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

USBC NEWS

Pastor: Dr. Dennis Felder

USBC Celebrating 220 Years!



Pastor Dennis Felder

We are excited to announce that our upcoming **USBC 220th Anniversary Service** on October 19th at 11 a.m. will feature a time-honored theme of *“Old Fashion Day.”* So, join us as we celebrate our rich history and heritage in a day filled with traditional attire, music, worship, and food. This special service invites everyone to dress in vintage styles, reminiscent of the past 220 years of faithful service to Christ and within our community. Mark your calendars for October 19th, and let’s make this 220th *Anniversary Service* an unforgettable event by embracing the old-fashioned charm and warmth of bygone days.



Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through **gift-filled shoeboxes**. Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever! Delivered by our local church partners, shoebox gifts provide an opportunity to present the Gospel to boys and girls in a clear, child-friendly way. National Collection Week, Nov. 17–25, 2025.

On September 11th, USBC celebrated **Lacey Shifflet's 103rd birthday**. As family and friends gathered at Citizens Care and Rehabilitation Center in Frederick, we sang "*Happy Birthday*", ate a delicious birthday cake, and enjoyed the company for a very special lady. It was a true blessing to love on Ms. Lacey on her special day.



Pastor Appreciation



Attention: All members of USBC are asked to send a card, note or special message to "THANK" our wonderful **Pastor Dennis** for all the work he has done for us. Please bring them to church by October 12th for our **Pastor Appreciation Sunday Celebration**.

USBC would like to congratulate Judith Namme as she begins her new journey in the U.S. Army. We wish her much success in her new endeavors.



On Saturday, October 11th at 6 p.m., **USBC** would like to invite you to attend our **Harvest Festival** that will take place at the church. We will join each other's company around the campfire, roast hot dogs, make s'mores, and enjoy the adventures of fall. This event is for all ages.

To help with the fun activities, we are asking for some volunteers to help setup and bring some candy. The church will be providing the hot dogs, buns, fixings, chips, drinks, and the ingredients to make s'mores.

If you are planning on helping to setup or to bring candy, please let the Pastor know. If it rains on October 11th, the **Harvest Festival** will be moved indoors. Minus the campfire of course.



On September 7th, our church family had the joyous privilege of witnessing the **dedication of baby Esther Navarrete** to the Lord. Surrounded by loved ones, Esther was lovingly presented by her proud parents, Carlos and Yvie Navarrete. It was a beautiful moment of faith and commitment as Carlos and Yvie stood before the congregation, pledging to raise Esther in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ.





In October, I will be sharing a variety of sermons that will encourage you and strengthen you as you live out your Christian faith.

Oct. 5th

Sermon Title: *"You're Not Alone"*

Scripture: John 16:33

Synopsis: This truth is crucial in times of fear, grief, or uncertainty. You are never alone. The Savior who conquered death is present in your struggles, offering peace the world cannot give and strength the world cannot match. His promise is not to remove every hardship but to remain with you through it all—guiding, comforting, and strengthening you until the very end.

Oct. 12th

Sermon Title: *"From Psycho to Saint"*

Scripture: Mark 5:1-20

Synopsis: Jesus meets people in their worst moments, delivers them with compassion, and then commissions them to share the good news. Your past doesn't disqualify you; it prepares you. If Jesus can take someone from living among tombs to preaching in cities, He can do a transforming work in anyone.

Oct. 19th

Sermon Title: *"We're Not Getting Older – We're Getting Bolder"*

Scripture: Acts 4:31

Synopsis: Rather than slowing down or becoming complacent, the church is reminded that with every year comes a deeper reservoir of experience, testimony, and anointing. The call is for individuals and the church body to step out in faith, speak truth with courage, serve with passion, and continue impacting the world with the gospel.

Oct. 26th

Sermon Title: *"God's Way"*

Scripture: James 4:7-12

Synopsis: God has called His people to live a certain lifestyle. This lifestyle includes submission to Him, drawing close to Him, and humbling ourselves before Him. When done, one will be living a life that honors God and brings peace.

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Next Newsletter Deadline
October 19, 2025

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.

Weather Policy

If the church cancels or postpones any service or activity due to inclement weather or wintery conditions, a cancellation notice will appear on the church's Facebook page, church's website, through church email, and on the church's voice recorder. To access the church's voice recorder, please dial (301) 972-3686. The church will only post a cancellation message if a service or activity is canceled or postponed.

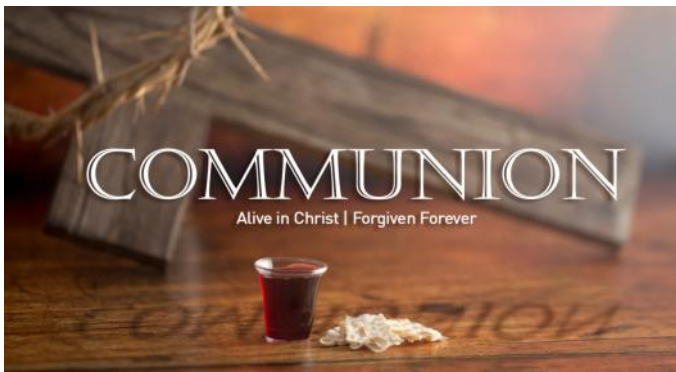
Also, if you have something to be included in the newsletter, an announcement, an article, a birthday, we are always looking for information and new ideas!

Church Office: 301-972-3686

E-mail: Church@USBChurch.org

Web Site: www.USBChurch.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/usbchurch/



On Sunday, October 12th, I ask that you prepare your heart as we celebrate **communion** during our Sunday morning worship service. Let this be a special time of self-reflection and change as you recall the great sacrifice that Christ made for you. He gave His all so that you could experience the true meaning of life.



On Sunday, October 26th, our ***Dive Deeper Bible Study*** topic will be “***Memories***”. Have you ever wondered if the memories that you have on earth will be remembered in heaven? For example: Will I remember my spouse or loved ones in heaven or will I remember the good times I lived out on earth once I get to heaven? Such questions will be addressed during this special study.

So, join us Sunday, October 26th immediately following our worship service for this informative Bible study and for lunch.

The ***Forever Young Luncheon*** will take place on Tuesday, October 14th at 12:30 p.m. We will be meeting at the **Golden Corral** in Frederick, MD. Remember, anyone is welcome.



USBC has opened its doors for the start of the ***Agape Childcare and Preschool***. The daycare center is under the direction and proprietorship of Ruth D'Monte (one of our faithful church members). If you would like more information about the daycare center or about enrolling your children, please see Ruth.



USBC would like to invite you to attend our ***Sunday School*** hour (from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.). There is a ***Sunday School*** class for all ages (young children, teenagers, and adults). Do not miss out on these special Bible studies to help you grow in your faith and understanding of God's word.



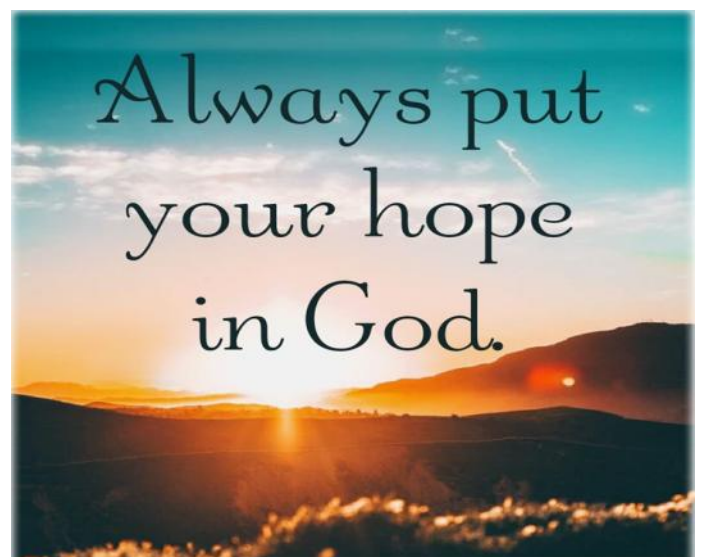
***For Your Thoughtfulness,
Your Kindness,
And Your Generous Heart.***
(a note from Mae Settles' friend below)

September 2025

USBC,

Thank you ALL for adding sunshine to a cloudy day. Please continue to keep me and my grandson in your prayers.

Terrance Smith



PART-TIME ASSOCIATE PASTOR/OUTREACH MINISTER



Upper Seneca Baptist Church is seeking a dedicated and spiritually driven individual to serve as a **Part-Time Associate Pastor/Outreach Minister**. This role is ideal for someone who is passionate about sharing the Gospel, building community relationships, and supporting the spiritual growth of our congregation.

Responsibilities include:

- Assisting the Senior Pastor with preaching, teaching, and pastoral care duties
- Leading and coordinating outreach ministries and evangelism efforts

- Developing new initiatives to engage the local community and grow the church's presence
- Facilitating small groups, Bible studies, and service projects
- Supporting worship services and church events as needed

Qualifications:

- A mature and growing relationship with Jesus Christ
- Experience in pastoral ministry, outreach, or a related field
- Strong communication, leadership, and organizational skills
- A heart for community engagement and building relationships
- Formal theological education or ministry training is preferred

Hours and Compensation:

This is a part-time position, approximately 15-20 hours per week. Compensation will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Application Process:

Interested candidates should submit a resume, a brief statement of faith, and references to our church office via email at Church@usbchurch.org or by mail to Upper Seneca Baptist Church, 23401 Davis Mill Road, Germantown, MD 20876.

We are prayerfully seeking the right person to join our ministry team and help fulfill our mission of making disciples and reaching our community with the love of Christ. Applications will be reviewed as received. We look forward to hearing from you.

Our *Back to School Movie Night*, held on September 20th, was a tremendous success! A total of 13 children joined us for an unforgettable evening. The event was filled with fun as everyone enjoyed delicious candy, popcorn, and food. Our featured film, *The Prince of Egypt*, made for a memorable night.

Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make the event a success. We look forward to more such enjoyable gatherings in the future!

