

**SUNDAY, October 22, 2017**

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

**WEDNESDAY, October 25, 2017**

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

**SATURDAY, October 28, 2017**

11:30 am Ladies Tea Time

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**

Mon., Oct. 23	Tues., Oct. 24	Wed., Oct. 25	Thurs., Oct. 26
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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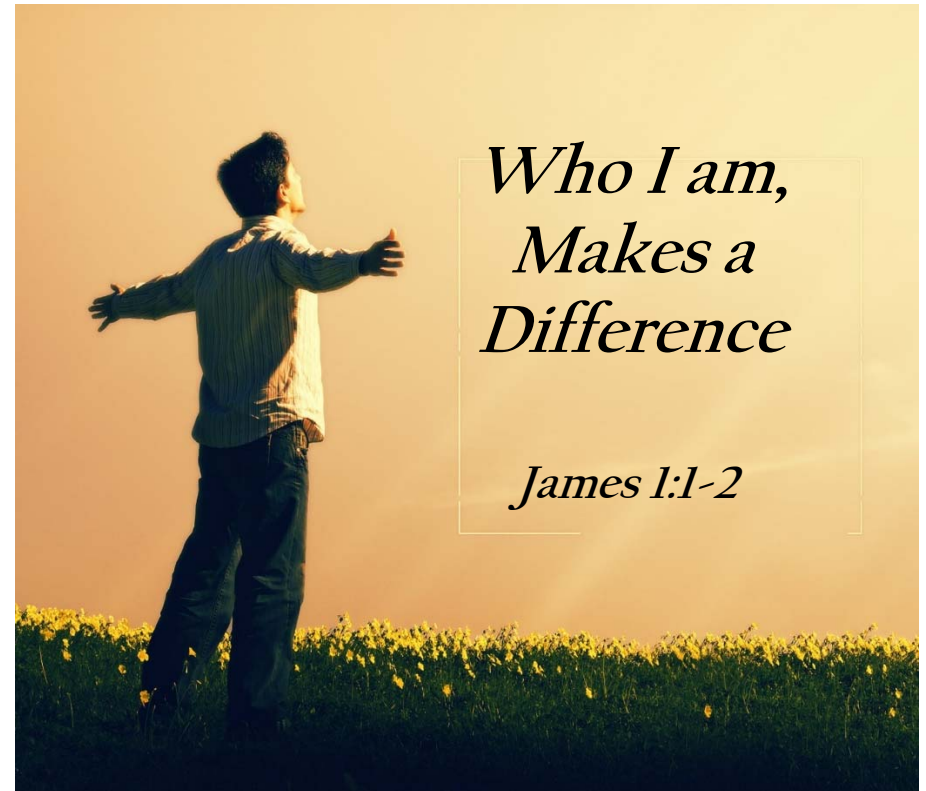
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# *Upper Seneca Baptist Church*



*Who I am,  
Makes a  
Difference*

*James 1:1-2*

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

# Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

October 22, 2017

\*Hymn #350                      “Shout to the North”                      Congregation

Prayer/Welcome                      Pastor Dennis

\*Hymn                      “Mighty to Save”                      Congregation

Offertory

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

\*Special                      Praise Team

\*\*Message                      Pastor Dennis

“Who I am, Makes a Difference”  
James 1:1-2

\*Hymn of Commitment #447                      Congregation  
“It Is Well With My Soul”

\*Closing Hymn #539                      Congregation  
“With All My Heart”

\*Denotes Congregation standing

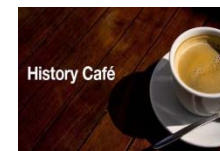
\*\*Children will be dismissed to their classrooms following the Sermon Video (prior to the Message).  
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Wednesday, Oct. 25, Choir Practice  
Wednesday, Oct. 25, Women’s Bible Study  
Wednesday, Oct. 25, After the Sermon  
Saturday, Oct. 28, Ladies Tea Party  
Sunday, Oct. 29, Dive Deeper  
Tuesday, Nov. 14, Super Seniors @ I-Hop

## Coffæ 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.

# “Who I am, Makes a Difference”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

October 22, 2017

Scripture: James 1:1-2 (NIV)

## What James wants us to know.

I. We are to be \_\_\_\_\_.

James 1:1 – James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes scattered among the nations: Greetings.

**“Servant” - literally means bond slave.**

**For a Christian, it should be an honor and privilege to be seen as a servant in the eyes of God Almighty.**

**There is not a person in this place who cannot become a true servant of God.**

II. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_.

James 1:1a – James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,

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**When you call God *Lord*, you are saying, “God, you are in charge and I am not.”**

**Jesus will become *Lord* of your life when you give it all to Him.**

Luke 1:31 – You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.

**It is Jesus who can change your life.**

**If you let Jesus get a hold of you, He can change you forever.**

**It is Jesus Christ (the Anointed One, Messiah) who can and will deliver you from sin and shame.**

III. You can find joy in \_\_\_\_\_.

James 1:1b – ..., to the twelve tribes scattered among the nations: Greetings.

**All believers are part of the same family.**

Galatians 3:7 – Understand, then, that those who believe are children of Abraham.

James 1:2 – Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,

2 Corinthians 12:9 – But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.

**We can find joy in the midst of dire circumstances.**

**If you are willing to be a true servant of Christ and a faithful follower, you can make a difference.**

**Sermon Notes:**

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*If you would like to listen to the sermon on-line, please visit our website at [www.USBChurch.org](http://www.USBChurch.org).*

## Pastor's Appreciation Love Offering



It has been USBC's custom to give our pastor a love offering, as a special thanks for all of the work and sacrifice given by them and their families as they minister to us in our times of need and times of joy.

This gives each person an opportunity to give from their own hearts and share their love in a very personal and meaningful way and our means to remember Pastor Dennis, and his wife, Lana, for all the love they share with us. If you wish to contribute to this special offering, please make sure to identify the purpose of your gift on your envelope or check. You may place it in the offering plate on Sunday or send it in the mail to the church.

## Ladies Tea Time

Ladies, when was the last time you went to a proper tea party? Well, thanks to Mae Settles, you are cordially invited to a women's tea at Upper Seneca Baptist Church! It will be held on Saturday, **October 28**, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the church's fellowship hall. Finger foods and great fellowship will be provided.



Each lady is encouraged to make a fancy hat to wear to the party. Pictures will be taken of us in our beautiful "creations" and prizes will be awarded. If you have a favorite tea or tea cup, please bring those with you and invite a friend or neighbor.

## Dive Deeper



How will the world end? Will you be here when the world ends? Are there signs that predict the time when Christ will return? These are all questions that center around the book of Revelation. Our next *Dive Deeper Bible Study* will deal with popular

questions that people ask about Revelation. Please join the *Dive Deeper Bible Study* on Sunday, **October 29** at 12:30 pm as we seek answers to such intriguing questions regarding the end times.

## 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.

