

SUNDAY, May 5, 2024

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
12:30 pm Church Council Meeting

TUESDAY, May 7, 2024

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

THURSDAY, May 9, 2024

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., May 6 9:30 am – 1 pm
Tues., May 7 9:30 am – 1 pm
Wed., May 8 9:30 am – 1 pm
Thurs., May 9 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.

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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



**Impacting The Kingdom Of God
One Person At A Time**

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

Sunday Worship

May 5, 2024



Sunday, May 5, Church Council Meeting
Sunday, May 12, Mother’s Day Service
Sunday, May 19, Music Sunday
Sunday, May 19, Ministry Team Meeting
Monday, May 20, Men’s Luncheon
Sunday, May 26, Communion Sunday
Sunday, May 26, Church Chat
Sunday, May 26, Dive Deeper Bible Study

*Song “Good God Almighty” Congregation

Prayer/Welcome Pastor Dennis

*Song “The God Who Stays” Congregation

**Message Pastor Dennis

“A GOOD GOD ON A BAD DAY”
“Lamentations 3:22-23” (NIV)

*Song “Goodness of God” Congregation

*Song “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Congregation



A special **Music Sunday** will be taking place on **May 19** during our 11 a.m. worship service. On this day, our entire service will be of music.

The good news is, Jesus loves messy people! Whether you’re 5, 45, or 105, we all have our own messes. This year, our VBS theme is called **WHAT A MESS!** **WHAT A MESS!** is about how Jesus deals with our messes; our sins, mistakes, and weaknesses



VBS (Dates & Times)

June 28th (Friday) from 6-8 p.m.
June 29th (Saturday) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
June 30th (Sunday) from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Worship Service (11 a.m.) – Will highlight VBS.
“What A Mess” celebration after the Worship Service.

VBS is for ages 3 years old to 6th grade. The youth (7th-12th grade) will be our helpers.

So, get ready to have lots of messy fun, messy snacks, messy games, messy crafts, and learn how Jesus can clean up our messy lives.

(If anyone would like to help with VBS, please sign up in the foyer.)

*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.

“A Good God on a Bad Day”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

May 5, 2024

Scripture: Lamentations 3:22-23 (NIV)

Synopsis: In the midst of life’s trials and tribulations, it can be easy to lose sight of God’s goodness. However, even on our worst days, we can trust in the unwavering goodness of God and find hope and comfort in His steadfast love.

On a bad day, remember:

I. God’s _____.

Lamentations 3:22 – *Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.*

It is because of God’s love that He does not destroy us.

Psalm 78:38 – *Yet he was merciful; he forgave their iniquities and did not destroy them.*

Time after time he restrained his anger and did not stir up his full wrath.

God’s love is unending and never ceases.

Psalm 136:26 – *Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever.*

Romans 8:38-39 – *For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

God’s love comforts you during times of trouble.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 – *Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.*

II. God’s new _____.

Lamentations 3:23a – *They are new every morning; ...*

Each morning is a new day with the Lord.

Psalm 118:24 – *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Even in times of turmoil, there is a new day on the horizon.

Psalm 30:5a – *... Weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.*

III. God’s _____.

Lamentations 3:23b – *... great is your faithfulness.*

God will never fail in His commitment to you.

Deuteronomy 7:9 – *Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.*

No matter what hardship you are walking in, God will always be walking with you.

Psalm 23:4 – *Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.*

God will not leave you battered, bruised, or broken.

Psalm 147:3 – *He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.*



The *Forever Young Luncheon* will take place on Tuesday, May 14th at 12:30 p.m. We will be meeting at the **Golden Corral** in Frederick, MD. Remember, anyone is welcome.

Mother's Day is just around the corner (**May 12**). To help celebrate our mothers and the women who have had a special influence in our lives, **USBC** will have a special *Mother's Day Service*. During the 11 a.m. service, the children will be giving beautiful flowers to all the women in attendance. It is our way to express our appreciation for your love and dedication.



USBC will be having regular meetings with both the *Ministry Teams* and *Church Leadership* on a regular basis. The purpose of these meetings is for planning, implementation, communicating, and coordinating events and activities for the church.

On Sunday, **May 19**, the following *Ministry Teams* and *Church Leadership* will meet for about 15 minutes following the 11 a.m. worship service.

Children's Ministry/VBS, Young Adults Team, and Buildings & Grounds

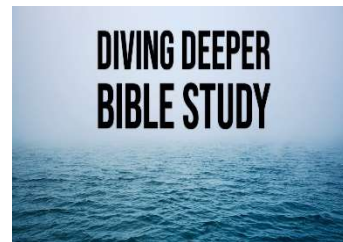
At the **Men's Luncheon** on Monday, **May 20**, 11 a.m., the men will gather at **LongHorn Steakhouse** for a delicious meal and great fellowship. This is a great opportunity to connect with other men in our congregation and grow in our faith together. We look forward to seeing you there! (Address: 20017 Century Blvd, Germantown, MD 20874)



life.

On Sunday, **May 26**, I ask that you prepare your heart as we celebrate **communion** during our Sunday morning worship. Let this be a special time of self-reflection and change as you recall the great sacrifice that Christ made for you. He gave His all so that you could experience the true meaning of

Don't forget to mark your calendar for **May 26** for our next *Church Chat*. As usual, immediately following our Sunday morning worship service, we will gather in the church foyer/coffee shop for a 10-minute informal meeting. During this 10-minute time period, I will be sharing with everyone about upcoming events, areas where the church needs help, and receiving vital input from our church family. *Church Chat* is a great way of keeping everyone informed about all the activities and church events that will be taking place.



On Sunday, **May 26**, our *Dive Deeper Bible Study* topic will be "*How Can a Loving God Allow Suffering in This World?*". Many ask themselves why would a "loving God" allow so much suffering in our world. This question can challenge one's faith, this question can lead others to question God's power, and this question can cause some to reject God's love. Within this important study, we will discover how God's love works in a fallen and broken world.