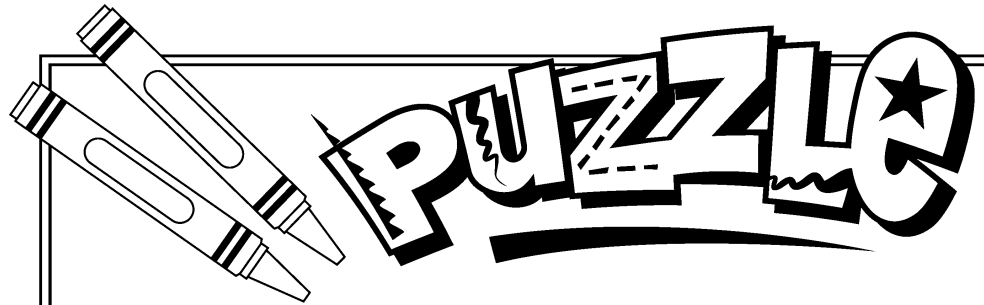
These healthy chips make a yummy back-to-school snack.

What you need:

- 4 apples, cored and cut into 1/8" rings
- Large bowl
- Spoon
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- Baking sheets (sprayed)

What you do:

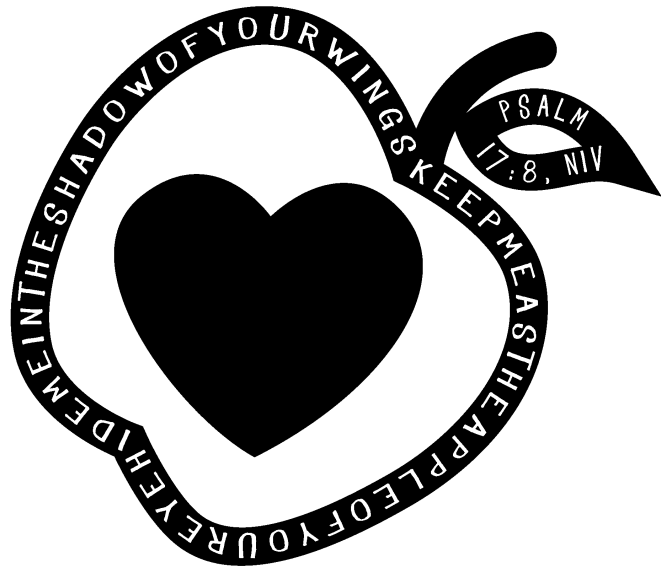
1. Place apple slices in the bowl. Add cinnamon and sugar. Stir so apples are coated evenly with the mixture.
2. Place apple slices on the sprayed baking sheets in a single layer.
3. Bake at 200 degrees for two to three hours, until chips are dry but still slightly soft.



APPLE OF HIS EYE

Start each school day by remembering God's loving care for you.

Directions: Starting at the K by the stem and going clockwise, circle each word. Then place the words in the blanks to complete Psalm 17:8.

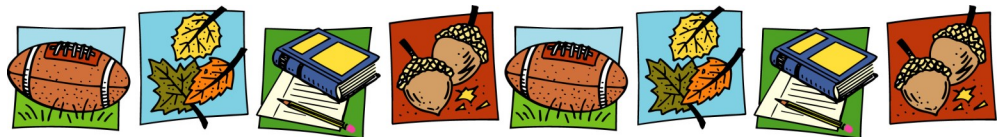


“ _____ ;

 _____ ”

PSALM 17:8, NIV

Answer: "Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings." Psalm 17:8, NIV



September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 9:15a Choir Rehearsal 10:00a Worship Service 10:00a Sunday School 12:00p Soup Kitchen</p>	<p>4 Labor Day Office Closed </p>	<p>5 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib)</p>	<p>6 9:00a Women's Bible Study 7:00p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib)</p>	<p>8 9:00a Men's Study Grp</p>	<p>9 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.</p>
<p>10 Rally Sunday 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00a Worship Service 10:00a Sunday School 11:00a Soup N' Sandwich (SH) 12:00p Soup Kitchen</p>	<p>11 7:00p ACT Study Grp 7:00p Boy Scout Meeting </p>	<p>12 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib) 4:00p Food Pantry</p>	<p>13 9:00a Women's Bible Study 7:00p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>14 9:30a Circle 3 Meeting (WR) 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib)</p>	<p>15 9:00a Men's Study Grp</p>	<p>16 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.</p>
<p>17 PW Honorary Membership 9:00a Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00a Worship Service 10:00a Sunday School 11:00a Coffee & Cookies (SH) 11:15a Deacon's Meeting (Lib) 12:00p Soup Kitchen 2:00p Freighter View Service</p>	<p>18 5:30p Session Mtg (WR) 5:30p Trustee's Mtg (Lib) 7:00p ACT Study Grp 7:00p Boy Scout Meeting</p>	<p>19 9:30a Ladies Coffee (WR) 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib)</p>	<p>20 9:00a Women's Bible Study 7:00p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>21 10:00a Textile Social 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib) 6:00p Boy Scout Leader Mtg</p>	<p>22 9:00a Men's Study Grp </p>	<p>23 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.</p>
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Monday through Friday

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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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**Deadline for October issue:
September 18th**

RALLY SUNDAY!



September 10th!
Get Ready for a new
Sunday School Year!



**All Children are
welcome to join our
Worship Service,
at 10:00 am.,
for a Children's Message.**

Join Us & Bring a Friend!

**Grilled Cheese, Tomato
Soup, and Desserts
after Worship Service**