



# Otterbein United Methodist Church

Charleston, Illinois

*A church that is growing, praying, and serving to make disciples of Jesus Christ*

## THE OTTERBEIN ENCOURAGER

SEPTEMBER 2011

Get some exercise!  
Have fun!  
Meet new people!  
Help feed the hungry!

Sign up with Pastor Nicholas to walk with us and raise funds for this year's Coles County Hunger Walk.

This year's walk begins and ends at First Christian Church in Charleston on Saturday morning, October 1.

Come rain or shine, old and new friends will gather to register at 8 a.m. and to walk at 8:30 a.m.

A rest stop will be available for the 3-mile walk. A mini-walk of one mile is planned for those seniors and families with young children who would like a shorter distance.

Organizers hope to raise \$12,000 to combat hunger locally and globally through Church World Service, two Coles County food pantries and Soup Stop. Last year our Walk raised \$11,200. Will you help us raise more this year?

*CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by local congregations or groups to raise funds to end hunger at home and around the world. With its inception in 1969, CROP Hunger Walks are "viewed by many as the granddaddy of charity walks," notes the Los Angeles Times (Oct. 26, 2009).*  
([www.churchworldservice.org](http://www.churchworldservice.org))

Dear children, let us not love with words  
or speech but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:18

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# PASTOR'S CHAT

Pastor Nicholas Gleason



Dear Friends,

I pray this letter finds you well and blessed. As I write today the weather is as near perfect. The breeze is cool. The sky is clear. It is quite simply a gift from God. The 150<sup>th</sup> Psalm comes to mind as I revel in God's creation today. It closes with the words, "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord."

What a great day to be alive! As I enjoy the amazing creation of God I feel my spirit lifted. I absolutely want to seize life today. This is a day to celebrate. It is a day to celebrate all that God has done. All that God can do. All that God has and is helping us become.

I heard one time that three signs of a healthy church are crunching gravel, folding chairs, and crying babies. I am eagerly looking forward to the beginning of September when Otterbein will be filled with the noises of families coming to ask, seek, and knock at the door to discover the extravagant dimensions of God's love.

I urge you not to miss out on the wonderful opportunities Otterbein will be hosting for us to grow in the Spirit and in fellowship. We hope all of you will join us on September 7<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 7:30 pm for our Family Night kickoff. This is a night for the entire Otterbein community! Come and enjoy good food, fun games, and lifelong friends! And don't forget to invite some new friends. All are welcome to join us for the kickoff and every other Wednesday night when we gather in the men's, women's, youth, and children's small groups.

In addition to kicking off Family Night, this fall we will also start a new Thursday night Bible study from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. We will begin with The Bible in 90 Days, a wonderful study that offers a different way of looking at the Bible. And let us not forget the many Sunday school programs that our community will offer following Sunday worship. If you have any questions, please contact me and I will gladly offer you a deeper depiction of these opportunities.

I pray that you will take advantage of these opportunities to strengthen your relationship with God and the Otterbein family. As a colleague once asked me; can you imagine how the world would be different if the church went out of business? Rephrased, how much does being here mean to you?

If this faith is the utmost treasure we have, then these questions should force us to think. If this fellowship, this family we have at Otterbein means something to you, then these questions should force us to think. How will we offer ourselves in praise to the Lord?

Shalom,

*Nicholas*



# LAY LEADER'S LINE

Butch Hackett

In Genesis chapter 22, God told Abraham to take his son Isaac to the region of Moriah and sacrifice him there. It was at least a 3 day journey for Abraham, but he went and as he was preparing to stab Isaac on the sacrificial altar, God intervened and spared Isaac. In the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter of 1Kings, Elijah tells a widow to get him some water and some bread. The widow tells Elijah, that she was gathering sticks to prepare one last meal before her and her son would die because they had no food or resources left. But she goes and prepares a small cake of bread for Elijah. God intervened and the widow never wanted for flour and oil again. In Luke 21, Jesus sees a widow give two small copper coins and says that the widow has put more in the treasury than other the others together. Scriptures do not tell us if the widow received any worldly blessings from Godly intervention, but I'm sure the reward waiting for her in Heaven was infinite.

Consider the following scenarios:

- A fellow church member is moving and you say, "If you need any help, let me know." As you leave, you think "Boy, I hope they don't call."
- You get an unexpected windfall of say \$1000 and you know you should give at least \$100 to the church, but there is a new big screen TV that you've been wanting and it's on sale. You would have just enough if you kept the \$100. You go ahead and give the check to church, but in the back of your mind you resent it.
- You have often been complemented for your organizational skills and you enjoy organizing parties, events and conferences. You are asked to take charge of Vacation Bible School and you decline because you cherish your free time too much.

The earthly blessings that were bestowed on Abraham and the widow with Elijah as well as the heartfelt words that Jesus spoke about the widow and her offering was the result of the act not the gift! The strength is in the **offering!** What we have to offer God is insignificant. How we offer it is what He wants. God's work will go on without our tithes, time and talents. He doesn't need them. He wants willing participants who will love Him with their whole hearts, minds, and souls. The unconditional love of the grace He gives us is what He wants from us. He wants us to give unconditionally in return, whether it's giving to Him or to each other. Love should permeate all we do.

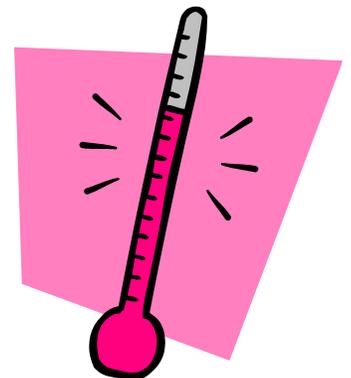
In His Grip,

Butch



## THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

*Giving  
is the  
thermometer  
of our love.*





**Wednesday Evenings  
6:00-7:30 p.m.  
(Meal from 6:00-6:30)**

## Be There or Be Square!!

Be reminded about the **Family Night Kickoff, Sept 7, 2011**, from 6:00-7:30 PM, at the church. Weather permitting, we'll roast hotdogs and make S'mores over the open fire! (Food & beverages are provided!) Bring any yard games you have to share, as well as roasting sticks and lawn chairs if you have them. In case of rain, we'll still have food options indoors, as well as games ☺



# FAMILY NIGHT

## ...a time of fun, fellowship and faith



Then, mark your calendars and remember to come to the Fall Session of Family Nights at Otterbein, Sept 14 thru Nov 30, 2011, from 6:00-7:30 PM. There's "something for everyone," as you'll be reading about in other sections of this newsletter! Everyone has to eat, so please come join us for a meal and fellowship with other Otterbein folks from 6:00 to 6:30. Each week there will be an entrée, tossed salad, fruit & dessert. If all else fails, we always have a loaf of bread and peanut butter & jelly available! Following the meal and fellowship time, you are invited to join in the evening's activities (*LinC*—youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades; *J4J*—kids age 3-5<sup>th</sup> grades; *child care*—kids 2 & under; a *Women's Group*, & a *Men's Group*).



All kids ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us at J4J! We are excited to begin a new season of games, worship, music, Bible lessons and fun through the SPK (Shout Praises Kids) curriculum. We are also planning some mission/outreach projects during our 2011-2012 season! Stay tuned for more info! Please bring your friends, children, grandchildren, and neighbors to share with us in a fun and safe atmosphere. We'd love to see our church overflowing with children (and their families)!



## MEN'S GROUP

(w/ Jim Craig)

All men of the church are invited to come join me on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 PM at the church. (Remember, we get to eat first--meal starts at 6 PM)!! Here's a sampling of what we might do for the remainder of the evening:

- Tell about our hobbies/collections.
- Hear from local folks "in the know" about area-wide historical topics.
- Tell about our favorite Christian sports hero or other high-profile figure?
- Hear from grad students in the EIU fitness program on various health topics.
- Come up with mission projects we can do together.
- Tell our own personal faith stories.
- Tell our stories from past to present how Otterbein got where it is today. (A possible tour of the Bed & Breakfast currently in the former Otterbein 6<sup>th</sup> St. church might be arranged!)
- Teach us some "how-to's" (fix something, build something, do something).

These are but a few of the things that have come to mind. If you have a passion or expertise in any of these areas, let me know so I can put you on the schedule to share with us guys on Wednesday evenings. Perhaps you have other ideas as well, which we can discuss when we're together. Hope to see you as many Wednesday evenings as you are able to make it!!

## LinC (*Life in Christ*)

w/ Adam Baker & Pastor Nicholas

Calling all young adults (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)! Come join us every Wednesday evening during Family Night for games, discussions, service projects, and (insert your **OWN** idea here). Not only will we dive deeper into God's Word, we'll also find fun and practical ways to apply what we learn to our lives. Fun will be had!!!



## Women's Group

(w/ Samantha Baker)

We will begin the fall session discussing the book, Made to Crave by Lysa TerKeurst (president of Proverbs 31 Ministries). The message of the book is simple: craving isn't a bad thing, but we must realize that God created us to crave more of Him. Many of us have misplaced that craving by overindulging in physical pleasures instead of lasting spiritual satisfaction. This book is the necessary companion for you to use alongside whatever healthy lifestyle plan you chose—a book and Bible study to help you find the "want to" in how to make healthy lifestyle changes.

We will watch a short DVD session (with Lysa), and then discuss the video and share together. You should be able to follow along perfectly fine without reading the book (*but if you feel that reading the book would benefit you, please feel free to do so!*) Please join us whenever you can make it—we would love for you to be a part of our fellowship time, whether you can be there every week or any week that works for your schedule...we would love to have you!

# Intentional Faith Development

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Starting September 11

Sunday School is available for all ages following fellowship time after Sunday morning worship.

Join us anytime in one of these class options!

<b>Pre-K/Kindergarten:</b>	Noah's Ark	Led by: Shelli Blair
<b>1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade:</b>	The Garden	Led by: Jane Cox
<b>6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade:</b>	Jr. High	Led by: Sean Hackett
<b>9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade:</b>	High School	Led by: Brad Bircher

*There are two adult classes available:*

**The Believers:** Studying the book What Jesus Meant  
(Led by Butch Hackett  
meeting in the Fellowship Hall)

**???'s:** Topical discussion/Bible Study  
(Co-Led by John McDaniel & Adam Baker  
meeting in the Café Agape Room)

*Mark your  
calendars  
so you don't  
miss out on any  
of these upcoming  
opportunities!*



## Women's Bible Study

*Sandy Smallhorn will be leading the Women's Bible Study, which will begin meeting Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. They will continue to meet at 9:00 a.m. This is a great opportunity to grow in your faith and spend time in fellowship with other women!*



## Thursday Night Bible Study

Pastor Nicholas will be leading a **Thursday Night** study, beginning September 15, from **6:30-7:30pm**, on The Bible in 90 Days. Join us in a challenge to complete what for many Christians is a life-long goal: to read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. In less time than it takes to read 4 pages of the USA Today, you can read the entire Bible, from cover to cover, in 90 days. It's a big challenge with big rewards! Childcare will be available.

# OTHER NEWS

## In Case of Emergency:



Please note that  
Pastor Nicholas Gleason's  
phone number is  
(740) 513-6199

## LOOKING AHEAD...

The next monthly newsletter (*October*) will be printed and distributed around the end of September. The deadline to submit articles or information in the September newsletter will be September 19. Please contact Samantha Baker or email the church office at [charlestonotterbein@yahoo.com](mailto:charlestonotterbein@yahoo.com) if you have information to include.



## "JADE IS AWARE"



Jade Smyser (daughter of Joey & Kendra Smyser and granddaughter of Wayne & Jane Cox) is planning a special fundraiser as she prepares for her birthday in October. In April 2011, Jade found out that her great-grandma, Dorothy Cox, had breast cancer. Since that time Dorothy has undergone surgery and radiation, which she just completed this month. Jade and her mom were looking at a magazine that had Breast Cancer Awareness party favors in it. When her mom explained that some of the proceeds went to help with Breast Cancer Awareness, Jade has decided that she wants a Breast Cancer Awareness themed birthday party. They are selling all sorts of Breast Cancer Awareness favors from now until the day of her birthday party and plan to donate all of the proceeds to Breast Cancer Awareness. Jade said to her mom, "Mom I don't care if nobody comes to my birthday party as long as they buy something so I can give lots of money to the hospital that saved my grandma's life!" Then she said, "And if I get any money for my birthday, I'm going to give that too"! Her birthday theme is now "Jade is Aware". All proceeds will go to the Cancer Center at **Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center** in honor of her great-grandma, Dorothy Cox. Please contact Kendra Smyser at 217-549-4221 or email @ [jkajzmysyer@yahoo.com](mailto:jkajzmysyer@yahoo.com) if you would like more information.

## Sunday Fellowship Time

Beginning September 11, we will share in a time of fellowship and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service each Sunday (before Sunday School classes begin). The refreshments and coffee will be provided by a different family each month (or possibly several families). The full schedule for 2011-2012 will be included in the next newsletter and will be updated on the webpage in the near future.



September 2011: Harold & Phyllis Hackett



## Meet Tom Watson...

Tom was born in Charleston in the old hospital on Division St. He has 3 brothers and 2 sisters with Tom being the oldest. His father was a concrete finisher and his mom worked at Snappy Service and the Sale barn. I asked him where the Sale barn was located since I hadn't heard of it. He said it was where Lefty's Holler is now next to the county jail. He said they sold cattle and farm products there. He recalls the town branch flooding so bad one time there was water half way up the Sale Barn's wall.

Growing up in Charleston was different when he was a boy. He grew up on West Harrison St. Not only did you know your neighbors but you actually liked them. He told of the Charleston family who lived next door. Mrs. Charleston and Tom's father had quite a time playing jokes on each other. It all started with a Christmas card she sent his dad one year. The next Christmas, his father crossed her name off the card and signed his name and sent it back to her. This exchange went on for close to thirty years.

Tom chuckled when he told me about the special birthday cake Mrs. Charleston had made his father. He said he would never forget the look on his dad's face when he tried to cut a piece of it. She had frosted a cardboard box!

Tom told of how he and the neighborhood kids would play war, or have bike races. They went to the pool everyday during the summer. If they weren't there they were at Morton Park. He remembers the wading pool they had. It was so different back then. You didn't worry about your kid being kidnapped or killed by a stranger like we do now.

The downtown square was the center of activity. You would go downtown and do your shopping or whatever. Then you would sit on the courthouse wall and visit.

Tom's first job was selling the Sunday paper. He would get a two wheeled cart loaded up and then he would pull it around to homes to deliver it. They would pay you on the spot. When you were finished delivering to homes you would pull up to the square and set up there and sell the papers you had left.

When he was a junior in high school he worked at Green's Ice Cream Parlor. He washed dishes and helped make the ice cream. He went on to have a variety of jobs. He worked at Coffee Time making donuts and short order cook as well as a bus boy. Somewhere in here he worked one summer with his dad as a concrete finisher. He quickly decided that job was not for him. He delivered furniture for Baker's furniture. Yet it wasn't until he worked for Handley's in Mattoon that he thought he found his future. He hung drapes for them. He really enjoyed this job and honestly thought this was it.

When he was real young they lived in a house that was rented to the water department attendant. It was near the water treatment facility. All he remembers about that place was he was very young and he went up to his mom and said, "Here mommy a stick." He handed her a snake.

A circus came to town and one of the lions escaped. He said at night you were not allowed outside until it was caught. Another time there was a window peeper loose. He said all the dads went out with ball bats looking for him. And still there was one time he was playing hide and seek. He was hiding by the fence when this car missed the turn and hit a tree in his parents' backyard. The police was following him and apprehended him immediately. When they opened the trunk of his car it was filled with silver dollars.

One night his father got all the kids up to go outside. Groggily they wandered outside. His dad pointed to the red sky. He said, "Look kids. It is probably the only time you will ever see this. It is an Aurora." They watched it for a short bit and then they went back to bed. The next day they found out the "aurora" was actually Alexander's Dept. Store burning down.

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He had several friends he got into mischief with. Mo was one of his buddies. I gather Mo was a short man. Tom got really tickled when he talked about Mo. They were out with some buddies and Mo was sitting on the tailgate of the pickup. They turned or hit a bump and Mo flew up, did a flip and landed on his feet in the middle of the road. Another time Tom was out with Mo around Halloween. They started to Tee Pee this guy's yard. The man came out with a gun and said he was going to shoot them. They took off running for their lives. Both Tom and Mo were dressed all in black with one exception, Mo had on bright white tennis shoes. Tom laughed as he recalled running away and only seeing Mo's white shoes running away.

Tom played center for the CHS football team. He told of one time when Mo who stood next to him went into the huddle. He started bragging how he was going to take this guy down...no...he was going to take him out. When they broke Mo put on his game face and tried to intimidate the other player. After the play was over and they were in the huddle again, Mo out of breath said, "I ain't gonna do that again."

Tom was the manager of the basket ball team in high school. He also did work with the plays. He mostly handled the lighting but he did have a bit part once. He was a pirate with a patch over his eye. He ran across the stage yelling, "He got away!"

His first car was a 1955 Chevy 4 door. It lasted for one year. His favorite car was a 1963 fire engine red Super Sport Impala. It had black interior. It was an automatic and he had his buddy switch it out to a 4 speed. He loved to drag race it. He wishes he still had that car.

His brother was dating the girl across the street. Her name was Carol. Tom was four years older than her but soon they hit it off. Soon they were married. She went on to get her RN degree. For a couple of years they lived in Decatur. Yet Charleston was home so they moved back so Tom could attend EIU. His career choice was in the medical field. He was working on his RN degree and had hoped to go on to be a doctor. He went to school during the day and worked as an orderly at night at the hospital.

A course was offered to him on first aid, taught by Mr. Mathias the owner of the local ambulance service. During class he got a call he had to go on. He said I will need help and he pointed at Tom and said you will go with me and be my ambulance attendant. Green as grass, Tom really enjoyed this new avenue offered to him. He went to work with Mr. Mathias.

After a while the ambulance service ran out of money. Mr. Mathias went to see Mayor Hickman telling him he needed more money on their contract or he couldn't be their private service anymore. Mayor Hickman said okay we will just combine the ambulance service with the fire department. Tom said he was the first trained attendant and the first week he worked seven days, twenty four hours a day. Thus Tom's true calling was born.

I asked him about his most memorable story on being with the ambulance service. He told about once when Carol was sick. She kept throwing up and he couldn't be in the same room with her because he would vomit as well. Yet he went on a call where he had to give mouth to mouth resuscitation to a man. Unfortunately the man didn't make it. When he finished he looked up at his partner and said, "I don't know where I got this mint," as he pulled it from his mouth.

Tom had no real interest in the fire fighting scene as a child. Matter of fact he would get matches and burn his army men so they looked like they had been in war. He even would burn his cars to look more authentic. Another time he raked leaves and poured gas on them. The telephone rang so he stopped and ran it to answer it. When he came back he lit a match and threw it on the pile. KABOOM!!! The gas had evaporated into the air and it exploded. The end result was it blew the leaves everywhere and he had to rake them up again.

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One of his most unforgettable fire scenes was crawling through a house against the wall with his fellow fire fighter Dan Ensing. They were doing a search and rescue. They found the wall and crawled around the room staying in touch with the wall. Convinced the room was clear they left. When the fire was put out, they went back into this room. There was no wall nor anything on the floor to touch. He couldn't explain it but it was weird.

He had two most haunting experiences as a fire fighter. First would have been a trailer fire at Decker Springs trailer park. Three children died. You could hear them screaming and trying to get out. This was so senseless because their grandpa was passed out on the couch and had left a candle burning. Grandpa made it out okay.

Next was the fire on 4th street where some college kids were burnt beyond recognition all because there was no smoke detector. After that it was passed it was mandatory for all apartments or rental properties have working smoke detectors.

Tom couldn't tell you which he enjoyed the most, Ambulance Supervisor or Captain of the fire department. With the ambulance he enjoyed helping people. With the fire department he said it was such an adrenaline rush. You didn't have time to debate what you did or did not want to do. You just did it.

Tom retired as the Captain of the fire department in Charleston. He is currently working on a book about the Charleston fire department. He found it strange that in all the newspaper articles he has found, it mentions how onlookers (and some regulars) would be at the scene before the fire department arrived.

Tom and Carol had two wonderful daughters, Kim and Krista. Kim was always a handful but he greatly appreciates her. Krista was less problems and he feels blessed she let him move in with her and Randy. Tom and Carol divorced. He was adamant he wanted custody of the girls because he was a father fulltime, not part time. He and Carol have remained very good friends to this day. They often share holidays together.

In interviewing Tom, I felt so relaxed. He was open and very interesting. Oddly enough I felt at home there. It has occurred to me that everyone I have interviewed so far I have so much in common with. I wouldn't have known this if God didn't bless me with the opportunity to get to know others better. Life is truly a melting pot of people that somehow come together and become my church family. In ways I am closer to you folks than I am with my biological family. Thank you and Praise be to God.

Tom currently resides in Charleston with his daughter Krista & her husband Randy Snider (and his granddaughter Elizabeth!). If you would like to send a special note or visit, his address is:

**TOM WATSON  
2200 MADISON AVE.  
CHARLESTON, IL 61920**

*\*\*Written by Sandy Smallhorn*

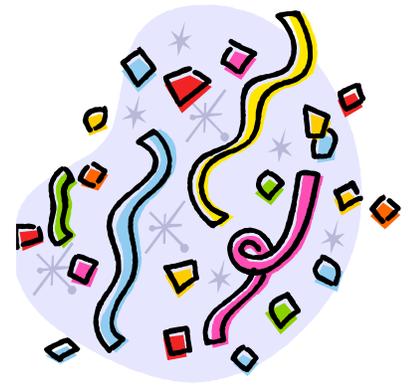
*(Special thanks to Sandy for this fascinating article about one of Otterbein's special members! © )*

# Celebrations



## Birthdays

9/4	Noah Baker	9/18	Jordan Blair
9/5	Andrew Bircher	9/20	Elizabeth Snider
9/8	Raymond Johns	9/23	Tina Whitecotton
9/8	Betty Potts	9/24	Tiffany Fitzpatrick
9/8	Sean Hackett	9/26	Carolyn Craig
9/8	Stephen Ray	9/26	Mackenzie Blair
9/11	Larry McGrath	9/28	Lucy Smallhorn
9/14	Tabytha Watson	9/28	Gabe Menser
9/18	Paula Dennis	9/28	Jaden Anderson
9/18	John McDaniel		



## September Worship Leaders

	<u>9/4</u>	<u>9/11</u>	<u>9/18</u>	<u>9/25</u>
<b><u>Greeters</u></b>	Dorothy Cox & Family	Ken & Sandy Smallhorn	Marty & Loretta Buell	Harold & Phyllis Hackett
<b><u>Acolyte</u></b>	Jade Smyser	Kenny Smallhorn	Keridwen McDaniel	Brandon Schulz
<b><u>Ushers</u></b>	Tom Blair Wayne Cox Tabatha Bircher Jessica Watton	Betty Potts Jerry Payne Rachael Bircher Derek Hennig	Samantha Baker Rose Snider Krista Snider Sandy Smallhorn	Jim Hackett Toody Hackett Bob Stoner Betty Stoner
<b><u>Family Cross</u></b>	Rex & Joan Johns	Marty & Loretta Buell	Betty Potts	Ken & Sandy Smallhorn
<b><u>Children's Moment</u></b>	Jane Cox	Carolyn Craig	Sandy Smallhorn	Pastor Nicholas



# SEPTEMBER 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Day of Prayer/Fasting  <u>Tech 5:00pm</u>	2	3
4 <i>Noah Baker</i>  <u>Worship</u> <b>9:00am</b>	5 <i>Andrew Bircher</i>  <b>Labor Day</b>	6	7  <u>Family Night</u> <u>Kickoff</u> <b>6:00-7:30pm</b>	8 <i>Raymond Johns</i> <i>Betty Potts</i> <i>Sean Hackett</i> <i>Stephen Ray</i>  <u>Tech 5:00pm</u> <u>Choir 5:45pm</u>	9	10
11 <i>Larry McGrath</i> <b>Grandparents Day</b> <u>Worship</u> <b>9:00am</b> <u>Sunday School</u> <b>10:30am</b>	12  <u>Finance Mtg</u> <b>6:30pm</b>	13  <u>Women's Bible Study</u> <b>9:00-10:00am</b>	14 <i>Tabytha Watson</i>  <u>Family Night</u> <b>6:00-7:30pm</b>	15  <u>Tech 5:00pm</u> <u>Choir 5:45pm</u>  <u>Bible Study</u> <b>6:30-7:30pm</b>	16	17
18 <i>Paula Dennis</i> <i>John McDaniel</i> <i>Jordan Blair</i> <u>Worship</u> <b>9:00am</b> <u>Sunday School</u> <b>10:30am</b>	19  <b>Newsletter Articles Due</b>	20 <i>Elizabeth Snider</i>  <u>Women's Bible Study</u> <b>9:00-10:00am</b>	21  <u>Family Night</u> <b>6:00-7:30pm</b>	22  <u>Tech 5:00pm</u> <u>Choir 5:45pm</u>  <u>Bible Study</u> <b>6:30-7:30pm</b>	23 <i>Tina Whitecotton</i> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Day of Autumn</b>  <u>Arts Council</u> <i>(Bldg in Use)</i>	24 <i>Tiffany Fitzpatrick</i>  <u>Arts Council</u> <i>(Bldg in Use)</i>
25  <u>Worship</u> <b>9:00am</b> <u>Sunday School</u> <b>10:30am</b>	26 <i>Carolyn Craig</i> <i>Mackenzie Blair</i>	27  <u>Women's Bible Study</u> <b>9:00-10:00am</b>	28 <i>Lucy Smallhorn</i> <i>Gabe Menser</i> <i>Jaden Anderson</i>  <u>Family Night</u> <b>6:00-7:30pm</b>	29  <u>Tech 5:00pm</u> <u>Choir 5:45pm</u>  <u>Bible Study</u> <b>6:30-7:30pm</b>	30	

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Sunday Morning Worship  
Sunday School

9:00 am  
10:30 am

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**All are welcome!**



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