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Sunday Worship Gatherings: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wuzzles & S.P.L.A.T. Zone 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Youth: Encounter 4pm and Engage 6pm Sundays

Church office hours: Mon-Thurs. – 8am-5pm; Fri. – 8am-noon. Closed Friday afternoons

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LADIES: Join us for our next IF event at IF: Pray
Mark your calendars for Thursday September 28th at 7pm!



"His Harvest Field – Our Vision"

FAITH PROMISE WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1

Saturday – Picnic/Cookout/Potluck at JP & Sheila Piper's at 4pm with
Todd & Tonja Hancock

Hancock's will be speaking at both services and during Sunday
School

"His Harvest Field - Our Vision" is the theme for this year's Faith Promise to Missions. *"A Faith Promise is a commitment made to God, based not on how much you have, but on how much you believe God will provide for you to use in worldwide evangelism... The Faith Promise is a covenant made with God in which the individual promises God that he will trust Him for a designated amount to be given weekly for His program of worldwide evangelism...The Faith Promise challenges us to venture out for Christ.*

Cookout at J.P. and Sheila Piper's place this Saturday, September 30th, at 4:00pm, at 4726 IL Hwy 1, with our special guests, Todd, Tonja, and Lizzet Hancock! An afternoon and evening of fun, food and fellowship is planned! SO...bring a lawn chair... a dish to share, and if you wish, a fishing pole or a ball to throw!

Worship on the Round - Sunday October 8 at 10am
Sunday School at 9am

Nate's News

I see the effects of it in the headlines, where I live, and in the church which creates many different sets of problems and situations that will continue to either escalate or somehow find a solution. It creates division, makes everything one sided most of the time, and never really gets to the heart of the real issue which all stems from getting away from simply having conversations with one another. The art of talking, sitting down around a table and having a real conversation about what the issue is and what it would take to bring all the sides together. Instead we take up a cause with riots, protests, whether they are silent or loud, and forming divisive groups. We consider our rights more than wanting to understand anybody else and we have walked away from our basic need for each other. To be human means we need other humans whoever they are and simply having a conversation to solve problems and sort out differences. We skip to taking up arms before we even talk or hear the other person to which it never ends up fixing anything but making it all more complicated. It starts by talking!

Connection and discussion continues every Wednesday at 6pm, we will be looking at Oct 4-Doubt, Oct 11-Heaven/Hell, and Oct 18-Spiritual Gifts. This is simply a small group discussion where you can have a time to get to know others in the church while growing in your faith. Hope to see you there!

Sarah's Synopsis

Fall is here and hopefully the cooler weather will follow soon! One of my favorite times in the fall is Trunk R' Treat! I am looking for several groups of people, friends, families or individuals who would love to get dressed up, decorate their trunk and help us pass our candy to little trick or treaters! Trunk R' Treat takes place the evening of Halloween at the church from 5-8pm. We will be serving hotdogs, chips,

hot coco and more! Come check out the fun next month. If you are interested in helping with this event, whether with a trunk or in the kitchen please contact me, Sarah!!

Spenser's Spot

Breaking routine can be difficult no matter what the topic. Several months ago, I got into a really great routine. I was getting up early and working out before coming into work. It was going well and then I got off schedule and took a week off. This led to another week and another. I got into the routine of sleeping in. I know that I need to change back and get back to getting up early and putting in the time but when I wake up, it's really hard to convince me otherwise... In the same way, it can be hard to break our routine in our faith. We fall into doing the same things every week. We go to church most Sundays. Maybe we crack open the bible a few times a week. We say our prayers. And that's where it ends. But what if there was more? What if we broke our routine and added in some new elements? How much of your life is dedicated to discipling others? Some say they are too young or too old for this to be a part of their routine. Some say they are too busy. Some say they are discipling their kids and that's their contribution to discipling. But could you be doing more? During your crazy busy schedule, have you thought about talking to that mom who is also waiting for her kids to get out of their extracurricular? That co-worker that you've worked with for years, have you thought about inviting them to see why you are a part of the church? How about that neighbor that you always see while you're out gardening or that cashier you always go to or the worker at your kid's daycare? The opportunities are everywhere. We just have to break routine and step into the uncomfortable to talk to them. The most important thing you can do throughout this process is pray. Pray that you see who God would have you talk to. Pray that the conversation plants a seed. Pray that God

uses you in the relationship and that you can show them Christ's love. Make a change. Break routine.

PRAYER SISTERS!!!!

Ladies, it is time to sign up again for Prayer Sisters. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the Family Life Center. Sign-ups will be through OCTOBER 8. Questions? Jan Nebergall 463-1930 or Marci Sisson 465-5709. If you signed up earlier, please do so again. Our sign-up sheet went missing. Thanks.

Brookstone Friends -

We are wanting about 50 - 8.5"x11" picture frames for a project. We don't want the glass, just the frame. Bring them to the church and give to Sheri Henson.

PRAYER CONCERNS Please pray daily for those listed. We ask that you copy these requests onto your own private list for two weeks. Remember: "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:17 – Our military, the homeless, missionaries, our church, Abigail Alexander & family, Rayleigh Ike, Bob & Rosemary Linton, Nate, Spenser, Sarah, Chris and families, Ron & Diana Stewart, Tyler & family, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Mark & Priscilla Clark, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Terry Weger, Phil Ludington, those affect by Harvey & Irma hurricane's, Naomi, Maggie, Mary G., Mary B, Devon Kindred, Leanna Reedy & family, Max & Lydia McIntosh, Edna Bright, our government leaders, Pres. Trump, Our missionaries, North Korea situation, Charlie Pantle, Jim Taylor farmers & Ag related services, Lori Sexton, Garrett, Kara & Carson Ike, Mary Strole, Faith Promise Missions, Mattoon H.S., See You at the Pole, 67 unspoken

SENIOR ADULTS - Lots going on for the Seniors:

Thursday October 12, 2017, Triumphant. Number 1 Gospel Group this year, will be at the Myers Theater in Hillsboro at 5:30pm. Cost is \$33.05 which includes tax.

Sunday October 15, 2017, Gospel Choir at First Baptist Church in Casey, IL to start at 6:00 pm. This is donation only.

Sunday October 22, 2017, Air Force Band at Effingham Performance Center at 3:00 pm. This is a free concert. Only have a few tickets, first come and first serve. Then eat at Niemerg's after the show.

Saturday October 28, 2017, Beef House show and Dinner. **Trip to Bountiful.**

If you are interested in anyone or all of these shows, let Chris Pantle know ASAP.

BELATED THANK YOU

Thank you for the good response to our request for goodies and help at the Red Cross

Bloodmobile canteen in August. Cookies were furnished by Edna Bright, Donna Ingle, Julia Kelsheimer, Nila Nugent, Kathy Padgett and Carol Winkler. Donors were served by Renee Blumthal, Carol Heischmidt, Julia Kelsheimer, Marci Sisson, Bev Strow and Carol Winkler. Thanks, Lennie Erwin for the homemade sandwich spread. Anyone who volunteered to furnish cookies or work and were not needed, we thank you too. Everyone's thoughtfulness was appreciated by Red Cross and the donors. We will do it again next year. THANKS to all!

Bev Duzan and Katie Marlowe

HAPPENINGS WITH FAITH IN ACTION

How would you like to experience a Branson Holiday Extravaganza! Faith in Action is sponsoring a bus trip for Monday, December 4 through Friday, December 8 (5 days and 4 nights) to attend the Christmas shows at Branson. The cost of the trip is \$505 double occupancy. Included in the price is motor coach transportation, four night lodging, 8 meals (4 breakfasts and 4 dinners), admission to 7 fabulous shows and a cruise on the Showboat Branson Belle. At least 30 people are needed to sign-up for this trip. If interested, please contact Judy Benton at 812-243-6231 or 466-6388.

Faith in Action will sponsor a McEvent at McDonald's on Monday, October 2 from 4-7:00pm. A percentage of the sales will go to Faith in Action. Donation buckets will also be available. Mark your calendar and plan to stop at McDonald's for supper.

On Wednesday October 11, at the Farmer's Bank, Bag Lunch Faith in Action will be serving hot dogs, chips, cookies, and water from 11am-1pm or until food is not available. Please join FIA for lunch.

The annual Spaghetti Dinner and Auction will be Friday, October 20 at Lake Ridge Family Life Center from 4-7pm. The cost of the meal will be a donation. For the auction, FIA will be accepting NEW OR GENTLY used items with a minimum value of \$10, fresh baked goods, homemade quilts and gift certificates for products or services. Auction items may be taken to the FIA office at 239 W Wood by Thursday, October 19.

If anyone needs more information and/or want to participate in any of the upcoming events, please call FIA at 466-6388. Any and all support will be appreciated. THANKS!

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple or the monthly sermon post cards or have an address change or even a phone number change, please contact the office at 217-465-5614 or email us at office@lakeridgechurch.org before the next Ripple goes out. Please let us know as soon as possible so that the church is not charged \$.49 by the postal service to get your new address. Thank you.

Birthdays...

- 3 - Courtney Rigdon, David Howard, Sean Hale
- 4 - Cyndi Calhoun, John Sims, Jessup Wilson, Cliff Gale, Lindsey Magers
- 5 - Mike Burch, Sierra Gale, Lori Cline
- 6 - Matt Stetler, Don Bartos
- 7 - Susie Essinger
- 8 - Ron Strow, Hannah Bowers
- 10 - Doug Mace, Terra Ogle, Kierstyn Allen, Stephanie Doran
- 11 - Charly Phipps
- 13 - Ian Winkler, Artie Ike, Keegan Jewell
- 14 - John Huston, Karla Gorman
- 16 - Mallory Hancock, Stacey Pruitt, Shaun Williams
- 17 - Sean Dunn, Jocelyn Jewell
- 18 - Phil Dyer, Sharon McLeod, Karen Hillard, Chelsey Winkler
- 19 - Carmen Stewart, Greyson Brewington
- 20 - Brinkley Colvin
- 22 - Cole Collins
- 23 - Nicole Brinkley Jeurissen, Brock Minor
- 25 - Garrett Huffman
- 26 - Becca Burch
- 27 - Verne Bear, Virginia Davis, Ella Hays
- 28 - Asher McCarty
- 30 - Jessica Phipps, Beverly Weger
- 31 - Payton Stewart, Gary Daniels

Anniversaries...

- 6 - Justin & Krista Howard
- 7 - Dean & Loretta Davis
- 10 - Shaun & Megan Williams
Eric & Brittney Erwin
- 11 - Clayton & Lindsey Griffin
- 12 - Zach & Stefani Werkheiser
- 15 - Logan & Harley Hale
- 16 - John & Nancy Huston
Richard & Penny Duzan
- 29 - Steve & Lisa Rigdon

Is your Birthday or Anniversary missing? Please don't get upset! It only means we don't have it on file. Regular attendee's names may be missing because we don't have your birthday. When you join the church, a membership profile sheet is filled out for that information. Please notify the office of additions or corrections!

October is Clergy Appreciation Month

Sept. 28 @ 7-9:30pm -

IF: Pray

Oct. 1 - Faith Promise with Todd & Tonja Hancock

Oct. 2 @ 7pm - Mission Ministry Mtg.

@7:15pm - Prayer Team Mtg.

Oct. 5 @ 6pm - Journey with Angels

Oct. 8 @ 9am - Sunday School

@ 10am - Worship on the Round

Oct. 10 @ 9am - Ripple Deadline

Oct. 12 @ 6pm - Stewardship Ministry Mtg.



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October 2017 SERVING SCHEDULE



Date	Greeters 8:00	10:30
10/1	Terry & Bonnie Higginbotham	Joe & Stephanie Schmitt
10/8	Gerald & Diana Meeks	Wally & Judy Trapp
10/15	Jim & Kay Taylor	Kay Blizzard & Sherryl Inman
10/22	Naomi Payne & Susie Essinger	Alaina Boren & Kayla Bradford
10/29	Jodi, Colby & Samantha Kindred	Jarrold, Beck & Gracie Dyer

Date	8:00 Prayer Room	10:30	8:00 Communion Meditation
10/1	Greg & Sheri Henson	Doug & Betsy Mace	Greg Henson
10/8	10:00 – Elder's		Worship on the Round
10/15	Naomi Payne & Susie Essinger	David & Judy Hale	Ron Stewart
10/22			Dick Marlowe
10/29			Staff

Date	Communion to the Sick	Date	AA Cookies	REMINDER: If there is a conflict with your Ministry time, please find your own replacement to fill in for you. We want to ensure all Sunday morning ministries are covered each week. Thank you for serving!
10/1	Lennie Erwin	9/29	Jan Nebergall	
10/8	Mark Gladding & Ron George	10/6	Marci Sisson	
10/15	Kelsheimer's	10/13	Sandra Hall	
10/22	Chad Cline & Dirk Haddix	10/20	Julia Kelsheimer	
10/29	BJ Fessant & Darin Tevebaugh	10/27	Jan Nebergall	

Date	8:00AM	NURSERY SCHEDULE	10:30AM
10/1	Patti Milburn	I – Stephanie Doran & Family T – Mindi & Devon Milner	
10/8	Laura Pitts	I – Shawn Simpson & Kathy Collier T – Kelly Milbourn & Kristin Mooneyham	
10/15	Brenda Rhoads & Elaine Good	I – Karla Gorman & Harli Rhoads T – Elaine Good & Carol Cline	
10/22	Lisa Rigdon	I – Sherryl Inman & Maddie McCarty T – Josh & Ellyn Andrews	
10/29	Jodi Theirl	I – Nila Nugent & Karen Littleton T – Amy Rose & Mary Johnson	

OCTOBER	8:00	10:30	Faith Promise – August Promised Monthly goal - \$2,291.66	
Communion Coordinator	Dick Marlowe		Actual Monthly	\$ 2,992.00
Communion Preparation	Amanda Smith		YTD Commitment Goal	20,624.94
			Actual Income YTD	25,103.58
			Difference	\$+4,478.64

FACTS & FIGURES

Attendance	Sunday School	8:00 worship	10:30 worship	Total worship
8/27	105	91	221	312
9/3	89	99	185	284
9/10	96	92	187	279
9/17	95	91	244	335
9/24	95	101	225	326

General Budget needs \$9,029.54	Missions	Building	Expenses for the week
6,100.28	265.00	-	7,047.55
9,593.52	1,170.00	80.00	3,389.70
4,540.63	297.00	-	4,589.14
11,843.16	4,917.00	90.00	4,518.16
4,751.85	460.00	-	n/a