

Yard Sale

Thank you for bringing in donations and filling up the Fellowship Hall (& classrooms & hallways) and for serving and supporting your church!



All proceeds from Saturday's yard sale will be used to purchase some needed items for the church.



Slushies & Jesus

The youth group will meet at OBC & carpool over to Pelican's Snoballs for a sweet treat this Wednesday, May 4th at 6:30 PM! If you know of a middle or high school student that would be interested in becoming part of a youth group, please invite & encourage them to join us!



National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 5th
12:15-12:45 PM
Crossing Paths Park
120 Blythe Road, Indian Trail



May 1, 2022

For at the time there will be great distress, the kind that hasn't taken place from the beginning of the world until now and never will again.

Matthew 24:21



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Sunday, May 1 2022

Know What's Coming (Matthew 24:15-22)

The Point: Even in the darkest times, God has not abandoned His people.

The Bible Meets Life: For any child, it's a horrible feeling when he turns around and can't find his parent. I was shopping with my energetic son when he decided to do some exploring on his own. When he looked around, he couldn't find me and he was scared. A store employee comforted him and asked what my name was. Suddenly, I heard my name come across the store intercom, telling me to retrieve my son.

My son was relieved when I came up to the counter. I was troubled to think he might have believed I had left him.

You may have had a similar experience—as a child or as a parent! Many parents have briefly lost a child in public. Maybe you have a memory from your childhood when you lost sight of your parent or another adult and you felt lost and alone.

Unfortunately, many of us have also gone through painful moments when we felt abandoned by God. As we continue our study on what Jesus said about His return, we will see that God will never forsake us as the end draws near.

Live It Out: List. Write down a few specific times that God was there for you in difficulty. It's too easy to forget all the times when God came through for us. Putting a few of them down in writing will help you remember them. **Memorize.** Memorize a verse about God's faithfulness. This is one of the best ways to keep in the forefront of your mind that God will never abandon you. A few suggested verses are Lamentations 3:22-23; Hebrews 10:23; or 2 Timothy 2:13.

Minister. Ask the Lord for a chance to reach out to someone who feels abandoned. Second Corinthians 1:3 encourages us to comfort others with the comfort we have received from God. Whether it's a needy child, a neighbor in need, or an elderly person from your church, trust God to supply you with multiple opportunities to remind people that God will never leave them.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Christ's Return: Living with the End in Mind

Sunday, May 8 Watch for Christ's Return
(Matthew 24:23-31)

Sunday, May 15 Trust God's Timing
(Matthew 24:32:41)

BIBLE
STUDIES
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Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

6:30 PM Online Worship

Thursday

12:15 PM National Day of Prayer

(off campus)

Jail Ministry

Service Attendance

Sunday, April 24

Indoor: 45 Online: 92

Wednesday, April 27

Online Reach: 33 Youth: 8

Monthly Budget & Offerings



Budget Needs:
\$18,566.08

April Offering

To Date: \$13,911.20

Annie Armstrong

Easter Offering

Goal: \$2,000

Received: \$1,995



Prayer Requests

Marlene Crider

Nan Helms

Rich Majewski

Sue Marks

Walter (Irene's brother-in-law)

Rebecca (Susan's sister)



Deacon's Meeting

Today at 2 PM in
the sanctuary.



Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday,
May 18th



Have You Seen These Items?

- 6-8 small blue chairs from the green preschool room.
- 2 white chairs from the FH.
- White dish towels from the kitchen.



If you are borrowing any of these items, please return them to the church OR let the church office know that you're still using them!