

SUNDAY, April 2, 2017

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

WEDNESDAY, April 5, 2017

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm After the Sermon
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., April 3 9:30 am – 1 pm
Tues., April 4 9:30 am – 1 pm
Wed., April 5 9:30 am – 1 pm
Thurs., April 6 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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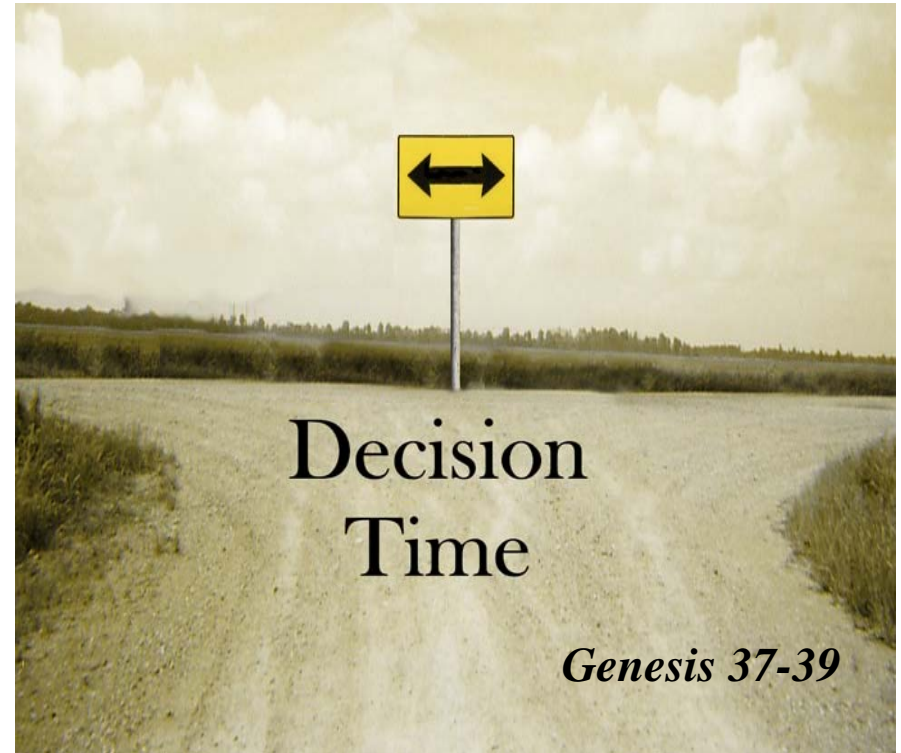
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Upper Seneca Baptist Church



**To Re-Present Jesus Christ
In Our Community
And Beyond**

“Decision Time”
By Pastor Dennis Felder
April 2, 2017

Scripture: Genesis 37-39 (NIV)

What you need to know about decisions:

I. Decisions will impact you _____.

Genesis 37:2 – ... Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father’s wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

Genesis 37:5-8 – Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more. He said to them, “Listen to this dream I had: We were binding sheaves of grain out in the field when suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright, while your sheaves gathered around mine and bowed down to it.” His brothers said to him, “Do you intend to reign over us? Will you actually rule us?” And they hated him all the more because of his dream and what he had said.

Joseph’s brothers made a decision that impacted their lives forever.

Genesis 37:4 – When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Genesis 37:18-24 – But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him. “Here comes that dreamer!” they said to each other. “Come now, let’s kill him and throw him

into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we’ll see what comes of his dreams.” When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. “Let’s not take his life,” he said. “Don’t shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the desert, but don’t lay a hand on him.” Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe--the richly ornamented robe he was wearing-- and they took him and threw him into the cistern. Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

Your decisions will impact others.

When others make a decision that adversely affects you, you can handle it one of two ways.

1. You can complain.
2. You can overcome.

Sooner or later someone is going to throw trash on you.

II. The right decision can be _____.

Genesis 39:11-20 – One day he went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the household servants was inside. She caught him by his cloak and said, “Come to bed with me!” But he left his cloak in her hand and ran out of the house. When she saw that he had left his cloak in her hand and had run out of the house, she called her household servants. “Look,” she said to them, “this Hebrew has been brought to us to make sport of us! He came in here to sleep with me, but I screamed. When he heard me scream for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house.” She kept his cloak beside her until his master came home. Then she told him this story: “That Hebrew slave you brought us came to me to make sport of me. But as soon as I screamed for help, he left his cloak beside me and ran out of the house.” When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, “This is how your slave treated me,” he burned with anger. Joseph’s master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king’s prisoners were confined.

Palm Sunday Service



On Sunday, **April 9** at 11:00 am. This service will prepare your heart as we focus on the life of Christ a week before His crucifixion. This worship service will lift your spirit as our church choir presents the Easter musical entitled, *“In Christ Alone.”*

Children & Youth Easter Party

The Children and Youth Group will be having an Easter Party at USBC on Wednesday, **April 12** at 6:30 pm.



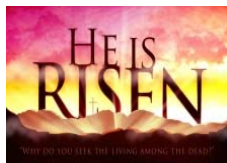
Good Friday Easter Play



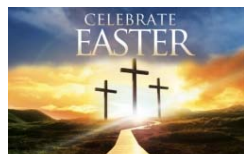
On Friday, **April 14** at 7pm, USBC will be having an Easter play. This interactive service will take you on a vivid journey as to what Christ was experiencing prior to His crucifixion. If you are interested in participating in our short Easter play on this Friday night, please let the Pastor know. We will conclude the evening by observing the Lord's Supper.

Easter Sunrise Service

On Sunday, **April 16** at 6:30 am. Like the followers of Christ did on that very first early Easter morning, we too will rise early to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This service will awaken your heart as we reflect upon the miracle of life over death. We will commemorate Jesus' resurrection through song and praise.



Easter Service



On Sunday, **April 16** at 11:00 am. Once again, we will celebrate our risen Savior through congregational worship. We will sing His praises, we share His Word, we will proclaim His name, and we respond with a faithful heart.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering



USBC will be collecting for our *Annie Armstrong Easter Offering* during the month of April. This offering is named for a faithful missionary who dedicated her life to sharing the Gospel of Jesus. 100% of the offering will go to support our local missionaries as they too carry out the Great Commission. Our church-wide goal is \$1,000.

Easter Lilies



If you would like to donate an Easter Lily in memory or honor of someone for Easter, please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$7.00. Checks should be made payable to USBC and clearly noted for 'Easter Lily'.

April Sermon Schedule

April 2, 2017

Sermon Title: *“Decision Time”*

Scripture: Genesis 37-39

April 9, 2017

Easter Musical: *“In Christ Alone”*

April 16, 2017

Sermon Title: *“From Grief to Joy”*

Scripture: John 16:19-22

April 23, 2017

Sermon Title: *“Nailing It Down”*

Scripture: James 1:13-18

April 30, 2017

Sermon Title: *“The Rest of Your Life”*

Scripture: Exodus 20:8