

SUNDAY, July 6, 2025

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
12:30 pm Jackson Baby Shower

TUESDAY, July 8, 2025

6:00 pm After the Sermon
7:00 pm Phone-In Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY, July 10, 2025

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., July 7	Tues., July 8	Wed., July 9	Thurs., July 10
9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm

How Do I Join Upper Seneca Baptist Church

- **By Salvation** ~ By professing faith in Jesus Christ and following Him in believer's baptism.
- **By Transfer of Letter** ~ By transferring your membership from another Baptist Church.
- **By Statement of Faith** ~ By statement of faith in Jesus Christ.

If you have not been baptized by immersion since your conversion, you will need to follow the Lord in believer's baptism.

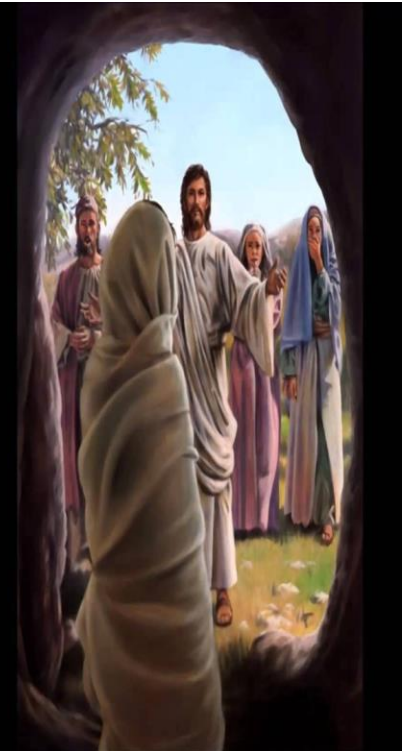
When Do I Join?

At the close of every worship service as we sing the "Invitation Hymn", the pastor stands facing the congregation. Walk to him and tell him you want to join the church or make some other decision.

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

The Miracle of Freedom

John 11:39-44



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Weather Policy

If the church cancels or postpones any service or activity due to inclement weather or wintery conditions, a cancelation notice will appear on the church's Facebook page, church's website, through church email, and on the church's voice recorder. To access the church's voice recorder, please dial (301) 972-3686. The church will only post a cancelation message if a service or activity is canceled or postponed.

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship
Sunday Worship
July 6, 2025

Call to Worship

*Song *"Praise the Lord"* Congregation

Meet and Greet

*Song *"My Country, 'Tis of Thee"* Congregation

Prayer/Welcome Pastor Dennis

*Song *"The Lord's Prayer"* Congregation
 (It's Yours)

Message *"THE MIRACLE OF FREEDOM"*** Pastor Dennis
 John 11:39-44 (NIV)

*Song *"Softly and Tenderly"* Congregation

*Song *"Freely, Freely"* Congregation

*Denotes Congregation standing

**Children will be dismissed to their classrooms following the Sermon Video (prior to the Message).

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Your tithes and offerings will be collected at the end of the service upon leaving.



Starting in September, USBC will be opening its doors for the ***Agape Childcare and Preschool***. The daycare center will be under the direction and proprietorship of Ruth D'Monte (one of our faithful church members). If you would like more information about the daycare center or about enrolling your children, please see Ruth.

During the month of July and part of August, USBC will collect non-perishable food for families needing a helping hand. Please make certain that the non-perishable food you donate has not expired. Grocery Gift Cards (Weis or Safeway) are also appreciated.



Sign up on the bulletin board today and try and win by guessing baby girl Jackson's birth date, time, etc.

Part-Time Associate Pastor/ Outreach Minister Wanted

Upper Seneca Baptist Church is seeking a dedicated and spiritually driven individual to serve as a Part-Time Associate Pastor/Outreach Minister. This role is ideal for someone who is passionate about sharing the Gospel, building community relationships, and supporting the spiritual growth of our congregation. For additional information, go to www.USBChurch.com or see Pastor Dennis.



“The Miracle of Freedom”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

July 6, 2025

Scripture: John 11:39-44 (NIV)

Synopsis: Although Christ has freed us, many are still living a life that is bound. We need to learn how to shake off the grave clothes and live a life of total freedom.

Freedom (def.) – “The ability to live without restraints”.

The miracle of freedom is:

I. Achieved through _____.

John 11:39-40 – “Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.” Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?”

Freedom comes through absolute surrender.

When you surrender (reduced to nothing), you have become something very special in the heart of God.

When you pray and God does not respond, it does not mean that He’s forgotten about you.

Jesus waited until Lazarus was dead, reduced to nothing because God can get glory out of nothing.

It is when we are reduced to nothing is when God can work a miracle.

If you have been reduced to nothing, you are in the perfect position to receive a miracle from the Lord.

If you need a miracle of freedom, then be willing to become nothing so that God can mold you into something.

II. Achieved through _____.

John 11:41-42 – So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”

Lazarus was raised from the dead with a prayer of thanksgiving.

If you need a miracle of freedom, you start by offering up a prayer of thanksgiving.

If you want to get God’s attention, then pray with a heart of thanksgiving.

James 1:2 – Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds,

Thanksgiving is not an emotion; it is a decision.

1 Thessalonians 5:18a – Give thanks in all circumstances, ...

III. Achieved through overcoming _____.

John 11:43 – When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

The world tries to promote real living with the four “E’s”:

- EXAMPLE
- ENCOURAGEMENT
- ENVIRONMENT
- EDUCATION

The only way a dead person can come to life is to come into direct contact with the giver of life, which is Jesus Christ.

IV. Achieved through _____.

John 11:44 – *The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”*

There are four reasons why people are bound.

- They are bound by their **PAST**.

Jeremiah 31:34 – *For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.*

- They are bound by **FEAR**.
- They are bound by **PROBLEMS** that seem insurmountable.

If Jesus Christ can raise Lazarus from the dead, He can solve any problem you have.

- They are bound by **UNFORGIVENESS**.

Every believer has been forgiven by Jesus Christ of the awesome debt of sin.

Matthew 6:14-15 – *For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.*

Sermon Notes:

*If you would like to listen to the sermon on-line, please visit our website at **www.USBChurch.org**.*

