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Sound Technician:	Jimmy Bailey

SERVICE TIMES:

Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Pray for Westfield
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. Prayer/Bible Study

UPCOMING EVENTS

July

4 Independence Day
19 Tropical Island Day

August

2 Communion

I Believe in a Higher Power, too!

The difference is,
my higher power lowered
Himself to earth.

He became a servant.
He washed people’s feet.
He performed miracles,
then slipped quietly away
before the applause.

My higher power ate with the sinner,
wept with the weepers and carried
His own cross, where He loved me so hard
that He died, not for the good in me
but for the ugly in me.

My higher power is so big
and yet He wants to hear
about the details of my heart,
the grief that unravels me,
the anxiety that churns in me,
and my mustard grain of faith
that sometimes makes me
question everything.

My higher power could have
made Himself a hero but
chose humility instead.

He could have stayed the Lion
but He became the Lamb.

--ullie-kaye

The Westfield Wire



“If My people who are called
by My name will humble
themselves, and pray and seek
My face, and turn from their wicked
ways, then I will hear from heaven, and
will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

2 Chronicles 7:14

Greetings,

You may not be very familiar with the New Testament letter we call 3 John. It is the shortest book in the New Testament. It does not explicitly claim to be written by John the Apostle, though early Christian tradition associated it with him. It is an interesting little addition to the New Testament, and you might find it a thought-provoking read.

There is a character mentioned in 3 John named Diotrephes. Here is what it says about him: “I have written something to the church; but Diotrephes, who likes to put himself first, does not acknowledge our authority. So if I come, I will call attention to what he is doing in spreading false charges against us. And not content with those charges, he refuses to welcome the friends, and even prevents those who want to do so and expels them from the church.”

3 John is addressed to a man named Gaius, who is encouraged to show hospitality to visiting believers, unlike Diotrephes. Diotrephes appears to be a significant problem in the church. John describes him as one who puts himself first, spreads false charges, refuses to welcome others, and even expels those who disagree with him.

I have thought about Diotrephes from time to time in my Christian life. He is remembered in Scripture as a man who put himself first and opposed the work of others. It would be a sad thing to be remembered that way.

The church struggles when people act in the spirit of Diotrephes. It is hard for the church to grow when self-importance replaces humility and when hospitality is withheld instead of extended. From what we read, he did not reflect the love and compassion of Jesus.

Let us resolve to be more like Jesus and less like Diotrephes.

I love you all!
Glenn

VBS SUCCESS!

After several years of not sponsoring a Vacation Bible School, our Westfield family decided that this year was going to be different! For several months, plans were put in place to reach out to our local community to support Westfield's VBS. Under the direction of Joyce Ballard and with the total support of our WMU, the 2026 VBS was deemed a success!

A Family Fun Day kickoff was held on June 7 from 3-7 p.m. for families to attend and enjoy food, fellowship, and fun with inflatables, a bounce house, icees, and music provided by a local band, featuring our pastor Dr. Glenn Jonas and entertainer/DJ Butch Halpin. Children received capes in anticipation of our super hero Bible School.

The theme of "Hero Headquarters" led us in the direction of studying several Bible heroes in addition to the biggest hero of all—Jesus. All ages were invited from 3 years through adult, with programs for each age group. With Tiny Titans, Mini Avengers, the Justice Crew, The Guardians, and Mighty Warrior classes, sessions were held including Bible stories, Crafts, Games and Activities, and Refreshments.

About 40 Westfield volunteers put together a fantastic Vacation Bible School with total attendance including over 55 attendees. The décor was phenomenal and inviting, the lessons shared were inspirational and thought-provoking, and the other activities were uplifting and meaningful. A big "thank you" goes out to all who volunteered and supported 2026 Vacation Bible School. Discussions are already being held in support of having a bigger and better 2027 Vacation Bible School!

Prayer Concerns

Brenda Alberty
Kevin Anderson
Pearce Baker
Gary Ballard
Scott Barefoot
Barbara Benson
Judy Britt
Judy Carroll
Dr. Willy & Miriam Chu
Al Collins
Bill Dail
Wanda Dail
Cathy Daniels
Tom Demmel
Linda Faircloth
Timmy Forsyth
Manfred Hardee
Andy Hobbs
Johnny Hockaday
Scott & Mary Jackson
Elaine Jackson
Steve Jackson
Tiffany Judge
Shawn Kibble
Janet Langley
Angela Lloyd
Katie Mastromonaco
Kelly Wallace McLamb
Jeanette Morrison
Susan Murray
Domini Pierce
Chad Register
David & Nancy Rose
Edith Sasser
Janet Seymore
Shirley Suelburne
Vann & Carol Stephens
Cheryl Ann Taylor
Steve Taylor
Lynn Turner
Steve Turnage
Dr. Jerry Wallace
Paul Wickham
Garry Wilkes

Extended Prayer Needs

Barbara Abney
Amanda Alexander
Terry Aman
Hilda Bannerman
Sharon Barnhill
Charlie Carpenter
Warren Davenport
Joe Frischman
Steven Glover
Michael Harrison
Violet Jackson
Kathy King
Jason Lee
Tony Simpson
Joy Spell
Judy Taylor
JoAnn Wells
Kathryn Wise

Deacons of the Week

5
12 Ronnie Autry
19 Jimmy Bailey
26 Brinson Hunter

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

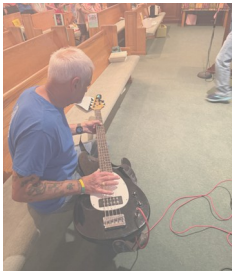
8 Penny Ader
Al & Susan Murray
14 Marilyn Hardee
15 Pam & Glenn Jonas
27 Joe Jones
Grayson Jones
29 Tony Simpson
30 Brian Lin



Summer has arrived at WBC



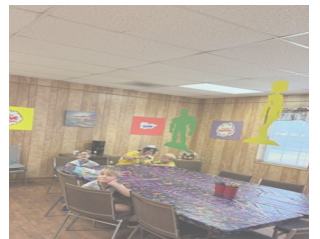
Everyone prepares for a wonderful night of VBS at Westfield!



Angela uses props to teach the children Bible stories.



Nightly Missions, Fruit of the Spirit.



Art continues to make the Bible stories come alive when instructed by Marilyn and Nancy.



Look who is having the most fun on the playground.



More playground fun!



Jude, Killian, & Charlie

The children sing, learn, play, eat, make new friends and have fun.

Thanks each of you who made this possible.



Time for family fun with Paw-Paw.