

# PRAISE & WORSHIP

@ 8:45 am in the Fellowship Hall  
*Led by the Holy Spirit*

## CONTINUE IN THE BIBLE

(Persist in an activity or process)

And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he (Jesus) reconciled. In the body of his flesh through death, **to present you holy and unblameable and unreprouvable in his sight: If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel,** which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister; Colossians 1:21-23.

- ◆ Ye are they which have **continued** with me (Jesus) in my temptations. Luke 22:28
- ◆ Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, **If ye continue in my word,** then are ye my disciples indeed; John 8:31
- ◆ As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: **continue ye in my love.** John 15:9
- ◆ These all **continued with one accord in prayer and supplication,** ..... Acts 1:14
- ◆ And they **continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.** Acts 2:42
- ◆ Now when the congregation was broken up....., speaking to them, **persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.** Acts 13:43
- ◆ Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to **continue in the faith,** and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God. Acts 14:22

Continued Under Sermon Notes



LIVING HOPE  
(Phil Wickham)

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation, I turned to heaven  
And spoke your name into the night  
Then through the darkness  
Your loving kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished,  
the end is written  
**Jesus Christ, my living hope**

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR CHURCH?

You are welcome to come forward during the last hymn of the worship service. No prior arrangements are necessary. If you are interested in learning more about our church, you are invited to contact our church office at (205) 681-8348, or email us at office@pinsonumc.org

# SERMON NOTES

## God's Marvelous Plan for the Gentiles—Ephesians 3:1-13 (NIV)

**3** For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—

<sup>2</sup> Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup> that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. <sup>4</sup> In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup> which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. <sup>6</sup> This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

<sup>7</sup> I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. <sup>8</sup> Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup> and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. <sup>10</sup> His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, <sup>11</sup> according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>12</sup> In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. <sup>13</sup> I ask you, therefore, not to be discouraged because of my sufferings for you, which are your glory.

## Continued in the Bible (continued)

- ◆ **Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great,** saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come: Acts 26:22
- ◆ To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; **that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.** Galatians 2:5
- ◆ **Continue in prayer,** and watch in the same with thanksgiving; Colossians 4:2
- ◆ **Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them:** for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee. 1 Timothy 4:16
- ◆ **But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of,** knowing of whom thou hast learned them; 2 Timothy 3:14
- ◆ **Let brotherly love continue.** Hebrews 13:1
- ◆ But whoso looketh into the **perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein,** he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. James 1:25
- ◆ Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, **ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.** 1 John 2:24

*The Altar Flowers are dedicated this  
Sunday, September 12, 2021  
To the Glory of God!*

# WORSHIP

11:00 am

## Gathering

(Time to greet and visit)

## Prelude

(Time to prepare and center our hearts to Worship Our Lord and Savior)

**Pianist**

## Greetings & Announcements

**Linda Jeff, Lay Leader**

## \*Opening Hymn

"Nothing but the Blood"

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## \*Affirmation of Faith

"Apostles' Creed"

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## \*The Gloria Patri

ALL: *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.*

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## Pastoral Prayer

### 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.*

## \*Hymn

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

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## \*Prayer for Illumination

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, That, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, We may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen*

## Scripture

*Ephesians 3:1-13 (NIV)*

## Sermon

**Rev. Bill Boggan, Senior Pastor**  
*"No Appointment Necessary"*

## \*Closing Hymn

"Here I Am, Lord"

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## \*Benediction

## \*Three-Fold Amen

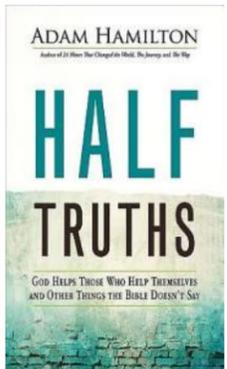
**Chancel Choir**

## \*Postlude

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

Please place offerings in the box in the Narthex or offering plates on the altar.

**Join Us  
Wednesday Nights  
September 15-October 13  
Half Truths by Adam Hamilton**  
(Available on Amplify)



They are simple phrases. They sound Christian—like something you might find in the Bible. We've all heard these words. Maybe we've said them. They capture some element of truth, yet they miss the point in important ways.

Join Adam Hamilton in this 5-week Bible study to search for the whole truth by comparing common Christian clichés with the wisdom found in Scripture. The clichés include:

- ◆ Everything happens for a reason.
- ◆ God helps those who help themselves.
- ◆ God won't give you more than you can handle.
- ◆ God said it, I believe it, that settles it.
- ◆ Love the sinner, hate the sin.

**Volunteers for Sunday September 19, 2021**

**NURSERY**  
Modern — Jamie Blankenship  
Traditional— Jamie Blankenship

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
Elementary—Meegie Wheat  
Youth—Wendy & Pastor Bill

**Counter: Sissie Frank & Pam Summerlin or Jan LeMaster**

**Current Hours for Asbury Center Walking Track**

**OPENS: 7am (Mon.—Fri.) CLOSED: 2:30pm (Mon.—Thurs.) & 12:30pm (on Fri.)**  
Thank you for your cooperation

**Tithes & Offerings received on September 5, 2021**  
We Received \$5,407.00 offerings.  
Thank you for your faithful giving.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SCHEDULE**  
Adult & Children Bible Study—6:30 Fellowship Hall & Asbury Center  
Youth will continue to meet—6:30pm Asbury Center

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Praise & Worship (Fellowship Hall)	8:45 am
Adult, Children & Nursery (Both Buildings)	9:45 am
Youth (Youth Room)	10:00 am
Chancel Choir Practice (Choir Room)	10:15 am
Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)	11:00 am

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY**

09/07 Linda Jeff	09/17 Sarah Womack	09/25 Martha Buttram
09/07 Greg Sumrall	09/19 Carolyn Frost	09/28 Lauren Hodo
09/07 Don Shaw	09/23 Leslie Terrell	09/28 Jacob Lemely
09/07 Sissie Frank	09/25 Ken Walker	09/28 Meredith Mejia
09/15 Craig Battles	09/25 Bill Putnam	09/28 Chloe Turner

**UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS**  
*In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

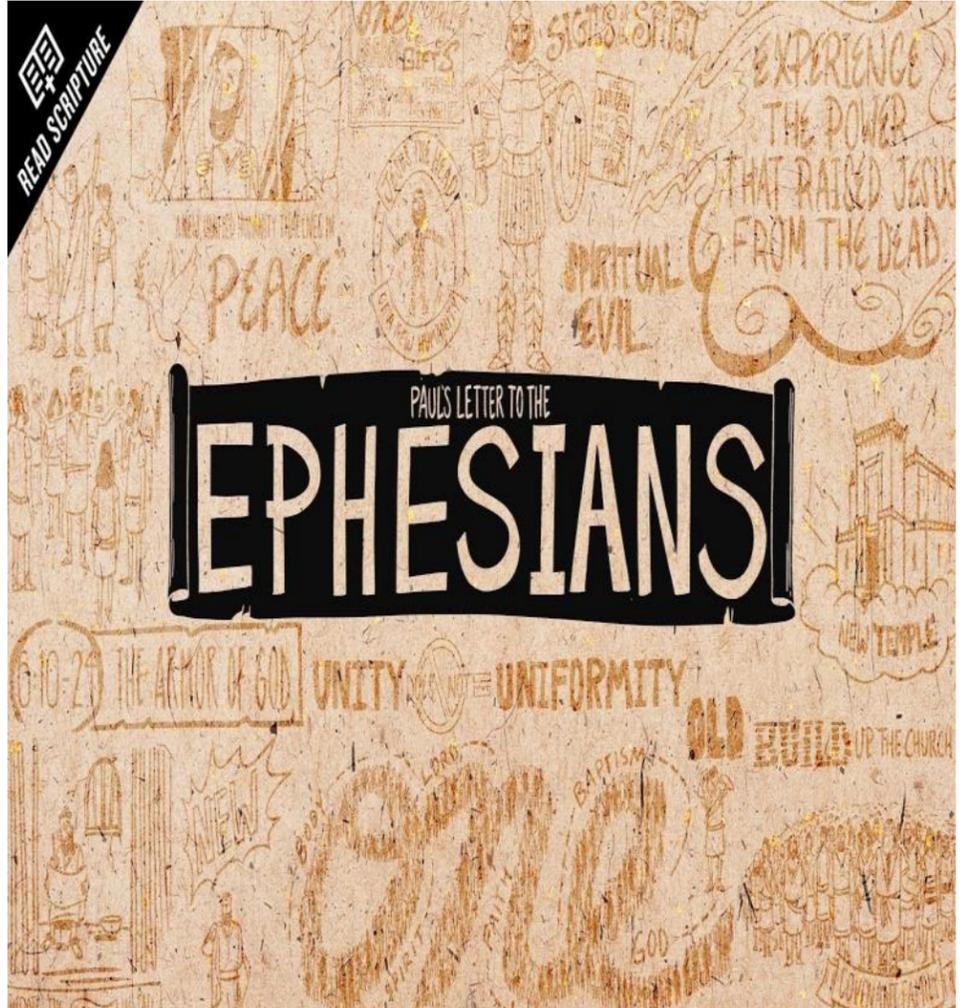
MONTH	EVENT	ITEMS
September 15	Wednesday Night Bible Study	Adult and Children's Wednesday Night Bible Study will resume at 6:30pm.
September 17	Missions	<b>Pick up Boston Butt at church between 5:00PM-8:00PM. NEW TIME</b>
September 22	Food Pantry	Thank you everyone for your support. Volunteers arrive around 9:15am and giving begins at 10:00am.
October 03	Alter Guild	Put up Thanksgiving Tree after traditional service.
October 05	Friends In Deed	Meet at 7:00pm Fellowship Hall
October 10	Men's Breakfast	Meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00am. Help to prepare food at 6:30am.

**OUR LEADERSHIP**

Rev. Bill Boggan	Senior Pastor
Vacant	Youth Ministries
Vacant	Director of Music
Meegie Wheat	Children Ministries
Sissie Frank	Administrative Assistant
Jamie Blankenship	Nurse Coordinator

**Our Vision is "Cultivating community by empowering relationships grounded in the love of Jesus."**  
**Our Mission is "Making disciples of Jesus Christ that transform the world."**

# No Appointment Necessary



*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 12, 2021  
Ephesians 3:1-13 (NIV)*



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