#### **Lunch Bags for the Homeless**

Julie's Sunday School class is collecting different items each Sunday to pack & deliver lunch bags to a homeless camp off Sutherland Ave. in Monroe. If you would like to bring items, you can drop them off in Julie's Sunday School classroom (close to the Fellowship Hall).

1st Sunday: Peanut Butter & Jelly

2nd Sunday: Snack Bags of Chips & Little Debbie Cakes

3rd Sunday: Brown Lunch Bags & Sandwich Bags

4th Sunday: Canned Drinks & Bottled Water



Thank you to everyone who has brought items in for the lunch bags!

Everyone is invited to come out and help pack & deliver bags on Saturday, November 1st at 9 AM.

## **Daylight Savings**

Sunday, November 2nd Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour on Saturday night!





# **Church Workday**

Saturday, November 8th 8 AM-Noon See more details in today's bulletin insert!

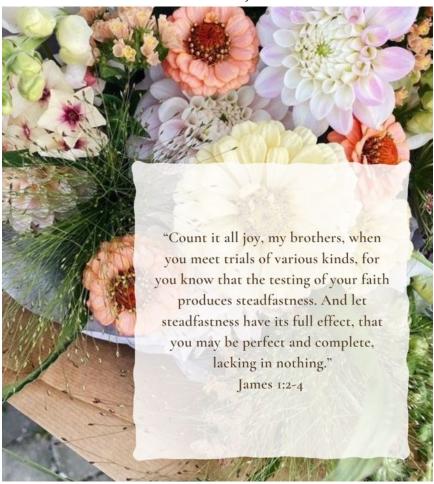
#### **Save the Date**

The next Ladies Painting Class will be on Monday, December 1st at 6:30 PM. This class will be Winter/Christmas-themed and will cost \$25. Look for sign up sheets in the SS classrooms & in the sanctuary!





October 26, 2025



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## Sunday, October 26 2025

When Life Goes Terribly Wrong Genesis 39:21-23; 40:5-8; 41:10-14

**The Point:** Even hard interruptions place us where God can use us.

The Bible Meets Life: The birth of a giraffe is shocking to behold! First, the newborn calf drops ten feet to the ground at birth. Then, his mama kicks him. Hard! Somehow, the calf knows what this means and tries to stand. But those stilts-for-legs rarely work on the first try.

Bam! A second kick sends the calf sprawling. This cycle of kick, try, and fall repeats until the infant giraffe finds its wobbly balance. Then, bam! Mama kicks him off his feet! Her baby must learn how to rise and get moving right away or predators will pick him off.

I've got some things in common with a baby giraffe.

- 1. I've been knocked off my feet.
- 2. I've been kicked while I was down.
- 3. I've been kicked by the people from whom I expected kindness.

Can you relate?

Joseph certainly can! His life was interrupted by wicked people, stinging injustice, and brutal hardship. Yet, his God-centered response offers a trustworthy roadmap through the fog of shock and the tears of life's hard kicks.

Live It Out: Pray about everything. Develop the habit of conversing with God about your daily experiences and emotions. Read 1 Peter 5:7 and 1 Thessalonians 5:17, then set reminders to stop and pray throughout the day. Fuel your faith. God is bigger than your problems, pain, fears, and future. Make a list of your current trials and difficulties. Increase your faith through reading God's Word. This week with your list of troubles in hand, read and reflect on these verses: Job 42:2; Matthew 10:29-31; 19:26; Romans 8:28, 32. Reconsider your perspective about suffering. Life is hard and unfair.

People can be thoughtless and cruel. But God is good. Set aside time to meditate on what Joseph said to his brothers in Genesis 50:20. How could that perspective help you? Share with others as you have opportunity.

## **Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series How to Handle Life's Interruptions**



Sunday, November 2

When Your Actions Cause an Interruption

(Exodus 2:11-22; 3:5-10)

Sunday, November 9

When Well-Meaning People Interrupt Your Plans

(Luke 8:40-50, 54-56)

# **Opportunities for Ministry & Service**

#### Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Indoor Worship 10:00 AM Online Worship 11:30 AM Living Streams Worship Center

### Tuesday

6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study

#### Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship

6:30 PM Youth

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### **Thursday**

Jail Ministry

#### Service Attendance



Sunday, October 19 Indoor: 44 Online: 214

Wednesday, October 22 Online: 132

Youth: 14



Budget Needs: \$17,571.84

> October Offering To Date: \$10,067.00

#### **Prayer Requests**

Eddie & Candy Anderson Dianne Avery Sue Bruce Gary Clontz Marlene Crider Sam & Wanda Goodwin Mike & Renee Helms Rodney Johnson Lillian Lewis Richard Lovingood & Family Pam Majewski Debbie McKnight Jennifer Price (Jeremy's Mom) Kenny & Carolyn Street Irene Welch

#### Choir Rehearsal

The choir will meet at 7:30 PM on Wednesdays to rehearse for the Christmas Musical!

## Bible App



Follow along in today's Scripture on the Bible app! Scan this OR code with your phone:



# **Monthly Budget & Offerings**