



## AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER

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There are days in our lives we will stop and remember. Just random thoughts of people, places and things. We will think of occasions when joy has been a part of our lives. Some memories are difficult and sad, and some are happy and joyful. Our lives are filled with "remember when". As I sit at my desk at home, above my desk are pictures of our kids and grandkids. I remember when our kids were the age of grandkids. If I look too long, I begin to realize as the kids and grandkids get older so do I. So, then I look at another picture to keep my good thoughts. So, I find other pictures in our home of our dog Sadie, pictures of our friends, pictures of churches we have served and churches we have seen while traveling; pictures of our parents, our grandparents and even pictures of great grandparents I never met. I love to remember. Remembering the good times brings smiles and even laughter at times. It's fun to remember where I have been and what I have done. It is great to remember the people that have meant so much to me over the years. Some of the pictures can cause me to become a little sad. Sad for the ones that I miss that have crossed over to Glory. Sad because of choices that maybe I shouldn't have made in life. When this happens, my mood changes and my spirit begins to drop. My attitude changes, my facial expression changes, and it can cause my day to be not so good. My joy is gone. Sometimes the things of the world can rob us of our joy. Having a broken heart can rob our joy. Fear can rob our joy. Loneliness can rob our joy. Watching the evening news can rob our joy. There is a mountain of things that can rob our joy.

I wonder. I wonder what each of us have in our homes that help us to remember the joy of the Lord. That thing or object, whatever it is to help us remember the joy that God offers us every day. In our home we have many things that remind us of God's love and

the joy He offers. Such as wall hangings that read: "Believe", "Blessed be the name of the Lord", "To God be the Glory". We have words on wood that read "Rejoice in the Lord, and another that simply says "Rejoice". We have pictures that read, "Let us be silent that we may hear the Whisper of God"; another reads, "As for me and my house we will serve the Lord". We have a picture of Christ on the cross with John 3:16 which reads "**For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**" My favorite is a painting of John and Peter coming away from the Jesus' empty tomb on the first Easter morning. The painting depicts John and Peter wide-eyed and amazed. At the bottom of the painting, it reads: "**He is Risen Just as He said**". It also shares two Scriptures:

**Peter 1:3 "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead".**

**And the second reads: 1 Corinthians 15:57 "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ".**

All these things cause me to remember, and they should also cause you to remember this; you and I are not alone. We are to remember that God is forever with us, even carrying us through the rough and hard days called life.

Stop right now; and remember His Love and all He has done.

And remember this Scripture as you go through your day:

**1 Chronicles 16:27**

**Honor and majesty are before him;  
strength and joy are in his place.**

Remember all God has done and remember His promises to you. His promises will lift your spirits and bring your joy and happiness back to your life.

Celebrating God's Love,  
Pastor Brian

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Christ Kitchen needs Manwich, baked beans, canned chicken and  
Ragu spaghetti sauce  
The Food Pantry needs egg cartons (12 count)



## **THE TABLE**

The Church Council discussed the future of The Table when they met on July 22, 2024. Because of the expense and the low attendance, it was decided to make The Table a quarterly event to be held on the second Sunday of each quarter, still at 4:44 PM. The Table will be held the next time on Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 4:44 PM



## **AUGUST CALENDAR**

**THE TABLE WILL NOT BE HELD AGAIN UNTIL NOVEMBER 10, 2024**  
August 4, 2024 at 2:00 PM in the Parlor – Children’s Outreach Planning Meeting  
August 8, 2024 at 11:00 AM – Fishermen’s Small Group in Wesley Classroom  
August 22, 2024 – Fishermen’s Small Group – Lunch at Christ Kitchen

## **WEEKLY**

Sundays at 9:50 AM – Second Sunday in August, the 11<sup>th</sup>, Choir resumes practice (date is tentative)

Sundays at 11:00 AM – Worship Service in Fellowship Hall

Sundays at 11:00 AM – Nursery and One Room Sunday School

SNAP resumes August 5, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Karate on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 PM in Crusaders Classroom

Boy Scouts – Mondays from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in Cottrell Hall

Amy’s and Bob’s small groups – Wednesdays at 6:30 PM on ZOOM

Diana and Tim’s small group – Thursdays at 11:00 AM on ZOOM

ZOOM Link Meeting ID: 870 9640 8438 Passcode: 44703



## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

August 1	Kathy Stalnaker
August 2	Adam Loftis
August 5	Carole Maret Vonda Roberts Mabel Ryder will be 100-years-old*
August 6	Molissa Fitzwater Carl Garner Pat Lucas
August 8	Pam Billups
August 9	Dick Baier
August 10	Leora McCoy
August 15	Jim Shook
August 17	Lois Downey Carol Hutchison
August 19	Sherry Wood
August 21	Lisa Bennett Ben Niday
August 27	Randy Robinson
August 28	John Baldwin
August 29	Norm Maret
August 3	Cheryl and Tim Quinlan
August 6	Amy and Jeff Loftis
August 11	Randi and Randy Robinson
August 12	Becky and Rich Ingram
August 23	Claudia and Tom Tull

\*If you want to send Mabel a card, her address is:  
157 Rolling Meadows, Scott Depot, WV 25560  
Her family hopes that she will receive 100 cards.



## PRAYER REQUESTS AUGUST 1, 2024

Rev. Jarrold and Debbie Lanham  
Peg Henrich  
Allison Hubbard-Jones  
Bob Hubbard and Family  
Dan Rittenhouse  
Gary and Barbara Asbury  
Jill Taylor, friend of John Danford  
Emma Gandee  
Natalie Baker  
Bobby Ball by Alice Baldwin  
Ann and David Estep  
Libby Lamp Thompson  
Julie Shane, daughter of Carol Huffman  
Libby Londeree  
Linda White by Kathy Stalnaker  
Jennifer Smith by Brenda Parsons  
Elizabeth Ross  
Suzie Maxton, niece of Jeannie White  
Donna Keene, niece of Lois Downey  
Karen Brimhall in the death of her son-in-law, David Cramer (Julie's husband)  
Megan Bailey in the death of her grandmother

Please send Prayer Requests to Randi Robinson at (304) 206-6172.



### CHILDREN'S CORNER

### IT IS TIME TO PLAN!!

Bring your ideas to the Children's Outreach Planning Meeting at 2:00 PM on Sunday, August 4, 2024 in the church parlor. If you have questions, please contact Carol Hutchison at (304) 549-2752

We are in URGENT need of volunteers for our church hour nursery (little ones up to age 3 and One Room Sunday School for the older children. You would be scheduled on a rotating basis. We ask that you prayerfully consider helping us with this vital ministry.

**PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ARE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER. (304) 727-7114.**