



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

August Attendance

July 31-	25/8:15am	26/10 am
7-	26/8:15 am	25/10 am
14-	22/8:15 am	24/10 am
21-	22/8:15 am	28/10 am
28-	26/8:15 am	29/10 am

NEW WORSHIP HOURS:

9 AM Traditional Service
10:30 AM Modern Service

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From the Pastor's Pen

Warm Greetings in Christ!

As we head into fall, I wanted to take a moment to share some important announcements with you about our upcoming worship services on Sunday mornings.

Starting Sunday, September 11th, Seminary will have two worship services: **a traditional worship service at 9:00 AM**, and **a modern worship service at 10:30**.

Based off of your feedback, the Leadership Council meet, deciding it was in the best interest of Seminary to continue the experiment of two separate services until November.

We at Seminary Church recognize people connect with God in a variety of ways. We believe this experiment of two worship services will help our longtime members, as well as our newer families, connect to God and grow in their spiritual journey.

As we continue in this experiment, we will need to find new way to connect as one family and stay together. Which is why I am pleased to also announce this:

For the first Sunday of the month in September, October, and November, we will only have one blended worship service at 10:30am. That means this Sunday, September 4th, we will only have one service at 10:30am. All are invited to stay afterwards for a time of fellowship, cake and punch!

If you have any questions or comments during these next few months, please reach out to me. I would love to hear what's on your heart! We are all in this together!

Sincerely,
Pastor Chris

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday!

The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

Psalm 118:24



- 1st- Bobby Guffey
- 10th- Melissa Swaidner
- 14th- Pat Swaidner
Shane McCoart
- 15th- Ron Perkins
- 21st- Kash McCoart
- 22nd- Carey Ravare
- 23rd- Mindy Vodde
- 24th- Peggy Keller
- 26th- Keith Hartley

September Anniversaries



- Dave & Ann O'Briant 9/4**
 - Marv & Diana Hathaway 9/13**
 - Doug & Janet Tellas 9/14**
 - Merry Elliott 9/16**
 - Frank & Deb Ule 9/18**
- Reach out to Audrey Barry with Birthday & Anniversary Info that needs added.

"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

—Ephesians 4:2-3

Crafty Corner & Women of Faith



GREAT JOB!



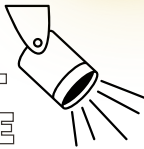
What a turnout!

The ladies at Crafty Corner & Women of Faith joined in on the fun August 26th at the local Roanoke Farmers Market. They sold handmade & homemade items to raise funds for a local charity in need. Thanks Ladies for your trying efforts to help the community!



SPOTLIGHT

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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!



Special thanks & praise to Tom & Jenny Gross for their dedication & support building the Fall Festival Float each year. Everyone always enjoys being apart of this event! Thank you for making it so memorable!

Nominations for next months Spotlight can be emailed to assistant.seminaryumc@gmail.com

If you would like to be anonymous there is a box & pieces of paper to fill out in the Cafe.

Deadline for this is the 25th of every month

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Upcoming September Events

- 9/4-Mark & Tara Whitman will be hosting the 8th Annual Whitman Hog Roast at 4pm-?
- 9/4- Blended Church Service at 10:30AM
- 9/7-Pickleball Tournament at 6:30 PM
- 9/7-Fall Festival Opening Service of Thanks & Praise @ 5:45 PM
- 9/7-Nelson's Chicken Fundraiser @ 5:30PM
- 9/10-Fall Festival Parade @ 3PM
- 9/13-Crafty Corner/ WOF 10AM-2PM
- 9/26- Leadership Council Meeting @ 6:30PM
- 9/27- Crafty Corner/ WOF 10AM-2PM

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



**BRIGHT
BEGINNINGS
CHILDCARE**

What's Happening @ Bright Beginnings

Hello September,

Bright Beginnings is currently looking for more employees/volunteers. If you know of anybody looking for a job please send them our way. We would also like to get a volunteer list. The kids always love to see new faces.

Alicia Burns, Child Care Manager

A Message from Our Leadership Council

Leadership Council 8/22/22 meeting summary

The Council met with eight members and four guests present. The Council discussed the experiment of Seminary having two services on Sunday mornings. Benefits and concerns of having two services were reviewed. It was noted that the church has had new attendees at both services and it was noted that people connect with God in a variety of ways. Some people really prefer the more traditional service however wanted it to be held later than 8:15 am. It was also mentioned that some attending the early service miss seeing the children who attend the later service. Some people really prefer the more contemporary service. After much discussion it was voted to continue the two services experiment through November 6th, All Saints Sunday, and to have a combined service on the first Sunday of each month starting with September 4th at 10:30 a.m. with cake and punch following the service. Heather has committed to preaching two services per month through November 6th. The early service meeting time was changed to begin at 9:00 a.m. and the later service meeting time was changed to begin at 10:30 a.m. That allows for fellowship time between the two services, and adult Sunday School to begin at 9:45 a.m. The Leadership Council will continue to evaluate this experiment monthly to assess whether we should continue to have two services.

Tom Gross, Chair of the Vision Committee, reported on the following upcoming events including the Farmers Market this Friday with Seminary providing a Kids Zone, Chelsea and Chris providing the live music, and a WOF/Crafty Corner booth selling baked goods and craft items. Seminary is hosting a Nelson's chicken dinner on Wednesday September 7th at the community church event at the park; 5:30 p.m. chicken is available, 5:45 music starts followed by the church service, and Seminary is providing free snow cones. Tickets need to be sold for the chicken dinner. Other upcoming events include the parade float on September 10th and the Saturate USA distribution begins in September, times TBA. October 7th will be the first family night this Fall.

Chris shared he is grateful to be here and genuinely feels God is doing something here at Seminary. Heather has been a huge support to him and has volunteered to preach two times per month for the next 3 three months. He sees several good things for Seminary's vision and working with the worship teams has been wonderful. He's said he's excited to be here.

Anyone can attend the Leadership Council meetings. They are scheduled on the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. and held in the Country Café. If the Council needs to discuss any personnel/human resources topics, guests will be asked to leave as these topics are confidential.

Vicky Eisenhut, Staff Parish Relations Chair



LABEL A ROMAN SOLDIER

At the time of Yeshua, the Roman Empire ruled Judea. Roman soldiers wore and carried heavy armor. Label the pieces of armor on the soldier. Color the picture.

Label the following:

- (a) helmet
- (b) woolen tunic
- (c) arm protection
- (d) sandals
- (e) body armor
- (f) shoulder plate
- (g) cloak

