

But He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, For my power is made perfect in weakness."

II Corinthians 12:9

Disability \neq Handicap

Whenever we start something new—a school year, a church programming year, a job, a journey—we meet people of different abilities and disabilities. With new experiences come new fears.

In *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Children With Special Needs*, social worker Jo Clancy writes about John, who became a quadriplegic at age 17 after a diving accident. When Clancy shared her own fears of becoming disabled, John said, "A person can be more disabled by their fears than I will ever be by my physical challenges." He defined a disability as loss of ability in part of one's body but a handicap as an obstacle set in one's path by others or oneself.

Through Scripture, God, Jesus and angels tell people, "Do not be afraid." Paul writes that in his weakness, God's power is made known (2 Corinthians 12:9). Don't let fear handicap you—and don't handicap others with your fears. As God strengthens you, may others see His power!



SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

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

6:00 p.m. Youth

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

6:00 p.m. Emmaus Meeting

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

5:15 p.m. W.O.W. Wednesday Children's Bible study

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

6:00 p.m. Snack Supper

6:00 p.m. Youth

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

9-12 noon Methodist Market



23. Libbi Kyle Ragland

26. Whitney Adcock

27. Angie Edgar

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21. Mr. & Mrs. Charles Davis

23. Mr. & Mrs. Camp King



Foster Children Update:

We were able to help 14 foster children with clothes, shoes and school supplies. The children and foster parents were very appreciative. They enjoyed starting the school year off with supplies and new clothes.

Kairos Prison Ministry

I will be a team member on Kairos #44 at the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Pearl on October 6-9. This will be the first Kairos Weekend since before Covid. The mission of Kairos is to share the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ with incarcerated individuals. If you would like to make a financial contribution to this wonderful ministry, make your check payable to "Kairos International." You may turn that in to me or the church office.

Thank you, Allison Hughes



Many thanks go out to the Family Ministries Committee for sponsoring the Family Night Pot Luck Supper and Game night. It was a HUGE SUCCESS! We had a very good turn out and it was so much fun!

Also thanks to all who brought food and attended.

Children's Page

This week's lesson, "The Bible Presents Jesus," comes from our series, Connecting with God's Word. This lesson focuses on the first four books of the New Testament, also called the Gospels. These 4 books focus on the life of Jesus. Matthew wrote about Jesus and His parables; Mark wrote to the Roman readers and focused on the serving that Jesus did; Luke was a doctor and wrote about Jesus from life to death, with focus on His teachings; and finally, John wrote about Jesus the Messiah and Savior. We will talk about these four men and their writings in Sunday school this week.

HISKIDZ W.O.W. Wednesday



W.O.W. Wednesday is back, and we are so excited to dive into God's word. This is our mid-week Bible Study for $K-6^{th}$ grades. Along with Bible Study, we will have snack supper at 6:00 p.m. We have many fun games and activities planned for this year. Invite a friend and get ready for our first fun Bible Study about **BIBLE HEROES**. For the first 5-6 weeks,

we will be "unmasking the true hero behind well-known Bible characters." We are very excited to start back with our Fall activities.



Youth Sunday School

This Sunday in our series, Connecting with God's Word, our lesson, "Relying on God's Word," shifts our focus on the importance of the Bible. The word Bible is from the Greek word *biblia*, meaning books. God inspired the Bible. Scripture is unique for its divine preservation. God's word never changes, never fails, and lasts forever. This week's lesson reminds us that God's Word is reliable.

Youth Bible Study and Small Group

Sunday Night Bible Study is back underway. We will meet every Sunday night in the Youth Basement at 6:00 p.m. Our Bible Study for Sunday night will be a series on the book of James. Our first lesson will be on **Perseverance.**

Wednesday Night Youth Group will meet every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. with snack supper in the Fellowship Hall followed by Bible Study in the Youth Basement. Our topics on Wednesday night will vary but will focus more on everyday life experiences and life application.

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Greeters
Scripture
Sermon
Flowers

Alice George/Marilyn Burnett 1 Kings 19:8-18 "Can You Hear Me Now?" Jim & Brenda Oakes

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

AUGUST

21. 11 th Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 16:13-20
22. Israel multiplied in Egypt	Exodus 1:1-7
23. The knowledge of God	Romans 11:33-36
24. A woman anoints Jesus	Matthew 26:6-13
25. God calls Moses	Exodus 3:1-15
26. Remembering Moses	Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
27. Live in harmony	Romans 12:9-21