

SUNDAY, March 26, 2017

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
12:15 pm Special Church Council Planning

WEDNESDAY, March 29, 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., March 27 9:30 am – 1 pm
Tues., March 28 9:30 am – 1 pm
Wed., March 29 9:30 am – 1 pm
Thurs., March 30 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 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 cancellations. 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 cancellation message if a service or activity is canceled or postponed.

Upper Seneca Baptist Church



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

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

March 26, 2017

*Hymn #579 *“He Has Made Me Glad”* Congregation
(I Will Enter His Gates)

Prayer/Welcome Pastor Dennis

*Hymn #44 *“He Knows My Name”* Congregation

*Hymn #23 *“Thou Art Worthy”* Congregation

Offertory

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Special *“Search Me, O God”* Choir

**Message *“Responding to God’s Call”* Pastor Dennis
Isaiah 6:5-11

*Hymn of Commitment #628 Congregation
“He Touched Me”

*Closing Hymn #667 Congregation
“As We Go”

*Denotes Congregation standing

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

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Looking Ahead

Sunday, March 26, Special Church Council Planning Meeting

Wednesday, March 29, Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday, March 29, After the Sermon

Wednesday, March 29, Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 9, Palm Sunday “In Christ Alone”

Monday, April 10, Church Council Meeting

Friday, April 14, Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 16, Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 16, Easter Service

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.



Vacation Bible School 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!**

From Lifeway.com – “Turn your kids into Galactic Starveyors! As kids focus their telescopes on the marvels painted in the sky by the Creator, they will discover the wonder among all wonders - that the God who created everything there is - the knowable and the unknowable, the visible and the invisible - wants a personal relationship with them! Invite your kids into the clubhouse and show them the God who is over the moon in love with them.”

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.

“Responding to God’s Call”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

March 26, 2017

Scripture: Isaiah 6:5-11 (NIV)

God’s call involves:

I. A profound _____.

Isaiah 6:5a – “Woe to me!” I cried.

Isaiah acknowledges his inadequacies.

Woe - means a deep sorrow, grief, or affliction.

II. A confession of _____.

Isaiah 6:5b – “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.”

Isaiah knew he was not worthy to stand before God Almighty.

Isaiah understood one basic fundamental principle: If his lips were not right with God, then his heart could not be right with God.

Matthew 12:34 – ... For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

When Isaiah had seen God, he could see himself for who he really was.

1 John 1:7 – But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

John 3:16 – For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

2 Tim. 2:21 – Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

The same God who made Isaiah holy, is the same God you can make you holy.

Isaiah 6:6-7a – Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; ...”

Fire accomplishes two purposes.

- It has the power to destroy.
- It has the power to purify.

There is no painless cure for sin.

When Christ took on the sins of the world it was painful.

1 John 1:9 – If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Romans 7:24 – What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?

Isaiah 6:7b – ... Your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.

Like Isaiah, God has offered you a pardon from sin, but you must accept it.

III. A proper _____.

Isaiah 6:8 – *Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”*

We need to have our lips touched with a living coal.

We need to confess the sins in our life, because our service will be sterile and frustrating until that takes place.

Isaiah is now a man who has been touched by the love of God.

When you are touched by the power God you will never be the same again.

When you yield to the calling of God, it brings unspeakable joy.

IV. A continuing _____.

Isaiah 6:9-11 – *He said, “Go and tell this people: ‘Be ever hearing, but never understanding; be ever seeing, but never perceiving.’ Make the heart of this people calloused; make their ears dull and close their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed.” Then I said, “For how long, Lord?” And he answered: “Until the cities lie ruined and without inhabitant, until the houses are left deserted and the fields ruined and ravaged,*

How long will I love the church?

How much do you love this church?

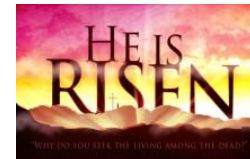
If you would like to listen to the sermon on-line, please visit our website at www.USBChurch.org.

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.”*



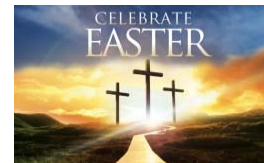
Easter Sunrise Service



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.