



Tower Views

Have you seen our new Ark on the east lawn of the church? It appears to be a huge hit with the kids!

For generations, kids in our church enjoyed climbing on the Climbing Tree. Unfortunately, we learned about a year ago that the Climbing Tree was becoming unsafe for the children to play on and needed to come down.

But Sam Lucas had a vision for replacing the Climbing Tree and someone suggested an Ark. Through Sam's planning, the generosity of several of our memorials, and the hard work of Don Turner and a team of volunteers we now have the Ark. Many thanks to everyone who helped make this project happen.

I look forward to watching generations of kids make wonderful memories as they play on the Ark in years to come!

Coming Up

- Saturday, August 27th**
8:00—UMM
2:00—50th Anniversary Party at the Elks for Fred & Carolyn McAllister
- Sunday, August 28th**
8:15—Early Service
9:30—Sunday School
10:30—Worship Service
- Monday, August 29th**
5:15—Learner Bells
6:00—Bells
- Wednesday, August 31st**
3:30—Bible Adventures

Men's Sunday School Class

They will be meeting in the lounge by the Coke machine Sunday mornings at 9:30am. Bring your coffee and enjoy some great conversation!

Daily Bible Reading and Prayer

- Sunday 1 Corinthians 12:4-6
Pray for unity of spirit & purpose
- Monday 1 Corinthians 12:12-20
Give thanks for all of the different gifts & strengths & talents in our church
- Tuesday 1 Corinthians 12:21-26
Give thanks for all the people who serve behind the scenes in our church
- Wednesday Exodus 4:10-16
Ask God who you might partner with in ministry
- Thursday Ecclesiastes 4:9-12
Give thanks for those people who strengthen, support & encourage you
- Friday Romans 12:3-8
Ask God to confirm your gifts & strengths
- Saturday Acts 13:1-5
Pray for the leaders of our church

First Step to Membership

Anyone interested in learning more about our church and the commitments of membership is invited to a First Step session on Sunday, September 11th, at 4 pm. Pastor Brad Reed will lead this introduction to our church. Please contact Brad at 492-3060 if you have questions.

UMYF

Mark you calendars and gear up for some fun on Wednesdays with Jennifer for snacks, social time and some really crazy activities! They will start meeting on Wednesday, September 7th. Middle Schoolers from 3:00-5:00 and High Schoolers from 5:00-7:00.

Jamaica Mission Trip

Planning is beginning for our annual Jamaica Mission Trip together with First Baptist Church. The dates of the trip will be January 28-February 4, 2017. The cost is \$1000. A \$100 deposit is required at sign-up to reserve your place. Sign-ups are being coordinated through the office at First Baptist. If you have questions about the trip, you can contact David Graham at 351-5407.

**50th Anniversary Celebration
(and 1 Year of Remission Celebration!)**

Please join Fred and Carolyn McAllister and family as they celebrate 50 years of marital bliss and 1 year of Fred being in remission, Saturday, August 27th at the Elks Club at 2:00. No gifts please. Everyone is invited!



Bean Bag Chairs Needed!

We are in search of new or gently used bean bag chairs for the Sunday School room for the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders. Please bring them to the church.

Prayers Needed for:



Brad Reed	Joe Harrelson	Judy Batschelett	Tom Drendel
Arnie Drendel	Sharlene Wirsig	Donna Pitts	Fred McAllister
Susan Stropes	Jane Mautino	Shirley Stone	J.D. Hinkebein
Kay Miller	Connie Briggs	Rosie Banfield	Dennis & Brenda Farmer
Wilbur Slocum	Maxine Evans	Jill Bernard	



You are Invited!!!--

New Adult Learner's Bells--you need to recognize colors, count to four and know your left from your right hand. You do not have to read music to play bells. We will color code your notes. No obligation to join Bell Choir. Just for fun! 5:15-6:00 every Monday night beginning August 29. Sign up on the Connect Card in the bulletin.

Hand Bells will start on August 29th at 6:00.

Angelus Choir for grades 1-5 begins September 14th and meets after school from 3:30-4:30. Contact Sam for more information.

Chancel Choir for high school/adults begins September 7th and meets at 7:00.

Chancel Band begins September 14th at 6:00 and will also meet on the 21st.

The famous **No-Name Band** directed by Jim Raysik will be performing prior to the Deepwater Labor Harvest parade on Monday, September 5th from 9:30-10:30. Players should be there at 9:15. Chairs, music and stands will be provided. Everyone is invited to play or listen to us play!



Want to Be an Acolyte?

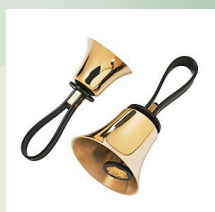
Calling kids in 2nd-5th grades! It's time to set up our acolyte schedule for 2016-2017. Acolytes light and extinguish altar candles during the first worship service. If you would like your child to participate please call Susan Mosley at 660-351-3029 or email smosley@hawthornbank.com. A practice/refresher session for new and returning acolytes will be held after the first choir practice on September 14. Practice is in the sanctuary and will about 30 minutes.

Morning Bible Study

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study will resume on September 7th at 10:00AM in the Arts & Craft Room. BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible) and a friend or neighbor. Everyone welcome! The Scripture we will be studying is: 1st Reading: Exodus 32:7-14, Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17, and Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-10.

Women's Evening Bible Study

We will have a gathering of those interested in a Women's Evening Bible Study on Wednesday - September 7th at 7PM in the Adult Classroom by the Gym. Along with some fellowship time, there will be a discussion about meeting times, books and groups. Please bring a snack/dessert to share. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Kelli Jenkins at 660.351.3720 or kellij2@gmail.com.



Worship Assistants

Greeter 8:15—Larry & Joyce Dawson

Song Leader 8:15—Kelli Jenkins

Ushers 8:15—Ken and Susan Scott

Nursery 8:15— Sarah Duncan

Nursery 10:30—Pam Jones

Continental Breakfast—Seekers Class

Greeters 10:30

Dick & Nancy Fleming, Jane Adkins, Genieve Huenefeldt

Gathering Music:

10:30 – Janice Santero

Children's Sermon—Kelli Jenkins

