

**SUNDAY, March 25, 2018**

9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Palm Sunday Service  
1:00 pm Dive Deeper Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY, March 28, 2018**

6:30 pm Special Easter Bible Study  
6:30 pm After the Sermon  
7:30 pm Choir Practice

**FRIDAY, March 30, 2018**

7:00 pm Passover Seder

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**

**Mon., March 26** 9:30 am – 1 pm  
**Tues., March 27** 9:30 am – 1 pm  
**Wed., March 28** 9:30 am – 1 pm  
**Thurs., March 29** 9:30 am – 1 pm

**How Do I Join Upper Seneca Baptist Church**

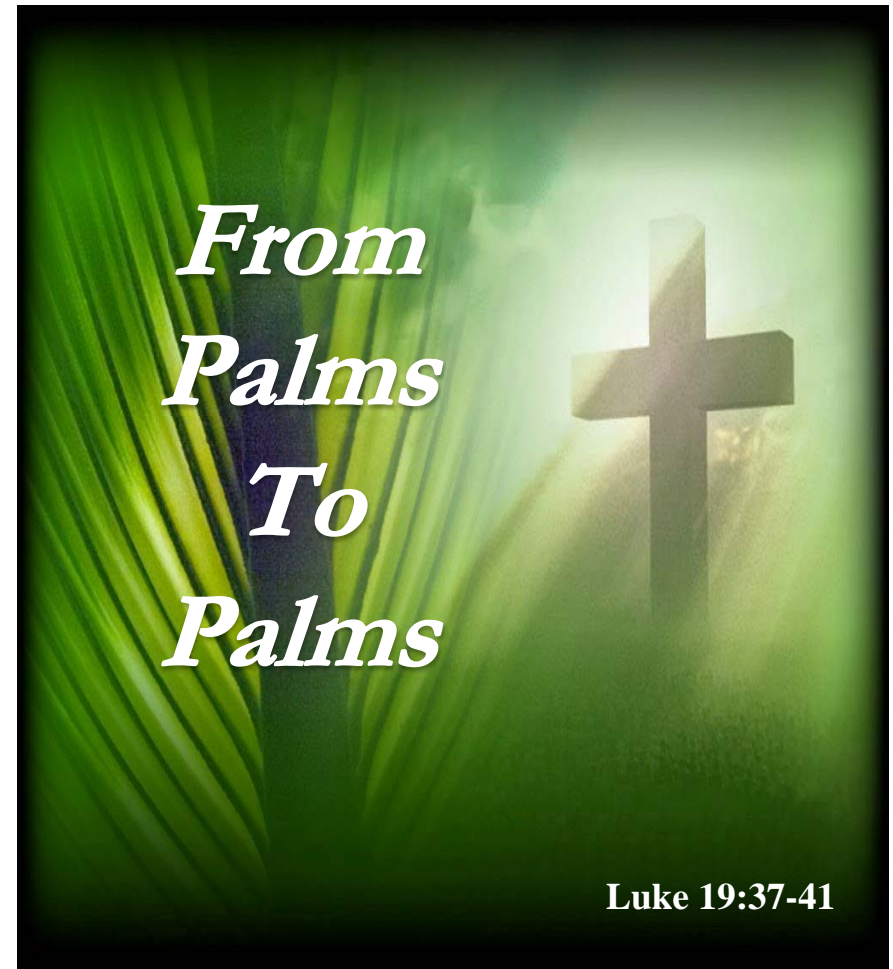
- **By Salvation** ~ By professing faith in Jesus Christ and following Him in believer's baptism. ~ OR ~
- **By Transfer of Letter** ~ By transferring your membership from another Baptist Church. ~ OR ~
- **By Statement of Faith** ~ By statement of faith in Jesus Christ.

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



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**Weather Policy**

If the church cancels any service or activity due to inclement weather or wintery conditions, a message will be placed on the church's voice recorder to inform you of such changes or cancelations. If you are in doubt if a particular service or activity is canceled, please call the church before you travel to the event. If no message is stated notifying you of any changes, this means the service or activity remains as scheduled. We will only post a cancelation message if a service or activity is canceled or postponed.

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

## **Upper Seneca Baptist Church**

**11:00 am Sunday Worship**

**March 25, 2018**

**\*Hymn**                      *“Good Good Father”*                      *Congregation*

**\*Hymn #135**                      *“Hosanna”*                      *Congregation*

**Prayer/Welcome**                      *Pastor Dennis*

**\*Hymn #136** *“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*                      *Congregation*

**Offertory**

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Special**

**\*\*Message**                      *“From Palms to Palms”*  
*Luke 19:37-41*                      *Pastor Dennis*

**\*Hymn of Commitment #261**                      *Congregation*  
*“Lamb of God”*

**\*Closing Hymn #261** *“Lamb of God”*                      *Congregation*  
(Chorus only)

\*Denotes Congregation standing

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

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Sunday, March 25, Dive Deeper Bible Study  
Wednesday, March 28, Special Easter Bible Study  
Wednesday, March 28, Choir Rehearsal  
Friday, March 30, Passover Seder  
Sunday, April 1, Easter Communion  
Sunday, April 1, Easter Service  
Monday, April 9, Church Council Meeting  
Tuesday, April 10, Super Sr. @ “Golden Corral”  
Saturday, April 14, Focus Meeting  
Sunday, April 15, Portrayal of Moses

## **Dive Deeper Bible Study**

**Today** immediately following our Sunday morning worship service, we will be having a thought provoking *Dive Deeper Bible Study*. Our study will be entitled, *“You’re Not From Here”*. This topic is often discussed within political circles. However, the Bible deals directly with this issue. At our next study, we will discover that the Bible is not shy in addressing this important topic. However, it must be remembered that the Bible does not try to answer this question from a political position. The Bible seeks to reveal the heart of God when it comes to dealing with people from other places.



## **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.



*The palms are given today in memory of  
Gloria Woodfield Hash by her family.*

# “From Palms to Palms”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

March 25, 2018

Scripture: Luke 19:37-41 (NIV)

## How people respond to Jesus:

I. With \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 19:37-38** – *When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”*

### **The crowd makes 3 proclamations:**

- They claimed Jesus is King.
- They claimed Jesus is Savior.
- They claimed Jesus ushers in peace.

**When you understand the great things God has done for you, your heart will be filled with excitement.**

**Psalm 106:1** – *Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.*

**It is sad to see how quickly we forget about how much Christ has done for us.**

II. With \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 19:39** – *Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”*

**There are times that we deny the Kingship of Christ.**

**Matthew 17:20** – *He replied, “Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.”*

III. With \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 19:40-41** – *“I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.” As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it.*

**The world will never be able to ban Christ.**

**Romans 14:11** – *It is written: “‘As surely as I live,’ says the Lord, ‘every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God.’”*

**Which crowd would you have been in on Jesus’ triumphant entry?**

**Jesus does not want you to be part of the crowd, He wants you to be part of the called.**

**1 Peter 2:9** – *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.*

**A call to follow Christ involves a heart of brokenness.**

**John 10:10b** – ... *I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*

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

**John 12:19** – *So the Pharisees said to one another, “See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!”*

**Sermon Notes:**

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## Focus Meeting



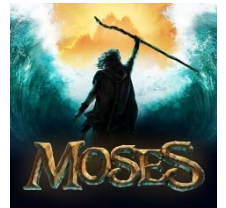
We know how important good eye sight is. Without good eye sight, important things that we need to see can be blurry or unfocused. When this happens, we may miss a vital detail that can create a dilemma down the road. This same analogy applies to the church.

The church needs to have a sharp focus so that it can clearly see the vision that God has cast upon it. The Bible says in **Proverbs 29:18**, “*Where there is no vision, the people perish: ...*” To be obedient to such a command, **USBC** will be holding a **Focus Meeting**. The purpose of the **Focus Meeting** is to give me an opportunity to share with you about God’s clear direction for the church.

On **April 14** at 10 a.m., we will gather at the church to dream God’s dream and to implement constructive ways to accomplish God’s wonderful vision for **USBC**. In April’s Newsletter is a collective list of ministries, activities, and fellowships that will be taking place in the life of the church. I encourage you to attend the **Focus Meeting** on **April 14** to help you better under the church’s purpose and direction for 2018. During the meeting time, I will be providing a detailed explanation of each activity and how you can become a needed partner to help accomplish this worthy vision for Christ.

## Portrayal of Moses

On **April 15**, during our 11 a.m. worship service, I will be sharing about the victories and defeats surrounding the incredible life of Moses. This sermon, unlike my others, will be a dramatic retelling of Moses’ privileged up bringing in Egypt, his tumultuous struggles with the Israelites in the unforgiving desert, and his solitude death while grazing into The Promise Land.



Don’t miss this creative presentation of Moses’ life and how we too can become better servants for our Lord and Savior.

## Special Easter Bible Study



On Wednesday, **March 28** at 6:30 pm, the Pastor will be leading a special Bible study entitled, "*The Cultural Beginnings of Easter*". During this informative study, the origin of the word **Easter** will be discussed, how the observance of Easter started, and the history of the Easter egg.

## Passover Seder

On Friday, **March 30** at 7 pm, USBC will be hosting a *Passover Seder*. Below is a traditional explanation of the *Passover Seder* celebrated by the Jewish faith from Wikipedia.



To keep in step with Jewish traditional and to combine the Christian faith of Jesus as being the perfect Passover Lamb, our church invites you to attend this special observance of the *Passover Seder*. Our very own Brian Altman will be leading our *Passover Seder* and will be combining his Jewish tradition with His Christian faith. During the Seder presentation, we will learn about the importance of the Seder, partake in the Seder, and understand the importance of the Passover Lamb. On this memorable night, we will have several tables set up with their own Seder plates, we will eat of the Seder meal, we will participate in the Seder rituals, and we will learn about the Seder with hands-on involvement.

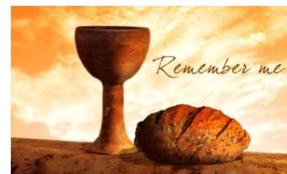
Since the Seder is a family observance, we invite all, young and old, to be in attendance. If you are planning on attending, please sign up in our foyer so that we can make room for everyone. Also, if you would like to help setup or read a prayer during the Seder, please indicate on the sign-up sheet.

## 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 foyer. The cost is \$8.00. Checks should be made payable to USBC and clearly noted for 'Easter Lily'.

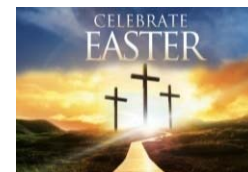
## Easter Communion



On **April 1**, USBC wants you to experience communion in an intimate way. Therefore, on Easter Sunday, you are invited to participate in the taking of communion. Instead of having the Lord's Supper as a congregational event, you will have the opportunity to partake of communion in a personal and private time of reflection. During the time from 9:30 am -1:00 pm, communion will be set up in the Adult Sunday School classroom. When you arrive at church on Easter morning, please make your way to this designated area to take of the cup and bread. If you are unable to take communion prior to the 11:00 am worship service, you will still have an opportunity to celebrate the Lord's Supper following the service. The room will be set up with a comfortable, quiet environment with subtle background music playing. Either in the room or prior to entering the room, you will be given a Reflection Guide with verses and prayers. Take this guide and read it. Upon reading the guide, the communion elements will be available for partaking. Since this communion is designed for a more intimate time for personal reflection, the Pastor will not be present. If the Lord is leading you, it is encouraged that you invite your family or someone else with you to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

## Easter Sunday

On Sunday, **April 1** at 11:00 am. During our Easter celebration service, we will sing His praises, we share His Word, we will proclaim His great name, and we will respond with a faithful heart.



## USBC Super Seniors Luncheon



On **April 10** the *Super Seniors* will be having their monthly luncheon at the *Golden Corral* in Frederick at 12 noon. So, put it on your calendar so that you do not miss out on this wonderful food and fellowship.