

## ***Pastor Todd's Forget-Me-Nots and Such***

### **Save the Date - Important Information**

The Rev. Jason Gattis, Smoky Mountain District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church has scheduled a Church Conference for Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Alcoa First United Methodist Church for the purpose of a church wide vote on disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church. More information will follow. You must be a member and present at the meeting to vote. Please mark this very important meeting on your calendars.

### **Preaching Series**

I want to thank everyone for participating in the summer preaching series on "Favorite Bible Stories." We will end that series this Sunday with a story about the "Coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost." Thanks to Lenny Juckett for sharing his "Favorite Bible Story" for this last week of the series.

As we move into the fall and winter; God has placed on my heart to preach a series on the Book of Ecclesiastes. For me, it is truly one of the most fascinating books in the entire Bible. May scholars believe this book was written by King Solomon; the Bible also tells us that Solomon was the wisest and wealthiest person to have ever lived. I think this book is Solomon's last appeal to those who will hear. It is a message from the wisest and richest person in the Bible. As Solomon approaches death, what advise does he leave us with? What were the mistakes he made and how can we avoid such mistakes?

As our church goes through this time of discernment, let us gain knowledge from a wise man through the book of Ecclesiastes and discern what the Holy Spirit is calling us to do in the future ministry for our church family.

Hope to see you Sunday, we have several new members who will be joining the church. God is working in our midst and we give him praise for this many blessings. If any of you who are not-yet-members, and would like to join the church, please call me at 423-290-3999. You are all welcome.

Blessings, Pastor Todd.

### **Preaching Schedule for Pastor Todd:**

Please add these worship opportunities to your schedule:

Pastor Todd will be preaching Sunday Night on **September 11th** at RIO Townsend for the quarterly Awake21 Worship Gathering. The service will feature the Mass Choir and the newly formed Awake21 Children's choir. The service will start at 6:00 p.m. More info will follow.

Pastor Todd will be preaching on Tuesday, **September 13th** at the 2022 National Campground Revival in Greenback, TN. The service starts at 7:00 p.m. BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR. More information will follow.

**NOTE:** Sunday @ Six will NOT meet on Sunday, September 4th for Labor Day Weekend and will NOT meet on September 11th so everyone can join the Awake21 Service at RIO Townsend.

### **IMPACT Student Ministries,**

This Week

Wednesday (31) We will meet at the church to eat at 5:30 p.m. and then go to the Alcoa Middle School Game at the High School. Please pick up your child there at the time you designate with them. JV starts at 6:30 and is followed by the varsity.

Friday (2) Nerf Night at the church (7:30 - 9:30 p.m.)

Sunday (4) Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. (We will be finishing the book of Revelation).

Sunday (4) No Sunday Night IMPACT because of Labor Day Weekend.

### **Men's Ministry**

This Thursday (September 1) our Men's Bible Study will start back on Thursday Morning at 7:00 a.m. led by Rev. Jerry Page. On **Thursday September 8** we will be starting a new Men's Bible Study on Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. led by Chris Reinbold. Please join us for either one of these Bible Studies. Stay tune for future news about this ministry and an email that will coming out that details more about this ministry that we are getting off the ground again.



# 1st Talk

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## Memorials & Honorariums

Given to Building Fund  
In Memory of Sonya Delaney  
By: David & Darunee Lawson



Given to Handbells  
In Memory of Jill McManigal  
By: David & Kari Duggan

## World Changers

There will be **no** World Changer's activities on Sunday evening, September 4, due to Labor Day. World Changer's Choir will begin rehearsals in preparation for the Christmas Program, starting this Wednesday at 5:00. Please try and have your kiddos there so that Mrs. Debbie can plan speaking parts and songs. This Christmas play is gonna be the best one yet!!!

Trunk or Treat is gonna be here before we know it and plans are in full swing! We are hoping to have 20 decorated trunks for the event. We will be serving Hot Dogs with Chili, Chips, and water. We will need donations of crock pots of Chili. Please start bringing in your candy, we will collect up until Sunday, October 30. Candy can be placed in the bin outside of Mrs. Lisa's office. Sign up sheets for Chili and trunks will be outside Mrs. Lisa's office starting Sunday, September 11, 2022. Thank you in advance!

Sunday, September 18th, during World Changer's we will have Family Yard Games from 6:00 to 7:15. Please RSVP to Mrs. Lisa via the GroupMe app so we know how much food we need to prepare.

## Reminder

Don't forget to make your Photo Directory Portrait Appointments.



**NEW FALL BIBLE STUDY, God of Covenant**- a Study of Genesis chapters 12-50 by Jen Wilken will meet on Wednesday morning from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Nova Classroom. The 10 week workbook and DVD study begins on September 7 and runs through November 9 and is facilitated by Juanita Cowles.

## Music Notes from Beth: 🎵🎵🎵🎵

Did you know it takes a lot of planning for a worship service blending traditional and contemporary music? It is my job to aide everyone in the sanctuary to have the same opportunity to praise God musically and liturgically. As a Worship Coordinator, I'm aware that one group will prefer 'their favorite' kind of music over a genre someone else prefers. It's my job to make sure all worshipers have equal opportunity to offer their praises to God. There is a lot of preparation before you enter the sanctuary for a worship service. As I plan each service, it is my prayer and my responsibility to assist you in having a true worship experience...then the rest is up to you. The reason we gather each Sunday is to praise and worship the Lord together. Our musicians are grateful for every opportunity to worship with our church family. Thank you for worshipping with us! See you Sunday morning!

## First celebrations and big thanks!

Alcoa 1st church through generous givings we raised over \$1200 to support Pregnancy Resource Center! Please visit our newly revised updated missions page on Alcoa 1st website. There you will find new missionary photos and streamline flow! Our goals as members of Alcoa 1st mission team is to communicate our missionaries news, needs, celebrations, and prayer request. Check out our updated mission boards in the hallway, updates are from July & August. Thanks to Chris and our youth for helping post those! Louisville Christian Assistance Center is going back to a Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 9am-12pm Food and Clothing schedule. Please volunteer if able.

Starting Sept 1st No more Tues & Thurs 5-7 p.m. Lastly we will be hosting a visit from John Fitts from our Haiti mission on Sept 11th for our mission moment! Please come and welcome Mr Fitts and pray for our Haiti missionaries. Be blessed and be a blessing!

Alcoa 1st Missions Team  
In His grip  
Lenny