



Weekly Booster

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Starting Life
Anew,
Reborn,
Redeemed

New birth is about casting off our old, mortal life and entering into a new kind of life: the eternal life! By putting our trust in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, by accepting the beauty of the truth that he has died for our sins, we can start the process of Christlike growth and maturity.

We all fall short of the glory of God (see Romans 3:23). But admitting our sins to ourselves is only the first step. We need to learn how to take our guilt, anger and pain and transform it into love and compassion. We must learn how our sins can be washed clean so that we can once more become clean in the eyes of God. We must, as Jesus told Nicodemus in the Gospel of John, be "born again" (John 3:7).

In Rebirth We Find Grace

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

When we give ourselves up to the power of Christ, we are not only changed but also radically reborn. It is through this power of the new birth that we are saved (see Titus 3:3 – 7). While in the past we may have acted in a manner counter to God's will, now, as we follow Jesus Christ, we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us to live a more Christlike life. This sacred new birth is our living hope (see 1 Peter 1:3). Just as Christ was restored to life on this earth, so too we can be restored to life in Christ.

We are More than Conquerors Through Jesus' Love

In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:37 – 39) *Continued on page 2*

Dixie Dailey is looking for yarn you no longer need so she can make mittens and caps for children and adults. Please bring the yarn to the church or give her a call at 712-246-2416.

+ Men's Bible study
Saturday mornings at
8:00 a.m.

+ Women's Bible Study,
Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m.

Reminders

November 7th
Set your clocks back one hour
before you go to bed

November 10th
Women's Bible Study
11:30 a.m.
Praise Team
5:00 p.m.
Choir Practice – 6:45 p.m.

November 11th
T.O.P.S.
4:30 p.m.

November 13th
Men's Bible Study
8:00 a.m.

****Worship Assistants needed**
for November 14th, 21st, and 28th
sign up on the counter in the
Welcome Center

**** Fellowship Volunteers**
Sign-up sheet on the counter in
Fellowship Hall

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Even when we have experienced new birth through Christ, it can be easy to doubt God's love for us if we focus on the evil in the world and the turmoil we often find in our lives. But if we truly want to turn our lives around as followers of Christ, we must grasp on to God's love for us. God has shown us through the sacrifice of his Son that his love has conquered even death. There is nothing that can send us beyond the limits of his boundless love. There is nothing that should cause us to live lives marked by fear and sorrow. Jesus has conquered death, and we have the hope that someday we will too! When we believe in the promises of this passage in Romans, we know that God loves us no matter the situation, and we can live joyfully and victoriously changed lives as a result. It can be really overwhelming to try to read the Bible. There's a lot of information there! But if you read it in small bites—say a chapter at a time—before you know it you will have read the whole Bible.

Loving God Sets Us Free

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. (Mark 12:30)

The first step in turning your life around as a Christian is allowing yourself to experience all-encompassing love for God. This is not a love that we should offer only during a weekly church service or when we cry out to him during desperate times. Rather, Jesus commands us to love God always, that at every hour our priority should be God.

While this sounds like a challenging task, focusing our love on God will allow us to experience his love and share it with others (see John 14:21 – 24). Loving God means freedom from the earthly desires that torment us and imprison us. Lust-filled desires for power, fame, riches and sex can distract us from the true message of the gospel. Love for God, however, can be so strong that it counters these lesser desires, setting us free for the first time.

We are Called to Love All God's Children

Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. (1 Thessalonians 4:9)

The first step toward turning your life around is loving God — learning to become liberated from your old earthly desires and needs by focusing your heart, soul, mind and strength on the Lord. This first step leads naturally to another step — learning to love others. Once you enter into the light of the Holy Spirit and are cleansed of your sin, you will be able to see the world with new eyes. Your love for God will be reflected in your love for the world. *continued on page 5*

Church Office Hours

** Children & Jr.-Sr. High	Monday	9:00-11:00
Sunday School 10:15		12:00-3:00
. Questers (Adults) 10:30	Tuesday	9:00-11:00
		12:00-3:00
** Bell Choir – Volunteer needed	Wednesday	CLOSED
** Chancel Choir –	Thursday	9:00-11:00
Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.		12:00-3:00
Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Friday	9:00-11:00
		12:00-3:00

The front door to the church will be unlocked during office hours and closed only for errands and lunch.

Please continue to call in advance if you need in the church to make sure someone is in the office. If you reach the answering machine please leave your name, number, and a brief message and your call will be returned. Calls after 2:00 p.m. may be returned the next business day.



No person's life should be judged by their worst moment.



What do the righteous (or just) live by?	Where did Jesus say His followers would never walk?	By what other name was the apostle Thomas known?
a) faith	a) in sin	a) Didymus
b) godly power	b) in sorrow	b) Bithynia
c) truth	c) in darkness	c) Tychicus
d) the Spirit's strength	d) in fear	d) Aenon

Check page 4 for trivia answers

Book Your Appointment Online



Would you like to chat with Pastor Kelly, maybe over coffee, tea, or soda? Need to get something on the church calendar or need something brought to our attention? You can book an appointment online with Jeff or Pastor Kelly by going to the following link <https://bit.ly/3sm5lyY> (click on the link or copy and paste into your browser). You may also use a QR reader.



Birthdays and Anniversaries



- 7th – Jamie Stribling
- 10th – Mike Briggs, Cristina Gray, Michelle Morelock
- 11th – Chuck Oxenford, Matthew Volker
- 12th – Randall MacDonald
- 13th – Keith Allely, Louise Barry

**See a wrong birthday or anniversary, or need one added, please call the office or send an email to office@shen.church

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**2 Corinthians 9:7 – Each of you
should give what you have
decided in your heart to give, not
reluctantly or under compulsion,
for God loves a cheerful giver.**

*Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: **Terry Stafford**

Call to Worship

Leader: Come and worship the one who wants your all.

People: We come to worship the one who offers all.

L: Come and worship with all your heart and soul and mind and strength.

**People: We come and offer all that we have and all that we are in worship
and in service.**

L: Come and be blessed and you pour yourself out in worship.

People: We will worship wholeheartedly and with joy.

All: Amen!

“Everything You Have”

Old Testament Scripture: **Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17**

New Testament Scripture: **Hebrews 9:24-28**

Gospel Reading: **Mark 12:38-44**

Songs

He Has Made Me Glad #2270 (Black Book)

More Precious than Silver #2065 (Black Book)

Take My Life, and Let It Be #399 (Hymnal)

I'll Fly Away #2282 (Black Book)

Last Week's Attendance

In-Person Worship – 64

Online Worship – 22

Our Mission:

“Know & Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love.”

Our Vision:

**“We will grow in holiness, our community will thrive, & we will make a
difference in our world.”**

Oct 31st trivia answers - c) wisdom d) Roman soldiers b) Goliath

Nov 7th trivia answers - a) faith c) in darkness a) Didymus

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Ephesians tells us that we must bear with one another in love in order to keep the unity of the Spirit (see Ephesians 4:1 – 6) — joining together in one body and one Spirit. With the Spirit's help, we can love others by looking for opportunities to “do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers” (Galatians 6:10).

First Things First

Confession of sin is critical to the Christian life and the process of new birth. If we refuse to admit that we are sinful, we refuse to acknowledge our need of a Savior and as a result we cannot be cleansed from the sin in our lives. The Bible tells us that “if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9). We don't deserve God's forgiveness, but when we confess our sins and ask for forgiveness, he freely gives it to us by his love and his grace (see Ephesians 2:3 – 5).

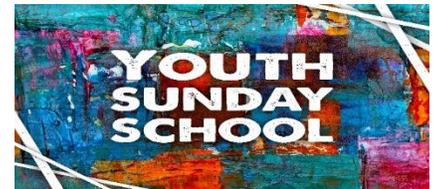
In order to keep our souls clean for God, we must pray, as the sinner in Jesus' parable prayed, “God, have mercy on me, a sinner” (Luke 18:13). This prayer — and the humility that accompanies it — is the first step toward a redeemed life.

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Over twenty-six years ago, concerned citizens in the Shenandoah community had a dream of all community families to have a happy and healthy holiday and formed the **Adopt-A-Family** project. Our church will provide a local family-in-need with a brighter holiday with gifts appropriate for their age or need. No adult information will be given, this way we are able to help the children in more families. The Quester's Sunday School Class is undertaking this project for the church. This year we will be able to ask for contributions of money in the Mission Cans as we have done before. The mission Cans will be placed on top of the wooden offering boxes. As soon as I receive the information from the **Adopt-A-Family** committee regarding the size of the family and items on their wish list, I will put the information in the Booster. Thanks for your ongoing support for this important community project. *Edi Norris*

Youth Sunday School, ages 4-11, and Jr.-Sr. High students, will begin this Sunday at 10:15. All students will meet downstairs after church to enjoy cookies and a drink. Ages 4-11 will first watch a video in the two-year old classroom. All students will walk over to Wesley Hall together with their teacher. Sunday School will run from 10:15-11:30 a.m.



It is that time of year again! We are ready to take your orders for poinsettias to help decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas season. If you are interested in purchasing one "in Honor" or "in Memory of" please fill out a [POINSETTIA ORDER FORM](#) that is located in the Welcome Center on the information desk. Each poinsettia will be \$13.50 EA. Please put your pre-paid check and order form in the envelope provided with the form and place it in the wooden pledge box. We encourage you to order early and appreciate your kindness in helping make our sanctuary colorful for the Christmas season.