#### SUNDAY, October 21, 2018

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

1:30 pm Dive Deeper Bible Study

#### WEDNESDAY, October 24, 2018

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

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**

**Mon., Oct. 22 Tues., Oct. 23 Wed., Oct. 24 Thurs., Oct. 25** 9:30 am - 1 pm 9:30 am - 1 pm 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.

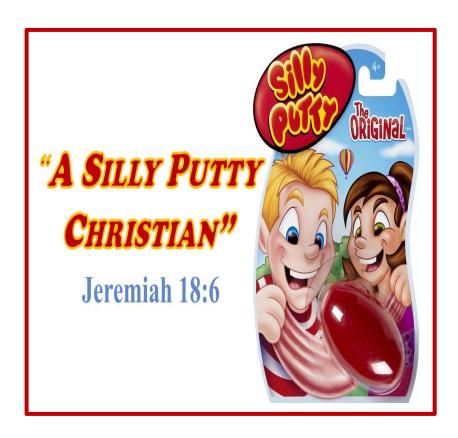
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# Upper Seneca Baptist Church



# Impacting The Kingdom Of God One Person At A Time

### **Upper Seneca Baptist Church**

### 11:00 am Sunday Worship October 21, 2018

\*Hymn "The River" Congregation

Prayer/Welcome Pastor Dennis

\*Hymn #562 "Love The Lord" Congregation

Offertory

\*Hymn #44 "The Potters Hand" Congregation

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings** 

\*Special "Fairest Lord Jesus" Choir

\*\*Message Pastor Dennis

"A SILLY PUTTY CHRISTIAN"

Jeremiah 18:6

\*Hymn of Commitment #31 Congregation

"We Bow Down"

\*Closing Hymn #277 Congregation

"He Is Lord"

\*Denotes Congregation standing

\*\*Children will be dismissed to their classrooms following the Sermon Video (prior to the Message). Words to hymn music printed by permission CCLI License #1159459



Sunday, October 21, Dive Deeper Bible Study Wednesday, October 24, Women's Bible Study Wednesday, October 24, After the Sermon Wednesday, October 24, Choir Practice

## Appreciation Sunday



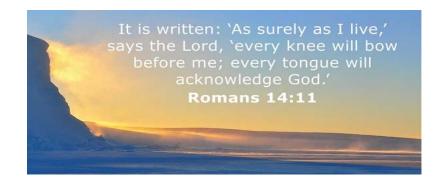
On October 28, USBC is planning a very special Appreciation Service. During our 11 a.m. worship service, our time will be devoted to recognizing the amazing service and dedication of our church family. Not only will we express our gratitude, there will be a BIG REVEAL on that Sunday. Stay tuned!

## Spiritual Inventory

Through the month of October, I am challenging every member of our church family to complete a *Spiritual Inventory*. The *Spiritual Inventory* is available for pickup at the church or you can print it from the church's website. If you need help in



completing the *Spiritual Inventory*, please let me know. The desire is to make this important task easy, rewarding, and beneficial to yourself and the kingdom of God.



## "A Silly Putty Christian"

### By Pastor Dennis Felder October 21, 2018

**Scripture:** Jeremiah 18:6 (*NIV*)

**Synopsis:** For generations, the playful toy Silly Putty has captivated the attention of both children and adults. There are some very unique characteristics that Silly Putty possesses that can easily be used to describe the life of a Christian. This sermon will be an interactive and hands-on object lesson as each person will be given a ball of Silly Putty to use during the sermon.

# **A Silly Putty Christian Can:**

I.	Be	
	A Silly Putty Christian, in the hands of God Almighty—tl	he
	ultimate Creator, can be made into something wonderf	ul.

<u>Jeremiah 18:6</u> – He said, "Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?" declares the Lord. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel.

# <u>Just like Silly Putty can be molded and shaped by its user, a</u> <u>Christian can be molded and shaped by God.</u>

<b>Endure great</b>	
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#### Within this Christian life we will be stretched, but do not quit.

John 16:33 – "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

III. Bounce
A Silly Putty Christian can bounce back from any trail or tribulation with God's loving grace.
<u>1 Peter 5:10</u> – And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.
You were made to overcome. You were made to bounce back when trials and pressure pushes you to the ground.
IV
A Silly Putty Christian can copy a lot of things, both good and bad.
Ephesians 5:1-2 – Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
As Silly Putty Christians, we are called to reflect, copy, imitate the Lord.
V
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.'"
When a Silly Putty Christian is in the proper spiritual condition, he or she will naturally bow.

Like Silly Putty, when you do break, Jesus can still fix you.

Jesus is looking for some Silly Putty Christians.

## **Action Plan**

<u>Church Council Action Plan:</u> Adopted Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> to create new strategies to help strengthen the church. If you have additional questions about this **Action Plan**, please consult with the Pastor or a member of the Church Council.

#### **Action Plan**

- Implement *Giving Strategies* to address the 20% deficient in the church budget.
- Implement *Electronic Giving* (<u>Launch Date:</u> Nov. 2018).
- Create opportunities for service by using the *Spiritual Inventories*.
- Have a *Think-Tank* meeting to discuss future methods to help strengthen and empower the church (Meeting Date: Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>).
- Council Members will be visiting other local churches to better understand how to reach our community for Christ and discover new ways to do church ministry.

# Dive Deeper Bible Study





**Today,** you are invited to attend our *Dive Deeper Bible Study*. The title of our discussion is "*We Three Kings*". During our study time, we will discuss the first three kings that shaped the new nation of Israel (Saul, David, and Solomon). These three men came to power under different circumstances, each one ruled with differing values and morals, and each one had their own issues and flaws. During our

*Dive Deeper Bible Study*, we will closely examine how God used these three powerful political figures to accomplish His purpose for His people.

