



We share in the one mission of Jesus:

“To Seek and Save the Lost.” It is a two-fold mission.

TO SEEK--As the Body of Christ we must ever be striving to proclaim the gospel by whatever means necessary. God has placed us in the heart of Pittsfield and Pike

County for a reason. From here we can not only see the need all around us more clearly, but we can also be seen and heard more plainly. After being instructed in Matthew 22:39 and Mark 12:31 to “love your neighbor as yourself”; the disciples inquired of Jesus, “Who is my neighbor?” Jesus’ response taught the disciples that everyone around them was their neighbor, “even the least of these.” And so we must seek. The word seek is proactive in nature. It carries with it the idea that we don’t wait or just sit around hoping they will come, but rather we go, we look, we SEEK. Through our families, our work, school, leisure time and the ministries of the church we have many God given opportunities to seek. When something of value or need is missing we tend to drop everything and focus our efforts on finding what is lost. How much more does the heart of Jesus plead with us to be intentional about seeking lost and hurting people all around us? While God empowers us with seeking grace, we must also live in the grace of God that saves and keeps.

TO SAVE--We live in a difficult time in our part of the world when it comes to effective, genuine salvation, sanctification and discipleship. At the same time the scriptures are replete with stories of God’s power and grace being demonstrated in the darkest of hours for His people. I know that God is still saving and calling men and women, boys and girls to Himself. And I believe we have only to persevere and hold fast to the name and power of the Lord and we like Moses will see the Hand of the Lord move in our lives. There is good evidence of this among us already but my heart hungers for a greater move of God upon our whole church that will impact our community and yield a great harvest! With the saving comes the keeping and how I thank God that we stand today as many who can testify to Gods keeping of us through the storms and valleys of life. As we give our very best for the cause of “Seeking and Saving”, may we continue to encourage one another in the bond of love and even more as we see the day of our Lord’s return approaching. *Serving with You, In Christ, Pastor Greg*

Teen fundraiser | Sunday, Nov. 5 @ 6:00 PM in the Family Center. We are asking that you bring desserts, one to share and one to auction. This money will go towards youth events on the District level.

Shoebox Collection Week — November 13-20 will be National Collection Week for shoeboxes in the Family Center. **The hours are:**

Monday - Friday 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00-12:00 p.m.




Sunday 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Monday 10:00-12:00 p.m.

As in the past, this is a missional outreach to our community and to those in other countries that receive these shoeboxes. We as a church have an opportunity to collect shoeboxes, pray with those dropping off boxes, and show the love of Jesus here and on the other side of the world! If you are interested in being involved in this outreach, talk to Bob or Karla DeVries.

Time Change Sunday Nov. 5 Turn your clocks back 1 hour

NOVEMBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30		

04 OCC Shoebox walk/run

05 Time change—set clocks back one hour

05 Fundraiser Dinner & Service

09 Church Board Meeting

11 Teen Bible Quiz (Decatur Westside)

11 Veterans Day

13-20 OCC Packing week

22 No Service

23-24 Thanksgiving (Church office closed)

29 Combined Wednesday service

DECEMBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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1-2 Board Retreat

03 All church dinner

12 Prime Time luncheon

24 No evening service

25 Christmas Day

27 No Wednesday night service

31 New Year Eve celebration

Birthdays & Anniversaries

7 Lisa Brown
Sharon Clarkson
10 Bobby Smothers
11 Elyse Reel
13 Joe Crowder
14 Allison Kirk
18 Clay Freesmeyer
Grace Guthrie
Virginia Ruzich
Norma Shotts
19 Richard Davis
20 Asher Boivin
21 Noah Boivin
23 Owen Brown
Kenton Freesmeyer
Trena Martin
26 Virginia Bowers
28 Ron Borrowman
29 Paul Johns

Birthdays

30 Angie Guthrie
Vicki Harshman

Anniversaries

4 Charles & Zoe Gratton
6 Jim & Donna Davidsmeyer
9 Kirby & Michelle Hobbs
13 John & Patty Curry
24 Steve & Sandy Smothers
David & Angie Guthrie
30 Joe & Teresa Crowder

Nursery Helpers

SUNDAY Nursery

05 AM Sallie Bowers & Mikyla Collard
PM Jarrod & Michelle Kirk
08 AM Vicki Grammer
PM Janeen Freesmeyer
12 AM Emily Guthrie & Ashlyn Collard
PM David & Grace Guthrie
19 AM Chad & Brandi Ruzich
PM Eric & Leigh Anna Boivin
26 AM Vicki Grammer
PM TBA

WEDNESDAY Nursery

01 Susanne Curry & Sharon Clarkson
08 Della Rush & Donna Davidsmeyer
15 Don & Annelle Kirk
22 No service
29 Jennifer Ruzich