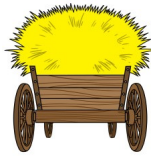


Kids' Klub Cookout & Hayride

Wednes., OCT 28,
5:30pm

(meet @ the church)


@ Dr. Stephen & Janet
Hokuf's home



Community outreach—HELP!

We are in the process of creating an extra large postcard to mail to families in North East and possibly to the entire 21901 zip code. Also, we are planning to distribute bags with church information and free gifts to the neighborhood. Some of the bags will be reserved to give away to our visitors and new Jesus Loves Me Childcare families. YOU CAN HELP! We'll need people to stuff the bags, to canvas the neighborhood, to pray for the outreach, etc.



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Prepared especially for:


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★ Non-Profit Org. ★
★ U.S. Postage ★
★ PAID ★
★ North East, MD ★
★ 21901 ★
★ Permit No. 19 ★
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REGULAR CHURCH SERVICES/EVENTS

Sunday

8:30a **WORSHIP**
9:15a Breakfast (1st Sun, monthly)
9:30a  **Bible Study/Sunday School**
10:30a **WORSHIP/Children's Worship**
6p **Monthly** Last Sunday **WORSHIP**
6-8p Youth Ministry Mtg. (wkly mtgs)


Monday

5:30p  Praise & Worship Team Practice

Tuesday

11a Worship Cmte Mtg. (4th Tues, monthly)

Wednesday

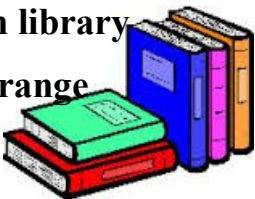
6:30-8p Kids Klub
6:30-8p  **Prayer/Bible Study**
BUSINESS Mtg (2nd Wed—after Prayer Mtg)

Thursday

10a Choir Practice
11a Ladies' Prayer Time

Have you read a good book lately?

Our church library
has a wide range
of choices.



Budget/Attendance Analysis

Budget/General Fund Weekly
Average as of 9/13/15 (37 wks):
\$3,510.

Needed Weekly: **\$3,437.**
PTL! As of 9/13/15 we are
over budget: **\$2,724.**

Audio/Visual Fund Received to
date: **\$3,630.**

Average morning worship
attendance 8/23-9/13/15:
86.

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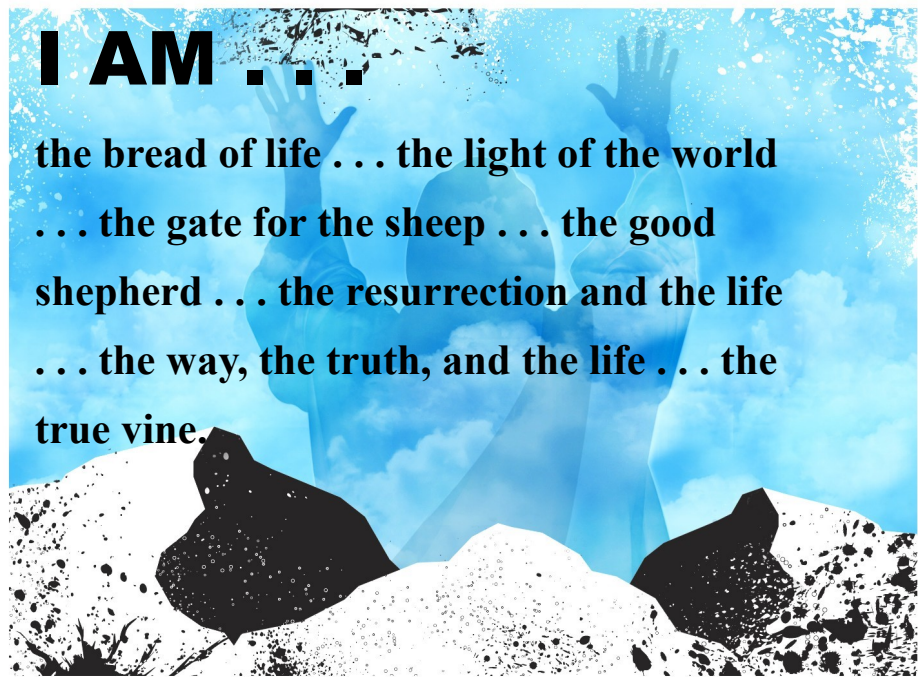
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I AM . . .

the bread of life . . . the light of the world
. . . the gate for the sheep . . . the good
shepherd . . . the resurrection and the life
. . . the way, the truth, and the life . . . the
true vine.



Straining forward to what lies ahead, I press
on toward the goal for the prize of the
upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

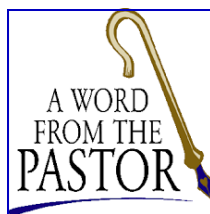
(Philippians 3:13-14).

Our State Missions Offering Goal: **\$750**

Praise the Lord for **\$119** received to date.

Dear church family

Greetings in the precious
name of our Lord Jesus Christ.



As we head into
fall I have begun
preaching a
series on the "7 I
AMs" of Jesus in
the book of
John. Seven
times Jesus makes claims coupled
with the phrase "I Am . . ."

1. **I am** the bread of life.
2. **I am** the light of the world.
3. **I am** the gate for the sheep.
4. **I am** the good shepherd.
5. **I am** the resurrection and the life.
6. **I am** the way, the truth, and the life.
7. **I am** the true vine.

The phrase translated "I AM" is a very interesting combination of words in the original language of Greek. We would say, "EGO EIMI". EIMI is the verbal form that would usually be translated "I AM". Normally that would be all that you would need to say that. By adding the word "ego" (ego=self, I, to emphasize the person) Jesus is intensifying,

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Dear church family,

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and specifically identifying Himself as the subject in each of the seven cases. “I myself, and no one else, I am the light of the world,” etc.

In each of these seven instances the very same phrase is used to introduce the various claims that

I AM

Jesus makes The claims are fantastic. For someone who is only a mere man to say such things would be folly. But, when Jesus makes these assertions we must acknowledge that He is the Son of

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God. His followers were willing to listen and believe in Him. The Pharisees and scribes were not. In fact, it was such an obvious claim to be God Himself that they thought of it as blasphemy. Once they even took up stones to kill Jesus (John 8:59). But He hid Himself and slipped away from them, for His time was not yet.

The deity of Christ is one of the most important doctrines that we believe and live by. If Jesus is not God incarnate our faith is vain, and we are still in our sins. But if He is who He says He is, then His death for our sin is effective and our faith in Him is sure. Throughout the book of John this evidence is presented and this choice is offered.

John concludes his book with these words: “Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name (John 20:30-31).

Praise the Lord. I believe. How about you?! We all need to decide for ourselves. No one can make that decision for you. This is the essence of what it means to be a Christian. Simple faith in Christ alone to forgive your sin, save your soul, and give you eternal life. If you have never made that decision I urge you to do it right now, before it is too late.

An ambassador for Christ,

Pastor Steve

Dr. Stephen D. Hokuf

Operation Christmas Child

Amy Hall will lead shoe box mission project

Chrissy Jackson will



assist



Nancy Hudler is turning over the leadership of our church's Operation Christmas

Child mission outreach to Amy Hall and Chrissy Jackson.

Will you help make a child smile this Christmas? We'll be getting more details soon. But, most of our church family are pros when it comes to packing shoe boxes for this ministry. It's time to get those boxes ready. They'll be due in November.

Children in the Jesus Loves Me Childcare Center have already prepared 17 shoe boxes for which members of our






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SIMPLE GIFT



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
OCT				1	2	3
4 Communion Day 9:30a New Members' Class	5	6 SBA Minis- ters' Fellow- ship, Calvary, RS	7 11a Church COUNCIL	8	9	10 Pastor on vaca- tion (10 -17)
11 8:30a & 10:30a Pastor Dan MOHLER will be preaching Lamplighter articles for NOV are due.	12	13	14 9a-2p Seniors trip to Seasoned Citizens Day , Sandy Cove 10a Bulletin info for 10/18, 10/25, & 11/1 is due BUSINESS Mtg (after Prayer Mtg)	15	16	17
18	19 1p Women on Mission @ Edna Miller's home Ministry assistant on vacation this week	20	21	22	23	24
25 6p Israel DVD (Part 2) 7:30p Deacons' Mtg	26 Ministry assistant on vacation this week	27 11a Worship Cmte 7p SBA Annual Mtg, FBC, Havre de Grace	28  5:30p Kids' Klub Cookout/Hayride (meet @ church to go to S & J Hokuf's)	29 	30	31

Don't FALL out!

When a mother asked her child how he'd fallen out of bed, he replied, "I guess I stayed too close to where I got in."

When we Christians fail to grow in prayer and discernment, knowledge and understanding of Scripture, generosity and other fruits of the Spirit, it's as if we're balancing precariously at the edge of the bed. It's quite easy to fall out—out of faith, out of church, out of active relationship with God.

A good practice, for sleeping and for our Christian faith, is to be careful not to stay too close to where we got in!



OCT birthdays

- 1 Cal Glace
- Skyla Blu Stewart
- 2 Olivia Clough
- Zachary Lotman
- 3 Abigale Barton
- Craig Hammond
- Kurt Hudler
- Michelle Osborne
- 4 Helen Mash
- 5 Tammy Milburn
- Evelyn Moore
- 7 Gabriel Lopez
- Autumn Orr
- 8 Fred Orr
- 9 Haley Bibey
- Ski Sklodowski
- 10 Nancy Brasefield
- Ralph Veasey, Jr.
- 11 Paula Johnson
- 12 Ken Henry
- Greg Walker
- Julia Weicksel
- 13 Gail Force
- Jimmy Hall
- Steven Harclerode
- 14 Doug Hokuf
- Abigail Jackson
- 15 Dottie McCleary
- 17 Raymond Barbacano
- 19 Elizabeth Barker
- Danny Clemons, Jr.
- Cory Culver
- Nicole Shores
- Ryan Wagner
- 22 Robert Hendrix, III
- Phoenix Parsons
- 24 Charles Bibey
- 25 Nicholas Cain
- Gregory Osborne
- Nathan Porch
- 26 Sheena Buckland,
- 28 Jim Adkins
- 29 Tasha Whiteman
- 30 Mary Ramsey
- Lydia Roman



OCT anniversaries

- 5 Garrett & Shelly Preisch
- 6 Ronald & Paula Johnson
- 9 Fred & Autumn Orr
- 19 Jordan & Sunny Grant
- Lilburn (Lib) & Iva Lewis
- 31 Tim & Kathy Glace

