

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDIES (9:15-10:15am):

- 11/16 6. Raising Up Judges – Judges 1:1-2:23 John
 11/23 7. Deborah and Barak – Judges 4:1-5:31 Matt
 11/30 8. Gideon and the Midianites – Judges 6:1-40 Matt
 12/7 9. Samson and the Philistines – Judges 15:1-16:31 John

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PREPARATION FOR THE WORD:

	PRaise	GOSPEL READING	CONFESSiON	THANKS/REQ.
11/16	Harvey Hershberger	Luke 8:22-25 Jack Carey	Johnny Carey	John Carey
11/23	Adam Winkelvoss	Luke 8:26-39 Brayden Broadwater	Franklin Broadwater	John Carey
11/30	Lincoln Widder	Matthew 1:1-17 Franklin Broadwater	Matt Widder	Matt Widder
12/7	Larry Rock	Matthew 1:18-25 Amanda Carey	Jeff Clevenger	Matt Widder
12/14	Jess Carey	Matthew 2:1-12 Larry Rock	Matt Widder	John Carey



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

GOD IS HOLY, HE IS TO BE ADORED.

The Call to Worship | 1 Timothy 6:6-7

Song | Only A Holy God / Holy, Holy, Holy

Prayers of Praise Harvey

Welcome

GOD'S WORD IS TO BE HONORED.

The Gospel Reading | Luke 8:22-25 Jack

The Offering

Kids Message 2 Timothy 4:13 Amanda

GUILT & SIN IS TO BE CONFESSED & REPENTED OF.

Scriptural Call | Philippians 1:21

Hymn #154 | Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Prayers of Confession & Silence Johnny

GOD'S GRACE LEADS US TO GRATITUDE & GODLINESS.

Scriptural Assurance | Psalm 32:5

Song | Blessed Assurance

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Request John

GOD'S WORD IS TO BE PROCLAIMED.

The Sermon Text | Galatians 5:16-26 (p. 1239)

The Sermon | "Walk By The Spirit"

GO SERVE IN OBEDIENCE.

Song | Take My Life and Let It Be

The Benediction

1 Timothy 6:6-7

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain,

⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

Luke 8:22-25

²² One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they set out,

²³ and as they sailed he fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger.

²⁴ And they went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased, and there was a calm.

²⁵ He said to them, "Where is your faith?" And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even winds and water, and they obey him?"

2 Timothy 4:13

¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

Philippians 1:21

²¹ For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Psalm 32:5

⁵ I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Selah*



THE GOSPEL IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS CHRIST SAVES SINNERS.

So then: Repent, Believe, and Follow the Lord Jesus Christ.

Today in Christian History

1093

Death of St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, whose faith brought Christianity to many in the nation.

1827

Western Theological Seminary, a Presbyterian school, formally opens to students in Allegheny, Pennsylvania.

1946

The Evangelical United Brethren Church was constituted at Johnstown, PA by a merger of the United Brethren in Christ and the Evangelical Church. The new denomination originated in the work of two German Reformed pastors, Philip W. Otterbein and Martin Boehm, who had ministered among Pennsylvania Germans two centuries earlier.

2002

A religion law goes into effect in Belarus forbidding unregistered religious activity. It requires censorship of religious literature, forbids foreign church leadership and puts tight restrictions on what organizations can be registered.

Announcements

16 November 2025 / Lord's Day 46



Mission gifts given in November will benefit:
Operation Christmas Child.



Operation Christmas Child (OCC) boxes are available in the Fellowship Hall. Please take up the challenge of packing at least 1 box for every member in your household by Sunday November 16.



Help support VBS 2026 by buying and selling 14" hoagies (10 to choose from) and 12" pizzas (cheese, pepperoni, & white) with our Marianna's Fundraiser. All items are \$10 each.

Money and orders are due back to Lori Wilt on Sunday November 23rd.

Pick-up will be Tuesday December 2nd around 11:30am.

If you have questions please contact Lori at 301-707-3476. Thank you so much!



THE CALENDAR:

Wednesdays **Mid Week Bible Study (6:00-7:30pm)**

Sun. November 16 Council Meeting (noon)

Sun. November 23 Family Meal & Hanging of the Greens (noon)



COFFEE BREAK SCHEDULE:

11/9 - Emily Widder

11/16 - Amanda Carey

11/23 - Sherry Carey

11/30 - Emily Widder

12/7 - Allison Broadwater

12/14 - Sherry Carey

12/21 - Amanda Carey

12/28 -



HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

11/5 Linda Upole

11/5 Bri Llewellyn

11/17 Theresa Brenneman

11/23 HyunJoo Moon

11/30 Shirley Bender



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

11/14 Larry & Kelly Rock

11/23 Harvey & Hannah Hershberger

11/29 Franklin & Allison Broadwater

Prayer List

16 November 2025 / Lord's Day 46

Pray and Memorize this week:

1 Timothy 6:6-7

But godliness with contentment is great gain,
for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything
out of the world.

Pray using prayers of the Puritans - Openness:

You who are Spirit and require truth in the inward parts, help me to
worship You in spirit and in truth.

Pray using our Prayer Points for this week:

Monday	Tuesday
*Neighbors.	*Operation Christmas Child.
*For the kingdom to come.	*For Jesus to come quickly.
Wednesday	Thursday
*For American history.	*For the salvation of _____.
*For the revelation of God.	*For hope in His death.
Friday	Saturday
*For the conversion of Jews.	*For John & Sherry.
*For everlasting life in Jesus.	

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
Peace in Israel & Nigeria. Psalm 25:22

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: Psalm 121:1-2

Fred Holiday (friend of the Broadwaters)

Jeff Iler (friend of Jaden Carey)

Becca Kilgus (friend of Linda Upole)

Bri Llewellyn & baby girl.

Maci Rae Llewellyn (niece of Eric & Bri Llewellyn)

Lauretta Maust (mother of Jen Hershberger)

Sandy McKenzie (friend of the Broadwaters)

Bill Murray (family friend of Michele Carey)

Patty Rice

Trina & Miranda Rounds (friends of the Broadwaters)

Dave Streets (friend of the Broadwaters)

Harper Struntz (local girl)

Ruth Yoder

Pray for those battling cancer. John 14:27

Nick Brown (young local boy)

Linda Handwerk (daugh. of the late Wanda Sheffield)

Steve Hershberger

Shelbi Knauer (friend of Hannah Hershberger)

Daisy Murray (friend of John Carey)

Cindy Widder (family of the Widders)

George Winkelvoss (father of Adam Winkelvoss)

Wyatt Wilkens (friend of Jack Carey)

Indy Yoder (local 4-year-old)

Gay Ziegler (friend of Linda Upole)

Pray for those mourning the loss of:

Fannie Beachy

Lucinda Custer (family of the Widders)

Blaine Fritzman (family of Jaden & Megan Carey)

Pray and prepare for the upcoming preaching of God's Word:

11/23	Luke 8:39	"How Much He's Done"
11/30	2 Corinthians 4:14	"Hope Of All The Earth"
12/7	Revelation 3:21	"Rest In Thee"
12/14	Luke 4:18-19	"Joy Of Every Longing Heart"
12/21	Romans 6:22	"Rule In All Our Hearts"
12/24	Luke 1:31-33	"Thy Glorious Throne"
12/28	Psalm 127:1	"All Glory Be To Christ"

1. The Christian's liberty in Christ is the means whereby he stands fast against all that would enslave. The goal of the Enemy is to bring the believer into spiritual bondage, thereby robbing the soul of enjoyment in Christ. But his defense is the very liberty he has in Christ. Christ sets believers free from the law's demand for perfect obedience by giving that perfect obedience on our behalf, forming the basis for their justification and thus the basis for standing fast against all that would enslave.

Do you know this struggle personally?

To whom do you look for defense and liberty?

2. Christian liberty is freedom from sin and condemnation, and freedom to serve Christ. Some teach that the believer's liberty in Christ is freedom from God's moral law as a direction for how to live, thus granting freedom to indulge fleshly appetites. This antinomian heresy must be resisted vigorously. The liberty to which we have been called is not license to sin but freedom to obey Christ and do His will.

Why is it the Christian's liberty to serve others in love?

3. The justified man produces true holiness because he has the Holy Spirit within. Justification is always followed by sanctification; and sanctification is by the Spirit, not by the law. The Spirit is God's gift to the Christian on the basis of the merit of Christ. By the Spirit's work in the heart the believer is made holy, demonstrated by the fruit that the Spirit produces.

Why is it crucial that we remember that sanctification is by grace alone?

“Walk By The Spirit”

¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do.

¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality,

²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions,

²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

CONCLUSION

Recovering the Essentials

The 2025 State of Theology survey makes clear that many evangelical churches and individuals lack a firm grasp of the essential Christian faith revealed in Scripture.

The solution to this state of affairs is what it has always been—God’s plan for Christian growth and discipleship within the context of doctrinally sound local churches. As biblically qualified pastors lead God’s people in worship and the accurate exposition of God’s Word on a regular basis, healthy growth among believers will take place as the Holy Spirit causes the Word to bear much fruit.

Evangelical churches that do not prioritize sound doctrine and biblically qualified leaders who can accurately teach the Word will inevitably stray from the faith delivered once for all to the saints, exchanging truth for trends and substance for a superficial Christianity that bears little resemblance to what the Scriptures teach.

Additionally, survey results among evangelicals remind us of the enduring value and practical helpfulness of the sound doctrine expressed in the historic confessions and catechisms of the church. In a day when biblical literacy is in decline and serious discipleship is neglected, may the evangelical church increasingly recognize creeds, confessions, and catechisms as profoundly helpful tools for summarizing and teaching God’s truth to His people and discipling them in His ways.

As God’s people are strengthened in sound doctrine and grow in godly character, they will be better equipped to stand firm and share this truth with the world.

The State of Theology part 3

What do Americans in 2025 believe about God, the Bible, and salvation?

Ligonier Ministries and Lifeway Research partnered to find out. The State of Theology is a nationwide survey revealing how people today view key doctrines of the Christian faith.

R.C. Sproul said that *everyone is a theologian*. The question is whether you’re a good theologian or a poor one.

Do your beliefs align with what God has revealed?

Are your values and priorities based in the truth?

Or do you embrace confused ideas that can lead your whole life astray?

Every few years, this survey takes America’s theological temperature, revealing what people actually believe—both outside and inside the church.

Our goal is to diagnose prominent errors and to prescribe the cure: the clear teaching of sound doctrine. We hope these findings equip Christians with insights for discipleship.

“Evangelical” Defined:

Evangelicals were defined by Lifeway Research as people who strongly agreed with the following four statements:

- The Bible is the highest authority for what I believe.
- It is very important for me personally to encourage non-Christians to trust Jesus Christ as their Savior.
- Jesus Christ’s death on the cross is the only sacrifice that could remove the penalty of my sin.
- Only those who trust in Jesus Christ alone as their Savior receive God’s free gift of eternal salvation.

Respondents can also be identified as evangelical in The State of Theology data explorer based on their supplied church affiliation.

Is God's Love Unconditional?

Perhaps most surprising is the response of evangelicals to the statement “God loves all people the same way,” with 94% in agreement. More evangelicals answered this question incorrectly than the general U.S. adult population, in which 83% agreed with the statement.



This suggests a major misunderstanding among evangelicals regarding the different types of love that God has for human beings. R.C. Sproul has noted, “God’s benevolence (good will) is demonstrated by His beneficence (kind actions). His sun and rain are given equally to the just and the unjust” (Ps. 145:8–9; Matt. 5:44–45; Acts 14:16–17). While there is a genuine sense in which God loves all people whom He has created, Scripture also clearly shows that He extends a special love to His elect, those whom He has called to Himself in salvation and has made His children through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ (Ps. 147:11; 149:4; John 17:23–24; Eph. 1:4–6).

Does the Church Matter?

As in 2022, an alarming percentage of evangelicals still fail to recognize God’s call to believers to be members of a local church, with only 61% agreeing that “Every Christian has an obligation to join a local church.” This finding serves to reinforce the need to serve and support the local church in its God-ordained mission of discipleship.



Many of the survey answers from evangelicals in 2025 reveal an alarming lack of biblical literacy, as well as a tendency to hold contradictory beliefs without seeming to recognize the incongruity.