

The Spire

June 2024

"See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land." ~Song of Songs 2:11-12



"Every father should remember: one day, his son will follow his example, not his advice. ~Charles Kettering

"It was my father who taught me to value myself." ~Dawn French

"When my father didn't have my hand, he had my back." ~Linda Poindexter

"A father is a man who expects his son to be as good a man as he meant to be." ~Frank A. Clark

"The older I get the smarter my father seems to get." ~Tim Russell

"He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children and the hearts of the children to their fathers." ~Malachi 4:6

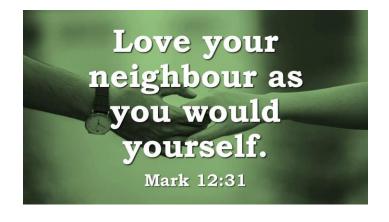
Happy Father's Day! You should know just how much your kindness and strength mean to your family and everyone who knows you.

Homeless Shelter Donations

Please help us collect items for Saint Joseph's Family Hope Center, a local homeless shelter. They are in need of the following:

- Bar soap
- Dishwashing liquid
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Liquid laundry detergent
- Bathroom cleaner
- Disinfectant spray
- Lysol all-purpose cleaner (Yellow cleaner)

We'll have a box in the sanctuary to collect these items through Father's Day weekend (June 16th). Thank you for helping those less fortunate in our community!



Jesus to the Rescue!

Join us this summer as we learn how Jesus rescues us and cares for us just like the helpers in our own community!

Registration for Jesus to the Rescue VBS is currently open. We will also accept walk-ins. Please spread the word about this exciting opportunity in our Church!



2024 Memorial Gifts

Lord, we are grateful for those role models who taught us, loved us, and inspired us to Love God & Love Others. We appreciate the gifts given in their names which will support God's work in our community.

In Memoriam:

Jack Cook, Jean Cook, John Cook, Jr., Anna Hall, David Hall, Percy Hall, Harold Hampton, Mary Hampton, Dorothy Hobaugh, Liz Machamer, Florence Osborne, Carlton Ottey, Charles Ottey, Elinore Ottey, Earl Parris, Joseph Probert, Marlene Probert, Maryanne Rietz-Dalton, Betty Singley



Food Bank

The items of the month for June are

Canned green beans & Canned carrots

Donations are accepted any time throughout the month. Thank you!

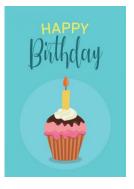
Birthdays and Anniversaries for June and July

June Birthdays

- 18 Lynda Miller
- 27 Mark Minchak
- 28 Lori Furniss

June Anniversaries

- 11 John & Rev. Brenda Shaw
- 13 Monnarae Fraim & Ken Eicholtz
- 15 Doug & Marsha Scott
- 22 Darlene & David Pysher
- 30 Frank & Sue Kulp



July Birthdays

- 6 David Rietz
- 7 Judy Armstrong
- Linda Cook
- 10 Karen Johnston
- 11 Steve Waltman
- 13 Grace Miles
- 16 Betty Vandergrift Christy Mason
- 30 Stephen Shaw
- 31 Charlene Miller

Friends & Family Weekend

You've probably been wondering what this Friends & Family Weekend is all about. We wanted to find a way to bring people together for a weekend full of fun events to build fellowship in the greater community.

So, mark your calendars for September 14–15 and join us for Upland Baptist Church's inaugural Friends & Family weekend.

If you're interested in purchasing a spot to sell your attic treasures or crafts, or to RSVP for the Church picnic, please register on our website: <u>www.uplandbaptist.org</u>



Daily Life with Your Bible Verse

The other day I was worrying about something I had to do. As I lay in bed, pretending to sleep, but actually fretting, my verse came to mind. Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters...It is the Lord Christ you are serving. (Colossians 3:23-34).

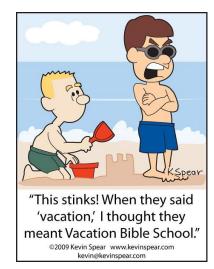
This helped me to refocus and remember that what I was worrying about shouldn't be my emphasis. Instead, I focused on taking care of the event in a manner that pleased God. I slept soundly that night. The verse God gave me for this year continues to help me live out my faith in my everyday life.

How is your verse impacting your daily life? I'd love to hear about it. Give me a call so we can chat - 610-453-8317.



Worship in the Chapel

On Sunday, June 16th, we will be moving Sunday morning worship to the Chapel for the summer. Worship will continue to be both in person and virtual.



Pastor Brenda's Vacation

Pastor Brenda and her family will be taking a three-week vacation at the end of the month. She will be out of the office from June 30 – July 20.

In the event of an emergency, please call Dawn Rafalski (610) 874-8069.

Pastor Brenda

Devotional Thought...

"But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let Them sing joyful praises forever. Spread your protection over them, that all who love your name may be filled with joy." (Ps. 5:11, NLT)

Dr. Rangan Chatterjee is a physician, television presenter, podcaster, and author of six books on health. His latest book is titled *Happy Mind*, *Happy Life*. He claims there are three areas in our lives that are necessary for happiness. They are 1) alignment, 2) contentment, and 3) control.



Feeling aligned means that the person you want to be and the person you are actually being out there in the world are one and the same. Contentment is focusing on things that truly make you feel at peace. Being in control means feeling that nothing has the power to overwhelm you.

That's all well and good, but only with God can we succeed in all of these areas and truly find joy.

1) But Jesus answered, "Rather, how happy are those who hear the word of God and obey it!" (Luke 11:28, Good News Translation)

2) "Happy are those who work for peace; God will call them his children! (Matt. 5:9)

3) Do not be afraid—I am with you! I am your God—let nothing terrify you! I will make you strong and help you; I will protect you and save you. (Isa. 41:10)

Heavenly Father, help us to do your will, seek peace, and trust in you so that we will be filled with joy. Amen.

~Dave Geveke

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