

# ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Wednesday Evening Class We invite each of you to attend the mid-week Bible Study upstairs on Wednesday evening beginning at 6 p.m. We encourage you to attend these vital and exciting studies!

Church Clean-Up We will regularly have monthly church cleanings on the last Saturday of each month, beginning at 10 a.m. The next cleaning day will be on June 25, so be sure to attend and help!

## Words of Wisdom: THE PLAN...

When I was a little girl, my mother used to embroider a great deal. I would sit at her knee and look up from the floor and ask what she was doing. She informed me that she was embroidering. I told her that it looked like a mess from where I was. As from the underside I watched her work within the boundaries of the little round hoop that she held in her hand, I complained to her that it sure looked messy from where I sat. She would smile at me, look down and gently say, "My love, you go about your playing for awhile, and when I am finished with my embroidering, I will put you on my knee and let you see it from my side."



I would wonder why she was using some dark threads along with the bright ones and why they seemed so jumbled from my view. A few minutes would pass and then I would hear Mother's voice say, "Honey, come and sit on my knee." This I did only to be surprised and thrilled to see a beautiful flower or a sunset. I could not believe it, because from underneath it looked so messy. Then Mother would say to me, "My daughter, from underneath it did look messy and jumbled, but you did not realize that there was a pre-drawn plan on the top. It was a design. I was only following it. Now look at it from my side and you will see what I was doing."

Many times through the years I have looked up to my Heavenly Father and said, "Father, what are You doing?" He has answered, "I am embroidering your life. I say, "But it looks like a mess to me. It seems so jumbled. The threads seem so dark. Why can't they all be bright?" The Father seems to tell me, "My child, you go about your business of doing My business, and one day I will bring you to Heaven and put you on My knee and you will see the plan from My side."

Welcome to the




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### VISION STATEMENT

 *Enhancing Our Knowledge of Jesus Christ,  
Empowering All Believers for Ministry, and  
Encouraging Continuous Dedication to the Lord.*

# ORDER of SERVICES

Fellowship / Refreshments – 9:30 A.M.



Sunday School – 10:00 A.M.

## MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES – 10:45 A.M.

- Devotion ..... Deacons & Congregation
- Responsive Reading ..... Pastor & Congregation
- Youth Inspiration
- Selection ..... Choir & Congregation
- Announcements & Recognition of Visitors
- Tithes and Offerings ..... Deacons
- (Visitors are NOT required to contribute - members are encouraged to do so)*
- Prayer of Thanksgiving ..... Pastor
- Selections ..... Choir & Congregation
- Sermon
- Invitation to Christ

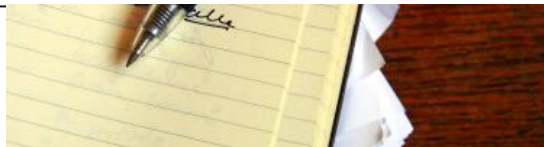


## BENEDICTION

## RESPONSIVE READING: COLOSSIANS 2:6-19 (NIV)

- 6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him,
- 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.
- 8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.
- 9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form,
- 10 and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority.
- 11 In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ,
- 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.
- 13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins,
- 14 having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.
- 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.
- 16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day.
- 17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.
- 18 Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind.
- 19 They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

## SERMON NOTES



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Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

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