

**SUNDAY, November 5, 2017**

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

**WEDNESDAY, November 8, 2017**

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

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**

<b>Mon., Nov. 6</b>	<b>Tues., Nov. 7</b>	<b>Wed., Nov. 8</b>	<b>Thurs., Oct. 9</b>
9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	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*



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

# Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

November 5, 2017



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Wednesday, Nov. 8, Choir Practice  
Wednesday, Nov. 8, Women's Bible Study  
Wednesday, Nov. 8, After the Sermon  
Monday, Nov. 13, Church Council Meeting  
Tuesday, Nov. 14, Super Seniors @ I-Hop  
Saturday, Nov. 18, Chair Prayer  
Wednesday, Nov. 22, Thanksgiving Eve Service

\*Hymn #4 "Almighty" Congregation

Prayer/Welcome Pastor Dennis

\*Hymn #342 "Thy Word" Congregation

Offertory

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

"Let It Rise" Congregation

Message "A New Beginning" Pastor Dennis  
Joshua 1:1-9

\*Hymn of Commitment #529 Congregation  
"Change My Heart, O God"

## Celebration of Communion

\*Closing Hymn #182 Congregation  
"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

## Coffee Shop

USBC is excited to announce that we are going into the coffee business. This Fall, the church will be creating and building a special coffee bar in the lobby/foyer. The coffee bar will provide coffee, juice, and refreshments for all church attendees on Sunday mornings. The coffee bar will be appropriately named the **HISTORY CAFÉ**.



Although, the **HISTORY CAFÉ** will be modern and up-to-date with equipment and furnishings, it will also reflect the history of USBC. Throughout the **HISTORY CAFÉ**, there will be mementos and historical artifacts on display to celebrate the wonderful history of USBC. As one sips on their beverage and nibbles on their Danish, they can be reminded of the commitment that so many have made to make USBC a lasting presence in our community.

However, for the **HISTORY CAFÉ** to become a reality, USBC needs your support. First, I encourage you to lift this new endeavor up in prayer. This specialized café will afford us a wonderful opportunity to have important fellowship with one another and with our guests that God brings to our church. Second, I ask that you volunteer to be a special greeter in the café and to help keep it well stocked with coffee, juice, and refreshments. Third, I ask that you help with the construction of the café. Lastly, I am asking that you help financially.

To renovate the church lobby/foyer to make the **HISTORY CAFÉ** a reality, it will take sacrificial giving. The projected cost to make these meaningful and needed additions will be \$5,000. Therefore, I am asking all to make a sacrificial gift above and beyond your regular church tithe. . If you feel that God is leading you to invest in this amazing opportunity, please designate your special offering to the coffee shop. However, I also stress the fact that this special offering should be above and beyond your regular tithe.

\*Denotes Congregation standing

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

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# “A New Beginning”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

November 5, 2017

Scripture: Joshua 1:1-9 (NIV)

## A new beginning gives you:

I. A \_\_\_\_\_ start.

**Joshua 1:1-4** – After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses’ aide: “Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates—all the Hittite country—to the Mediterranean Sea in the west.

**Hebrews 8:12** – For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.

### 3 Realities about the Promised Land:

- It is a place of **Refreshment**.

**Psalms 23:3a** – He refreshes my soul. ...

- It is a place of **Rest**.

**Matthew 11:28** – Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

- It is a place of **Release**.

**John 8:36** – So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

### A fresh start has a way of freeing you up from the past.

**2 Corinthians 5:17** – Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

### A fresh start will bring comfort and peace.

**Matthew 11:28** – Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

II. \_\_\_\_\_ from on high.

**Joshua 1:5** – No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.

**Philippians 4:13** – I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

### God gives you enough power to accomplish everything and anything that He wants you to do.

**Romans 8:37** – No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

### Living a victorious life, depends on how you use God’s power.

III. \_\_\_\_\_ that is unshakable.

**Joshua 1:6-9** – Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them. “Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

**Matthew 11:15** – Whoever has ears, let them hear.

**Joshua 24:15** – *But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.*

**We can live in this world with confidence, because God has already given us the victory.**

**John 14:21** – *Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.*

**Confidence is achieved when you meditate upon His word and proclaim His Word.**

**We need to proclaim God's Word and then live it out with confidence.**

**It's time for a new beginning.**

**Sermon Notes:**

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## Super Seniors



The Super Seniors will begin their monthly luncheons on Tuesday, **November 14**, 12 noon at the “I-Hop” in **Mt. Airy, MD**. For more information, contact the church office.

## Chair Prayer

Prayer has been one of the main focal points that the church has emphasized in 2017. At the Damascus Community Fair, we made available a *Prayer Wall* for fair goers to write a prayer request or praise on the wall. It was touching to see the responses of all the written messages that were placed on the *Prayer Wall*. To keep this spirit of prayer alive in our church, I want to invite you to participate in the *Chair Prayer*. The *Chair Prayer* is a unique opportunity to participate in praying for all who will ever enter into our sanctuary. On Saturday, November 18, 2017, the church will be open from 9am to 4pm so that you can participate in this unique prayer ministry.



This is how the *Chair Prayer* ministry will work. You will sign-up for a designated time slot(s) to be at the church on **November 18**. The church will be opened from 9am to 4pm and you can schedule yourself to be there in increments of 30 minutes. You can select more than just one 30-minute segment. During your assigned time, you enter into the church’s sanctuary and pray over every chair. I will encourage you to sit in each chair and pray for that person that will be sitting in that particular seat. You will not know who the next person will be coming to sit in that chair, but God certainly does.

Once you have completed your time slot(s), the next person will enter and repeat the same process. Each prayer warrior will pray how God leads them. Also, if you would like, you can read Scripture and sit in each chair. Please don’t forget the choir loft.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the lobby. So, please take time to participate in the *Chair Prayer* and be prayed up before you arrive.

## Thanksgiving Eve Service



One thing that I enjoy about Thanksgiving is getting together with friends and family, sharing our blessings, and eating good food. Well, **USBC’s Thanksgiving Eve Service** this year will not only fulfill these three Thanksgiving traditions, it will exceed them.

On Wednesday, **November 23**, 2017, from 7 pm-8 pm, our **USBC** family will be creating new memories to share with others. For our *Thanksgiving Eve Service*, 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 make 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!

## Treasures From Heaven

In November, **USBC** will be launching a new informative witnessing tool to reach our community for Christ. This new tool is entitled, *Treasure From Heaven*.



We will be placing informational cards, Scripture cards, and a dollar bill into a clear zip lock bag. These bags will be strategically placed around our community for people to find. We will encourage everyone to take a handful of these witnessing tools and help spread the good news of Jesus Christ in an easy and simplistic way.

As we get closer to the launch date of the *Treasure From Heaven*, I will be providing more information and directions in how this new witnessing tool will be an exciting way to share one’s faith.

More details to come. So, be ready to play your part in reaching people for Christ.