



**OUR MISSION: Impacting The Kingdom Of  
God One Person At A Time**

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**USBC News**

## KEEP WALKING!

By Pastor Dennis Felder



In the early part of May, I went to the foot doctor because I had a constant, sharp pain on my bottom right foot. It was determined that I had a bone spur. In addition to the bone spur, I had a couple of plantar warts on the bottom of my foot. The podiatrist treated the warts with a high-powered acid to help destroy the growths. However, in doing so, it greatly affected my walk.

As the acid started softening the tissue and exterminating the warts, it became very painful to walk. With each step that I took, a tremendous amount of pain would shoot from my foot and resonate throughout my entire body. My regular walk slowed down tremendously, I began to visibly limp, and each step was taken with great caution and uncertainty. Because of the intense pain, I began to walk differently from before.

I have learned that certain events in life can cause our spiritual walk to change. For some, when some sort of pain (emotional, spiritual, or physical pain) surfaces, their spiritual walk is affected. Each spiritual step becomes a struggle and challenge because of the pain they are experiencing. Although heartbreaking, some abandon their spiritual walk altogether when facing such adversity.

Let me take a moment and encourage you if you are facing or someone that you know is facing such a dilemma. Here is the solution – **KEEP WALKING!** The Great Physician, Jesus Christ, has a miraculous way of healing the pain. It may take time, but the reward will be genuinely worth it. You see, when you stop walking, you become stagnate, lonely, and you never get anywhere. Soon depression can set in and your hope is crushed.

Every medical profession that I know emphatically tells me that walking is a healthy and productive exercise. In addition, every place that I read in Scripture, the Word of God tells me that spiritual walking is necessary for the health of a believer. The Bible says a lot about how we should walk spiritually. Below, I have listed some verses to help you develop a healthy walk with Christ.

**Galatians 5:16** – *So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.*

**Ephesians 5:8** – *For you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light.*

**2 Corinthians 5:7** – *For we walk by faith, not by sight.*

**Ephesians 5:2** – *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.*

**1 John 2:6** – *The one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.*

**Ephesians 5:15-16** – *Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil.*

**Galatians 5:25** – *If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.*

**Colossians 1:10** – *So that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, ...*

So, let us put on our spiritual walking shoes and get walking.

# TREASURE FROM HEAVEN



*By Pastor Dennis Felder*

On June 3<sup>rd</sup> 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*. Below is the description of *Share 101*.

## **Share 101**

**Purpose:** **Share 101** offers the opportunity for a Christian to share the gospel of Jesus Christ in a very public setting and non-confrontational manner. The *Share Packet* is left in a public setting with the intension of someone picking it up.

**Structure:** **Share 101** is only designed to leave the *Share Packet* in a non-discreet manner without interacting with the potential recipient. Below are some suggestions of where these *Share Packets* can be placed.

- Beside a gas pump.
- On a bathroom counter in a public place.
- Leave on a table in a restaurant.
- Place between parking spaces in a parking lot.
- On the ground in a heavy traveled foot traffic area.
- Any setting to where it can be found by someone else.

**Training:** A thirty-minute training session that is designed to help fulfill the Great Commission. During the training time, direction is given, locations are assigned as to where to place the *Share Packets*, and prayer is offered up. It will be recorded and appropriately documented as to where the *Share Packets* were left, date, and time. Also, if you observe someone picking up the *Share Packet*, you will document the recipient's reaction from a distance.

## SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

By Pastor Dennis Felder

### Summer Bible Study Plans & Ideas



From June 19-21<sup>st</sup>, starting at 11 am, USBC will be having our *Summer Bible Study*. The study is entitled, “*You Pick the Topic*”. This study will be very different from all other studies. The reason why this study is different is because *you* will have

an opportunity to select the topics of discussion and study. If you are planning to attend, please start thinking about what you would like to discuss. No topic is off the table. The topic can center around a cultural, social, or Biblical truth, or any intriguing subject. All discussion will have a Biblical component, but the sky is the limit.

If you have a topic of interest, please let me know by June 17<sup>th</sup>. However, please understand that we may not be able to address all suggested topics due to our limited time.

#### Schedule:

Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> from [11-1:30 pm](#)

Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 11-1:30 pm

Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> from 11-1:30 pm

We will have a light lunch for everyone who attends. If you are planning to attend, please sign up in the foyer.

### F.A.T.H.E.R.S.

"F" aithful.

"A" lways there.

"T" rustworthy.

"H" onoring.

"E" ver-loving.

"R" ighteous.

"S" upportive.

## Happy Father's Day

## PAISE HIM WITH DRUMS

By Pastor Dennis Felder



I am excited to let you know that our Praise Team is growing in participation. On Sunday morning, you have noticed that Bill Tj has joined the church's Praise Team and has started playing the drums.

The drums and Bill's musical talent have enhanced our worship and praise. However, the church is in need of a new drum set so that our worship music can have the quality that is pleasing to our Lord. Now, this is where you can help.

The church has purchased a new set of drums, but we are seeking financial donations to help cover the expense of these needed drums. **Our goal is \$800.** We are asking that our church family give sacrificially to this important worship need. If you desire to enhance our worship through music, please give generously to this designated offering. Remember, a designated offering is above and beyond your regular tithe.

Upon giving to this important need, please make sure that you appropriately mark your designated offering as **DRUMS**. Remember this verse as you joyfully give. **Psalm 15:3-6** – *Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.*

## COOKOUT & GAME NIGHT

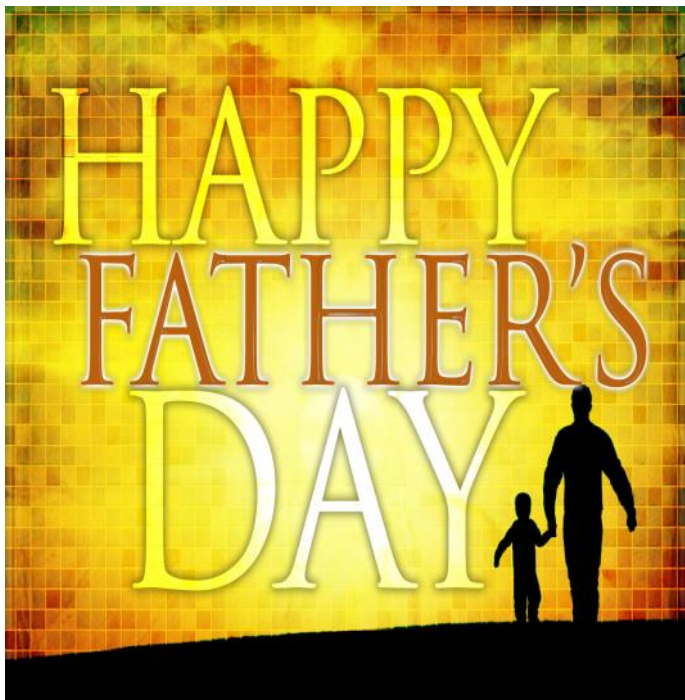
By Pastor Dennis Felder



Do you enjoy a good cookout and a good game? On Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm, you will have an opportunity to experience them both at our *Cookout and Game Night*.

Please join us for the fun and food on this festive evening. Bring your favorite board game or card game and the church will provide the hamburgers, hotdogs, and all the tasty trimmings. If you are planning on attending, please let the church know by signing up in the foyer.

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Next Newsletter Deadline  
June 17, 2018

### God's Plan Of Salvation

Trust Jesus Christ today! Here's what you must do:

1. Admit you are a sinner.

*"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" (Romans 3:23)*

2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent).

*Jesus said: "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." (Luke 13:5)*

3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried, and rose from the dead.

*"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)*

4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your life to become your personal Savior.

*"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Romans 10:13)*

#### What to pray:

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His **precious blood** and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Savior.

#### Editor's Note:

Included in this newsletter is the **USBC Church Birthday Calendar** showing the dates of birthdays of our church family, but we don't always have the information to include. So, if we miss YOUR date, we are sorry! Why not fill out a connect card and place it in the offering plate with your name and birthday noted so that it can be included in our calendar.

Also, if you have something to be included in the newsletter, an announcement, an article, a cartoon....we are always looking for information and new ideas!

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## VBS IS COMING

By Lana Felder



*Vacation Bible School* will be here before we know it! This year it will be July 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 to 8:30 pm. This year's theme is **Game On!**

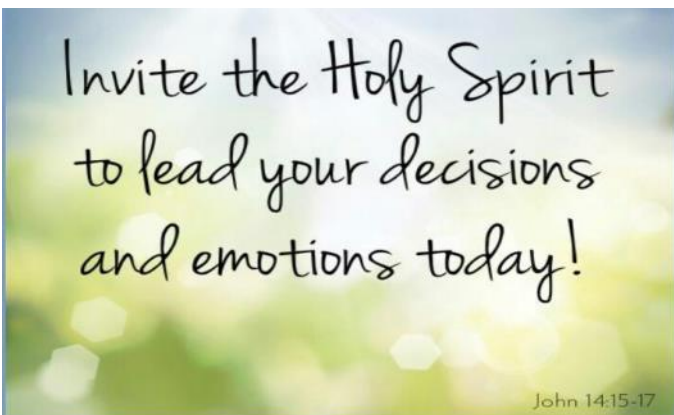
From [Lifeway.com](http://Lifeway.com) – “*LifeWay's 2018 VBS invites your kids to grab their megaphones, lace up their cleats, and tune up their instruments. As they fill up the offensive line, sideline, and drum line, your players, cheerleaders, and band members will realize God has given them His ultimate playbook. He wants them to join His team, train hard, celebrate salvation, and encourage one another. Get in the spirit today with Game On VBS.*

**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*

**Motto** - *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 or sign up in the church foyer.

Begin praying now for the teachers and every volunteer. Also, pray for the children that come to be open to the message of God's love and salvation.



## SUPER SENIORS

By Pastor Dennis Felder

On Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, the **USBC Super Seniors** met at the Cracker Barrel in Frederick for their monthly luncheon. It was delicious food and it was great to spend time with each other.



For our next luncheon on June 12<sup>th</sup>, we are going to do something a little different. Instead of meeting at our traditional restaurants, we will be meeting at Wegman's grocery store in Germantown at 12 noon. If you haven't been to Wegmans to eat, you are missing out on a wonderful treat. To experience this together, we will gather in the food court of Wegmans that is located to the left when you enter into the store. Wegmans has a large buffet of food selections, subs, and pizza. If you eat from the buffet, you pay for your food by the pound. The church will be providing your drink. After each one has their food, we will be able to sit in one of Wegmans spacious seating sections. This will allow us to have a secluded or quiet seating area so that we can enjoy each other's company and conversations.

## DIVE DEEPER BIBLE STUDY

By Pastor Dennis Felder

### THE TRINITY



On Sunday, June 24, 2018, immediately following our 11 am worship service, we will gather for our **Dive Deeper Bible Study**. The title for our discussion is “*How Does the Trinity Work?*”

Throughout church history, and even today, there is a lot of discussion and debate regarding the concept and teaching of the *trinity*. As a matter of fact, the word *trinity* is not even mentioned in the Bible, but yet it is a key foundational truth in the Christian faith. The concept of the *trinity* is often misunderstood and often challenging to explain such a deep Christian belief.

So, join us on June 24<sup>th</sup> as we tackle this intriguing subject to gain clarity about the triune Godhead. As always, lunch will be served.

## PIZZA WITH THE PASTOR

By Pastor Dennis Felder



You can't go wrong with pizza. This was truly the feeling as our church family gathered at Ledo Pizza in Damascus on May 20<sup>th</sup>. As always, the food was great, but the company was spectacular. Next time we plan *Pizza with the Pastor*, make sure to join the fun, the food, and the fellowship.

## HIGH ATTENDANCE & POTLUCK

By Pastor Dennis Felder



On June 10<sup>th</sup>, 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.

If you are planning to attend, please take a moment to complete the slip that appears in the church's bulletin. This slip will allow you to select how many in your family will be attending and if you will be bringing a main dish or dessert.

In addition, we are seeking volunteers to help with kitchen duties for our potluck dinner. If you are able to be in the kitchen at 10:45 am to receive food when it is dropped off or if you are willing to help serve and clean up after the dinner, please take a moment to sign up for these responsibilities. The sign-up sheet is located in the church's foyer. This is an important need. So, please take a moment and volunteer for this special day.

## DEVOTION WITH DONUTS

By Pastor Dennis Felder

If you missed our first *Devotion with Donuts*, there is another opportunity for you to join us.



On June 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

## BASEBALL FEVER

By Pastor Dennis Felder



Batter up! We will have the opportunity to hear those exciting words on Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. USBC will be going to watch the Frederick Keys take on the Lynchburg Hillcats at 6 pm. Following the baseball game, there will be a fireworks show. The ticket prices are as follows: *Youth* (3-17) - \$7, *Adult* - \$10, and *Seniors* - \$7.

There is still time to go. If you have not yet signed up, please contact the church office for tickets.

## SERMON SCHEDULE

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### June 3, 2018

**Sermon Title:** "Roadblocks to Heaven"  
**Scripture:** 2 Kings 5:1-14

### June 10, 2018

**Sermon Title:** "Roof Crashers"  
**Scripture:** Mark 2:1-5

### June 17, 2018

**Sermon Title:** "The Father of a Prodigal"  
**Scripture:** Luke 15:11-32

### June 24, 2018

**Sermon Title:** "Beautiful Buildings"  
**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 3:9