



## Beautiful Feet

“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” (Romans 10:15, NIV). Such beauty has nothing to do with the feet being clean, newly pedicured, elegantly clad. They may be the dusty feet of aid workers bringing food to drought-stricken areas, or the muddy shoes of those rushing disaster relief to flood zones. They may be the swollen feet of a dedicated nurse after a 12-hour hospital shift, or the tired feet of a parent pacing with a baby at 3 a.m.

In the upper room before Jesus’ arrest, he declared his disciples’ dirty feet beautiful by touching and washing them lovingly, preparing them to go out yet again with his good news for all. And on the cross, Jesus’ own feet — nail-pierced — were beautiful.

After Pope Francis died on Easter Monday 2025, many mourners who paid their respects noticed his shoes. Instead of new, well-polished “dress shoes,” the scuffed items clearly had walked countless steps. They were the sturdy boots of a worker, a pilgrim, a travel companion on the road of life, the journey of faith. They were the shoes — the feet — of a disciple of Christ willing to go wherever needed to bring the good news of God’s love. How beautiful!

—Heidi Hyland Mann



## SUNDAY, JULY 27

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

9:50 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

9-12 noon Methodist Market



Birthdays &  
Anniversaries  
This Month!

27. Susan Melton

30. Phil Williams

Mills Paul

Jana Bardwell

Julie Trammell

Melissa Wyatt

31. Gray Goodman

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28. Mr. & Mrs. Tim Richards

1. Mr. & Mrs. Bill Anderson

2. Mr. & Mrs. Jason Dees



*Peggy Ferguson Fraiser*

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes

*Oren Lavon Nichols*

The Pauline Bridgforth Sunday School Class



*Sympathy and love is extended to Diane and Reece Vaughan and family in the death of Diane's mother, Jo Ward, who died July 19, 2025.*



## Fire Transforming Us for the Good

For many people, relaxing by a campfire is a favorite summer activity. Nestling into the surrounding darkness while gazing into dancing flames, we sense God's love and let the day's chaos go. In contrast, Exodus 24:17 describes, "Now the appearance of the glory of God was like a devouring fire."

Pastor Steve Garnaas-Holmes offers another take, writing about God using flames to change us. (The full poem is here: [unfoldinglight.net/2025/02/24/fire](http://unfoldinglight.net/2025/02/24/fire))

God, your presence is like a consuming fire —  
not destructive, but transformative,  
not the fire of anger but the flame of love,  
the fire of glassblowers and bakers  
the grace to make us more beautiful, strong and  
useful.

Your glory is no tame campfire  
where we sit and make s'mores.

It burns out of our control.

The furnace of your love

roars about our hearts, remaking us

Teach us to be unafraid. ...

When you bask in firelight glow — and maybe eat  
some s'mores! — ponder how God is transforming  
you with love, and for the sake of love.



For the summer months we will be in the series, ***Together as Believers*** and ***Talking With God***. Each week we will have a lesson about how the new Christians came together after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. We will learn how the Holy Spirit led them to be strong in their faith.

Making Wise Choices - Paul writing a letter to help Philemon.

Prayers Anywhere- What to Say When You Pray- The Lord's Prayer

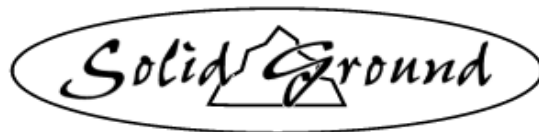
Trusting God's Answers - Why Doesn't God Just Fix Things -

Paul's Letters - Prayers From the Heart- Two Prayer at the Temple-

The Pharisee and the Tax Collector - Prayers for All People - All Kinds of Prayers -

God wants us to pray for everyone - Prayers of Thanks - One Came Back -

The Ten Lepers



## Back to School Yazoo

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel,  
because it is the power of God that brings  
salvation to everyone who believes.  
Romans 1:16

Join us for a night of praise and  
worship as we discuss being  
"Driven"



Guest Speaker  
JUSTIN KEENE

SUNDAY  
August 3, 2025  
6:30 pm

Parkview Church of God, Yazoo City, MS

Sunday August 3, at 6:30 p.m.,  
Grades 7-12 will be participating in  
Back to School Yazoo at Parkview.

Blessing of the Backpack – August 10th

# **VOLUNTEERS**

**SUNDAY, July 27, 2025**

Greeters	Angie & Archie Edgar/Patsy Clark
Scripture	Revelation 8:1-9:12
Sermon	<b>“The Seven Trumpets”</b>
Flowers	Melinda & Tim Richards

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

### **JULY**

27. 7 <sup>th</sup> <b>Sunday after Pentecost</b>	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
28. The King of Glory	Psalms 24
29. Give a good measure	Luke 6:36-38
30. Harvest of righteousness	James 3:13-18
31. A standard for judgment	Amos 7:7-17

### **AUGUST**

1. God's judgment on injustice	Psalms 82
2. A prayer for wisdom	Colossians 1:1-14