

The Parish Visitor



August, 2018

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SEPTEMBER IS COMING!

by Rev. Mark

You read the title of this article and you think to yourself, “Thank you, Capt. Obvious!” But September is an important time in the life of a church. As hard as we push to NOT let there be the ubiquitous decrease in church involvement over the summer, it happens. (Although, our involvement here doesn’t drop off NEARLY as much as it does in many churches around the country!) And so, “Fall Kick-Off” has always been a part of my ministry. Summer is over. School has started. People are falling back into their more “normal” routines. And so, we promote a sense of “Back to Church”!

For YOUR church, there are 2 important dates to take note of regarding the Fall Kick-Off- Wednesday, September 5 and Sunday, September 9. First- the 5th. That will be the night of the FIRST Wednesday Night Fellowship of the season! We start the evening at 5:15PM with an all-church dinner. EVERYONE is invited- period. Various group within the church cook, serve and clean up each week. The food is ALWAYS good...and the fellowship? Even better! Then, at 6PM, the anthill gets kicked! Our Children’s Youth Groups- FUEL- starts. The Youth Bible Study starts. The Adult Bible Study starts. Bell choir is going full force. AND- the Nursery is open! That all runs until 7PM. Then, it’s Choir time! In other words, there is something for everyone...and you are invited to any or all of what Wednesday evenings have to offer during the school year!

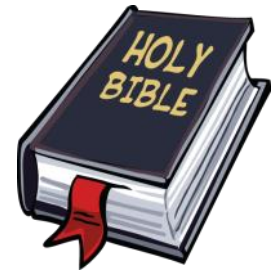
The other date I mentioned was Sunday, September 9th. That day, we start a whole new chapter in the life of The Aledo United Methodist Church! I will be pushing hard to get us all to work a bit harder to invite people to church with us this fall...so be warned! A brand-new Sermon Series on leadership called **Are You Leading or Taking a Walk?** will start that day. That will also be the day when we unveil a whole new approach to BOTH Youth/ Children’s Sunday School AND our Junior and Senior High Youth Groups. I am NOT going to steal our new Director of Youth and Children’s Ministries Kathleen Basham’s thunder, but I WILL say...hang on to your hats!! It’s going to be GREAT!

I have seen signs over the past month or so that we are on the verge of another explosion of growth and forward movement here at AUMC. And I believe with all of my heart that it will begin in earnest during that first full week in September! This congregation has been a major force for God in the region for a LONG time. We have had a huge impact on Mercer County for over 100 years. And yet, as great as the history of this congregation is, I feel God saying that we “ain’t seen nothin’ yet” and I, for one, can’t wait!!

SPECIAL DATES:

- August 2 MCSEEF Meeting 7PM
- August 4 Young Adult & Families Pool Party
- 5-7PM
- August 5 Communion & Food Pantry Sunday
- August 5 Volunteer Informational Luncheon 11:30AM
- August 6 UMW Picnic at Ruth Dulaney’s home 6PM
- August 9 Caring Hearts Food Prep 9AM
- August 12 Volunteer Informational Luncheon 11:30AM
- August 16 UMW Exec Meeting 4:15PM
- August 18 UMW Pork Chops at Mercer Market 10:30AM-1PM
- August 18 Baby Shower for Jaci Staley Weidner 1PM
- August 19 CIA Luncheon 11:30AM
- August 19 Mission Meeting 5:15PM
- August 19 Trustees Meeting 6PM
- August 19 Finance Meeting 6:45PM
- August 19 Administrative Council Meeting 7:30PM
- August 20 UM Men’s Meeting 6PM
- August 23 Parish Visitor Deadline 8AM
- August 23 Caring Hearts Food Prep 1PM
- August 27 Relay for Life Meeting 6:30PM
- August 27 Endowment Meeting 6:30PM

NEW/CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES



Ephesians: “Where You Belong”

WHAT: Current Tuesday morning Bible Study

WHEN: Tuesdays @ 9AM

WHERE: In the Fellowship Café next to the Sanctuary

WHY: In the book of Ephesians, Paul reminds us that Jesus longs for the day He will be united with the church - His bride in all her beauty. Paul's letter celebrates the beauty of the church. Ephesians gives us wonderful examples and basic overviews of a Christian life. Paul shows us how to walk worthy of Christ as we live our life for God. Paul's focus on the beauty of the church reminds us that through salvation we become a part of God's family: a place where we can experience true belonging.

WHAT ELSE: The books are \$6. Join us as we continue with this “Max Lucado Life Lessons Series” study!

Ten Men of the Bible: How God Used Imperfect People to Change the World

WHAT: Current Wednesday morning MEN'S Bible Study

WHEN: Wednesdays @ 6:30AM (Coffee, breakfast pizza AND donuts EVERY week!)

WHERE: In the Fellowship Cafe' next to the sanctuary

WHY: The men of the Bible aren't depicted there because they were perfect, but to highlight their faithfulness to God! In this 10-session study guide, Max Lucado looks at the stories of some of these Scriptural characters, pointing out key decisions they made - and the good or bad consequences that resulted. Each session includes discussion questions.

WHAT ELSE: The books are \$15 and it is NEVER too late to join!



SCHEDULING EVENTS

The Aledo United Methodist Church is a BUSY place! (Our custodian tells us that he struggles to find time to CLEAN the church because there is always something GOING ON in the church!) And since we are busy connecting people with Jesus Christ, then it is a VERY good thing that we are busy! But BECAUSE we are so busy, it makes scheduling a bit more of a challenge. Events that never had to be concerned with the calendar before now...have to!

We continue to find creative, collaborative ways to enable multiple events to happen at the same time- which IS our goal- but we can't do that if we don't know an event is scheduled. With that in mind, please contact the Church Office as soon as possible to make sure your date/time/area of the church is available and to get your event on the church calendar. Is your church a busy place? Yes! Is it busy connecting people to Jesus Christ? Yes! Therefore, we want to do EVERYTHING we can to make sure as many ministries as possible that help further our mission are able to happen!

CURRENT/NEW SERMON SERIES

by Rev. Mark

On Sunday, July 29, we began a new sermon series- The Five Sacrifices. The Old Testament Book of Leviticus is often maligned. (I have joked, when leading a "Read the Bible in a Year" group, that, when we completed that particular book we should all get t-shirts that read "I Survived Leviticus"!)

But it includes some powerful views on connecting with God AND it is seen as a bridge to God's gift of His Son in the Gospels. One of the most powerful aspects of Leviticus is often referred to as The Five Sacrifices. These "offerings of the law" serve a threefold approach- 1. they provide a way to make and keep a right relationship with God, 2. they are a metaphor for Jesus' sacrifice for us and 3. they are a pattern for our own approach to God. The weeks of the series look like this:

Sunday, July 29, 2018- The Burnt Sacrifice (Leviticus 1)

This sacrifice is the first step toward loving God perfectly. (Leviticus 6:13, Romans 12:1-2)

Sunday, August 5, 2018- The Meal Sacrifice (Leviticus 2)

This sacrifice speaks of a life that is dedicated to generosity and giving. (Leviticus 3:11-13, Romans 7:7)

Sunday, August 12, 2018- The Peace Sacrifice (Leviticus 3)

This sacrifice is one of praise and thanksgiving. (Genesis 31:44, Romans 5:1-2)

Sunday, August 19, 2018- The Sin Sacrifice (Leviticus 4)

This sacrifice looks toward our unintentional weaknesses and failures before God. (Leviticus 4:35b, Romans 3:21-24)

Sunday, August 26, 2018- The Trespass Sacrifice (Leviticus 5)

This sacrifice addresses intentional sin. (Psalm 69:13-15, Romans 2:12-13)



FUEL- Our Wednesday Night Children's Ministry

by Rev. Mark

Our Wednesday Night Children's ministry- **FUEL**- is on hiatus! Yes- our Children's Ministry, along with all of our Wednesday Night programming, is "on vacation" for the summer. Thanks to all of the adults who made it happen, all of the kids who participated and all of the parents who made sure their kids GOT here! **We had a great season and will be back on Wednesday, Sept. 5!**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are in need of volunteers to greet for Sunday morning Services. This is an **IMPORTANT** ministry.

Please contact Ruth Dulaney at 309-738-6151 to volunteer one Sunday a month.



Do you want to take some food to a friend who is ill or in need?
Our Caring Hearts freezer, in a new location by the elevator doors in the basement, has a variety of soups, casseroles, fruit, and desserts.

A group of dedicated ladies prepare the delicious homemade food twice a month for anyone who is in need of cheer.

Please help yourself!



Volunteer Ministries Spotlight

Mission Team Fair Meal

Our Mission Team, Neil Truman, chairman, served a special mission in July. They fed the Mercer County Fair traveling workers a delicious hot meal of two different kinds of pasta, chili, ham and cheese sandwiches, cold drinks, home-made cookies and pies. The forty people served were so appreciative of the love and respect shown to them by our AUMC members. A big thank you to Tom King, Mike Millar and all the 20 + volunteers who organized, prepared, served, and cleaned up the meal!

Way to be the hands and feet of Jesus meeting others right where they are!



CALL-EM-ALL UPDATE

Call-Em-All now has a way for you to get those messages that only come through partially. It is called Message Replay. If you call the number 844-358-1565, they will play for you the last message sent to your phone number. Be sure to call from the phone that received the original message, and call soon, as you will get only the last message sent.



WORSHIP TECH OPPORTUNITIES

AS we prepare to expand our Sunday morning worship opportunities, the need for "worship tech" also increases. Do you like electronics? Then your church needs YOU! We need people to help operate the sound system and computer during Sunday morning worship services. What do you need in order to run these things? The list is LONG- a willingness to serve, and...that would be about it! The systems, designed specifically for churches, are quite simple to operate. (Don't let all the knobs and switches intimidate you!) The great part about this ministry is that it happens during worship, when you're in church anyway! Do you feel God calling you to step up and help? Talk to Mike Millar or Ruth Dulaney.

Wednesday Night Fellowship, FUEL and the Adult Bible Study will ALL be back on Wednesday, September 5th! Mark your calendars!

C.I.A. (CARING INDIVIDUAL ADULTS) LUNCHEON AUGUST 19TH

CIA continues to flourish! This group is aimed folks who often find themselves eating alone. This includes (but is NOT limited to) anyone who has lost their spouse, divorced or separated, or whose loved one is in the nursing home. The CIA luncheon happens once each month. This month, the luncheon will be on Sunday, August 19th, immediately following the 10:30AM worship service. You don't have to bring anything except yourself. Feel free to invite a friend to share the meal and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you on the 19th of August at 11:45AM!

MUSIC MINISTRY

What untapped musical gifts do YOU have? Perhaps you sing or play a musical instrument? If so, perhaps God is calling you to a greater commitment in our worship services. Here is a list of the current music ministry opportunities available:

- Either (or both) of the Praise Bands need a Bass Guitarist
- The Vocal Choir always has room for more singers.
- The Bell Choir is looking for more ringers, including substitutes.
- Do you sing or play an instrument? Special music presentations always have a place for you!

Pray about stepping out in faith. If you feel God calling you to join the music ministry of the church, talk to Rev. Mark- stop him at church, call him at the office or e-mail him at revmark@stickwithjesus.com.

AUMW PORK CHOPS

Aledo United Methodist Women will be serving pork chop sandwiches at Mercer Market on August 18th, 10:30AM to 1PM. Have a yummy lunch and support our UMW!



WRMJ RADIO BROADCAST

On the 4th Sunday of each month, and now on any 5th Sundays, we broadcast our 10:30 Worship Service live on WRMJ. Would you like to sponsor this? It costs \$70 to sponsor a Sunday broadcast, and is a wonderful way to get our Services out to the public and to those who cannot make it to church. If you are interested, let the office know at 582-2169. If you would like to sponsor in memory of a loved one, give us the information and we will acknowledge it in the bulletin and in the announcements.



CONNECTION COINS FOR AUGUST

The Connection Coins (or as Rev. Mark calls them, the “thinly-veiled Pringles cans”!) are doing great things in the life of the Aledo UMC! On the 2nd Sunday of each month, during the Children’s Moment, the ushers pass around those cans. You are encouraged to drop your change in- although we WILL accept “folding money”! And that change goes toward helping fund a ministry within the church.

This month (August 12th), the Connection Coin offering will go toward another important ministry. Caring Hearts is a ministry that covers a WIDE range of people and needs. Much of it is built around the basic human needs of food and fellowship. So, 100% of the money that is collected in the cans on the 12th of August will be used to help fund this Ministry. What a GREAT way to help connect people to Jesus Christ. So bring your change on August 12th!

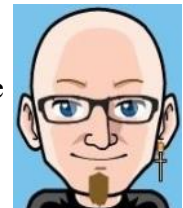


DID YOU MISS SUNDAY’S SERMON?

If you miss church on Sunday, you can STILL experience the sermon. You can go to the church's Facebook page OR the church website to watch a video of any sermon you missed. You can also go to www.stickwithjesus.com and choose "read my blog" to read a transcript of the sermon! If you would like to subscribe and receive a daily email link, email Rev. Mark at revmark@stickwithjesus.com. Please share these links with your friends and family.

AN OUTREACH IDEA

Here’s a low-risk, easy way to introduce others to faith-share Rev. Mark’s website with them. Described as “a daily look at life as a shaved-headed, earring-wearing, rock-drumming United Methodist minister”, www.stickwithjesus.com features a “thought for the day”, written by Rev. Mark- a new one is literally added daily! There is also a daily Bible verse AND a Prayer Request page, where you can (anonymously if you want) ask for prayer! Check it out- if you would like to subscribe and receive a daily email link, email Rev. Mark at revmark@myaledoumc.com and let him know.



SPECIAL OBSERVANCES IN AUGUST

Did you know that August is Admit You're Happy Month? How about Catfish Month? Golf Month? Romance Awareness Month? Picnic Month? In addition, here are some of the special “days” in August: the 1st- Mustard Day, the 2nd- Ice Cream Sandwich Day, the 3rd- Watermelon Day, the 4th- Coast Guard Day, the 5th- Work Like a Dog Day, the 6th- Wiggle Your Toes Day, the 7th- Lighthouse Day, the 8th- Sneak Some Zucchini on Your Neighbor’s Porch Day, the 9th- Book Lover’s Day, the 10th- S’mores Day, the 11th- Son and Daughter Day, the 12th- Middle Child Day, the 13th- Left-Handers Day, the 14th- Creamsicle Day, the 15th- V-J Day, the 16th- Tell a Joke Day, the 17th- Thriftshop Day, the 18th- Bad Poetry Day, the 19th- Aviation Day, the 20th- Radio Day, 21st- Senior Citizen’s Day, the 22nd- Be an Angel Day, the 23rd- Ride the Wind Day, the 24th- Vesuvius Day, the 25th- Kiss and Make Up Day, the 26th- Dog Day, the 27th- Just Because Day, the 28th- Race Your Mouse Day, the 29th- More Herbs Less Salt Day, the 30th- Toasted Marshmallow Day, and the 31st- Trail Mix Day.

Take time to celebrate the wonderful, weird and wacky in August!

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

08-06-1999– Scott & Dianna Spencer
 08/17/1984– Garry & Debra Toops
 08/18/2007– Nick & Miranda Boss
 08/23– Dudley & Rachel Fowler
 08/26/1972– Steve & Rhonda Brown
 08/28/2011– Jacob & Hannah Robinson
 08/29/1965– Stan & Debbie Swank
 08/30– Barry & Denise Algren
 08/31/1969– Bill & Debby Breeden



UM Women Golden Age Birthdays

08/10– Erma Dobbins
 08/28– Audrey Anderson
 08/31– Betty Allan



The deadline for the next
 Parish Visitor is
Wednesday, August 23 @ 8am.
 Please have all articles submitted
 by this date!

THOSE WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Betty Allan
 Sandy Anderson/health
 Sharon Andress
 John Balmer
 Sheri Bieri family
 Bob Bocox/cancer
 Brian Boenkamp/coma
 Renae Brown/baby
 Holden C/heart
 Calvin
 Valerie Carlson family
 Robin Ciccotelli/chemo
 Julia Cirks/cancer
 Tricia/Rory Conway/Lymes
 Hurley Crossman/cancer
 Brian Day/leukemia
 Dee Dellitt
 Stacey DeSpain/6yrs/health
 Dick & Beverly
 Doug/heart
 Jim Droste
 Lauren Eggen/cancer
 Chris Engstrom
 Soni Engstrom
 Evelyn/1yr old/cancer
 Bob Fausett/heart
 Sandi Fausett

Don Franks
 Kensie/adoption
 Jenifer Franks/cancer
 Carol Freeman/cancer
 CJ Friedel
 Gail/chemo & radiation
 Garret Gildea & Jacob/
 missionaries in Nicaragua
 Gavin/healing
 Rodney Glidden/lung cancer
 Will Green/deployed
 Austin Hains
 Rita Haizlip
 Susie Hall/breast cancer
 Roxanne Hanson
 Megan Harbor & family
 Rev Mark and family
 Michael Harris
 Tom Hasson/healing
 Pam Heath
 Shirley Hecker
 Marilyn Hessman/cancer
 Sheryl Hodges
 Parker Hopkins/2yrs old/
 cancer
 Jackson
 Janet Jensen/cancer
 Jeanine

Jeremy
 Debbie Jones/heart
 Terry Jones/cancer
 John Karwath/cancer
 Aubrey King/cancer
 Chad King/brain tumor
 Martha King/heart
 Paul King
 Kristin/healing
 Allison Kuk/remission
 Jon Lee/cancer
 Tiffanee Lloyd
 Mary Louck
 Dick Maynard family
 Violet Meskan/Lyme disease
 Connie Midkiff
 Joel Noe/health
 Donna Oldfather
 Ember Pappas/cancer
 Patrick/surgery
 Bonnie Peterson
 Marilyn Peterson family
 Bryce Rathje
 Robert & Monica/health
 Kris Salmon/cancer
 Neil Seaton/stroke
 Robert & Monica

Rollin Spencer/health
 Stacey
 Joe Thibedoux/lymphoma
 Charley Thomas
 Connie Thomas/health
 Travis
 Pam & Neil Truman
 Nena Visser/health
 Miles Ward/tests
 Rebecca Weihler/brain tumor
 Joanne Weintraut family
 Gabby Whitehall/Lymes
 AUMC church family
 Shut-ins/Nursing Home Residents
 Military & families
 All ill/in hospitals
 All who mourn
 Gun Violence
 An end to bullying

Mercer County Schools
 Administration, Teachers, Students
 and Staff
 National and Local Governmental
 Leaders

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

As you are shopping for your children's "back-to-school" supplies for their classrooms, why not pick up a few extra items (at SUPER CHEAP PRICES!) to put in your Operation Christmas Child shoebox? The prices can't be beat! There will be more information in the near future.

Joan Reynolds

Scott Spencer



Baby Shower Invitation

What: Baby shower for Gary & Renae Brown

When: Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 1PM

Where: Aledo United Methodist Church dining room

Who: Everyone in our church family!

RSVP: Connie Alexander @ 309-373-3908

What Else: It's a girl!!



Baby Shower Invitation

What: Baby shower for Andy & Jaci (Staley) Weidner

When: Saturday, August 18 at 1PM

Where: Aledo United Methodist Church dining room

Who: Everyone in our church family!

What Else: Jaci & Andy are registered at Target & Buy Buy Baby

RSVP: AUMC Office @ 582-2169



CHURCH LIBRARY NEWS!

For our library users, two new books have been added to the library: "I'll Push You", a real-life story of two life-long best friends who embark on a pilgrimage across the mountains and rough terrain of Northern Spain, a 500 mile trip. One of the men is confined to a wheelchair and the other volunteered to push him on this journey. The story is full of love, humor and faith. "I'll Push You" exemplifies what true friendship is meant to be.

The second book is "A Treasury of Miracles" by Karen Kingsbury with true stories about ordinary people, forty real-life stories with undeniable proof of God's presence in our lives, reminding us of His faithful love, steadfast protection and profound strength. These stories will remind us of our faith and what prayer can do.

Both books are well worth your time for learning more about God and His love for His children. GIVE THEM A TRY.





**ALL
LADIES!**

To our annual
**UMW Fellowship
Potluck Picnic**

Monday, August 6th at 6:00 PM

Ruth Dulaney's home
705 NW 2nd Ave, Aledo

(Carpool at the church at 5:45 PM)

Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Drinks and
Dinnerware provided

Bring your favorite food to share

We will eat inside and then enjoy fun
and fellowship outside,
Weather permitting

SAVE THE DATE(S) – WE WANT YOU ON OUR TEAM!

What are your talents? Your joys? Your passions? We would love to have you share them with others and with us! On Sunday, August 5 or Sunday, August 12, volunteer opportunities will be explored at an all-church meeting, right after the 10:30 service. Opportunities to work with youth and adults will be discussed and a light lunch will be served. We need you to join our team! Which team? You decide! There are so many from which to choose! We need Scripture readers, special music artists, workers for the Fellowship Cafe, Bakery Team, CIA, Safety Team, Food Ministry, Tech Booth Team and the Visitation Team as well as Sunday School teachers, Sunday School substitute teachers, a Sunday School Superintendent, tutors, cooking teachers, FUEL leaders, The Forge mentors, Children's Church leaders and Power Pack team members. Do you have a talent you want to share that isn't listed? Let us know about you! Help us be ready for the September Kick-Off by attending one of these meetings! See you there!



NEW NAME, NEW SCHEDULE!

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. ---Proverbs 27:17
The Forge --- coming September 9!

That's right! You do not want to miss the new, exciting teen opportunity for fellowship on Sundays, starting September 9th. Enter The Forge and burnish yourself into the living Christ! Burn away the old as you grow into the new at The Forge!

The new schedule starts September 9th:

4 pm – 5:15 pm The Forge (grades 6-8)

5:15 pm – 6:15 pm Study Hour (a quiet place to study or get homework help) for all youth (grades 6-12)

6:15 pm – 7:30 pm The Forge (grades 9-12)

**KIDS, HAVE YOU SEEN
 TYSON'S TALES?
 STEP INTO THE
 WORLD OF
 READING!**



VBS 2018

VBS was amazing. Watching all the kids get fired up learning about God helped boost my spirit! Honestly, I thought that this Vacation Bible School was going to be a flop and not really work out, which saddened me with all the work that I put into making Vacation Bible School what it was. But it wasn't. It was awesome. We had 26 kids on Sunday night and we served 76 dinners. On Monday we had 32 kids and we served 83 dinners. On Tuesday night we had 31 kids and served 86 dinners. On Wednesday we had 30 kids and we broke 100 with a total of 102 dinners served.

We also had an Adult Bible Study that was based on the same verses that the children were learning. We had 10 adults participate in the study on Sunday. On Monday we had 10 participate as well! On Tuesday we had 7 adults and on Wednesday we has 8 adults participate!

So adding all the numbers up, adults that participated in the Bible Study =35. We had 119 kids for VBS, and we served 347 meals! It was an amazing VBS and I feel very blessed to have been such a big part of it!

I want to THANK everyone who donated food, money, time, and work to this year's VBS. We had a total of 40 workers, not including the kitchen volunteers who helped make these 4 days special for the children.

We had prayers twice a night where the kids could pray or they could have me pray over them for whatever they had on their hearts. These children that we are helping grow in Christ have such pure hearts and always brought tears to my eyes with the prayers that they came up with. They make me want to be the best person I can be so that they can learn from me.

The program went well! The kids learned 4 songs this year and the adults learned one with their Bible Study. The kids also learned 4 sign language phrases, Find Adventure on the River, Find Acceptance on the River, Find Joy on the River, and Find Rest on the River. I remember learning a word or two in my VBS days but these kids learned 4 whole phrases in just a few days. And another thing we did, which we haven't done in a while, was a Sunday Program. We only did 2 of the songs but we were able to have the kids present for the 10:30 Special Music, and SPECIAL it was!

Thank you all for allowing me the opportunity to run this year's VBS, Rolling River Rampage!

Ashley Schmidt



YOUNG ADULTS & YOUNG FAMILIES POOL PARTY PICNIC

CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS (ANYONE 18-30) AND YOUNG FAMILIES (ANY FAMILY THAT HAS AT LEAST 1 CHILD IN JUNIOR HIGH OR YOUNGER)!

ON AUGUST 4TH FROM 5-7PM, WE ARE HAVING OUR FIRST ANNUAL POOL PARTY .

IT IS A POTLUCK, SO BRING YOUR FAVOIRTE DISH TO PASS.

PULLED PORK WILL BE PROVIDED.

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SHOW UP AND HAVE A GREAT TIME GETTING TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW CHURCH FAMILIES BETTER! THIS EVENT IS FREE!!!!

THE ADDRESS IS 104 SE 15TH St. ALEDO IL. IT'S BEHIND THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Ashley Schmidt

**PRAYER WALK
THROUGH THE
CHURCH
EVERY
SUNDAY
MORNING
AT 7AM.**

Need a ride to church?

Contact Greg Cobert at 309-737-5621, or the office at 309-582-2169 to make arrangements to be picked up.



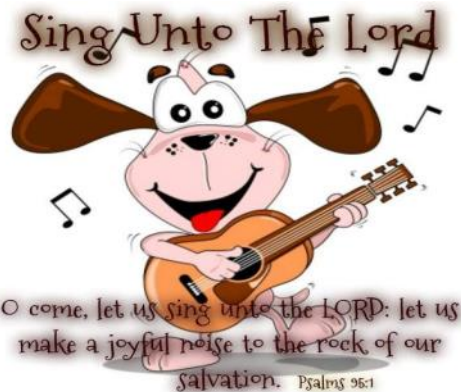
**WORSHIP
TIMES:
Sundays 8AM,
9:15AM,
10:30AM
Sunday School
9:15AM**

DID YOU MISS SUNDAY'S SERMON?

If you miss church on Sunday, you can STILL experience the sermon. You can go to the church's Facebook page OR the church website to watch a video of any sermon you missed. You can also go to www.stickwithjesus.com and choose "read my blog" to read a transcript of the sermon! If you would like to subscribe and receive a daily email link, email Rev. Mark at revmark@stickwithjesus.com. Please share these links with your friends and family.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday night Adult Bible Study will resume September 5th. We will continue, with teacher Paul Hevland, where we left off in the study of James. Find your book and join us at 6PM in the Café! If you want to join in, just show up. You are welcome!



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GIVING**
easy. fast. effective.

FINANCIAL MATTERS (WEEKLY NEED \$6,689)

TITHES



Date	07/01/2018	07/08/2018	07/15/2018	07/22/2018
Attendance	237	232	246	248
Receipts (Toward Budget)	\$8,771.00	\$5,014.15	\$4,528.00	\$4,427.00