

SEPTEMBER 2026

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**ABCUSA GLOBAL SERVANTS TO ITALY
WILL BE WITH US ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
BOTH MORNING SERVICES**

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
30	5th Sunday offering to benefit Food Pantry Regular Services - Worship 8:15 am & 11:00 am; Kids' Bible Adventure 9:45; Sunday Bible Classes (adult electives) 9:45; Kid's Korrelation 11:00 am 5:00pm Backyard BBQ - City Park	31 3:00pm Hundred Acre Woods Walkers - Children's Chapel 7:00pm AA Meeting	1 3:00pm Hundred Acre Woods Walkers - Children's Chapel 6:00pm AA Meeting	2 7:50am-8:15am Pastor Kamal at LHS CATS for CHRIST 9:00am LMA Pastor's Prayer 3:00pm Hundred Acre Woods Walkers - Children's Chapel 6:00pm-7:30pm YOUTH GROUP 7:00pm 1st service Praise Team Practice	3 6:15pm-7:50pm AWANA	4 3:00pm Hundred Acre Woods Walkers - Children's Chapel	5						
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DON'T CHEAT!

No phones or calendars...

Where were you on February 15th (and what were you doing)?

Need a hint?

That was a Sunday, so you MAY have been at church, and if you were at church I know that you remember what we talked about on that Sunday.

If you were at CHURCH we talked about the CHURCH, and you may remember what we said about the church...

The Church is all of God's people on God's mission - as we strive to live on purpose in the kingdom of God every day in every way with everything we have.

It's made up of people who are fully devoted followers of Jesus who make fully devoted followers of Jesus.

Since February we've come a long way. We've talked about sin and suffering. We've looked closely at the lives of four people who exhibited great desire to live God's purpose: Esther, Nehemiah, Paul, and Joseph.

We've asked: what does it look like to live our lives this way with our minds (even our bodies) as we worship God in everything, with everything we have

And we just finished with what this looks like, and the impact this has, on our prayer life.

But my mind keeps coming back to the church.

The thing that Jesus started.

That He empowered it by sending his Holy Spirit.

The thing that the gates of hell would never prevail against

If the Church is truly that important in the Kingdom of God and fulfilling the mission of God, then it's something we have to understand.

So that's where we will turn our attention next.

If You Give a Kid a Glue Stick...

Three things are pretty much guaranteed:

Things **WILL** get stuck together.

Things that were **NEVER** supposed to be stuck together... **WILL** be now
And somehow, the glue stick will disappear.

Then comes the request for scissors to "unstick" the "stuck-together" stuff.

Give that kid scissors, and suddenly you have a professional paper engineer.
And every professional paper engineer knows you need crayons.

Lots of crayons.

Then comes the glitter... Because every masterpiece needs glitter.

And when you add glitter to a children's ministry project, congratulations! **You have now decorated the entire church. Forever.**

No doubt about it... **Children's Ministry is messy.**

It's noisy. It's unpredictable. Sometimes it requires a LOT of cleanup.
But you know what?
It's worth it.

Because we aren't just making crafts... **We're making disciples.**

We aren't just filling time... **We're investing in eternity.**

The noise is only temporary, but the truth we teach can last a lifetime.

That marker may leave a blotchy stain, but God can make a heart **white as snow.**

A cleanup crew may be required afterward...
...but so will a celebration crew when we see what God has been doing in the lives of these kids!

So the next time you hand a glue stick to an energetic second grader, remember:
You might be holding more than a glue stick.

You might be holding an opportunity to see God at work in a child's life.

And if you end up with glitter on your shoes? Just consider it **evidence of ministry.**



AWANA: Awana training was held August 15th for the AWANA staff. Our first AWANA meeting for the school year was on August 20th. The 2026 Awana Ministry Conference™, where leaders, pastors, and parents come together to grow, worship, and deepen their impact in ministry and child discipleship is scheduled on August 29, in Gladstone, MO. We are looking forward to seeing all that God has planned for AWANA this year!

AWANA was promoted at a table at BES back to school night on August 11th. The Labor Day parade float on September 7 will also be AWANA focused.

Youth Group: The Youth group is preparing for our Mission trip to Eureka Springs September 11-13. We will be serving the Great Passion Play by helping with set and grounds maintenance as well as enjoying watching the play and attending the Holy Land Tour. A highlight promises to be performing in the play on Saturday night! We will finish our trip by attending services at the Thorncrown Chapel on Sunday morning.

Nursery: We are pleased to welcome Harper Stevens to the nursery team! She has already made a wonderful impression among the parents and staff! Be sure to stop by the nursery and meet her! The new nursing mother's room with service streaming capability has been well received.



Compassion International Sponsored Child - Norma Isabel Atupana Paza - Calancha, Ecuador

Receive a cordial greeting in the sweet name of our dear Jesus Christ. I wish for you to spend the best in this year, and for it to be full of blessings for you and your family. I want to tell you about my studies and how I've been doing lately. In these months I haven't been doing so well in my studies; since this month I got a bad grade in the subject of physics, and I hope that the next day goes better for me. I want to tell you that I have one year left to finish high school and I am thinking about studying agricultural engineering, but sometimes I think about studying another career, which is medicine; I am very undecided, and I don't know which career to choose. When I come to the project, I feel good because the brothers and sisters teach us verses, and I enjoy learning a lot.

My parents took me on a trip to Banos since it is a very beautiful place, and I spent the best time with all my family. My family at Christmas makes a Christmas dinner and we invite all the most loved ones, but this Christmas I missed them a lot since they are not present here; I miss your advice.

With these small words I say goodbye, and I hope that this year goes the best for you, that you are well in your health and that you take good care of yourself.
With much love and affection, Norma.

Please pray for me: I want you to pray for my studies since I only have one year left to leave high school and I still don't know what to study before entering the university.

UPCOMING EVENTS



**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
FBC PARTICIPATES IN
LABOR DAY PARADE**



**FRIDAY, SEPT. 11-SUNDAY, SEPT. 13
MISSION TRIP TO
THE GREAT PASSION PLAY, EUREKA SPRINGS**
Participants will get to watch the play on Friday, do mission projects on site on Saturday, and be “extras” in the play on Saturday night.



**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
12:00 -5:00 PM**

CRAFTER'S CORNER - FAMILY LIFE CENTER
Scrapbooking and all other crafting welcome (or just come and chat). Contact Debbie Randolph for more details.

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**MONDAYS (BEGINNING SEPT. 14)
1:30 PM AT THE SENIOR CENTER**

Women

Living In Faith Together—

Most of us yearn for friends and mentors to walk with us through life's joys and sorrows. Under the leadership of Hope Anderson, the ladies fellowship group, open to the entire community, will resume on September 14, (not an official Bible study, but a time to gather for worship, prayer and a devotional). The group will meet at the Senior Center on Monday afternoons at 1:30 PM for an hour to an hour and a half .



ALL LADIES INVITED!! -

Women's Book Clubs are for all ladies who enjoy a good Christian Fiction book. Groups typically meet approximately every 6 weeks. Read the book. Join the Discussion.

Evening Group— “Women's Night Owls Café” (Debbie Apple, contact person) usually meets for a meal somewhere in town. Exact dates and times are chosen by the group. (September gathering will be on **Monday, September 21, at 5:30 PM**—RSVP to Debbie for exact details.) The Night Owls will review the book “Theo of Golden” by Allen Levi.

Daytime Group—“Women's Bookworm Café” (Joann Hook, contact person) meets for lunch at the church. Next meeting on **Tuesday, September 22, at 12:30pm**—Youth Room. The Bookworms will review the book “Lost and Found Faith” by Laurel Blount.

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in person ATTENDANCE

	8:15am	11:00am
August 2	56	79
August 9	66	66
August 16	65	68
August 23	53	80
August 30	56	66

FIRST BAPTIST BAKERY & BUFFET

Have you found a new recipe you would like to share, or even a tried and true one? Please turn it into the church office. Thanks.

CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE BARS

from the kitchen of Kiff Sarver

2¼ c. all purpose flour

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. salt

Combine flour, baking soda and salt in a small bowl.

¾ c. granulated sugar

¾ c. packed brown sugar

1 cup (2 sticks) butter

½ c. creamy peanut butter

Cream the sugar and butters together in a large bowl.

Then add :

2 eggs

1 tsp. vanilla

Mix really well.

Then gradually add your flour mixture.

Finally stir in 12 oz. package of chocolate chips.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Bake in a greased and floured 13x9 pan for 22-23 minutes.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:15 AM & 11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

9:45 AM BIBLE CLASSES

September 17—Deadline for October calendar changes & Newsletter submissions



BOARD &
COMMITTEE
MEETINGS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

12:15 PM—Deaconesses

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

6:30 PM - Deacons

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

6:00 PM - Christian Education

7:00 PM - Trustee Board

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

6:15 PM - Finance Committee

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SEE YOU AT THE POLE-



**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23**

**7:30 AM—LHS & LMS**

Come support Louisburg students and join them in prayer around the flagpole on Wednesday, September 23, at 7:30 AM.



# SEPTEMBER

*birthdays*

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|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| September 4  | Pam Waite                         |
| September 5  | Larry Nelson                      |
| September 6  | Elyse Bovaird                     |
| September 7  | Rhys Johnson<br>Collins Cole      |
| September 12 | Diane Ferguson                    |
| September 14 | Natalia Valihun<br>Marla Atkinson |
| September 15 | Tina Schriefer                    |
| September 16 | Kiff Sarver                       |
| September 18 | Jan Vohs                          |
| September 24 | Margaret Keeling                  |
| September 25 | Zoe Cutshaw                       |
| September 26 | Carol Hale<br>Melba Owings        |
| September 27 | Linda Fries<br>Jo Roush           |
| September 28 | John Kasych                       |
| September 29 | Carmel Smith<br>Jay Minor         |

We try to include those who are actively attending our church; please let us know if we have missed your special day.



# SEPTEMBER

*anniversaries*

*Julia & Mike Stegeman - September 1*  
*Tina & Eric Schriefer - September 8*  
*Tami & Larry Hacker - September 9*  
*Rachel & Aaron Beaver - September 15*  
*Jana & Garrett Johnson - September 23*  
*Kathy & Rick Elliott - September 28*  
*Elaine & Jeff Smith - September 29*  
*Emily & Luke Gerard - September 30*



## Remembering

*An Anniversary This Month*

*Vera & Rex McCormick*  
*were married on September 5, 1954.*  
*Vera passed on December 10, 2024.*  
*They shared over 70 years together.*

*Barbara & Bob Roberts*  
*were married on September 27, 1955.*  
*Bob passed on July 27, 2013.*  
*They shared almost 58 years together.*

*Diane & Steve Smith*  
*were married on September 30, 1993.*  
*Steve passed on September 10, 2022.*  
*They shared nearly 29 years together.*



Kyler James Cook was born on Tuesday, August 25, 2026. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 20 inches long. Kyler's birth is celebrated by his parents Kylie & Kody Cook, sister Kiara, grandparents Anita & Jim Cook and great grandparents Dottie & Ron Cook.

