

We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events

Fish Fry at the Burford Farm 5:00 pm

Upcoming Events

Oct. 2-Ladies class at 10 am

Oct. 3-Wed. Meal: Oven Fried Chicken,

Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans, Dessert

Oct. 6,7-Youth Group Guys camping trip

Oct. 9-Ladies class at 10 am

Oct. 10-Blood Drive

Oct. 10-Wed. Meal: Baked Potatoes,

Salad, Dessert

Oct. 13-Sew In 9-12

Oct. 14-Elders/Deacons Meeting 1-4 pm

Oct. 16-Ladies Class at 10:00

Oct. 17-Kathy's Hot Sandwich, Chips,

Salad, Pie

Oct. 24-Wed. Meal: Pizza, Salad, Fruit,

Dessert

Oct. 29- Alva Bible Chair Lunch

Nov. 7-Wed. Meal: Turkey & Noodles,

Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans,

Dessert

Nov. 11-Elders/Deacons Meeting 8:00

Nov. 14-Wed. Meal: Baked Potatoes,

Salad, Dessert

Nov. 21-No Wednesday night class

Nov. 22,23-Office Closed

Nov. 28-Wed. Meal: Pizza, Salad, Fruit,

Dessert

Dec. 2-Winter Quarter Begins

Dec. 9-Elders/Deacons Meeting 8:00

Dec. 12-Blood Drive

Dec. 24,25-Office Closed

Dec. 30-5th Sunday Fellowship

Urgent need for pantry

We need gallon size freezer zip lock bags for the pantry. Please leave them in the main kitchen.

Order of Worship

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| #567 | | | | |
| Welcome/Scripture: Psalm 96:1-2 | | | Erik Granberg | |
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| Gene Denney | | Jim Coker | • | |
| Steve Long | | Danny Powers | | |
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| #959 | | Luct A L | Dismiss Unitaren | |
| Sermon: Just A Little Talk With Jesus | | | | |
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| #325Welcome/Announcements | | | | |
| Shepherd's Prayer | | | | |
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| Children's Worship | | Jac | cqueline Anderson | |
| Nursery | | | | |
| Sound Booth | | | | |
| Slides | | | | |
| Lock Up | | Terry Sherri | II; Wayne Williams | |

Sermon Scripture: Matthew 6:5-15

Sermon Thought:

We communicate with family, we communicate with friends, we also ought to cultivate daily communication with God in our prayer lives. Jesus himself cultivated a deep prayer life and taught his disciples to pray at their request.

Sermon Questions:

- 1. Scale of 1-10, 10 being "good" at it, how is your prayer life and why?
- 2. What gets in the way of you having a healthy prayer life?
- 3. What thoughts do you have on today's sermon?

New Prayer Concerns

Youth and Family Minister Search Carol Jantz-recovering from rotator cuff surgery

Katy Brock-family member of Gordon & Carol Jantz; having heart ablation surgery Oct. 2

<u>Ally Meek</u>-recovering from shoulder surgery

<u>Carolyn Reith</u>-health issues <u>Merick Solis</u>-Debbie Martin's grandson; has a small hole in his heart <u>Dittmeyer Family</u>

<u>Jim Diel</u>-recovering from hip surgery <u>Cheryl Siders</u>-recovering from hernia surgery

<u>Duane Fast</u>-family friend of Jovita Lang; recovering from surgery <u>Debbie Martin</u>-health issues <u>Joe & Cissy Duarte</u>-recovering from surgery

Record for 9-23-18

| Bible Class | 93 |
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| Morning Worship | 150 |
| Life Groups | 70 |
| Contribution | \$2,320.00 |
| Budget | \$6,634.62 |
| 2018 YTD Cont | |
| 2018 YTD Bdgt | \$252,115.56 |
| Served at Pantry | |

Birthdays

October:

1st Susan Oldham

4th David Holland Carissa Hurt

Anniversaries

Please write your anniversary on your attendance card to be recognized in the bulletin.

Saving Souls

"Filling Heavenly Mansions"

The wonder of harvest began in the opening days of creation when God created man "in his image" and blessed them saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it" (Gen. 1:28). It begins with the "plant yielding seed" God gave man that is planted in fertile soil. As the seed grows, it produces a head filled with grain. When the fields of grain are harvested, it fills the combine bin, which is dumped into a truck until it is full. The truck is then unloaded at a grain elevator until it too is filled to the brim with the fruit of the harvest.

The harvest of human souls follows the same God ordained process. It too begins with planting the seed of the gospel of Christ in fertile soil. Paul testifies to this when he writes, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth" (1 Cor. 3:6). When we share the gospel with precious human souls, they are **filled** with the truth of God's love and need for salvation due to their sinful condition. As individuals give their lives to Christ and are baptized, it leads to whole households being **filled** with believers (Acts 16:31-33). As the Lord adds those who are being saved to His church, it too is **filled** with disciples of Christ. This spiritual need to **fill** peoples lives with the good news of salvation is why Jesus gives us this urgent plea: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into the harvest" (Matt. 37). He is calling upon each one of us to be laborers in His spiritual harvest – saving souls. It restores us to the perfection of how God created us – "in His image." When we are engaged in the Lord's harvest, we complete the joy of the Father and the Son in **filling heavenly mansions** (Jn. 14:1-3). Our lives are also **filled** with the wonder of harvest as we join together with all the saints praising God for eternal life with Him.

Fifth Sunday Fish Fry

Today, for our 5th Sunday fellowship, there will be a Fish Fry at the Burford farm beginning at 5:00 PM. Fish, hush puppies, and tator tots will be provided, but bring a side or dessert. Other items you may want to bring: lawn chairs, footballs, frisbees, clothes for children to play in the river. Directions from Atwoods: head west on 412 for 2 miles, turn south (left) on Imo Rd., drive until the black top ends, turn west (right) on Woods Rd, drive for 1 mile and turn South (left) on Boomer Rd., drive 3/4 mile then turn left into the farm. David will mark the way with white streamers. Contact Jerry Rogers with any questions.

Youth Group Guys Camping Trip

We will be having a camp out for the guys in the youth group October 6 & 7. We will be leaving from the church at 12:30 pm October 6th so please eat before departure. Worship Sunday morning will be at our campsite and then we will be going to the Water-Zoo waterpark in Clinton. We will plan to be home between 6-7 pm Sunday night. If you are planning to go, please get a medical release/parental consent form from either Robb Mills, Dee Plummer, Cory Moore, or Dan Kent.

Fundraiser for Joe & Cissy Duarte

On Sunday November 4, we will be having a fundraiser to help pay for Joe & Cissy's medical expenses. Modern Woodman will be matching up to \$2,500. Currently we are needing items to auction off and sell. If you know of any businesses that would donate items, please contact them. Some examples of items needed are: free lunches, a round of golf, show tickets, etc. Later on, we will be needing homemade food items and handmade crafts. Some examples are: quilts, cinnamon rolls, cakes, pies, cookies, etc. Donations for the lunch of spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert, and drinks are also needed, as well as auctioneers. Please contact Judy Watson or Renny Hartman for more information.