

Pray for your Pastor!

Thank you for covering our pastor in prayer. Please continue to lift up Bro. Jason, Bridget, and their family as he continues to recover. Your continued prayers and support are deeply appreciated.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

STUDENT MINISTRY

Youth Fellowship Night — Saturday, September 6, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Dax & Christi Hughes - 110 Wildcat Trace. Join us for an evening of swimming, yard games, a bonfire, hot dogs and s'mores! Bring a swimsuit, towel, and folding chair. Invite a friend and don't miss it!



Help us spread the Good News to children around the world by participating in Operation Christmas Child year-round. Item for SEPTEMBER is: **CHILDREN'S SCISSORS & GLUE STICKS**. A box is provided in the KidZone for your donations.

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Weekly Activities

SUNDAY

Sunday School - 9:30 am
Worship - 8:15 am & 10:45 am
Evening Worship - 6:00 pm
Children's Bible Study - 6:00 pm
Youth Bible Study - 6:00 pm

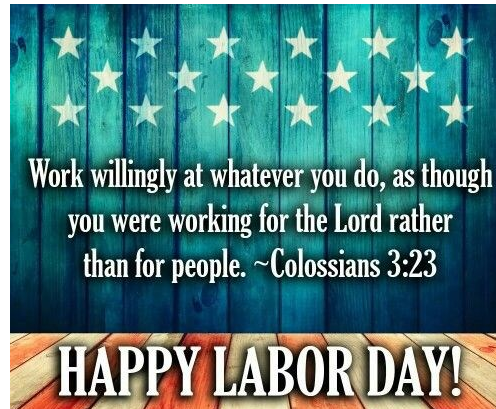
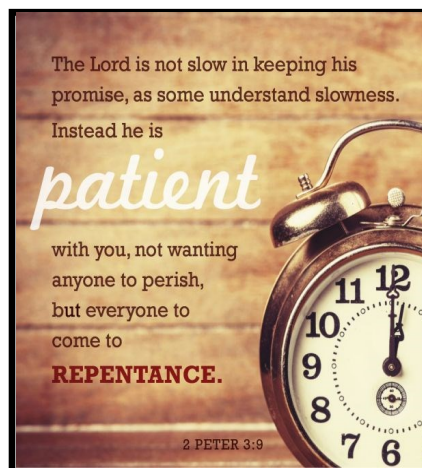
WEDNESDAY

Prayer Service - 6:30 pm
Youth Bible Study - 6:30 pm
Children's Bible Study - 6:30 pm



COOKIE BRIGADE

September 14
Debbie Scourick
September 28
Melissa Myers



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good

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Dr. Jason Browning, Pastor
Rev. Chad Davidson,
Minister of Music & Worship

Budget Receipts

Required to Date: \$ 390,346
Received to Date: \$ 377,679

Nursery Volunteers

September 7

8:15 am: Grace Payne
10:45 am: Andrew & Lacy Halligan (BB)
Cathy & Lauren Barks (T)

September 14

8:15 am: Andrea Brewer
10:45 am: Robbie Spees & Kelly Dixon (BB)
Lisa Yarbrough & Susan Knight (T)

September 21

8:15 am: Jim & Debbie Scourick
10:45 am: Kara Allard & Lynn Bond (BB)
Sheri Wright & Patty Bickerstaff (T)

September 28

8:15 am: Bridget Browning
10:45 am: Josh & Jamie Hawkins (BB)
Luke & Rachel Diefenbach (T)

BB - Bed Babies C201
T - Toddlers C202



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Ministry Team Night



As the new church year begins, Ministry Team Night allows teams to select a chair, begin planning the budget process, and make plans for the 2025-26 church calendar. All Ministry Teams will meet with the exception of Personnel, Finance, Nominating, Youth & Search Teams. There will be Bible Study in the Worship Center for those not involved on a ministry team.

Psalm 100:2: "Serve
the Lord with gladness."



**“The Lord is not slow about His promise,
as some count slowness,
but is patient toward you,
not wishing for any to perish
but for all to come to repentance.”
(2 Peter 3:9)**

When we reflect on the character of God, many attributes come to mind - His faithfulness, His holiness, His power, and His love. But one quality that often gets overlooked is His patience. In a world that rushes, hurries, and demands instant results, God's patience is a quiet yet powerful reminder that His timing is perfect and His heart is kind.

The Bible paints a clear picture of God's patience - not as passive tolerance, but as active, purposeful love. We daily stumble and fail, yet God, who is rich in mercy, He continues to extend grace and to provide us time to return to Him.

When we read the story of Israel in the Old Testament, we discover that time and time again, they broke their covenant with God. They turned to idols, ignored His commands, and grumbled in the wilderness. And yet, God did not abandon them. He corrected, disciplined, and guided them, but He also waited. Why? Because He loved them.

This same patience is offered to us today. We often fail to live up to our own standards, let alone God's. We make promises we do not keep. We fall into the same sins repeatedly. We grow cold in our relationship with Him, and at times, we ignore His voice. But God does not give up on us. His patience is not approval of sin, but a merciful delay - as He gives us room to repent, grow, and return.

In Romans 2:4, Paul writes: “Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?” God's patience is not weakness, but it is a strong, purposeful restraint. It is the heart of a Father who waits on the porch for His lost son to return home. He does not slam the door. He does not erase our names from His heart. Instead, He waits, with open arms.

God's patience is a thread that runs throughout the Bible - a patient God who waits for the lost, tends the broken, and walks beside the slow. God is not in a rush. He is not giving up. And He is not finished with you yet. So if you feel like you have failed too many times or taken too long to change, take heart. God is patient. His timing is perfect and His love is still reaching out to you today.

God is good! All the time!

Jason

September

- 1 Labor Day (office closed)
- 2 11:00 a.m. — JOY Club
6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 1
- 3 5:00 p.m. — Family Night Supper
- 6 6:00 p.m. — Youth Fellowship Night
- 9 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 2
- 10 6:30 p.m. — Ministry Team Night
- 11-12 55+ Trip to Creation Museum
- 14 12:00 p.m. — Christmas Choir Retreat
7:00 p.m. — Deacons
- 16 10:30 a.m. — Women on Mission
6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 3
- 17 5:30 p.m. — Finance Team
6:30 p.m. — Business Mtg.
- 23 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 4
- 24 See You at the Pole
- 28 9:00 a.m. — Coffee & Donuts
- 30 6:00 p.m. — Operation Andrew, Team 1

*Tuesdays @ 6:30 a.m. — Men's Prayer Group
Saturdays @ 8:00 a.m. — Mighty Men*



JOY Club — Will go to Parcell's in Draffenville on Tuesday, September 2. Meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. to ride the bus.



*Bro. Jason & the Friendship Family express
Christian love & sympathy to...
...David Smith & Cheryl Tyler in the death of their
mother, Ruth Nelson.*



Family Night Supper Resumes — Wednesday, September 3 at 5:00 p.m. The menu is: Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread and Dessert. Sign up in the worship center or call the church office by noon on September 2 if you plan to attend. Suggested price is: Adults - \$6, Children under 10 - \$4.

GOD is our **refuge** and **strength**, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we **WILL NOT FEAR**, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. - Psalms 46:1-2



Joseph Scriven was born in Ireland in 1819. He was educated and received a degree from Trinity College in Dublin and became a teacher. With plans to settle down and soon to marry, life was good for Joseph. Unfortunately, the day before his wedding, his future wife drowned.

The grief was more than he could bear, so Joseph moved to Canada to start over. There, he met and fell in love again, with Eliza Rice, and planned to be married, again. It is unthinkable that you could lose so much in one young lifetime but weeks before they were to be wed, Eliza became sick and died from her illness. Joseph was only 25.

From this heartache, and through faith in his God, a mission was born. Joseph took a vow of poverty and began to help the poor and the handicapped in any way he could. For ten years he made himself available to come alongside those that were in need and he found comfort and purpose in serving.

Then, unbelievably, heartache would strike again! His mother, still in Ireland and Scriven in Canada, became very ill and he did not have the funds to help her or to go and be with her. He penned the words to this poem for her and it has since comforted, encouraged and uplifted generations!

*What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear
What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer
Oh what peace we often forfeit! Oh, what needless pain we bear
All because we do not carry, Everything to God in prayer*

*Have we trials and temptations, Is there trouble anywhere
We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in prayer
Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in prayer*

*Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in prayer
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer
In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there*

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Under the Master's Baton,
Chad

