



The Beacon

Centenary United Methodist Church—Bonne Terre, Missouri



THE PASTORS PEN — SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER EDITION

The Twelve

Hello Church Family,

To walk in faith, we need examples. We need to see and read about people who struggled, learned, and grew to trust in Jesus over the course of time. I've grown from reading about the faith of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, John Wesley, St. Francis of Assisi, Martin Luther King Jr, and my grandparents. The written testimonies of these people have been guides to my own walk with Jesus.

One of the great gifts of the scriptures are the stories of the twelve disciples who followed Jesus because in these stories we read about normal, approachable men who developed an exceptional faith in Jesus. As we read about their doubts, the obstacles they overcame, and their enthusiasm for Jesus, we can see ourselves in their stories of transformation. As we study the faith of the twelve, we receive an example for how we can walk in our faith.

We also see through these twelve men the importance community plays in our own individual development as disciples of Jesus. We see that the first thing Jesus did in his public ministry was to begin a life group. It was the challenges, forgiveness, service, and learning these men shared that shaped them. The honesty of their stories offers us an example of how we can grow in our faith through participation in life groups.

In the month of September, we will begin a message series entitled, "The Twelve." This six-week series profiles the twelve disciples who followed Jesus. Looking at Peter, Matthew, John, Thomas, Judas, and the Twelve as a whole, this series will remind us what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, encouraging our community to persevere in our faith.

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THE PASTORS PEN CONTINUED— SEPTEMBER

Sept 14 Peter, the Rock
Sept 21 Matthew, the Tax Collector
Sept 28 John, the Disciple Whom Jesus Loved
Oct 5 Thomas, from Doubt to Faith
Oct 12 Judas, who Betrayed Jesus
Oct 19 The Twelve

Matthew 16:13-23
Matthew 9:9-13
1 John 4:7-21
John 20:24-29
John 13:1-20
Matthew 10:1-42

During this series you will hear from Ben LaBrot, Emma LaBrot, and Rev Peter Norton.

Around mid-September one of our Sunday School classes will begin our discussion of *The Chosen* season 5. Watching and discussing *The Chosen* TV series is a good way to engage with the Gospel story.

The Chosen takes many liberties with its portrayal of the disciples. Matthew is introduced in S1E1 and he is called to follow Jesus in S1E7. Simon Peter is featured in S1E4 and Simon, Andrew, James, and John are all called to follow Jesus in S1E5/E6. Thomas and Thaddeus are called in S1E5. S2E1 focuses on James and John. Philip and Nathaniel are called in S2E2. Simon the Zealot is introduced in S2E4. Judas Iscariot joins the disciples in S2E8/S3E1. James son of Alphaeus is featured in S3E2 where Jesus declines to heal him.





Bible In A Year Reading Plan

September

	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalms	Proverbs
<input type="checkbox"/> 01	Job 40:1-42:17	2 Corinthians 5:11-21	Psalms 45:1-17	Proverbs 22:14
<input type="checkbox"/> 02	Ecclesiastes 1:1-3:22	2 Corinthians 6:1-13	Psalms 46:1-11	Proverbs 22:15
<input type="checkbox"/> 03	Ecclesiastes 4:1-6:12	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:7	Psalms 47:1-9	Proverbs 22:16
<input type="checkbox"/> 04	Ecclesiastes 7:1-9:18	2 Corinthians 7:8-16	Psalms 48:1-14	Proverbs 22:17-19
<input type="checkbox"/> 05	Ecclesiastes 10:1-12:14	2 Corinthians 8:1-15	Psalms 49:1-20	Proverbs 22:20-21
<input type="checkbox"/> 06	Song of Solomon 1:1-4:16	2 Corinthians 8:16-24	Psalms 50:1-23	Proverbs 22:22-23
<input type="checkbox"/> 07	Song of Solomon 5:1-8:14	2 Corinthians 9:1-15	Psalms 51:1-19	Proverbs 22:24-25
<input type="checkbox"/> 08	Isaiah 1:1-2:22	2 Corinthians 10:1-18	Psalms 52:1-9	Proverbs 22:26-27
<input type="checkbox"/> 09	Isaiah 3:1-5:30	2 Corinthians 11:1-15	Psalms 53:1-6	Proverbs 22:28-29
<input type="checkbox"/> 10	Isaiah 6:1-7:25	2 Corinthians 11:16-33	Psalms 54:1-7	Proverbs 23:1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> 11	Isaiah 8:1-9:21	2 Corinthians 12:1-10	Psalms 55:1-23	Proverbs 23:4-5
<input type="checkbox"/> 12	Isaiah 10:1-11:16	2 Corinthians 12:11-21	Psalms 56:1-13	Proverbs 23:6-8
<input type="checkbox"/> 13	Isaiah 12:1-14:32	2 Corinthians 13:1-14	Psalms 57:1-11	Proverbs 23:9-11
<input type="checkbox"/> 14	Isaiah 15:1-18:7	Galatians 1:1-24	Psalms 58:1-11	Proverbs 23:12
<input type="checkbox"/> 15	Isaiah 19:1-21:17	Galatians 2:1-16	Psalms 59:1-17	Proverbs 23:13-14
<input type="checkbox"/> 16	Isaiah 22:1-24:23	Galatians 2:17-3:9	Psalms 60:1-12	Proverbs 23:15-16
<input type="checkbox"/> 17	Isaiah 25:1-28:13	Galatians 3:10-22	Psalms 61:1-8	Proverbs 23:17-18
<input type="checkbox"/> 18	Isaiah 28:14-30:11	Galatians 3:23-4:31	Psalms 62:1-12	Proverbs 23:19-21
<input type="checkbox"/> 19	Isaiah 30:12-33:9	Galatians 5:1-12	Psalms 63:1-11	Proverbs 23:22
<input type="checkbox"/> 20	Isaiah 33:10-36:22	Galatians 5:13-26	Psalms 64:1-10	Proverbs 23:23
<input type="checkbox"/> 21	Isaiah 37:1-38:22	Galatians 6:1-18	Psalms 65:1-13	Proverbs 23:24
<input type="checkbox"/> 22	Isaiah 39:1-41:16	Ephesians 1:1-23	Psalms 66:1-20	Proverbs 23:25-28
<input type="checkbox"/> 23	Isaiah 41:17-43:13	Ephesians 2:1-22	Psalms 67:1-7	Proverbs 23:29-35
<input type="checkbox"/> 24	Isaiah 43:14-45:10	Ephesians 3:1-21	Psalms 68:1-18	Proverbs 24:1-2
<input type="checkbox"/> 25	Isaiah 45:11-48:11	Ephesians 4:1-16	Psalms 68:19-35	Proverbs 24:3-4
<input type="checkbox"/> 26	Isaiah 48:12-50:11	Ephesians 4:17-32	Psalms 69:1-18	Proverbs 24:5-6
<input type="checkbox"/> 27	Isaiah 51:1-53:12	Ephesians 5:1-33	Psalms 69:19-36	Proverbs 24:7
<input type="checkbox"/> 28	Isaiah 54:1-57:14	Ephesians 6:1-24	Psalms 70:1-5	Proverbs 24:8
<input type="checkbox"/> 29	Isaiah 57:15-59:21	Philippians 1:1-26	Psalms 71:1-24	Proverbs 24:9-10
<input type="checkbox"/> 30	Isaiah 60:1-62:5	Philippians 1:27-2:18	Psalms 72:1-20	Proverbs 24:11-12

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Doors open @ 6:30 PM with a 7 PM start @ The Cornerstone



Teams of 8. \$10.00 each.

Benefits our ministry, "SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS"

Bring some snacks to go with the popcorn, tea and lemonade
we will provide.

Contact Diane Moore to sign up

Centenary UMC
INVITES YOU



HOLIDAY CRAFTS FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY

DINNER

SINGING OF CHRISTMAS
CAROLS

HELP MAKE THIS ADVENT
SEASON SPECIAL FOR YOUR
FAMILY

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 30
4:00-7:00 PM
Cornerstone Building

questions:
Sue Curfman
314-677-5840



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**A little goes a long way.
Give blood.**

Blood Drive
Centenary United
Methodist Church

Cornerstone Cafe
20 Park Avenue
Bonne Terre, MO 63628

Tuesday, September 2, 2025
1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org
and enter: CentenaryBonneTerre to schedule an appointment.



Give blood 8/29 to 9/21 for 1 of 4 mystery tees with an
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an appointment.

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Monthly Church News

- ◆ We had an successful Centenary's Abundance of the Heart drive through food give away on the 7th of August. We served approximately 330 families and over 700 individuals. We distributed 3.15 tons of food representing a value of over \$8,000. Thank you for making this community service such a successful event.



- ◆ Would like to thank Ben LaBrot for sharing the message on August 10th. Please lift Ben up in pray as he continues to serve God in his life through ministry.



- ◆ Big thank you to Bill Young, Wade Jones, Dave Bahr, Loel Hickman and William Norton for removing the previous parsonage fence and replacing it over the past several months. During our summer clean up day, this crew removed the damage fence and ingrown trees. The newly installed fence won't have ingrown trees. The black color should make blend into the parsonage very well.

- ◆ Bill and Wade had fun teaching William Norton the basics of fence installation. This represents many hours of work. It was a great time to work on the common project together and build some friends. There is nothing we can't accomplish if we work together.



- ◆ VBS offering collected \$605 to support the needs of families through the Ministry Alliance. We had a wonderful VBS and want to once again thank all the volunteers that made this year's week such a great success.
- ◆ Our youth group will be going to Elevation Worship night of worship in St. Louis on October 24th at the Enterprise Center. Let's pray for our youth as they enjoy this night of worship.
- ◆ Thursday Night zoom class has begun a study on the Books of the Apocrypha. If you would be interested in join this bible study reach out Chuck Hubbard for log in information.
- ◆ Our next message series will be "The Twelve" Focusing on the Twelve disciples and their relationship with Jesus.
- ◆ Fall small group classes will be forming in the near future. If you have an interest in forming a fall small group reach out to Ken Curfman at KCurfman57@gmail.com. A list of those classes will be available soon.
- ◆ Next American Cross Blood Drive will be Tuesday, September 2nd from 1:30pm to 5:30 pm

Happy Birthday

September

Happy Anniversary

First Name	Last Name	Birthdate
Brenda	Patt	September 04
Karen	LaBrot	September 10
Jerry	Reed	September 12
Edwin	Buck	September 19
Kim	Gray	September 20
Shannon	Sansom	September 20
Renee (Lisa)	Phillips (Clapp)	September 25
Dawn	Kekec	September 29
Sherry	Kuntz	September 29

Family Name	Anniversary
Raymond & Kati Hacker	September 01
Wayne & Donna Jean Weber	September 20



CORNERS ONE CAFÉ

September 3rd	Sloppy Joe Sandwiches
September 10th	Grilled Chicken Sandwich
September 17th	Beef & Noodles
September 24th	Meatloaf

***All meals subject to change.**



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IS **YOUR**
CONTACT
INFORMATION
CURRENT?



Please update your contact information.

We want to make sure you are receiving all of our information regarding upcoming events, prayer request, etc.

Please use the **QR code** above or fill out the form below to update your contact information. You can drop it in the offering plate or bring it by the office.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____

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Birthday: _____

Anniversary: _____

LITURGISTS: 9:00 am

9/07- Emma LaBrot
9/14- Yon Wibskov
9/21 - Dave Mayo
9/28 - Chris Ferguson

LITURGISTS: 11:00 am

9/07- Donna Jean Weber
9/14- Patti O'Connor
9/21 - Chuck Hubbard
9/28 - Jackie Berry

GREETERS: 9:00 am

9/07- Sheila Hacker
9/14- Dalana Mauk
9/21 - Donna Bouchard
9/28 - Sheila Hacker

CHECK SIGNERS WEEK OF

9/07- Linda Skaggs & Bob Powell
9/14- Bob Powell & Jill Clemons
9/21 - Jill Clemons & Donna Bouchard
9/28 - Donna Bouchard & Jim Sowers

MONEY COUNTERS:

Dalana Mauk & Rita Drochelman

Are you on this list? If so, we look forward to serving with you—and if you cannot, please find a replacement and let the church office know! Thank you!

Every Sunday @ 10:00 am

Children's Sunday School
Confirmation Class
Young Adults (The Gap)
Adult - "The Chosen"

Downstairs in Sanctuary
Cornerstone Youth Room
Cornerstone
Downstairs in Sanctuary

Office Open Monday &
Wednesday

573-358-2238



Monday & Wednesday

9:00am - 3:00pm

Centenary Weekly Events

NA Meeting	Every Sunday, 5 pm	Sanctuary
Table Talk	Every Monday, 10 am	Cornerstone
Nursing Home Bible Study	Every Monday, 1:30 pm	Country Meadows
Prayer Shawl	Every Monday, 6 pm	Cornerstone
AA Meeting	Every Monday, 7 pm	Sanctuary
Bible Basics	Every Tuesday, 7pm	Sanctuary
Cornerstone Café	Every Wednesday, 5 pm	Cornerstone
Praise Team Rehearsal	Every Thursday, 7 pm	Cornerstone
Disciples Study Online	Every Thursday, 7 pm	Online

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	LABOR DAY Office Closed	12pm - American Red 7pm - Bible Basics Study	5pm - Cornerstone Cafe	7pm - Disciple Bible Study		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Communion Sunday	10am - Table Talk	7pm - Bible Basics Study	10am - Americom - Copier 5pm - Cornerstone Cafe	7pm - Disciple Bible Study		
9am - Contemporary 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship Service 12pm - PPR Meeting 5pm - NA Meeting 6pm - Youth Group	6pm - Prayer Shawl					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9am - Contemporary 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship Service 1pm - Karen LaBrot - 5pm - NA Meeting 6pm - Youth Group	10am - Table Talk 6pm - Ad Board/Finance 6pm - Prayer Shawl	7pm - Bible Basics Study	5pm - Cornerstone Cafe	7pm - Disciple Bible Study		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	30	1	2	3	4
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PRAYER LIST

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Pray for	Reason	Prayer request from
Rhonda Robbs	Hospitalized with a stroker	Church Family
Margie Gibbons & Mike Gibbons	Health Issues & Caretaker	JoAnn Kite
SJ Boyer	Dirt bike accident	Julie Inman
Betty LaRussa	Health Issues	Grace Gillingham
Weston Reed	Diagnosed w/ Langerhans Cells Histiocytosis	Sarah Clay
JOYS		
ONGOING		
Jack Gillam	Cancer	Bill & Patti Martin
Teresa Huff	Cancer	Linda Skaggs/Julie Inman/Belinda Straughn
Jason Wruck	Leukemia	Julie Inman
Rev. Richard Northcutt & Erin	Latter stages of Alzherimers	Donna Hickman
Bruce Fiala	Cancer	Church Family
Pete Sego	Cancer	Jim & Linda Sowers
Derek Wilfong	Cancer	Donna Jean Weber
Melinda Rothlisberger	Cancer	Jackie Berry
Sarah Lawson	Cancer	Heather Bequette
Tracey Anderson	Cancer	JoAnn Kite
Alan Meyer	Cancer	Grace Gillingham
Andy Skiles	Cancer	Sally Skiles
Laura Midgett	Cancer	Patti O'Connor
Patti Branham	Cancer	Donna Bouchard
Doris Tomes	Cancer returned (daughter in law's mother)	Dee Krause
GREIVING		
The Schmidt Family	Passing of Donna Schmidt	Church Family
ASSISTED LIVING/HOMEBOUND		
NURSING HOME/REHAB		
Pray for	Location	Reason
Brenda Laws Bennett	Southbrook Nursing Home	
Loretta Kosar	Cambridge House of Swansea (Swansea IL)	
Sarah Nichols	St. Joe Manor	
Donna Schmidt	Presbyterian Manor	
SERVING IN THE MILITARY		
Riley Schleappe	Marine	Tom & Patti O'Connor - Grandson
Nick Hawkins	Navy	Belinda Straughn - Friend
Jacob Sutton	Air force	Jill Clemons - Grandson
Anthony Verde	Air Force	Dee Krause - nephew
Matthew LaBrot	Army	Jeff and Karen - Son
Andy Vaughan	Air Force	Gillingham - Grandson
Todd Mabery	Navy	Vicki Weible
Rebecca Jones	Virginia-Army instructor	Dean (café diner)
SERVING AS MISSIONARIES		
Pray for	Location	Reason
Rev. Geraldo Nathaniel Matsinhe	<i>Micas Madonele UMC in Mozambique</i>	Our Partner Church
Brian Tucker & Family (cousins)	<i>In Haiti</i>	

****Please update the Church Office regularly with status****

(Names are on the list for 30 days unless church office is notified)

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2025 Church Committee Members

SPRC

Lay Member to AC	Chuck Hubbard
Lay Leader:	Diane Moore
Committee Chair:	Patti Martin
Class of 2025	Randall Jones, Sue Curfman, Steve Black
Class of 2026	Patti Martin, Chris Ferguson
Class of 2027	Sherry Basler, Jimmy Sansom, Vicki Weible

Board of Trustees

Chair:	Mike Inman
Class of 2025	Dennis McGee, Wade Jones, Mike Inman
Class of 2026	Bill Martin, Austin Wiant, Ken Curfamn
Class of 2027	Bob Becker, Jerry Reed, Paul Butler

Nominations and Leadership Development

Chair:	Peter Norton
Lay Leader:	Diane Moore
Class of 2025	Rita Drochelman, Brenda Patt, Karen LaBrot
Class of 2026	Donna Bouchard, Jackie Berry
Class of 2027	Tina Schrum, Wayne Weber, Sarah Clay

AD Board

Chair:	Nathan Pack
Pastor:	Peter Norton
Lay Leader	Diane Moore
Lay member to AC	Chuck Hubbard
Finance Chair	Angie Black
Treasurer	Judy McGee
Blessing Basket Chair	Pat Stamm
Youth Director	Dustin & Kim Gray

Finance

Chair	Angie Black
Pastor	Peter Norton
Lay member to AC	Chuck Hubbard, Alternate - Loel Hickman
Ad Board Council Chair	Nathan Pack
SPRC Chair	Patti Martin
Trustee Chair	Mike Inman
Lay Leader	Diane Moore
Financial Secretary	JoAnn Kite
Church Treasurer	Judy McGee
Church Business Admin	JoAnn Kite
At Large members	Jim Clay, Jean Weber

Blessing Basket

Chair	Pat Stamm
Members	Jackie Berry, Ralph Stamm, Bruce & Janice Vaughn

Education

Chair	
Children's Ministries	Shannon Sansom, Karen LaBrot, Patti O'Connor, Jenifer Ferguson, Beth Pack, Chris Jenkins
Youth/Adult Education	Loel Hickman, Nathan Pack, Pastor Peter Norton

Kitchen

Chair	From the committee
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Worship

Worship Leader	Anissa Jones
Pianist	Judy LaBruyere
Choir Director	Linda Sowers
Head Usher	Bob Powell
At Large members	Belinda Straughn

Please help keep us with updated information. If you have a new address, phone number, email address or want to make sure we have birthdate(s) and your anniversary date, please send a email. Or you can update any information of the attendance sheet and place in the offering plate. **Thank you!**

**Office Hours
Monday &
Wednesday
9:00-3:00**

Please remember to pray for our Covenant Church
MICAS MADONELE UMC in MOZAMBIQUE
and their Pastor Rev. Geraldo Nataniel Matsinhe

