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Noah

Hey Church! This week we dive into the final chapter of a remarkable biblical figure's life: Noah. As we bid farewell to this faithful servant of God, we take a moment to reflect on his journey, his legacy, and the lessons we can glean from his story.

Noah's life was undoubtedly one of extraordinary events and unwavering dedication to his calling. We first encounter Noah in the book of Genesis, where God chose him among all humanity to build an ark and preserve life during the Great Flood. Through his obedience, Noah brought hope to a world enveloped in chaos and impending destruction.

Noah's faithfulness was evident in the meticulous obedience with which he followed God's instructions. For years, he toiled tirelessly, constructing the colossal vessel that would become a sanctuary amidst the raging waters. Despite facing ridicule and skepticism from those around him, Noah remained steadfast in his conviction, trusting in the divine plan.

When the floodwaters eventually receded, Noah emerged from the ark, carrying with him the remnants of humanity and the promise of a fresh start. It was a pivotal moment, as God established a covenant with Noah, symbolized by the rainbow, promising to never again destroy the world by a flood.

As we fast-forward through Noah's life, we witness the passing of time and the unfolding of generations. The Bible tells us that Noah lived for a remarkable 950 years, a testament to God's grace and Noah's faithfulness. He became a father to three sons—Shem, Ham, and Japheth—who, in turn, became the progenitors of the new post-flood world.

While the Bible doesn't provide us with extensive details about Noah's later years, we can surmise that his legacy extended beyond his immediate family. As the patriarch of a new era, Noah's influence likely shaped the moral fabric of society, guiding future generations to honor God and follow His commandments.

As we reflect on Noah's story, there are several valuable lessons we can glean from his life:

****1. Obedience and faith:**** Noah's unwavering obedience to God's instructions, even in the face of skepticism, teaches us the importance of trust and faithfulness. We are reminded that God's plans may not always align with our own understanding, but trusting in His guidance leads to blessings.

****2. Perseverance in adversity:**** Noah's commitment to building the ark amidst ridicule and doubt is a testament to his resilience. It serves as a reminder that when we are called to a task, we should remain steadfast, even when faced with challenges and obstacles.

****3. God's faithfulness:**** Through the covenant made with Noah, God demonstrated His faithfulness in upholding His promises. This assures us that God's faithfulness remains constant throughout generations, and His love endures forever.

Noah's life ultimately serves as a beacon of hope and inspiration. His unwavering faith, obedience, and perseverance remind us of the transformative power of trust in God's plan. As we bid farewell to Noah, let us carry his legacy within our hearts, seeking to emulate his unwavering devotion in our own lives.

May we find encouragement in Noah's story, knowing that just as God guided him through the storm, He will guide us through our own trials and tribulations.

Keep The Faith,
Pastor Tommy

Scripture & Sermon:

Jonah 1:11-17

“Oldies but Goodies:
Jonah and the Whale”



New Concerns

David Wortham & family
Lynn Miller
Wyatt Family

Continue Prayers for:

Mac McCullough
Wyatt Blanton
John & Linda McIntosh
Rick Carlson

Warren McDow
Betty Byrd
Leon Hudson
Mary Prater
Jim & Mary Leary
Virginia Eadie
Bill Reedy
Sarah Mayer
Cary Martin
Mac McNeal
James McNeal
Our Country, Leaders, Military

Finance Report for September 10

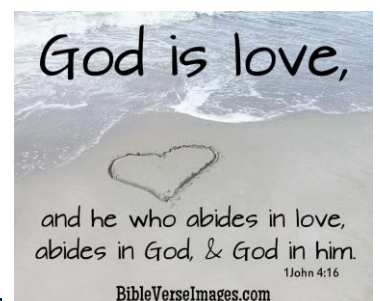
Operating Budget..... \$14,313
Local Mission..... 225
Total..... \$14,538

Worship Attendance:

128

Sunday School:

72



Community Missions

- **New news!!** The Food Pantry now gets our food delivered and at no charge! It is delivered Tuesday (before Wednesday's pantry) around 10a and volunteers are needed to help unload the pallets and sort the food.
- The next Food Pantry September 27, 11a... come on out and volunteer! You will be blessed. Our Food Pantry Team rocks!
- Clothes Closet Volunteers for September 19- Sherrill Pinckney, Carolyn Nettles
- Our Clothes Closet is open every Tuesday, 9a-noon.
- **Souper Saturday!! September 30, 9a-12 noon**
- Thank you for your generosity to the Open Door Clothes Closet. Each week we see more and more clothed and cared for because of your gifts of love. We are entering the Fall Season and will be in need of several items. If you're cleaning out your own closets or looking to donate items, please consider donating to the Clothes Closet. We also ask you to look for some of the specific items listed below as you are preparing for the change in season. Thank you again for all you do to support our ministry!
Men's Tennis Shoes
Toilet Paper (preferably packaged)
Feminine Products (Packaged)
- Workers are needed in the Clothes Closet on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9a-12 noon

Young at Heart

Bingo! Friday, September 22, 1p-4p... make your own sandwiches, chips and goodies for a donation. Bring a white elephant gift (used or new) just laying around the house for the prize table. You're also welcome to bring any card or board game and join the fun and fellowship. Joy, joy, joy! ~~ Gloria ~~

Family Promise

If you are interested in helping out with Family Promise on our next rotation, contact J.O. or Lynn, this is a very blessed ministry of our church.

check out their website at <https://www.familypromisehoustonco.org/>

Wesley Glen Ministries

There are 2 fundraising events coming up in September for Wesley Glen, contact Stevie Bowen at 478-954-5938 or email steve.bowen1958@gmail.com for either of these events.

~ Friday, September 15, Tidal Wave Car Wash is holding their annual charity day. For the fourth year, Tidal Wave on Peake Road in Macon is donating 50% of all car wash proceeds to Wesley Glen! If you are in the Macon area, please come by and get your car washed and support WGM.

~ Friday, September 22, we will have our Sporting Clays Tournament at Meadows Clay Sports in Forsyth. Come join us for breakfast and a fun morning of shooting clays! After the tournament we will serve lunch and give out awards and prizes. Go to www.wesleyglenministries.com more information, or to register online for sponsorships (We love our church sponsors!) and tickets.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Giving blood helps saves lives. If you'd like to give blood, our next blood drive is October 6, 1p-5p in our Fellowship Hall. To schedule an appointment visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter CUMC (yes, they need to update that...) or you can just drop by!

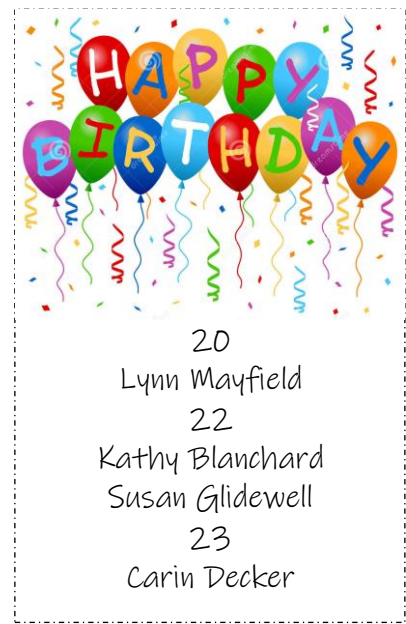
Attention, please

Other income in the church – Starting September 30, 2023 all activities, organizations, ministries (ie: The Men, Women of Faith, Sunday School classes) with a checking account tht at is outside the church's main checking account at The Well will need to submit a financial report stating income/expenses/donations for the previous quarter and year to date... this is for inclusion in our Federal Tax submission on the 990 form for non-profit. We should have been doing this all along, but we didn't know...



Kettle Sunday – Every 3rd Sunday of the month is Kettle Sunday. The money you place in the kettles will go towards our local missions/food pantry.

New Time Capsule... people have been asking getting their pictures and items together for the new time capsule as The Well at Centerville... Sunday School classes, Life Groups, Partners in Prayer, Movin' n Groovin', Yoga, Quilters, church historian, Library... anyone and everyone that would like to put something in the time capsule get it together and we'll do it at our October 5th Sunday lunch after worship. It's going to be fun and exciting!



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Lynn Mayfield
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Kathy Blanchard
Susan Glidewell
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Carin Decker

Bible Reading Plan

Week of September 17th:

Sunday.....	1 Thes 5
Monday.....	2 Thes 1
Tuesday.....	2 Thes 2
Wednesday.....	2 Thes 3
Thursday.....	1Tim 1
Friday.....	1 Tim 2
Saturday.....	1 Tim 3

Are you Looking for a place to serve? To get involved? We have it!

This Week's Schedule:

Sunday- September 17

Ushers

10:30a J.O. Miller, Tony Rozier
Mel Smeltz, Cheri' Cox, Roy Carter
Keith Mobley, Stevie Bowen
Joy Fleming

9:15a Sunday School

10:30a Worship

11:30a Trustees Meeting

11:30a SPRC Meeting

Greeters

10:30a Cheri Cox, Marie Davis

Communion Servers

Terry & Kitty Barfield
Jim & Linda Blanton

Finance Stewards

LaWanna Porter, Kathy Rutke, Hilda Rozier

Assisting with Children

Sunday- September 17

Nursery- Brooke McKeever, Laura McKenzie
Children- Linda Blanton, Brenda Crow

Sunday- September 24

Nursery- Joy Fleming, Laura McKenzie
Children- Sherry Armour, Amber Gamble

Monday- September 18

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday- September 19

9a-12n Open Door Mission Closet

9:15a Movin' n Groovin'

10:00a Partners in Prayer

10:00a Yoga

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Wednesday- September 20

8:00a Men's Fellowship Breakfast

6:30p Choir Practice

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Thursday- September 21

10:00a Life Group II "Work of Art"

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Issues & Answers
New Beginnings
Christian Fellowship
Youth
Pilgrims

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Psalm 91
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God's Messengers
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Don Schall
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United Women in Faith



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THE WELL AT CENTERVILLE

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

600 N. Houston Lake Blvd, Centerville 31028

Saturday December 2rd

9AM - 2PM



Take Pictures with Santa 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Bring your camera or phone

Vendors and Christmas Items

Music

Fresh Baked Goods

School Choirs

Quilt Raffle

Arts and Crafts

Children's activities

Bouncy House

Food

Vendor Spaces Available

Call, email or come by the office for a vendor application