

# 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 are involved in a Bible study series entitled "Authentic: Developing the Disciplines of a Sincere Faith". 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. However, the next cleaning day will be on December 19 because of the holiday, so be sure to attend and help!

## HOLIDAYS IN NOVEMBER:

Veterans Day – November 11

Thanksgiving – November 26

## Funnies...

Insights gained primarily from 5th and 6th grade science classes:

Clouds are high flying fogs.

I am not sure how clouds get formed. But the clouds know how to do it, and that is the important thing.

Clouds just keep circling the earth around and around. And around. There is not much else to do. Water vapor gets together in a cloud. When it is big enough to be called a drop, it does.

Water freezes at 32 degrees and boils at 212 degrees. There are 180 degrees between freezing and boiling because there are 180 degrees between north and south.

We keep track of the humidity in the air so we won't drown when we breathe.

Humidity is the experience of looking for air and finding water.

Rain is often known as soft water, oppositely known as hail.

Rain is saved up in cloud banks.

Isotherms and isobars are even more important than their names sound.

A blizzard is when it snows sideways.

A hurricane is a breeze of a bigly size.

A monsoon is a French gentleman.

The wind is like the air, only pushier.

Most books now say our sun is a star. But it still knows how to change back into a sun in the daytime.

Some people can tell what time it is by looking at the sun. But I have never been able to make out the numbers.

In looking at a drop of water under a microscope, we find there are twice as many H's as O's.

You can listen to thunder after lightning and tell how close you came to getting hit. If you don't hear it, you got hit, so never mind.

Thunder us a rich source of loudness.

Rainbows are just to look at, not to really understand.

While the earth seems to be knowingly keeping its distance from the sun, it is really only centrifigating.

South America has cold summers and hot winters, but somehow they still manage.

It is so hot in some places that the people there have to live in other places.

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## MISSION STATEMENT

*To promote membership in the body of Christ by bringing people to Jesus, enhancing their spiritual growth towards Christian maturity, and nurturing them for their ministry in the church and life mission in the world, thereby magnifying God's holy name.*

# ORDER of SERVICES

Fellowship / Refreshments – 9:30 A.M.

Sunday School – 10:00 A.M.

Teaching God's Word:

*"Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace: For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city." – Acts 18:9-10, KJV*



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

- Devotion ..... Deacons & Congregation
- Responsive Reading ..... Pastor & Congregation
- 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

### SERMON NOTES

Scripture: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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# Words of Wisdom:



## Angels

Two traveling angels stopped to spend the night in the home of a wealthy family. The family was rude and refused to let the angels stay in the mansion's guest room. Instead, the angels were given a space in the cold basement. As they made their bed on the hard floor, the older angel saw a hole in the wall and repaired it. When the younger angel asked why, the older angel replied, "Things aren't always what they seem."

The next night the pair came to rest at the house of a very poor, but very hospitable farmer and his wife. After sharing what little food they had the couple let the angels sleep in their bed where they could have a good night's rest. When the sun came up the next morning the angels found the farmer and his wife in tears. Their only cow, whose milk had been their sole income, lay dead in the field. The younger angel was infuriated and asked the older angel how could you have let this happen!

"The first man had everything, yet you helped him. The second family had little but was willing to share everything, and you let their cow die."

"Things aren't always what they seem," the older angel replied. "When we stayed in the basement of the mansion, I noticed there was gold stored in that hole in the wall. Since the owner was so obsessed with greed and unwilling to share his good fortune, I sealed the wall so he wouldn't find it. Then last night as we slept in the farmer's bed, the angel of death came for his wife. I told him to take the cow instead."

Things aren't always what they seem. Sometimes this is exactly what happens when things don't turn out the way we think they should. If you have faith in God, just trust that every outcome is always to your advantage. You might not realize it until much later.

## RESPONSIVE READING: EPHESIANS 1:3-14 (NIV)

- 3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.
- 4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love
- 5 he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—
- 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.
- 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace
- 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding,
- 9 he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,
- 10 to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.
- 11 In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,
- 12 in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.
- 13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,