

Call to Worship | Matthew 11:28-30 ^{ESV}

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Reading of The Law | Galatians 5:1 ^{ESV}

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

Scriptural Assurance | John 3:16 ^{ESV}

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Those Serving

	COFFEE BREAK	PRAISE	SCRIPTURE READING	KIDS MESSAGE	CONFESS.	ASSURE.	THANKS. & REQ.
8/23	Sherry	Adam	Proverbs 26 Larry	Heidelberg 34 Brayden	Franklin	Jack	John
8/30	Rebekah	Matt	Proverbs 27 Lincoln	Heidelberg 35 Amanda	John	Lord's Supper	Matt
9/6	Allison	Larry	Proverbs 28 Amanda	Heidelberg 36 Gracie	Jeff	Austin	John
9/13	Samantha	Jess	Proverbs 29 Larry	Heidelberg 37 Matt	Brayden	Lincoln	Matt
9/20	Kelly	Harvey	Proverbs 30	Heidelberg 38 Emily	Johnny	Macie	John

Sermons

8/23	Matthew 5:33-37	"Oaths"
8/30	2 Peter 1:19-21	"Lively Preaching"
9/6	Matthew 5:38-42	"Retaliation"
9/13	Matthew 5:43-48	"Love Your Enemies"

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#162 - *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

Sing

Prayers of Praise ^{Adam}

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture Reading | Proverbs 26 ^{Larry}

Offering & Kids Message ^{Brayden}

Reading of The Law | Galatians 5:1

#57 - *Jesus Name Above All Names*

Prayers of Confession & Silence ^{Franklin}

Scriptural Assurance | John 3:16 ^{Jack}

His Mercy Is More

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Request ^{John}

Sermon Text | Matthew 5:33-37

Sermon | "Oaths"

There Is One Gospel

Benediction

THE GOSPEL IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS CHRIST SAVES SINNERS.
so then: Repent, Believe, and Follow the Lord Jesus Christ.

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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES - 9:15AM / SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:30AM

"The frequent requiring and using of oaths, is a poor reflection on Christians, who should be of such acknowledged fidelity, as that their sober words should be as sacred as their solemn oaths."

MATTHEW HENRY

Announcements

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Mission gifts given in August will benefit: *Our Deacon's Fund*

Are you interested in getting baptized? Please see Matt ASAP for more details.

The Calendar

<i>Sat. August 29</i>	Church Picnic & Baptisms – 4:00pm @ Broadwater's
<i>Sun. August 30</i>	Anniversary Sunday – 196 years
<i>Sun. August 30</i>	The Lord's Supper
<i>Wed. September 2</i>	Midweek Bible Study resumes – 6:00-7:30pm
<i>Sept. 18-20</i>	EA National Gathering – New Philadelphia, OH
<i>Sun. October 25</i>	Reformation Sunday
<i>November 20-22</i>	Weekend To Remember – Williamsburg, VA
<i>June 20-24, 2027</i>	Spy University VBS 2027 (Save The Dates!)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/3 Cole Tasker
8/8 Nevin Hutzell
8/10 Mike Broadwater
8/11 Jess Carey
8/14 Hannah Hershberger
8/25 Quinn Sanders
8/27 John Carey
8/31 Allison Broadwater



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

8/8 Jeff & Patty Rice

To begin the process of joining as a member, please contact an Elder.

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We are in friendly network with the:
Evangelical Association of Reformed and Congregational Christian Churches.
evangelicalassociation.org

Opportunities to Grow

SUNDAY MORNINGS (9:15-10:15am) FELLOWSHIP HALL

Adult / Teen Bible Study: 2 SAMUEL – DAVID'S HEART REVEALED

8/23 2 Samuel 22:1-23:7 – 11. The Man After God's Heart Jeff

8/30 2 Samuel – 12. Reviewing Key Principles John

SUNDAY MORNINGS (9:15-10:15am) DOWNSTAIRS

Kids Bible Study: LITTLE PILGRIMS THEOLOGY – ABC THEOLOGY

8/23 R is for Repentance – Matthew 4:17 Sherry

8/30 S is for Salvation – Luke 5:16 Emily

9/6 T is for Trinity – Matthew 28:19 Emily

9/13 U is for Unconditional Election – Ephesians 1:4 Emily

FROM THAT TIME JESUS BEGAN TO PREACH AND SAY,
"REPENT, FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND."
MATTHEW 4:17

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An excerpt from: Daily Doctrine by Kevin DeYoung:

The aim of Christian theology is to know, enjoy, and walk in the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

How then should we undertake the task of theological study?

Rationally. Reason is not the foundation of faith, but it is the instrument of faith. For two years, Paul reasoned daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus (Acts 19:9). He reasoned with Felix and Drusilla (Acts 24:24). And he pleaded with Festus, "I am speaking true and rational words" (Acts 26:25). The truth of the Bible may be beyond reason's comprehension, but it is never nonsensical and irrational.

WHY STUDY CHURCH HISTORY?

Church history is the story of how God has guarded, purified, chastised, and strengthened His undeserving people. God has unique purposes for His church.

23 August 1723

Death of Increase Mather, one of America's most famous eighteenth-century clergymen, a president of Harvard College, and the father of Cotton Mather. Mather had published many books, including *Cases of Conscience Concerning Witchcraft* which helped end executions for witchcraft in New England.

24 August 1662

The deadline arrives for all British ministers to publicly assent to the Book of Common Prayer. Two thousand Puritans who do not accept this have to vacate their pulpits, becoming known as non-conformists.

25 August 1649

Death of Thomas Shepard, a well-known Puritan preacher and author.

26 August 2026 (from Tabletalk Magazine)

We do not honor Christ by treating some portions of Scripture as more authoritative than others. Every word was written under the guidance of the same Spirit and carries the same divine weight. Let us receive the whole of Scripture with equal trust, for in all of it God addresses His people with binding authority.

27 August 1565

In 1531 Orde, Switzerland was divided between Catholics and Reformers. Having left the Catholic Church, Pierre Viret arrives and converts the town to the Reformed side. In response, Catholics attempt to stab, poison, silence, and imprison him until, on this day in 1565, the Catholics expel him. He was the most popular Protestant preacher in sixteenth century France.

28 August 430

Death of St. Augustine of Hippo, who, more than any other man since the apostles, stamped the church with his personality and ideas.

29 August 1831

Michael Faraday, a devout Christian, induces an electrical current in one wire from the current in another - a discovery that utterly transforms the world, without which there would be no electronic computers, no power lines, no telephones, no internet.

Question 92. *What is the law of God?*

Answer: God spoke all these words, saying: (Exodus 20; Deuteronomy 5)

First Commandment - I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before Me.

Second Commandment - You shall not make unto yourself any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down yourself to them, nor serve them. For I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep My commandments.

Third Commandment - You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that takes His name in vain.

Fourth Commandment - Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shall you labour, and do all your work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you, nor your son, nor your daughter, your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger that is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Fifth Commandment - Honour your father and your mother; that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God gives you.

Sixth Commandment - You shall not kill.

Seventh Commandment - You shall not commit adultery.

Eighth Commandment - You shall not steal.

Ninth Commandment - You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

Tenth Commandment - You shall not covet your neighbor's house, you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is your neighbor's.

Question 93. *How are these commandments divided?*

Answer: Into two tables: the first of which teaches us, in four commandments, what duties we owe to God; the second, in six, what duties we owe to our neighbour.

Question 94. *What does God require in the first commandment?*

Answer: That, on peril of my soul's salvation, I avoid and flee all idolatry, sorcery, enchantments, invocation of saints or of other creatures; and that I rightly acknowledge the only true God, trust in him alone, with all humility and patience expect all good from Him only, and love, fear and honour Him with my whole heart; so as rather to renounce all creatures than do the least thing against His will.

Question 95. *What is idolatry?*

Answer: It is instead of the one true God who has revealed Himself in His Word, or along with the same, to conceive or have something else on which to place our trust.

Prayer List

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Memorize, Meditate, and Pray this week:

Matthew 11:28-30

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Pray using prayers of the Puritans - Refuge:

Almighty God... uphold me by Your Spirit... and may I not think it enough to be preserved from falling, but may I always go forward, always abounding in the work You give me to do.

Pray using our Prayer Points for this week:

MONDAY

*for Tunisia

*for Jeff & Patty Rice

WEDNESDAY

*for Senator Fetterman – D

*for a godly work ethic.

FRIDAY

*for inviting friends to church

*for good weather.

TUESDAY

*for a heart for missions.

*for Family Worship times.

THURSDAY

*for the next generation.

*for conversion of Buddhists.

SATURDAY

*for church tomorrow.

*for Paul Washer

Pray for:

Those mourning the deaths of those killed in the Middle East last month:

Pfc. Isabella Gonzales

1st Lt. Tyler Feehan

Sgt. Angel Rampersad

Sgt. Michael Swinton

Those mourning the death of Richard Bowser. (Hannah's grandfather)

Those mourning the death of Adam's great aunt Shirley.

Those mourning the death of Charlotte Taylor. (Amanda's great aunt)

Those mourning the death of Janet Anderson. (former member)

Pray for our fallen world & global concerns:

The call & response of the lost. ^{Matthew 18}

The end of abortion practices & the close of the abortion mill. ^{Exodus 20:13}

The sins of sexual rebellion. ^{Genesis 1:27; Romans 1:18-23}

Peace and Justice in Israel, and in Nigeria. ^{Psalms 25:22}

Those battling addictions and those hurt by them. ^{Galatians 5:1}

Iran and protection for our soldiers. ^{Psalms 46:1}

Pray for those serving our country: ^{Isaiah 41:10}

Nathan Brenneman (and the family)

Pray for those in nursing homes: ^{1 Timothy 5:1-3}

Helen Bender

Shirley Bender

Pray for health/comfort for: ^{Psalms 121:1-2}

Allison Broadwater

Charlie (cousin of Samantha Leiss)

Hannah Hershberger & baby

Steve Hershberger

Nevin & Wilma Hutzl

Jeff & Patty Rice

Butch Baker (friend of the Clevengers)

Doug Broadwater (father of Mike Broadwater)

Fred Holiday (friend of the Broadwaters)

Becca Kilgus (friend of Linda Upole)

Stephanie McBride (mother of Michele Carey)

Sandy McKenzie (friend of the Broadwaters)

Ronnie Stanton (brother of Linda Upole)

Pray for those battling cancer: ^{John 14:27}

Ruth Yoder

EA Nat. Minister Jim Barnes

Nick Brown (young local boy)

Linda Handwerk (daughter of the late Wanda Sheffield)

Shelbi Knauer (friend of Hannah Hershberger)

Daisy Murray (friend of John Carey)

Angie Rush (local teacher)

Gay Ziegler (friend of Linda Upole)
