

WELCOME HOME!

JULY 12, 2026

We're really glad you're here!

If you're visiting for the first time, we hope you feel comfortable and encouraged today. Whether you're exploring faith, new to the area, or looking for a church home, we're honored you chose to spend part of your day with us.

Be sure to stop by our welcome table or fill out a connect card so we can say hello and help you learn more about our community.

Sunday Schedule

9:15 AM: "Coffee Shop/D-Groups"

9:15 AM: "Young at Heart" Small Group

9:30 AM: "Called to Act" Young Men's Small Group

9:30 am: "S.O.A.P. Bible Class

9:30 AM: "God's Love Letter" Women's Small Group

10:30 AM: "Morning Worship"

Nursery (Ages 3 and Under)

Children's Church (Ages 4-8)

5:30 PM: Celebrate Recovery Large Group

6:00 pm: "The Vine"

Wednesday Schedule

10:00 AM: "Men of Titus" Men's Small Group

6:30 PM: "Marriage in the Middle" Couples Small Group

6:30 PM: "Messengers Class" Adult General Bible Study

6:30 PM: "IGNITE" (Grades 7-12)

6:30 PM: "Daring Disciples" (Grades 4-6)

6:30 PM: "Trackers of Truth" (Ages 3-8)

- BUILDING FUND: We are thrilled about the renovation of our sanctuary, which will offer additional space for worship growth within our church community. Pastor Hal discussed the costs associated with the remodel this past Sunday, and we invite everyone to thoughtfully consider ways to contribute. We trust that God will provide through your ongoing support.
- BABY SHOWER: You are cordially invited to the "Tea Time for Two" honoring MaryGrace Watson today at 2:00 PM. The event will take place upstairs in the branch building. A registry is available at www.my.babylist.com/marygrace-watson-watson.
- AIM YOUTH CAMP: We are one week away from CAMP. Please be praying for CAMP week. The theme is "CREATED." Each day's message will focus on the following titles: "Surrender," "Significant," "Saved," "Set Apart," "Seen," "Set Free," and "Shaped."
- RIGHTNOW MEDIA ACCESS: Our church is pleased to offer FREE access to RightNow Media to all of our church family. With thousands of Bible studies, devotionals, children's programs, and resources for every age and stage of life, there's something for everyone. Simply sign up through our church app or website and begin growing in your faith anytime, anywhere!
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- ATTENTION: If you have not yet subscribed to our YouTube channel, we encourage you to do so. We are approaching 500 followers and would appreciate your support in reaching this milestone. Please follow Connect Church of Decatur to stay updated with sermons!

The Wilderness Series
"The Wilderness of Despair"
1 Kings 19:1-4 NLT

1. Descent into Despair

- _____ changes our perspective. (We magnify our problems. We minimize God's power. We begin making decisions based on panic instead of faith.)
- _____ distorts our thinking.
- _____ drains our hope.

2. Divine Encounter

- 1 Kings 5-9 NLT
- God meets us with _____, not condemnation.
- God's presence provides _____.
- God's presence provides _____.
- Fear may start the journey into despair, but God's presence starts the journey out.

3. Despair is not our Destination

- 1 Kings 9-15 NLT
- Don't build a _____ in the cave of despair. (The cave was a shelter for the night, not Elijah's destination.)
- God has a _____ for you.
- Despair, Failure, Depression don't have the final word, _____ does!



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