

SUNDAY, May 20, 2018

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
1:00 pm Pizza with the Pastor @ Ledo Pizza

WEDNESDAY, May 23, 2018

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

FRIDAY, May 25, 2018

7:00 pm Devotion with Donuts @ Dunkin Donuts

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., May 21 9:30 am – 1 pm **Tues., May 22** 9:30 am – 1 pm **Wed., May 23** 9:30 am – 1 pm **Thurs., May 24** 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.

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"The Trappings of Materialism"

James 5:1-6



Impacting The Kingdom Of God One Person At A Time

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

May 20, 2018

*Hymn # 7 *Congregation*
"Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down"

*Hymn #8 *Congregation*
"Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

Prayer/Welcome *Pastor Dennis*

*Hymn #26 "Blessed Be Your Name" *Congregation*

Offertory

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Special "When I Survey" *Choir*

Message *Pastor Dennis*
"The Trappings of Materialism"
James 5:1-6

*Hymn of Commitment #433 *Congregation*
"I Surrender All"

*Closing Hymn #385 *Congregation*
"They'll Know We Are Christians"

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

Sunday, May 20, Pizza w/the Pastor @ Ledo Pizza
Wednesday, May 23, Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, May 23, After the Sermon
Wednesday, May 23, Choir Rehearsal
Friday, May 25, Devotion w/Donuts at Dunkin
Sun.-Wed., May 27 - 30, Spring Bible Study
Saturday, June 2, Frederick Keys Game
Sunday, June 3, Treasure from Heaven, Share 101
Sunday, June 10, High Attendance Sunday
And Potluck Dinner

Vacation Bible School

Our *Vacation Bible School* will be here before we know it! This year it will be **July 9 – 13, 6:30 – 8:30 pm**. This year's theme is **Game On!** *Theme Verse - His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. 2 Peter 1:3 Gear up! Get Ready! Game on!* 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, please see Donna Limparis.



Baseball Fever



Batter up! We will have the opportunity to hear those exciting words on Saturday, **June 2**. *USBC* will be going to watch the Frederick Keys take on the Lynchburg-Hillcats at 6 pm. The ticket prices are as follows: *Youth* (3-16) - \$7; *Adult* - \$10; and *Seniors* - \$7. There is a sign-up sheet in the church's foyer if you are interested in attending.

Special Music

Do you have a special hymn or reading you would like to share over the summer during the morning worship service? If so, please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board. For more information, contact Priscilla Knicley.



“The Trappings of Materialism”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

May 20, 2018

Scripture: James 5:1-6 (NIV)

What does a materialist look like?

I. One who doesn't _____.

James 5:1 – *Now listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming on you.*

John 16:33 – *In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.*

When the Bible is talking about materialism, it is not talking about how much money you have.

Proverbs 10:22 – *The blessing of the LORD brings wealth, and he adds no trouble to it.*

Materialism is not concerned with what you have, but with your mind set in having it.

They were expecting gold to do something that only God could do for them.

II. One who has the wrong _____.

Money cannot get you into debt and money cannot get you out of debt.

A materialist focuses on themselves rather than focusing on God.

Colossians 3:2 – *Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.*

III. One who is _____.

James 5:2-3 – *Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. Your gold and silver are corroded. Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days.*

God's focus is not upon a person's bank account, but upon their heart.

Would God rather you have a million dollars in your bank account and not have a personal relationship with Him? Or, would God rather you have zero dollars in your bank account and have a personal relationship with Him?

Money or wealth cannot save you.

IV. One who takes advantage of _____.

James 5:4-5 – *Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty. You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter.*

A materialist will deceive you in a heartbeat.

Deuteronomy 24:14-15 – *Do not take advantage of a hired worker who is poor and needy, whether that worker is a fellow Israelite or a foreigner residing in one of your towns. Pay them their wages each day before sunset, because they are poor and are counting on it. Otherwise they may cry to the Lord against you, and you will be guilty of sin.*

James says, “If your love for material possessions exceeds your love for God, then God is going to bring you down.”

Pizza With the Pastor Today



It is that time again to have *Pizza with the Pastor*. **Today**, following our Sunday morning worship, we will meet at Ledo Pizza in Damascus for some good food, fun, and fellowship. If you are planning on attending, please signup so that we can give an accurate count to Ledo Pizza. Like before, each person or family will be responsible for their portion of the bill. See you there!

Devotion with Donuts

On **May 25** at 7 pm, I invite you to join me for our second *Devotion with Donuts*. Our *Devotion with Donuts* will take place at our community Dunkin Donuts in Damascus. During this time, we will have a short Bible devotion and prayer while we enjoy our tasty donuts. Also, this time will allow USBC to engage with our community in a positive manner.



Spring Bible Study



From **May 27-30**, USBC will be having our *Spring Bible Study*. The study is entitled, “*Complacency Exposed: A Study of the Book of Malachi*.” This informative study will be led by Pastor Gayle Clifton. Study material

will be provided in advance to help familiarize yourself with the studies content. Although this Bible study consists of 4 days, it is not required that you have to commit to all four days to participate. Please attend as your schedule permits.

Schedule:

- *Sunday*, May 27 from 1-3 pm
(lunch will be provided)
- *Monday*, May 28 from 6:30-8:30 pm
- *Tuesday*, May 29 from 6:30-8:30 pm
- *Wednesday*, May 30 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Treasure from Heaven



On **June 3**, at 1 pm, we will meet at Burger King in Damascus to start our official *Treasure From Heaven* kickoff that is entitled *Share 101*. The *Treasure from Heaven* consists of a dollar bill, informational cards, and Scripture cards placed in a clear zip lock bag. Each of these *Share Packets* will be placed in various locations within the communities near the church. When a person comes by and sees this dollar bill visibly shining through the clear zip lock bag, they will inevitably pick it up. Upon opening the zip lock bag to examine what else is in the *Share Packet*, they will realize that it is all for them. That is their *Treasure from Heaven*. Throughout the summer, you will also be invited to participate in *Share 102* and *Share 103* which builds upon *Share 101*.

High Attendance and Potluck Dinner

On **June 10**, come join us for our *High Attendance Sunday and Potluck Dinner*. Before the summer gets into full swing, let us come together for an exciting time of worship and delicious food afterwards. To make this a special Sunday of worship, we encourage you to be in attendance and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us. Our goal is to have 100 people in attendance. Immediately following our worship time, we will gather in our Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Dinner. Please fill out the slip in today’s bulletin. Please join us for an afternoon filled with fun, food, and fellowship on **June 10**.



Volunteers Needed



Looking for volunteers to receive food items before the dinner on Sunday, **June 10**, and several people to help clean up after the meal. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.