

SUNDAY, November 18, 2018

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

WEDNESDAY, November 21, 2018

7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service

SATURDAY, November 24, 2018

10:00 pm Christmas Decorating

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., Nov. 19 9:30 am – 1 pm	Tues., Nov 20 9:30 am – 1 pm	Wed., Nov. 21 9:30 am – 1 pm	Thurs., Nov. 22 Closed
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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



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

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

November 18, 2018

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

Prayer/Welcome *Pastor Dennis*

*Hymn #99 *“Forever”* *Congregation*

Offertory

*Hymn #585 *“Count Your Blessings”* *Congregation*

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Special *“A Tribute”* *Choir*

**Message *Pastor Dennis*
“A Thanksgiving Invitation”
 Psalm 100:1-5

*Hymn of Commitment #133 *Congregation*
 “Shout to the Lord”

*Closing Hymn #586 *Congregation*
 “Rejoice in the Lord Always”

*Denotes Congregation standing

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

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Sunday, November 18, Dive Deeper Bible Study
Wednesday, November 21, Thanksgiving Eve Service
Thursday, November 22, Happy Thanksgiving
Saturday, November 24, Christmas Decorating
Sunday, December 2, Museum of the Bible trip
Saturday, December 8, The Menorah

A psalm of thanksgiving.

Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth! Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy.

Acknowledge that the LORD is GOD! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the LORD is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.

Psalm 100:1-5

“A Thanksgiving Invitation”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

November 18, 2018

Scripture: Psalm 100:1-5 (NIV)

Four Invitations to Thanksgiving:

I. We are invited to _____ Him.

Psalm 100:1-2 – Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Our worship should always be joyful.

Philippians 4:4 – Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

II. We are invited to _____ Him.

Psalm 100:3 – Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

We can know God intimately.

Proverbs 8:17 – I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me.

We worship Him because He is our creator.

III. We are invited into His _____.

Psalm 100:4 – Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

When we enter into God’s presences, there are two expectations:

- Give Him thanksgiving.

Psalm 16:11 – You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

- Give Him praise.

Psalm 75:1 – We praise you, God, we praise you, for your Name is near; people tell of your wonderful deeds.

IV. We are invited to experience His _____.

Psalm 100:5 – For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

The importance of God’s love:

- His love always forgives.

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

- His love never fails.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a – Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. ...

- His love never ends.

Matthew 28:20b – ... And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

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

Dive Deeper Bible Study



Today, you are invited to attend our *Dive Deeper Bible Study*. The title of our discussion is “*Music – Its Spiritual Impact*”. During our study time, we will discuss the history of music in the Bible and how music can impact us negatively and positively.

Christmas Decorating

It is that wonderful time of year again – CHRISTMAS! As we prepare for the all the Christmas activities at the church, we will be decorating our church building for this festive season. On Saturday, **November 24** at 10 a.m., we need your help in putting up our Christmas decorations. If you can help with our Christmas decorating, please sign-up in the church’s foyer.



Thanksgiving Eve Service



On Wednesday, **November 21**, from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m., our **USBC** family will be creating new memories to share with others. For our *Thanksgiving Eve Service*, like last year, we will gather in the church’s Fellowship Hall. During this hour of reflection and celebration,

we will create yummy desserts to share with one another, share Thanksgiving memories, sing festive music, and express our thankfulness for one another and for our Lord and Savior.

The church will be providing all food/dessert supplies for each person to create a crafty dessert. All the recipes will be simple to make. Once completed, we will share the sweet treats with one another. As we are making our tasty treats, everyone will have the opportunity to share stories involving Thanksgiving memories. We will sing songs and read Scriptures that will help to develop and maintain a heart of Thanksgiving during this special season. The only thing that you will need to bring is yourself. Everyone one is invited!

Museum of the Bible



On Sunday, **December 2**, we will be visiting the *Museum of the Bible* in Washington, D.C. Following our worship service, we will have a quick lunch, carpool to the Shady Grove Metro Station, and arrive at the museum around 2 p.m. The cost will be \$10 per person and you will be responsible for purchasing your fare to ride Metro. However, lunch will be provided by the church. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the church’s foyer.

Here is a brief description of the museum: “Museum of the Bible aims to be among the most technologically advanced and engaging museums in the world. Showcasing rare artifacts spanning 3,500 years of history, the museum offers visitors an immersive and personalized experience with the Bible, and its ongoing impact on the world around us.” If you would like more information about the *Museum of the Bible*, please visit their website at www.museumofthebible.org.

The Menorah

Within the Jewish faith, it is very common to light a *Menorah* during the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah. This Jewish holiday is observed during the Christian celebration of Christmas. Often, in certain public displays you will see a *Menorah* next to a Christmas Tree. For many Christians, we do not understand the purpose or meaning of the *Menorah*. On **December 8** at 4 p.m., our very own Brian Altman will be sharing with our church the history, the meaning, and the purpose of the *Menorah*. Brian will teach us the significance of the *Menorah* in the Jewish faith and how it has been observed and celebrated. In addition, we will learn how the Christian faith can embrace its meaning. To celebrate the lighting of the *Menorah*, we will observe this special occasion just like Jewish families will be doing. When lighting the *Menorah* they also celebrate by eating fried foods. So, we also will be serving up some delicious fried desserts to satisfy our taste buds following the lighting of our *Menorah*

