

CHAPEL CHIMES

From The Lord To You



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Randall's Chapel United Methodist Church

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Being Stirred Up...

Several weeks ago I did a children's message using milk and chocolate syrup. I asked the children if they had ever drunk chocolate milk. They all smiled and said yes. Then I proceeded to ask how did they drink it. 'Do you squirt the chocolate syrup in your mouth and then chase it down with milk?' 'No!' they replied. So I took a clear glass with milk in it. (Earlier in the morning I had added some chocolate syrup to the glass of milk, giving the syrup time to settle to the bottom.)

I shared that we are like this glass of milk when we let Jesus live in our hearts. Then Jesus puts within us spiritual gifts. Sometimes these gifts settle to the bottom of our hearts when they are not stirred up. Then I told them how being around other Christians stirs up our gifts. Now while I was telling them this, I began stirring the chocolate syrup in the glass of milk and all of a sudden, we had a glass of chocolate milk.

I told them how refreshing it is for others when we have our spiritual gifts stirred up by being around others who follow Jesus. Then I drank some of that refreshing glass of chocolate milk.

I don't know about you, but I love having fellowship with followers of Jesus that stirs my gifts up and stirs a fire in my heart for Jesus.

All this stirring reminds me of a passage of Scripture from the Apostle Paul to his spiritual son Timothy. Paul is remembering Timothy's faith and wants to encourage him.

Paul says this to Timothy, *'For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you...'*
2 Timothy 1:6 NIV.

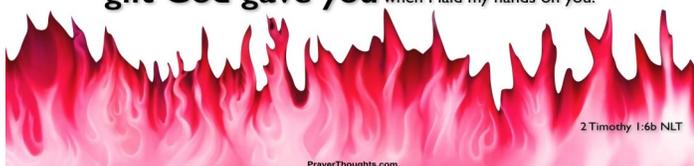
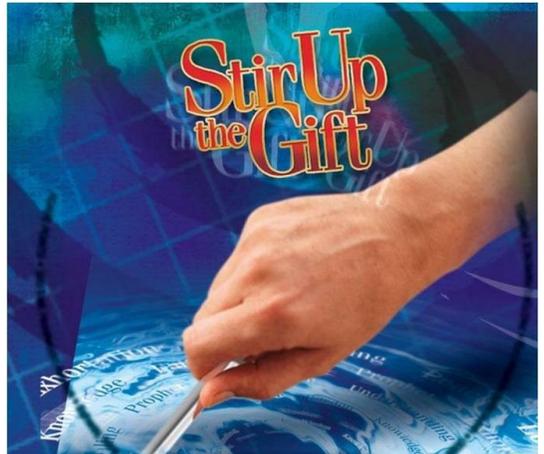
The Amplified Bible says it like this, *'... to stir up (rekindle the embers of, fan the flame of, and keep burning.) the [gracious] gift of God...'*

**God Wants You To Use
Your Spiritual Gifts**

"This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you."

Don't let your gifts settle to the bottom or grow cold. Let the fellowship of believers in Jesus stir you up to practice your gifts and to *burn* for Jesus.

Stirring you up, Pat



2 Timothy 1:6b NLT

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Because I Am Loved

The apostle Paul wrote,

But now let me show you a way of life that is best of all. If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:1 NLT



Doing something in order to be loved is a trap, but doing something because I am loved is incredibly freeing.

Doing something so that we'll be loved is a trap many of us can get caught in. When I do something because I'm trying to get someone else to notice me, appreciate me, say something to build me up, or respect me more, my motives get skewed. I become very me-focused. I put unrealistic expectations on myself and the other person. And I can get stinkin' angry when I don't feel adequately noticed, appreciated, or respected.

But doing something because I am loved is incredibly freeing. Instead of looking at a relationship from the vantage point of what I stand to gain, I look instead at what I have the opportunity to give. I am God-focused and love-directed. I keep my expectations in check. And I am able to lavish on others the grace I know I so desperately need. I live free from regret, with clarity of heart, mind, and soul.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. 1 Peter 5:6-10

Isn't it interesting how much easier it is to apply Scripture when we're doing it because we're loved? Consider how this applies to the passage from 1 Peter:

Because I am loved, I can humble myself. When I'm trying to be loved, I must build myself up to look better.

Because I am loved, I can cast all my anxiety on Him. When I'm trying to be loved, I cast all my anxiety on my performance.

Because I am loved, I resist Satan and stand firm in my faith. When I'm trying to be loved, I listen to Satan and stand shaky in my feelings.

Because I am loved, I know God will use trials to make me stronger. When I'm trying to be loved, I wonder why God would allow trials.

Because I am loved. That's when my motives stay pure and my heart stays grounded in the comfort and assurance of God's never-changing love.

Lysa TerKeurst - Made to Crave Devotional

RANDALL'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

SOUP DAY



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

A donation of \$6.00 will be appreciated.

Donations are used for missions.

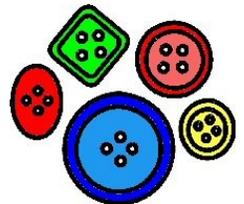
Carry-outs: call 256-547-6685



United Methodist Women's Friendship Day

A tentative date has been set for the next friendship gathering. It will be on March 11th. Please join us for another great time of fellowship and crafts.

This time we will be using buttons and beads.



FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE ^{IS HIS} & ONLY SON SO THAT ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM SHALL NOT PERISH BUT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE
JOHN 3:16

Approximately 150 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged annually, making Valentine's Day the second most popular card sending holiday after Christmas.....

On Valentine's Day, the retail industry tells us to express our love through boxes of chocolates, red roses, jewelry and expensive dinners. But the Bible tells us about a love that doesn't require gifts and sacrifices—an eternal love from God. As you honor those you love this Valentine's Day, reflect on the Source of all love. Reflect on the ultimate act of love that Jesus showed us on the cross.

TRUE LOVE COMES FROM ABOVE

A Prayer for Valentine's Day.....

God of power and might,
Thank you for the gift of Love
This Valentine's Day,
And for all the people
Whose love shines in my life.

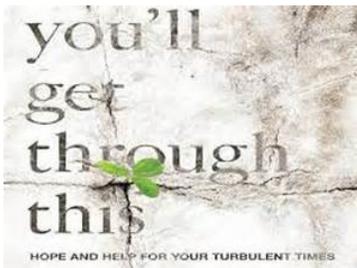
Continue to fill
My heart with Your love
And let me share that love
With the world
This Valentine's Day and always.
Amen.



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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| 2-1-17 Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6:00 pm | 2-16-17 Thursday Morning Bible Study, 10:30. |
| 2-2-17 Thursday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 am | 2-19-17 Sunday, Understanding Long Term Care 3:00 p.m. |
| 2-4-17 Church Calendar Planning Meeting, 10:00 am | 2-19-17 No Evening Worship |
| 2-7-17 UMW Meeting 10 am | 2-20-17 United Methodist Men Food & Fellowship 6:30 pm |
| 2-8-17 Host Room in the Inn - No Wed. Night Bible Study. | 2-22-17 Host Room in the Inn. No Wed. Night Bible Study. |
| 2-9-17 Thursday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 am | 2-23-17 Thursday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 am |
| 2-14-17 UMW Soup Day! 11:00 a.m.- 1:00 pm | 3-1-17 Ash Wednesday Service, 6:00 pm Sanctuary |
| 2-15-17 Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6:00. | |



Max Lucado's Bible Study Series

We will continue January's Bible Study of Max Lucado's, *'you'll get through this'* through the month of February. This is based on the Biblical account of Joseph in the Old Testament. Each Bible Study will have a DVD segment and study guide time. The book by the same title is available for free. Come and join us.

Church Calendar Planning Meeting, Saturday February 4th at 10:00 a.m.

If you are part of one of the church's ministry groups like UMM, UMW, Youth, VBS, Children, Room in the Inn, Fellowship Supper or just want to get with us to get some dates, come join us.



Understanding Long Term Care

Sunday Feb. 19th at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Randall's Chapel UMC, David Kylo will present an informal lecture on understanding long term health care.

Topics include:

- Aging
- Various long term care options available today
- Financing of care
- How to choose a long term care facility
- Your questions answered



Room In the Inn is a Scottsboro ministry opportunity to help the homeless during the nights of the winter months of Dec. thru Feb.

Thank you to all of you who volunteer your presence is a blessing.

February Host Dates- Feb. 8 & 22

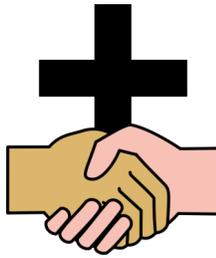
FEBRUARY GREETERS

FEB. 5- EDDIE ALLEN

FEB.12- JEREMY HUGHES

FEB.19- KYLE WENDLICK

FEB.26- PAUL WILSON



NURSERY WORKERS



FEB. 5- LEE ANN WALKER

FEB.12- REBECCA MURPHY

FEB.19- SONYA SHOOK

FEB.26- CINDY GREEN

If you would like to volunteer to help with nursery duty, please contact Jean Hardman our Church Secretary.

256-574-6685

If you are scheduled for nursery duty and can't be there, please make arrangements for someone to work in your place.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



2/1 TREVOR SMITH

2/2 BETTY WOOD

2/5 ANDY WADKINS

2/6 WENDY WILSON

2/7 CLAYTON GRIDER

DEBBIE LIVESAY

2/10 JIMMIE JOE LUSK

2/12 LISA RICKER

2/15 KELSI WILSON

2/17 SHEILA WADKONS

2/18 KYLE WENDLICK

2/20 KELLY WALKER

2/22 GAVIN GARDNER

2/23 KAITLYN BIRK

2/26 JENNA RICHEY

2/27 SIERRA SMITH

TERRY KUTAY

KAREN ROSSMEIR

A Recipe From Penny Carothers - Pretzel Toffee Chocolate Chip Cookies

Ingredients

1 pkg Krusteaz Shortbread Cookie Mix (or Sugar Cookie)
3/4 C unsalted butter, softened
1/3 C mini chocolate chips
1/3 C toffee bits
1/3 C crushed pretzels

- ◇ Preheat oven to 350°
- ◇ Line cookie sheet with parchment paper or silicone baking mats
- ◇ Place cookie mix and butter in a large bowl, using a hand mixer, wooden spoon or stand mixer, mix until dough forms
- ◇ Mix in chocolate chips, toffee bits and crushed pretzel pieces
- ◇ Scoop dough according to desired cookie size onto prepared cookie sheet
- ◇ Bake 10-14 min (I find it takes longer) until bottoms are slightly golden brown
- ◇ Cool on cookie sheet 5 minutes before moving to rack to cool completely
- ◇ Store in an air tight container

If you would like to contribute a favorite recipe please send it to me @ kathydmahan@gmail.com and I will publish it.

February 2017

*We always thank
 GOD for all of you
 and continually
 mention you in
 our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Bible Study & Youth 6 pm	2 Bible Study 1030 am	3	4  Calendar Planning
5 HOLY  COMMUNION	6	7 UMW Meeting 10 am	8 ROOM IN THE INN No Bible Study	9 Bible Study 1030 am	10	11
12	13	14 UMW Soup Day 11- 1 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15 Bible Study & Youth 6 pm	16 Bible Study 1030 am	17	18
19  Long Term Care Session 3 pm	20 UMM Food and Fellow- ship 6:30 pm	21	22 ROOM IN THE INN No Bible Study	23 Bible Study 1030 am	24	25
26	27	28	1  ASH WEDNESDAY			

THE FUNNY PAGE



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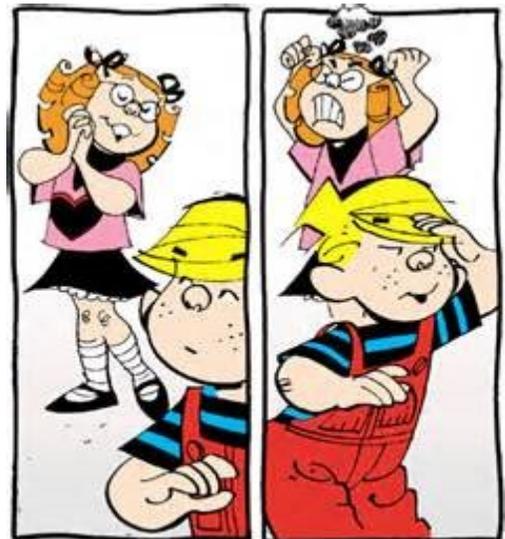
A minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he talked with the organist to see what kind of inspirational music she could play after the announcement about the finances to get the congregation in a giving mood. "Don't worry," she said. "I'll think of something."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected, and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." Just at that moment, the organist started playing, "The Star Spangled Banner."



Thanks to Mikol Rice (See Genesis 6-8) 10-06-2001

GEE DAD ... I HOPE THAT PEOPLE IN THE FUTURE WON'T BE LOOKING FOR THIS ARK



"I THINK I COULD HAVE A VALENTINE'S DAY HUG?" "SURE...IF WE CAN FIND SOMEONE WHO'S WILLING."

*Question:

What is greater than God, more evil than the devil, the poor have it, the rich need it and if you eat it you'll die?



*Answer: nothing



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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 9 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM

Classes for all ages - nursery provided

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 11 AM

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 6 PM

WEDNESDAY

ADULT BIBLE STUDY 6 PM

YOUTH AND CHILDREN 6 PM

THURSDAY

ADULT BIBLE STUDY 10:30 AM

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MENTS.....

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