



Sunday, September 13th, 2026
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Call to Worship:**

Rev. Steve Taylor

We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos.

Our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.

We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us voice.

We bring the songs which have echoed in our hearts all week long.

We gather as the children of God, our joy unbroken in God's love.

Let our joy resound through singing, teaching and reflecting on the word.

***Hymn of Praise:**

UMH 327

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Prayer Request/Pastoral Prayer/Lords Prayer

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Songs of Praise**

Praise Band

Good, Good Father
Hosanna, Praise is Rising

*** Offering/Offertory**

Rev. Steve Taylor
Jill Mansfield

Camp Meeting Medley

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



***Scripture:**

John 11: 17-44 & Job 2: 11-13 (NIV)

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The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

***Children's Moment**

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***Sermon**

The Ministry of Presence (Companioning vs. Fixing)

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Hymn of Reflection**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

UMH 526

***Affirmation of Faith**

APOSTLES CREED

UMH 881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**



**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Closing Song**

The Blessing

Praise Band

***Sending Forth**

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Postlude**



Announcements and Information

Coming Up This Week At Epworth UMC	
Sunday, September 13th:	
"Boiler Room" Prayer Gathering	4:00pm
<i>West Wing/Chapel</i>	
Tuesday, September 15th:	
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday, September 16th:	
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Bible Discussion	5:00pm - 6:00pm
<i>East Wing/Library</i>	
Women's Ensemble Rehearsal	6:00pm - 7:00pm
<i>West Wing/Choir Room</i>	
Thursday, September 17th:	
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Saturday, September 19th:	
Indian Taco Supper Fundraiser	11:00am - 2:00pm
OK Walkoff Baseball Team	
<i>Fellowship Hall</i>	
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH:	
BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP	8:30am-9:00am
SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:00am-10:00am
WORSHIP	10:15am-11:30am
"BOILER ROOM" PRAYER GROUP	4:00pm-5:00pm
Fall Bash	6:00pm - 9:00pm
<u><i>Birthdays</i></u>	<u><i>Anniversaries</i></u>
Sep. 14 th	
Callen McLenden	
Sep. 15 th	
George (Hank) Hector, III	
Eli Godwin	
Sep. 17 th	
Jim Roles	
Sep. 18 th	
Robert Shrader	
Sep. 20 th	
Ginny Howell	



PLEASE PRAY FOR

U.S. Military	Marsha Alexander	Yuyanah James
Law Enforcement	Lou Parrish	Jim & Stella Allen
First Responders	Lilly Watson	Cassy Kerr
Roy Flugge	Harlei Claphan	Vi Bassett
		Larry & Sara Jacobson

PRAYERS FOR HOMEBOUND

Naomi Dean	Jim & Rita Roles	Bob Bates
Shirley Hays	Darlene Harrison	
Donna Bingaman	Lois Cook	

Jackie Hutzell - Daughter Jeanne Mather
Euella Spoonemore - Mother of Debbie Clark
Eric Little - Nephew of Suzan Colvin
Jason Little-Nephew of Suzan Colvin
Toni Clive - Sister of Jeanne Mather
David Watson - Father of Benjamin Watson
Barbara Taylor - Mother of Rev. Steve Taylor
John Holdeman - Brother of Jeanne Mather
Jeanice McDonald - Sister of Janice Smith
Terry & Kristy Fancher - Friends of Tim Brauer
Sarah McGovern-Daughter of Judy Jernigan
Twila Long - Sister-In Law of Susan Gearhart
Ann Barrows - Mother of Liz Taylor
Doug Schrock -Friend of Larry Wasson & Doug Cooper
Jay & Tobi Gregory- Friends of Bruce & Sharon Storms
Emllie Watson - Niece Alyssa & Benjamin Watson
David Bennett - Brenda Davidson Brother-In-Law
Sherma Bartel - Cousin of Bruce Storms
Linda Wiseman - Sharon Storms sister
Kobe Cotton
Parker Kemp



Do you have a used blanket in good condition you don't need?



Bring it to church and we can share it with those in need!



Learning to Breathe

Mastering the Art of Spiritual Respiration

By
Chris Lohrstorfer

Women's Fall Bible Study

Monday evenings 5:30pm – 7:00pm September 28th- November 2nd

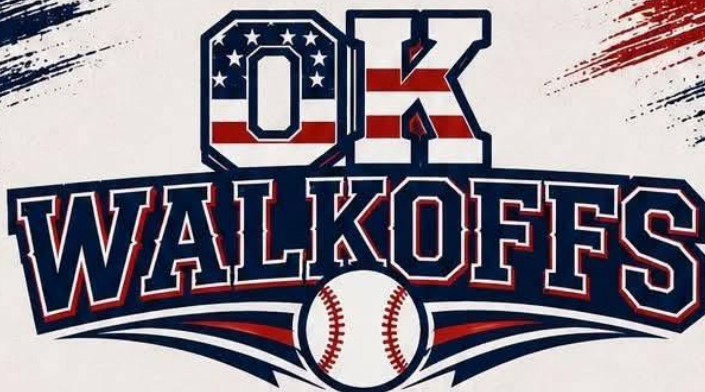
Tuesday mornings 9:30am – 11:00am September 29th -November 3rd

Bible Studies will be held at Epworth UMC in the East Wing Parlor.

Need to sign up by September 22nd. Cost for study materials is \$10.

Please have exact cash to purchase study book on first day of class.

To sign up or for more information, contact Susan Gassaway. Her phone number is (432-352-0662).



9U BASEBALL FUNDRAISER

INDIAN TACO

Fundraiser!

★ JOIN US! ★

SEPTEMBER 19

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 19!

Winner receives half of the pot raised!

Thank you for supporting the OK Walkoffs! ♥

SO LONG, SUMMER!
Hello Fall!

SAVE THE DATE!

END OF SUMMER BASH

SEPTEMBER 20TH

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Epworth Front Lawn

FREE COOKOUT, GAMES,
BOUNCE HOUSE AND FUN.

ADMISSION IS FREE! ALL AGES WELCOME!

BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR AND ENJOY SOME FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

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