## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

## TODAY

We are glad you chose to worship with us today! If you need to meet with one of pastors or have a special prayer request, please complete one of the cards under the chair in front of you or at the Information Center and drop it in the offering plate.

#### THIS WEEK

**Memorial Day** -- we pay tribute to the men and women who gave their lives fearlessly defending the freedoms we enjoy. God bless them

#### WAYS TO HELP

We are hosting **Family Promise** this week. Check with Pastor David to see how you might help.

Women's Fellowship Quilt Raffle -- don't forget to buy your raffle tickets for the guilt displayed in the lobby. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. If you don't want to participate in the raffle, you can make a donation.... all proceeds go to the scholarship fund.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

**MINNET meeting** -- Sunday, June 3, following Linger Longer. All Ministry Team leaders, please notify your team members about this quarterly meeting.

#### JUNE EVENTS

Women's Fellowship Meeting -- June 12 at 1:00 p.m. at the church. Please remember your donations for the Shelterhouse.

**Graduation Sunday** is June 17. We will be honoring our high school graduates during worship service that day.

Executive Committee/Council Meeting -- Monday, June 18. Executive Committee meets as 6:30 p.m. Council meets at 7:00 p.m.

## **Graduation Open Houses:**

Joshua Falknor -- Sunday, June 10, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the church.

Adyson Lasky -- Friday, June 15, 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. at 770 Gilead Lake Road in Bronson.

Kiana Mayer -- Saturday, June 23, 4:00 -8:00 p.m. at 824 Gilead Lake Road in Bronson

## **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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Church Office 517.369.1588 MAY 27, 2018

SERVICE: 9:30 AM

**JUNIOR CHURCH: 10:10 AM** 

CHRISTIAN ED: 11:15 AM



## MISSION STATEMENT

"WE HONOR GOD THROUGH REGULARLY ASSEMBLING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP HIM AS LORD, STUDY AND OBEY HIS WORD, AND ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE. WHEN WE LEAVE, WE GO OUT COMMISSIONED AS CHRIST'S REPRESENTATIVES TO A NEEDY WORLD."

## MAY 27, 2018

NURSERY	Char Kaufman and K	im Lytle
		,
SOUND ROOM	Kenny	Bennett

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	David Minard
VIDEO	Memorial Day Tribute
OPENING WORSHIP	Tim Butters
Let's Just Praise the Lord	Hymn 107
O God, Our Help in Ages Past (vs. 1,2,3,6)	Hymn 52
My Country, 'Tis of Thee (vs. 1 and 4)	Hymn 571
America, the Beautiful (vs. 1,3,4)	Hymn 572
Onward, Christian Soldier (vs. 1 and 4)	Hymn 479
OFFERING	Donna Green
MESSAGE	Jim Erwin
VIDEO	Left Behind

Altar flowers are provided by Bruce and Char Kaufman in memory of their mothers, Ruth Kaufman and Marjorie Keeslar

## CHRISTIAN ED CLASSES

TODDLERS	Marcia Albright
GRADES 1-5	David Minard
JUNIOR HIGH	Sharon McMeen
ADULT ED	Jim and Kim Erwin

#### MESSAGE

## GOD TO THE RESCUE (MARK 13)

Introduction: The Olivet Discourse

## I. UNEQUALLED DISTRESS (Mark 13:14-20)

- \*The Great Tribulation
- \*Social, political, economic upheaval

## II. FALSE CHRISTS, FALSE PROPHETS (Mark 13:21-23)

An unholy "trinity" (Revelation 13)

The Dragon --- The Beast --- The False Prophet

- \* Universal Deception (2 Thess. 2:9-11)
- \* The Mark of the Beast (Revelation 13:16-18)

#### III. "FOR THE SAKE OF THE ELECT"

\*What about the rapture?

(Matthew 24:40-41, 1 Thess. 4:16-17, 2 Thess. 2:6-7)

\* Note Revelation 7:1-14

## IV. THE SECOND COMING (Mark 13:24-27)

\*Note Daniel 7:13, Revelation 19:11-16

## **APPLICATION**

Mark 13:26-27, Luke 21:28, 34-36

- 1. Be repentant!
- 2. Be ready!
- 3. Keep looking up!





## A Call to Prayer

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