ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



The Chosen

The Chosen group is watching the fifth season of *The Chosen* series **each**Wednesday at 10:00 am in the JOY Room. This season looks at the final week of Jesus' journey to the cross.



Joy Sunday School Class

Kemp Wright leads the JOY Sunday School class that meets on Sundays at 10:00 am. They are studying *The Message of Jesus* by Adam Hamilton. Explore different themes about Jesus' most important messages, including the Sermon on the Mount, the parables, the "I AM" statements, and more. All are welcome to join this class at any time.



Men's Prayer Group

Sam Sweat leads this new group each Monday at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Join with other men to share accountability and support one another. Contact Sam Sweat (sam1.catholic@gmail.com) for more details.



"Inspired" Bible Study

Please join us on Mondays at 9:00 am for a Bible study following Rachel Held Evans' book *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again*. We'll read a chapter each week and have open discussion afterwards. Grab your book today or let Pastor Julie know if you would like one.



Nancy's Notes

The Chancel Choir has taken some time out of the loft for the summer months. In September they will return to the loft to lend music leadership to worship. New voices would be so welcome to join and this would be a wonderful time to do just

that! Rehearsals will resume Wednesday, August 20th. The choir meets at 6:45 pm in the choir room on the second floor of the Annex. There is always a music folder ready and waiting for new members.

Need more information? Contact Nancy at (678) 877-6065.



Leadership Board

Leadership Board will meet TODAY in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship service.

All are welcome to attend.



WNS Planning Meeting

The WNS team would love to have some new helping hands to keep our tradition going. Whether you are willing to set up, shop, or prepare meals, please join us for our planning meeting on August 19th at 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. You may

contact **Jennifer White at (404) 783-6918 or Amie at the office** for more information or simply show up at our August 19th meeting.



Installation Service & Reception

We are invited to attend the Installation Service for our new South West District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Julie Boone on **this afternoon** at **3:00 pm at Cascade UMC, 3144 Cascade Road SW, Atlanta.**A reception honoring Dr. Boone will follow the service.



Sunday Lunch Bunch

Plan to join us as we gather for food and fellowship next **Sunday, August 24th at 12:15 pm at the Curious Kitchen** before they relocate out of Senoia. Please let Amie know by Thursday so she can give the restaurant an approximate head count.

WELCOME TO SENOIA UMC

We welcome you to Senoia United Methodist Church. If you are a guest with us today for the first time, please let the usher know so you can be given an SUMC mug. Please complete the Guest Card located in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate. A nursery for children birth to under 4 years old is available. Please see an usher for assistance. Restrooms are located in the Fellowship Hall, which can be reached through the rear sanctuary door by the organ.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 8/17

10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Sunday Worship 12:15 pm Leadership Board 3:00 pm DS Installation Service

Monday 8/18

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group 9:00 am Bible Study

Tuesday 8/19
11:00 am WNS Planning Meeting

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Wednesday 8/20 10:00 am *The Chosen* 6:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday 8/21 7:00 pm AA

Friday 8/22 6:00 pm NA

Next Sunday 8/24

10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Sunday Worship 12:15 pm Lunch Bunch

Those Assisting in Worship Today

Acolyte: Addie Hughes Ushers: Vijay Purugulla & Scott Tinsley Reader: Lori Kolbenschlag Counters: Jon Hughes & Jean Cotton Greeters: Jeff & Susan Miller

Those Assisting in Worship Next Sunday - 8/24

Acolyte: Luke Tobleman Ushers: Brent Burgard & Tray Baggarly Reader: LeAnn Burgard Counters: Mark Edwards & Vijay Purugulla Greeters: Jennifer & Derrick Wright

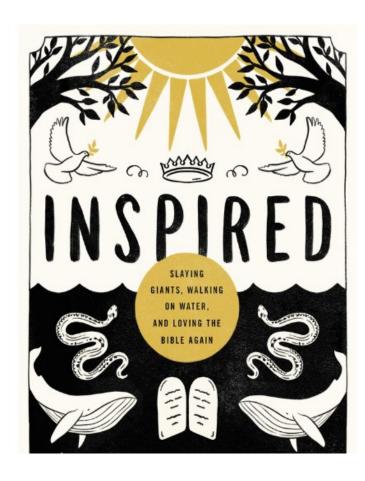
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AUGUST 17, 2025

TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



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Gather ♦ Grow ♦ Go

WORSHIP

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Greeting Dr. Julie Schendel, Pastor

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Nancy Lewis, Organist/Pianist

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship Dr. Schendel

Soft summer rain falling on parched earth

Waters of God, flow down upon us.

Torrential floods ripping lives into pieces

Waters of God, have mercy upon us.

Soaking waters which nourish the seed

Waters of God, replenish us.

God of us all, lead us out of the wilderness.

We cling to you and praise your holy name. Amen.

*Hymn All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name UMH 154, V1, 2, 3 & 6

United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri UMH 71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

Meditation

The Gift of Love Melinda Garver, Soloist (Hal Hopson, Composer)

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

WE GROW THROUGH THE SPOKEN WORD

*Psalter Psalm 63:1-8

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Dr. Schendel

Congregational Response TFWS 2205

UMH 788

Lord, may our prayer rise like incense in your sight, May this place be filled with the fragrance of Christ. Amen.

*Hymn Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart UMH 500

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The People

*Presentation and Doxology UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Gospel Reading Matthew 22:34-40 Lori Kolbenschlag, Reader

Response to the Word

Reader: The Word of God, for us, the People of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dr. Schendel Inspired: Making a Way When There Isn't One

WE GO TO SERVE

*Closing Hymn More Love to Thee, O Christ UMH 453

*Benediction Dr. Schendel

*Sending Forth

The morning thou gavest, Lord, is ended, The darkness falls at thy behest; To thee our morning hymns ascended; Thy praise shall hallow now our rest.

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) TFWS (The Faith We Sing)

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Call to Worship adapted from Katherine Hawker: http://liturgyoutside.net/. The candle on the altar table is lit in memory of those who have died due to gun violence and in awareness of this ongoing tragedy.

BY OUR PRAYERS...

Prayers & Praises: Bobby Orr, and Meava Lopez.

You can make your prayer requests (including updates or to remove a request) by either email or calling the church office.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God in honor of Shirley Orr's birthday.

Financial Report Ending 7/31/2025		
	JULY	2025 YTD
INCOME BUDGET	\$19,538	\$136,766
INCOME ACTUAL	\$12,850	\$113,853
DIFFERENCE	(\$6,688)	(\$22,913)
TOTAL INCOME	\$12,850	\$113,853
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$17,248	\$124,081
DIFFERENCE	(\$4,398)	(\$10,228)

^{*}Those who are able please stand.