

BAPTIST BANNER

SEPTEMBER

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A note from Pastor Craig

In just a few days we'll be celebrating Labor Day. For me that pretty much says summer is officially over and fall is around the corner. In other words, change is in the air, the temperature will start dropping, the leaves will change color, and eventually start dropping. Our wardrobe will need to change soon as well. I enjoy the change of seasons, and change can be a good thing. But some things never change, and that can also be a good thing. The Bible tells us that both God's word and his love for us is unchanging. Matthew 24:35 "Heaven and Earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." Psalm 136 "His love endures forever". What a joy it is to know that we serve a God who is unchanging.

Weekly Ministries

**Sunday: 10AM Worship Service
6:30PM Prayer Meeting**

**Tuesday: Women's Bible Study
(Off for the summer)**

**Wednesday: Men's Bible Study
(Off for the summer)**

Thursday: 7PM Thurs. Night Bible Study

Lydia

September 27th

6:30PM

Niki Johnsons

Pastor's Office Hours:

Tues 8:30-3:30

Thurs 8:30-3:30

Wed 4-8:30pm

Sat 9-noon

Please call as I may have to run out occasionally. I am planning on doing visitations on Thursdays so may be in and out on that day. I am always available by phone for any questions, concerns or just to chat.



Happy Birthday!

Gabriel Spring 9/1

Shane Spring 9/2

Sydney Koplin 9/3

Emmaline Weidner 9/3

Faith Barnes 9/4

Carmella Thiele 9/7

Alicia Tippins 9/15

Max Iott 9/18

Grayson Weeks 9/19

Tim Price 9/21

Rebecca Tremethick 9/24

Steve Novak 9/26

Mike Schinske 9/30

VERSE of the MONTH

Recipe Corner



Peanut Butter Brownies

Ingredients

For the peanut butter lovers! Moist, cake-like peanut butter brownies topped with light and fluffy peanut butter frosting!

For the Brownies

- 1 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 3 eggs, beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup Reese's Pieces candies

For the Frosting

- 2 cups creamy peanut butter
- 1 cup butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 4 tablespoons heavy whipping cream
- 2 cups powdered sugar

For the Brownies

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. In a large bowl, blend together the peanut butter and butter.
3. Beat in brown sugar, eggs and vanilla.
4. Add flour and salt.
5. Spread into a greased 13x9 inch baking pan.
6. Bake for 30-35 minutes.
7. Cool in pan and frost.
8. Sprinkle Reese's Pieces on top of brownies.

Instructions

For the Frosting

1. Blend peanut butter and margarine until fluffy.
2. Blend in remaining ingredients until smooth.
3. Frost cooled brownies.

Romans 10:9

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CHURCH



Worship Service is back to 10am starting Sunday September 10th but no Sunday School



Sunday September 3rd Coffee Hour following our 9:30am Service



Choir Practice begins this Month. Women Sunday Sept 10th following service and Men Monday Sept 11th at 6:30pm.



Sunday September 17th is Sunday School Round Up at 9AM



Sunday September 17th is tentatively going to be an outdoor service at 10AM for the new playground dedication. More info to follow....



Sunday September 17th in our next Youth Group Outing....Mini Golf in the afternoon. Time is TBD.



Pioneer Club resumes on October 4th at 4:30PM. All kids Pre-K to 7th grade are invited to attend.



Settler's Day Parade is October 8th this year and we are planning on entering afloat again. We will need volunteers to help with design ideas and assembly. If you are interested and willing to help please let Maggie or Pastor Craig know.

Annual Picnic Fun

