

**SUNDAY, June 4, 2017**

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

**WEDNESDAY, June 7, 2017**

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

**SATURDAY, June 10, 2017**

9:00 am USBC Cleanup Day

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**

<b>Mon., June 5</b> 9:30 am – 1 pm	<b>Tues., June 6</b> 9:30 am – 1 pm	<b>Wed., June 7</b> 9:30 am – 1 pm	<b>Thurs., June 8</b> 9:30 am – 1 pm
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**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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# Upper Seneca Baptist Church

***Trials Can  
Produce  
Backsliders***



***James 5:19-20***

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

# Upper Seneca Baptist Church

**11:00 am Sunday Worship**

**June 4, 2017**

\*Hymn #305      *“You Are My King”*      *Congregation*  
(*Amazing Love*)

Prayer/Welcomes      *Pastor Dennis*

\*Hymn #573      *“Heaven Came Down”*      *Congregation*

Offertory

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

Special      *“In The Quiet”*      *Choir*

Message      *“Trials Can Produce Backsliders”*  
**James 5:19-20**      *Pastor Dennis*

\*Hymn of Commitment #384      *Congregation*  
*“The Servant Song”*

**Celebration of Communion**

\*Closing Hymn #381      *“Make Me A Servant”*      *Congregation*



Wednesday, June 7, Women’s Bible Study  
Wednesday, June 7, After the Sermon  
Wednesday, June 7, Choir Rehearsal  
Saturday, June 10, Church Clean Up Day  
Sunday, June 11, High Attendance Sunday &  
Lazy Lunch  
Monday, June 12, Church Council Meeting  
Tuesday, June 13 Super Seniors @ “Bob Evans”  
Sunday, June 25, Dive Deeper Bible Study

## Benevolence Offering

Upper Seneca Baptist Church will receive a Benevolence Offering as you leave the sanctuary today. A basket is on the table to the right. We receive this offering each of the Sundays on which we serve the Lord’s Supper.



## USBC Cleanup Day



**REMINDER:** USBC will be having a cleanup day Saturday, **June 10** at 9 am. Please take time out to help brighten the church. **Sign up** on the sheet in the narthex. For more information, contact the church office.

## High Attendance Sunday

**HIGH ATTENDANCE SUNDAY** will take place on **June 11**. Our attendance goal is **100 people**. Therefore, we need your commitment to be in attendance and to invite someone else to be your guest. Following our service, we will be having a **Lazy Lunch** on the church’s grounds. Fill out the slip in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Bring a friend and your favorite dessert!



\*Denotes Congregation standing  
\*\*Children will be dismissed to their classrooms following the Sermon Video (prior to the Message).  
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# “Trials Can Produce Backsliders”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

May 14, 2017

Scripture: James 5:19-20 (NIV)

## The Picture of Backsliding:

I. Backsliding is a \_\_\_\_\_.

James 5:19 – *My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back,*

**Every Christian has the potential to turn away from God’s truths.**

Matthew 7:22-23 – *Many will say to me on that day, “Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?” Then I will tell them plainly, “I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!”*

**BACKSLIDER (def.): A Christian who is no longer progressing in their faith.**

Revelation 3:16 – *So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.*

Matthew 26:34-35 – *“I tell you the truth,” Jesus answered, “this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.” But Peter declared, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the other disciples said the same.*

Matthew 26:74-75 – *Then he began to call down curses on himself and he swore to them, “I don’t know the man!” Immediately a rooster crowed. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: “Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times.” And he went outside and wept bitterly.*

II. Backsliders need your \_\_\_\_\_.

James 5:20a – *Remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way ...*

**If you are a believer in Christ it is your responsibility to turn another believer around.**

James 5:16 – *Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.*

**If we are not actively involved in this process of redemption then we are not living our Christian life according to the expectations of God.**

**3 reasons why some won’t help the backslider.**

*We do not love them enough.  
We are not willing to give the time.  
We might be rejected.*

III. Backsliders can be \_\_\_\_\_.

James 5:20b – *... Will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.*

**If you intervene in the life of a wayward Christian, you may keep them from death.**

**There are two types of death that is being refereed here:**  
*Spiritual death.  
Physical death.*

**Two ways to approach a backslider:**

*Expose their sin.  
Cover their sin.*

Proverbs 10:12 – *Hatred stirs up dissension, but love covers over all wrongs.*

John 13:35 – *By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.*

*Agape Love - It is doing what is best for the other person rather than doing what is best for yourself.*

**Romans 5:8** – *But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

**Romans 4:7** – *Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven whose sins are covered.*

**Sermon Notes:**

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*If you would like to listen to the sermon on-line, please visit our website at [www.USBChurch.org](http://www.USBChurch.org).*

**Super Seniors**



The Super Seniors is having their monthly luncheon on Tuesday, **June 13**, at the “**Bob Evans**” in Germantown, MD, at 12 noon. For more information, contact the office.

**Dive Deeper**

On **June 25** at 1 pm, I will be leading our *Dive Deeper Bible Study*. The topic is entitled, “*What Does the Bible Say About Cursing?*” In today’s world, cursing is common and is a daily occurrence. In this informative study, we will search the Scripture to determine what words are prohibited and what words are allowed. This will be an informative and intense study that will allow us to better navigate the words and phrases we use in a secular world that, in turn, will honor God in the process.



**Help Needed**



**Vacation Bible School** will be here before we know it! This year it will be **July 17 through July 21**. This year’s theme is **Galactic Starveyors!**

In order to make this wonderful experience available for the children in our community, we need LOTS of help! Help is needed for teaching, assistants, crafts, snacks, recreation, music, registration, and more! If you are available to help, sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board or please see Donna Limparis.

***Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven whose sins are covered.***  
*Romans 4:7*