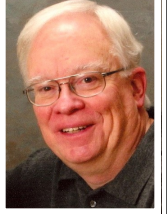




A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



After a great summer, September is shaping up to be one of the best times in the recent life of the church. We hope you can share the joy with us all month long:

Our scripture focus on Philippians in the Sunday services continues—challenges from the Apostle Paul to move us toward personal maturity, and to be a healthier church. It’s amazing how a 2000-year-old letter to a church in Greece, from a guy under arrest in Rome, can be so relevant to people in Oklahoma now! Topics in September include “**What, Me, PERFECT??**” “**Are You a Citizen?**” “**How to Experience Real Joy,**” and “**Why Can’t We All Get Along?**”

On September 7th, during the Sunday worship service, we will be hearing good news from **Deaconess Pregnancy and Adoption Services**, a wonderful ministry affiliated with the Free Methodist Church. This agency ministers the love of Jesus in so many ways, and our Missions Committee has designated it our mission offering focus for September.

On September 14th our *Building Committee* will be presenting the latest steps towards our facility renovation, “**For the Next Generation,**” and explaining how each one of us can be part of the next phase. THANKS for the wonderful giving over the past two years, preparing the way.

September 21st is our annual Back to Church Sunday. People are already working to make this fourth such event the best ever. New believers will be baptized, and they are inviting family, friends and neighbors. Others are praying for openings to invite someone who hasn’t been to church anywhere in a long time. The kitchen committee is planning a *great* fellowship lunch for *everyone* after the service. (other side). Whom will YOU bring?

On September 28 we are receiving **new members** into the church, and giving the invitation for others to prepare for membership. You will want to be with us to say WELCOME!

I am thrilled with the leaders God has given us to help us reach our community. Anita Baird reported on last Wednesday’s kickoff of the second year of our new mid-week children’s ministry “**Faithweaver Friends.**” She said at least one of the first-timers said “This is a really fun church! Can we come every day?” Pray with us that every day, all month long, we will be making a difference in the lives we touch.

In the Love of Christ,
Pastor Dwight T Gregory

Building Renovation Project ‘For the Next Generation’

Our Building Committee has been in dialogue with our architect-builder team through the summer, and drawings are in process for the first phase of construction. We expect drawings to be available for a special presentation to the church on Sunday, September 14. We will be challenged to consider what the Lord would want us give to complete the project.

Congratulations to Bonnie and Harold Bishop who celebrated their 60th Anniversary on September 3.

BEREAVMENT PICNIC

Grief is a normal response to a loss of any kind. Sometimes you have to give permission to smile and laugh and have fun. Come share a picnic and fun on Sunday, September 28 from 1:00PM to 3:00PM at Regional Park. We will meet at the Joe Barnes Pavilion on the west end of the park. There is a small playground for the kids. Please bring a sack lunch for your family and we’ll provide the drinks, dessert and paper goods. Please bring any yard or board games you’d like to play!! Please RSVP to Pastor Paula Farley at 618.9595 by **Friday, September 26th.**



The Ladies Bible Study is on September 16 and 30, Tuesday at 10AM. The new study is on *Women of the New Testament.* This is a vital study in daily living for the Lord. If you would like to be part of this study please call Martha Borgers at 619.1196 to order your study guide.

CHURCH & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Third Wednesday Sack Dinner Social

Starting Wednesday, September 17 from 5:30-6:30PM, the church will begin a third Wednesday sack dinner social. Bring a sack dinner, enough for your family, whether it be something from home or something you pick up at a drive thru on the way to church. The church will provide drinks and possibly some desserts. This will be a fun way to get to know other people in the church and fellowship with one another.



BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 21

FOLLOWING SERVICE ON THE 21ST WE WILL HAVE A CHURCH LUNCH. THE CHURCH IS PROVIDING BRISKET AND DRINKS. PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT.

CALLING ALL KIDS!



Every Wednesday @ 7PM

GENERAL CONFERENCE MISSION TRIP 2015

Our church missions committee is promoting participation in mission trips in connection with the Free Methodist General Conference in Orlando next July. We will join with a team to build a church and school facility near the campus of the new Haiti Providence University in Port-au-Prince and minister in other ways among the local people. Because Haiti team members must be over 16 years old, we are also encouraging teens to take part in a mission trip to a rural church of Haitian immigrants in Imokalee, Florida, at the same time. Both trips are July 8-16. We would like to know by October 1 who feels called to participate, so that we can make plans to assist with fundraising. Please consider and pray about YOUR part in this life-changing experience! Contact Becky Baer for more information, or to sign up. (Brochures are available on the tables in the lobby)

YOUTH

Oklahoma STATE FAIR

On Monday, September 15th the Oklahoma State Fair is free for students. The youth will leave the church at 5PM and go to the Fair Grounds. You may bring money for dinner or eat before you come. For King and Country will start their concert at 7:30PM, we will leave as soon as the concert is over.

LIFE GROUPS

Going Deeper. Growing Stronger.

Contact Pastor Jeremy Smith at 821.8575

CTI 14:22

We are excited to have a CTI Team come spend some time with the youth. CTI 14:22 will be here Wednesday night, September 10th during the regular FM Youth time. The youth will meet in the sanctuary for a time of sharing and worship together.



SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON

The Seniors will meet at the church on September 12 at Noon for a salad luncheon. The topic will be "The Supernatural Progress of the Gospel in the Non-Christian, Closed Countries". For more information contact Harold and Bonnie Bishop at 741.6484.

