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Hello September 2026			Small Groups meet every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. (unless otherwise noted)
SEP 01	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting	
SEP 06	10:55 a.m. -	Morning Worship No Evening Service	
SEP 07	HAPPY LABOR DAY		
SEP 09	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study	
SEP 13	9:00 a.m. 4:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	2 nd Sunday Celebration Choir Practice Brief Business Meeting / Bible Study /CIA/Youth	
SEP 15	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting	
SEP 16	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study	
SEP 20 ABCCM SUNDAY	10:55 a.m. 4:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Morning Worship Choir Practice Family Night Adults on Mission / CIA / Youth	
SEP 22	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting	
SEP 23	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study	
SEP 27	10:55 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Morning Worship Bible Study with the Pastor CIA / Youth	
SEP 29	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting	
SEP 30	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study	

Did You Know?

ASTONISHING FACTS from the Bible you may not know. Are you curious enough to look up the scriptures from whence this information cometh?

- At the grand dedication of God's temple, Solomon had 22,000 oxen and 120,000 sheep and goats sacrificed. (1 Kings 8:62-63)
- After the Israelites destroyed the temple of Baal, they used it as a communal latrine. (2 Kings 10:26-27)
- Although dogs are mentioned in the Bible 41 times, cats are not mentioned at all.
- In Joshua 3:16, there is a town called Adam.
- Approximately forty men wrote the Bible over a sixteen-hundred-year period. The time of the writing dates from 1500 BC to approximately AD 100.
- Pontius Pilate and King Herod were bitter enemies until they became friends during Jesus' persecution. (Luke 23:12)
- Sheep are the animals mentioned most often in the Bible.
- When the angel of the Lord delivered a pestilence upon the land of Israel, he could actually be seen in the sky holding a sword in his hand. (1 Chronicles 21:14-17)

~ Ultimate Bible Trivia by Timothy E. Parker

"WHEN THE WEATHER STARTS GETTING COLDER, THE TREES START TO SHIVER AND THAT'S WHEN THE LEAVES START TO FALL."



GRACE, TRUTH, AND THE GOSPEL: Exploring "Exalting Jesus in Romans"

This September, we are excited to launch a landmark journey through one of the most foundational books in all of Scripture: the Book of Romans. Our new sermon series, "Exalting Jesus in Romans," will offer a verse-by-verse, Christ-centered exposition of Paul's masterwork.

It is easy to view Romans as a dense theological essay, but at its heart, Romans is a vibrant message of hope, transformation, and ultimate joy. From the opening verses, Paul makes his focus explicit: the Gospel is not merely a set of rules or a system of morality, but a direct encounter with a Person—Jesus Christ.

Throughout this series, we will examine core truths that shape our daily walk as believers:

- ★ **The Reality of Grace:** How Christ accomplishes what we could never achieve on our own, rescuing us through His righteousness.
- ★ **Life in the Spirit:** What it looks like to move from condemnation to freedom, power, and security as sons and daughters of God.
- ★ **Gospel Community:** How deep theological truths transform our everyday relationships, unity, and witness to the surrounding world.

Whether you have studied Romans for decades or are exploring its pages for the very first time, this series offers an invitation to behold Jesus with fresh clarity and devotion. Join us each Sunday morning as we gather to hear God's Word, encourage one another, and exalt the Savior together.

Bring a friend, open your Bible, and prepare your heart for what God will do in our midst this season.

I love being your Pastor,
Chris
#GOD'sNOTDONE

"The Epistle to the Romans is the true masterpiece of the New Testament and the very purest Gospel. It is worthy not only that every Christian should know it word for word, by heart, but occupy himself with it every day, as the daily bread of the soul."

~ Martin Luther, Preface to the Epistle to the Romans (1522)

Ladies Coming soon... to a Fellowship Hall near you...

There's a seamless thread woven through every story in the Bible – a thread that connects its people, places and promises in a whole new way.

JOIN US for Seamless, a 7-session Bible study by Angie Smith

September 9, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m.
Enka Baptist Fellowship Hall

Let's Pray!

PRAYER FOR A FRESH START

As September begins, many of us feel a desire for a clean slate, a chance to leave behind past struggles and step into a new season with renewed hope. This prayer is for those moments when you need to acknowledge that God offers new beginnings, and that His grace is sufficient to help you start anew. It's about releasing what was and embracing what can be, with God's guiding hand.

"For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land—a land with brooks, streams, and deep springs gushing out into the valleys and hills;" — Deuteronomy 8:7

Heavenly Father,
I thank You for the gift of a new month and the opportunity for a fresh start. I release the worries and regrets of the past, trusting that Your mercy covers them all. Please grant me the wisdom and courage to embrace this new season with an open heart and a willing spirit. Help me to walk in Your light and to live according to Your will, knowing that You are with me every step of the way. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Anyone who thinks fallen leaves are dead has never watched them dancing on a windy day.
~ Shira Tamir

The History of Labor Day

For most Americans, Labor Day signifies little more than the end of the Summer season but the holiday means much more than just a free day off from work. The century old tradition of Labor Day is rich in history and is the legacy of America's labor movement that rose to prominence during the industrial revolution.

In the midst of the Industrial Revolution, Americans worked 12-hour days for 7 days a week to make a decent living. The working conditions weren't safe, employees weren't given proper breaks, and factories weren't very sanitary. The working life for an American didn't always consist of 40-hour workweeks and two day weekends, but Labor Day marks the celebrations of overcoming those challenges.

Labor Day was meant to be celebrated by all who labor. This day of rest is a tribute to the contribution workers have made toward the well-being of society.

In the mid-19th century, the working class realized that if they wanted their harsh job conditions to improve then they would have to work together. By the 1870's labor unions began to form, offering the workman bargaining power with their employers for the first time. Strikes and demonstrations were a regular occurrence and as the labor force let their power be known, slowly but surely, life for the average American began to get better.

In 1882, The Central Labor Union held its first Labor Day celebration in New York City which included a parade of 10,000 workers. The marchers carried banners displaying union slogans and demands for better working conditions. The idea of a workingman's celebration spread quickly within industrialized cities and in only 5 short years the day was legitimized when in 1887 Oregon was the first state to pass Labor Day into law as an official holiday.

For much of its history, Labor Day has been a day not just to celebrate the accomplishments of the labor force, but also to air grievance and demonstrate for better working conditions and salaries.

Today, union demonstrations and parades have largely been replaced by picnics, barbecues and civic events. Today less than 15% of American workers belong to unions, though nearly all of us have benefitted from their past victories. This year as you enjoy your day off, remember those laborers of the past who fought so diligently to make this day possible.

AND NOW SOME RANDOM FUN FACTS ABOUT LABOR DAY

- * Labor Day adopted the motto "Honor Labor, Celebrate America in 1984.
- * Minimum wage began in 1938 at 25 cents per hour.
- * OSHA, protecting workplace safety, was created in 1970.
- * The Family and Medical Leave Act guarantees up to 12 weeks unpaid leave.
- * The first sit-down strike occurred at the GM Flint Plant in 1936-37.
- * John F. Kennedy signed the Equal Pay Act of 1963.
- * The largest US Labor Day parade today occurs in Detroit, Michigan.
- * Labor Day is considered the last acceptable day to wear seersucker in the US.
- * Labor Day has signaled the countdown to the annual "Pumpkin Spice Latte" return at Starbucks since 2003.
- * 61% of grill owners barbecue on Labor Day.
- * The term "workingman's holiday" first appeared in the New York Tribune in 1880.

Whether you're a parade marcher, backyard griller, or beach-day snoozer, Labor Day's rich back-story honors every clock-in and punch-out.

Celebrate the hands that build, cook, code, and care and enjoy your well-earned long weekend!

And now the question all you ladies have been eagerly waiting to answer:

SHOULD ONE WEAR WHITE AFTER LABOR DAY?

The "no white after Labor Day" rule originated in the late 19th and early 20th centuries among America's upper-class elite. Wealthy families summered in coastal retreats like Newport, Rhode Island, wearing white linen and cotton clothing as a symbol of leisure and status. Labor Day, the first Monday in September, marked the end of summer and the return to city life, prompting a wardrobe shift to darker, more formal attire. The rule also had practical roots: white clothing was cooler in summer and harder to keep clean in fall mud, making it less practical for autumn wear. Today, the rule is largely obsolete! So YES! Wear white!

IF GOD COULD SEND US AN E-MAIL

The Lord's loving kindness indeed never cease, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

Love and Mercy Never Tasted so Sweet

My child,

Have you ever gotten a really good milkshake? It tastes so good that you don't ever want it to end. But even though you may try to make it last, when it's gone, it's gone. It's normal to want good things to last forever. And it's also normal to have a fear of their running out.

Well, my love and forgiveness for you are the sweetest, most incredible things you will ever know. My love and mercy taste as good to your heart and your soul as a really good milkshake tastes to your mouth and your stomach. And the best part is, you don't ever need to worry about them running out. As fast as you can receive them, I will keep pouring them out. So drink in my love and mercy.

Giving you the good stuff, Love, God

SEPTEMBER

September national days word search printable from Always the Holidays

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PATRIOT DAY
PROPOSAL DAY
GRATITUDE DAY
DEAF DAY
BATMAN DAY
SOBER DAY
ALZHEIMERS DAY

PEANUT DAY
GYRO DAY
CHAI DAY
SALAMI DAY
FAMILY DAY
GREENPEACE DAY
SCARF DAY

VFW DAY
RHINO DAY
RESPECT DAY
SKYSCRAPER DAY
TV DINNER DAY
SUDOKU DAY
COFFEE DAY

Missions across the street and around the world

Socks, socks, socks...
our feet thrive wearing socks!
To keep some feet all healthy and sweet,
please help us collect some socks!

A Sock's Purpose and Why You Should Wear Them

1. They keep your feet warm.
2. They keep your feet cool.
3. They keep your feet dry and funk-free.
4. They protect your feet from blisters.
5. They add cushion to a hard day at work.
6. Socks are your secret weapon for foot health.
7. They do different jobs in different environments.
8. They just look good.

Socks have plenty of purpose...know them, use them, wear them! And with that said...

This month we need your help to collect socks for ABCCM (all shapes and sizes for men, women, boys and girls).

If you prefer to give money, please indicate "Sock Mission Project" on your offering envelope.

And as always, thank you for your kind and generous hearts caring for our community.

SOCK ADVENTURES

"The last thing I remember is being thrown into the dryer."

We are the stones of the temple of God. We are the branches living in the vine. And He intends to produce His life through you and me.

~ Dr. Charles Stanley, "What Is the Church?"