

# The Extraordinary Amid the Ordinary

A violinist once performed in the New York City subway, entertaining passersby for 45 minutes. A few tossed him cash, totaling about \$30 by the time he concluded.

Little did anyone know, Joshua Bell was one of the world's best violinists. That day, he played one of the most complex musical pieces ever written on an instrument worth \$3.5 million. Indeed, a few days earlier Bell had performed a sold-out concert in Boston, where tickets averaged \$100.

Sometimes God does extraordinary things right in the middle of our ordinary lives, yet we don't notice. You're offered an opportunity you almost pass up, thinking it's not worth your time or effort. But upon taking part, you find it leads to your life's calling. Or someone crosses your path, but overlooking their worth, you brush them aside, missing out on a blessing God had for you through them.

And what about you? Do you undervalue yourself as "nothing special," just an "ordinary" person? Look closer; think again. For an ordinary baby born long ago to an ordinary couple in an ordinary stable in an ordinary town was none other than ... God's Son! And you? Why, you are also an extraordinary child of God!



## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 25**

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

9:50 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 26**

6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible study

#### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 27**

6:00 p.m. Emmaus Meeting

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

5:30 p.m. W.O.W. Children's Ministry

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

6:15 p.m. Snack Supper

6:30 p.m. Youth

## **SATURDAY, AUGUST 31**

9-12 noon Methodist Market



27. Angie Edgar

28. Bill Dew

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28. Mr. & Mrs. James Cresswell

31. Mr. & Mrs. Max Sanders



Sympathy and love is extended to the Hunter Ledbetter family in the death of Hunter's mother, Pam Ledbetter, who died August 7, 2024.

Sympathy and love is also extended to Donna and Chip Heidel in the death of Donna's mother, Clara Ann Jones Bufkin, who died August 18, 2024.

#### **New Discipleship Class This Fall**

Beginning Wednesday, September 4th, I will be facilitating a study called "Real Life Discipleship" using a book by the same name. The purpose of this study is to help Christians better understand Jesus' command to become disciples who make disciples. Using Jesus' example in the Scriptures, students are taught practical ways to make disciples and live the life Jesus has called us to live.

It is open to both men and women of all ages. If you would like to participate or you need more information, please call/text 571-4964 or email ahughes 37@ bellsouth.net.

This study is an absolute "game changer"!

Allison Hughes



We would like to thank everyone for the calls, visits, cards, love and prayers we received with the recent loss of Pam Ledbetter, who passed away August 7, 2024. We are grateful to have such a caring and thoughtful church family.

Love in Christ, The Hunter Ledbetter Family





This week we will continue moving through our series for the month of August called My Church Family. Throughout this month we will be learning and talking about stories of faith and prayer and ways to grow in our faith by surrounding ourselves with fellow believers. This week's lesson is called "Working Together." In this week's lesson we will hear a story about how the Israelites worked together to rebuild the Temple with encouragement from the prophets Haggai and Zechariah.

#### HISKIDZ/W.O.W. WEDNESDAY

Our Children's Wednesday Night Bible study has resumed. Our children will continue to learn about the stories and people in the Old Testament. We meet at 5:30 p.m. with Snack Supper at 6:15 p.m. We will dismiss at 6:30 p.m.



# **Youth Bible Study and Small Group**

Sunday and Wednesday Night Bible Study for the Youth is back in full swing. We are moving through a study call "Confirming Your Faith." This study encourages us to talk about things in our everyday lives that can help strengthen our Faith or hinder it.

Sunday Night Supper List is being organized and will be sent out for Youth parents. Please be watching for this information. Thank you.

## **APPRECIATION!**

We would like to recognize **Glenda Wells** who has been a faithful employee of our Daycare for thirty years. She taken such wonderful care of many infants during this time. We are very fortunate to have her in this important role and appreciate all that she has done to make our Daycare the BEST!

# SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024

Greeters	Dixie & Jim Roberts/Maddie & Amanda Canard
Scripture	Acts 13:1-12
Sermon	"The First Mission Trip"
Flowers	Melinda & Tim Richards

# DAILY BIBLE READINGS AUGUST

25. 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	Luke 13:10-17
26. Finding life	Matthews 16:24-28
27. Losing by keeping	Luke 18:18-30
28. The hazard of arrogance	Proverbs 25:6-7
29. How could this happen?	Jeremiah 2:4-13
30. Losing God's leadership	Psalm 81:1, 10-16
31. Some practical advice	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16