

**2023**  
**SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE**

**The Promises of God**  
 Isaiah 41:8-10

God's Promises Lead Us in the \_\_\_\_\_ -  
 (Jn. 3:16; Lk. 6:35)

- Without a final \_\_\_\_\_ in mind, we are just \_\_\_\_\_!
- God wants us to feel \_\_\_\_\_ knowing the direction He is \_\_\_\_\_ us! (1Cor. 2:9)

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God's Promises Demonstrate His \_\_\_\_\_ -  
 (Kings 49:23; Ez. 20:38; Zac. 4:8-9; Jn. 2:19-22)

- God makes a promise in \_\_\_\_\_, so we know it was \_\_\_\_\_!
- God is faithful to His \_\_\_\_\_!
- God demonstrates His \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_!

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God's Promises \_\_\_\_\_ During \_\_\_\_\_  
 Times - (1Cor. 1:3-4)

- Being comforted can also mean receiving \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_!
- Every trial we \_\_\_\_\_ will help us comfort \_\_\_\_\_.

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**SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**  
 Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
 Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

**ELDERS AND STAFF**

<b>Elders</b>	<b>Deacons</b>
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**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

Bible Hour  
 Shawn B Johnson

ELDER for Sept. Eric Bliss  
 LADIES COMMITTEE for Sept. Cheryl Bliss/ Shelli Donald



**SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**

**Order Of Worship**

Song Leader: Russell Capshaw

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

231 Hilltops Of Glory  
 41 Be Still, My Soul

Prayer.....Dale Brand

325 In Memory Of The Savior's Love

Lord's Supper.....Ryan Bliss

959 Poured Out Like Wine

Offering.....Dale Brand

216 He Leadeth Me

Scripture Reading.....Bob Murray

Morning Service....."The Promises of God".....Roy Senior

207 Hark! The Gentle Voice  
 595 Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus

Closing Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

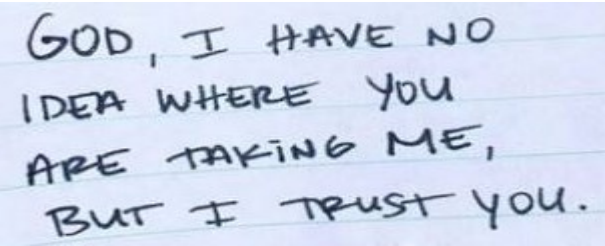
Evening Services.....5 PM



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
<b>Sept 10th</b>	Morning Class @ 9:30 AM Worship @ 10:30 AM Prayer & Song Service @ 5 PM Grandparents Day
11th	Patriot's Day Sandy Hopkins & Debbie T. Nelson's birthday
13th	Evening Service @ 6:30 PM
15th	Barbara Grimm & Ann Thompson's birthday
16th	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM

**MONTHLY POTLUCK**

Next Sunday is our monthly potluck following morning worship. If you have any questions, please see Cheryl Bliss or Shelli Donald. A short devo will directly follow the potluck. If you have any questions, please see one of the Elders.



**THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

If you continue to work and to absorb the beauty in the world around you, you will find that age does not necessarily mean getting old.

**SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY**

*One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.*  
~Psa. 27:4

**PRAYER IS IMPORTANT**

- Please keep **Julie & Damon Harris** in your prayers. Their daughter **Charlotte** has been diagnosed with leukemia & is going through Chemo treatments. They also have a 9 yr. old son, **James**. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Please keep **Karen Anderson** in your prayers as she recovers from a fall.
- Please keep **Tracy Bower** in your prayers. She left for London this past Thursday. Pray she likes her new job & is happy with the move. Please keep **Loretta & Kim** in your prayers as they will miss her.
- Prayers of thanksgiving for **Roy Senior's** grandson **Ethan**, who was recently baptized. Praise God!
- Please keep **Glenn Thompson** in your prayers as he suffers with severe back pain.
- Please keep **Shawn & Shawn B. Johnson** in your prayers as they transition to an empty nest & adjust to the loss of **Veda**.
- Please keep **David House** in your prayers as he continues to heal from his surgery & regains strength
- Lynn Nothstein** asks that we keep **Dina Brown's**, a former member here, husband **Fred** in our prayers. He has been in Marian hospital since Wednesday battling several health issues.
- Please keep **Cheri Gaitan** in your prayers. God knows her needs.
- Please keep **Debbie T Nelson** in your prayers as she continues to struggle with the loss of **Elmer**.
- Continued prayers for **Danny Donaghe** as he transitions to an apartment in his recovery. Hope all goes well there. Also, please keep **Dale & Sharon** in your prayers as they travel back & forth to see him as well as look after **Sharon's** dad **Robert** & his health issues.



**ENCOURAGING WORDS**

**God's Shepherds**

In this year's men's retreat, we learned about the leadership of Jesus as our Shepherd, and made the analogy that we as God's children are also shepherds as we have the ability to lead others by our words and actions. God's people were destined for the Babylonian captivity, and the prophet Ezekiel continually reminded them of the consequences of all they were doing. Ezekiel 34:1-6 addresses the responsibility of Israel's shepherds—and can be applied to us as well.

**Some sheep leave the fold because they are sick.** The cause of the sickness is not given, but people leave the Lord because of personal problems which makes it so hard to grow spiritually. It can so easily happen to new Christians, but it also impacts those who have been in the church for years. That's the nature of sin. It brings sickness and ends with death.

**Some leave the fold because they are broken.** This is much like those who leave because of sickness, but the word "broken" may indicate a more sudden onset of the "sickness." Sin is powerful, and it can easily break the spirit of any of us.

**Some leave the fold because they are driven away.** Every sheep in His flock has a responsibility toward every other sheep. It is so tragic when older Christians' words and actions actually drive people away from the church. Ezekiel described them as those who *"...have pushed with side and shoulder,*

Each of us has a God-given responsibility to the rest of us. Whenever you see a brother or sister beginning to stumble, you cannot sit idly by and watch it happen. We have the great Shepherd who leads us and watches over us, but we must each feel a personal obligation to all of those in His fold!  
R. Senior