



August 2022

SEMINARY NEWS

The latest news from our church community

Important Facts

Calendar

- *10am-2pm Crafty Corner meets in the Café' every 2nd and 4th Tuesday
- *Every Wednesday at 2pm Prayer for Seminary in the Sanctuary

July Attendance

3rd	33
10th	37
17th	34
24th	36

Sunday Worship Hours

- 8:15 a.m.- Early Worship
- 9am - Adult Bible Study
- 10am - Sunday Service
- 11am - Coffee Hour

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From the Pastor's Pen

Hello Church!

I want to share some exciting news with you!

Starting on Sunday, July 31, we will be starting an 8:15 AM Traditional service in addition to the regularly scheduled Modern service at 10:00 AM.

This five-week experiment of a second service will provide additional options to longtime members, as well as provide a new way for attenders in our community to connect to Seminary.

Pastor Heather and Pastor Chris began a prayer group that has been meeting for over 15 weeks at the church on Wednesday at 2pm, praying for God to show us how to connect our church to our community. The idea for a second service resulted from this time of prayer.

While we are unsure if the second service is here to stay, we are confident God will guide our entire church during this 5-week experiment, allowing us to move forward more confidently towards our future. After the 5-week experiment is over, the Leadership Council will evaluate the results of our experiment, deciding what our church should do in the future.

During these next 5 weeks we ask for your patience, your support, and your grace. We are doing this to reach your grandchildren, your family, and your neighbors, telling them about the good news of Jesus!

Blessings in Christ,
Pastor Chris

PS - Be sure to mark your calendars for Sunday, September 4th--only one service at 10am! To show that we are still one church family, we will come together with one worship service together, celebrating our time spent together with food and fun. Hope to see you there!



August Birthdays

August 6th- Lynn E. Nicholson
 August 7th- Sarah Reed
 August 9th- Karen Dishong
 Max Colclessor
 August 10th- Jane Myers
 Janet Smeltzer
 August 11th- Lynn Nicholson
 Katlin Carroll
 August 13th- Lori Culler
 Barb Meinert
 August 28th- Lane Yount
 August 30th- Brooke Branyan

August Anniversaries



08/02 Adam & Brittney Garcia
 08/04 Gary & Jacinda Beihold
 08/24 Bill & Pat Quickery
 08/30 Tom & Ruth Ann Thomas

Reach out to Audrey Barry with Birthday & Anniversary Info that needs added.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your help, your prayers, and your support. Without you, Vacation Bible School would not have been successful. Every volunteer is essential to our success. We were able to take care of and build into the lives of 31 children in Roanoke. As part of VBS's missions, we raised money to help missionaries feed others and share God's Word to Ukraine refugees. I am overwhelmed by the donations! The kids and adults brought in over \$870. The packs of food cost \$1.50 to feed 6 people. Wow!! Again, thank you for supporting VBS! Keep shopping with scrip and using your Kroger cards! Each purchase you make helps us spread the good news. (Thank you from Jenny Gross)



A Message from Our Leadership Council

The Leadership Council met on Monday, July 25th at their regular meeting time of the 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. After opening the meeting in prayer and a few icebreakers, the business of the church was discussed. The Council voted to extend the Worship Leader role for Chelsea Dourson for an additional six months, recognizing the enriching contribution she has provided to our worship services.

Pastor Chris read a letter to the Council from Jon Perkins where Jon praised Seminary Church for how special it is and indicated he and Sara have felt led by God to make some changes in their worship lives so he resigned from his role as Leadership Council Chair. Jon stated he and Sara will still support Seminary and value the friendships they have made over the past six years.

The Council approved the quarterly bonuses for the childcare staff. Tom Gross reported on behalf of the Vision Committee about the upcoming events, starting with the “stuffing party” on August 14th between the two Sunday morning services. The Saturate USA bags will be stuffed during that time. Seminary will again be hosting a “Kids Zone” at the Farmers Market on August 26th. This includes opportunities for kids to play with sidewalk chalk, bubbles, and coloring. Tom continued with upcoming events especially focusing on the Fall Festival. On September 7th a church service will be held at the park, coordinated by Seminary and with participation of a few local churches.

The Huntington North Varsity Singers will be performing again also. Seminary will be providing free snow cones, will have a “Kids Zone” and is working on coordinating a sporting event for that evening too. Tom and Jenny Gross will once again coordinate the float building for the Fall Festival parade on September 10th. The Council discussed Seminary continuing to host Family Nights at the church and will start those on the first Friday of each month starting October 7th. Unfortunately the JAM (Jesus and Me) weekly children’s program will not be held this year primarily due to transportation issues. Discussion was held on the upcoming two services trial period and how to evaluate its success.

Pastor Chris challenged us to start thinking about how we see Seminary Church in five years. The next Leadership Council meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2022. Anyone can attend these meetings unless we have special SPRC (Staff Parish Relations Committee) meetings within the Council meetings since those are confidential discussions related to the personnel of the church. Only Leadership Council members can vote. Contact Pastor Chris if you have interest in serving on the Council or in any volunteer leadership roles.



Upcoming August Events



August 9th- Crafty Corner @
10am-2pm

August 14th- Special Mission
Project @ 9AM

August 23rd- Crafty Corner @
10am-2pm

August 26th- Farmers Market
@ 5-8pm



Contact Audrey Barry with any events
that need featured on the
Church Calendar



**BRIGHT
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What's Happening @ Bright Beginnings



Hello August,

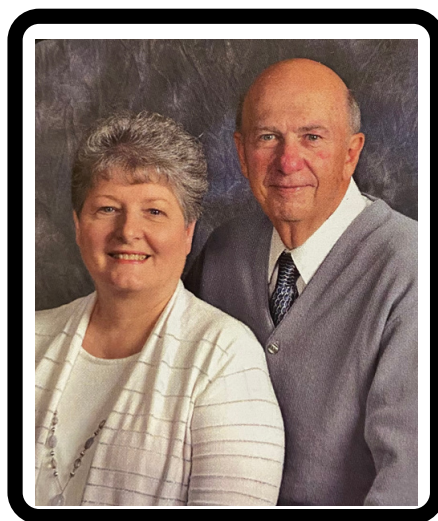
I can't believe summer break is over. Our big kids go back to school and it will be much more quiet around here. As much as we don't like summer being over we are so ready to get back into our normal routine. School starts August 4. We look forward to a great school year.

Alicia Burns, Child Care Manager



SPOTLIGHT SHOWCASE

This is the part of the newsletter where we recognize those for going the extra mile. We are appreciative of everyone here at SUMC and thank you all for making it so special!



Frank & Deb Uhl

We would like to personally thank Mr. & Mrs. Uhl for all they do at Seminary! Recently, they gave Seminary a facelift with new landscaping mulch. Not only are they appreciated here but, continue to take care of this church and make it beautiful. Thank you both for the time you both have put into helping us stand out!

God Bless

Your friends & Family at Seminary United Methodist Church

Bible Pathway Adventures

BIBLE WORKSHEET

Ten Commandments

Read Exodus 20:1-17. Fill in the blanks with the words at the bottom of the page.

1. I am _____ your God. You will have no other gods before Me.
2. You shall make no _____.
3. You shall not take the _____ of Yahweh your God in vain.
4. Remember the _____ and keep it holy.
5. Honor your _____ and mother.
6. Do not _____.
7. Do not commit _____.
8. Do not _____.
9. Do not give _____ testimony against your neighbor.
10. Do not _____ other people's things.

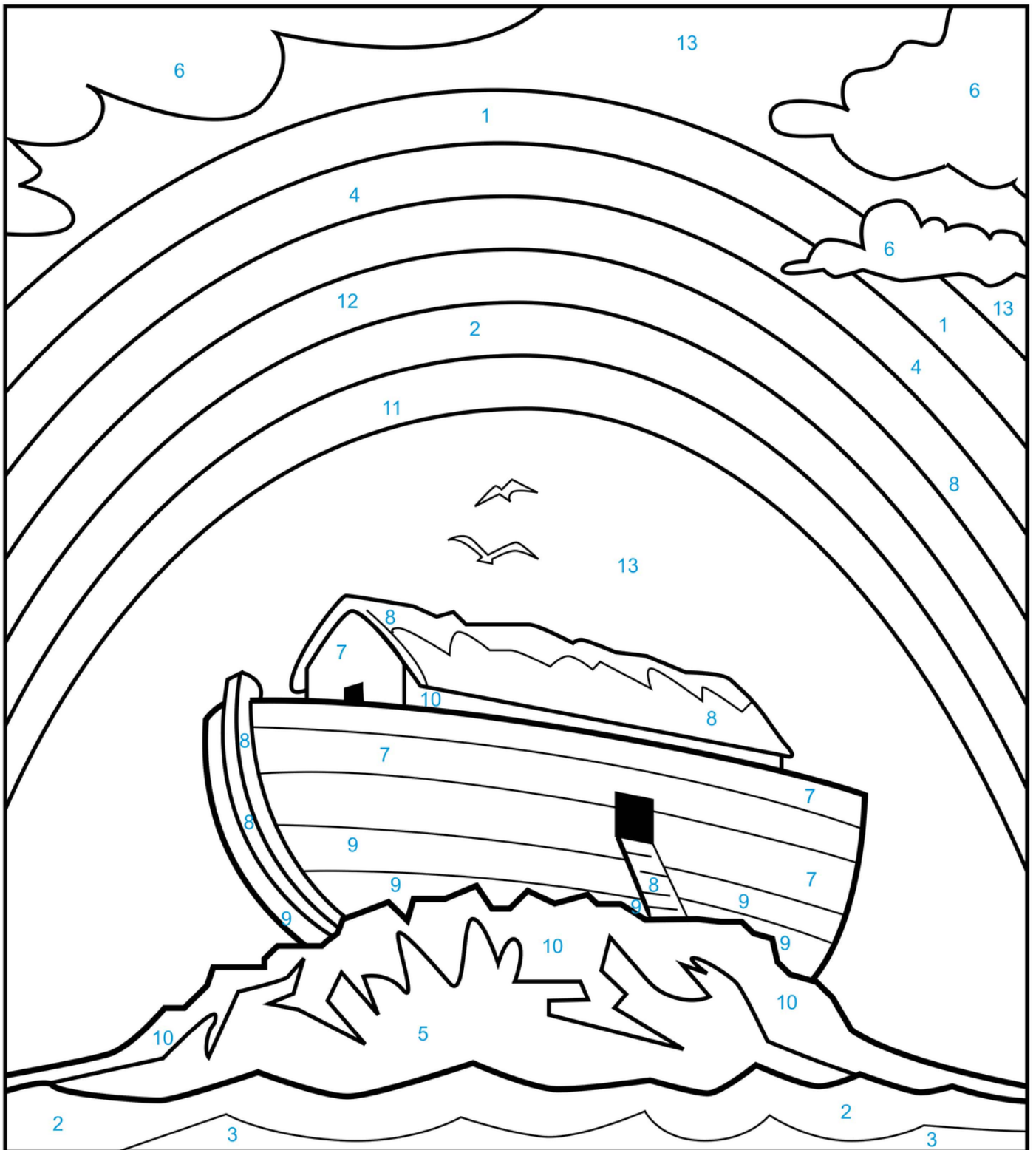
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IDOLS
NAME
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FATHER

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MURDER
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God Made a Promise to Noah Color by Number

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9. Brown 10. Dark Gray 11. Violet 12. Light Green 13. Sky Blue