

### SUNDAY, April 27, 2025

9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship Service  
12:30 pm Church Chat  
1:00 pm Pizza with the Pastor

### TUESDAY, April 29, 2025

6:00 pm After the Sermon  
7:00 pm Phone-In Prayer Meeting

### THURSDAY, May 1, 2025

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

<b>Mon., April 28</b>	<b>Tues., April 29</b>	<b>Wed., April 30</b>	<b>Thurs., May 1</b>
9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm

#### How Do I Join Upper Seneca Baptist Church

- **By Salvation** ~ By professing faith in Jesus Christ and following Him in believer's baptism.
- **By Transfer of Letter** ~ By transferring your membership from another Baptist Church.
- **By Statement of Faith** ~ By statement of faith in Jesus Christ.

If you have not been baptized by immersion since your conversion, you will need to follow the Lord in believer's baptism.

#### When Do I Join?

At the close of every worship service as we sing the "Invitation Hymn", the pastor stands facing the congregation. Walk to him and tell him you want to join the church or make some other decision.

## Upper Seneca Baptist Church



## Impacting The Kingdom Of God One Person At A Time

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our Church's Main Web Page  
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#### Weather Policy

If the church cancels or postpones any service or activity due to inclement weather or wintry conditions, a cancellation notice will appear on the church's Facebook page, church's website, through church email, and on the church's voice recorder. To access the church's voice recorder, please dial (301) 972-3686. The church will only post a cancellation message if a service or activity is canceled or postponed.

## **Upper Seneca Baptist Church**

11:00 am Sunday Worship

Sunday Worship

April 27, 2025

**\*Song**                      ***“He Lives”***                      *Congregation*

**Prayer/Welcome**    *Pastor Dennis*

**Special**                      ***“Love Like This”***                      *Laney Felder*

**\*\*Message**      ***“THE WEEK AFTER EASTER”***      *Pastor Dennis*  
***John 20:24-29*** (NIV)

**\*Song**                      ***“The Nail-Scarred Hand”***                      *Congregation*

**\*Song**                      ***“Victory In Jesus”***                      *Congregation*

\*Denotes Congregation standing

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***Your tithes and offerings will be collected at the end of the service upon leaving.***



Sunday, 27, Church Chat  
Sunday, April 27, Pizza w/Pastor @ “J&P Pizza”  
Tuesday, April 29, After the Sermon  
Tuesday, April 29, Prayer Meeting  
Thursday, May 1, Women’s Bible Study  
Sunday, May 4, Church Council Meeting  
Sunday, May 11, Mother’s Day Service  
Sunday, May 18, Ministry Team Meeting  
Sunday, May 25, Communion Sunday  
Sunday, May 25, Church Chat  
Sunday, May 25, Dive Deeper Bible Study

## **CONGRATULATIONS**



**Warren Michael Harmison**

April 15, 2025

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# **“The Week After Easter”**

**By Pastor Dennis Felder**

**April 27, 2025**

**Scripture:** John 20:24-29 (NIV)

**Synopsis:** The first time Jesus appeared to his disciples; Thomas was not present. Thomas doubted the words of the others. However, Jesus later appeared to Thomas and his doubt was erased and his faith was strengthened. Through our doubt, we too can have our faith strengthened.

## **The week after Jesus’ resurrection involved:**

### **I. Visiting the \_\_\_\_\_.**

**John 20:24-25** – Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

**Who you hang around with can affect your outlook.**

**A hopeless believer withdraws from Christ.**

**A doubter needs confirmation.**

### **II. Challenging the \_\_\_\_\_.**

**John 20:26-27** – A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”

**You cannot keep Christ out.**

**Jesus confronts the doubter.**

### **III. Restoring the \_\_\_\_\_.**

**John 20:28-29** – Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!” Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

**Our criteria is not God’s criteria.**

**Restoration involves:**

1. Acknowledging God’s power on earth.
2. Acknowledging God’s power in heaven.
3. A blessing.

**Persistent doubt will delay one’s blessings.**

**1 Peter 1:8** – Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy,

**Our joy – the world didn’t give it to us and the world can’t take it away.**

*If you would like to listen to the sermon on-line, please visit our website at **www.USBChurch.org**.*



**Today**, our church family will gather at J&P Pizza in Damascus for some good food, fun, and fellowship with *Pizza with the Pastor*. J&P Pizza is located in the same shopping center as Weis Grocery Store.

On Sunday, **May 25** ask that you prepare your heart as we celebrate communion during our Sunday morning worship. Let this be a special time of self-reflection and change as you recall the great sacrifice that Christ made for you. He gave His all so that you could experience the true meaning of life.



USBC will be collecting for our *Annie Armstrong Easter Offering* during the month of April. This offering is named for a faithful missionary who dedicated her life to sharing the Gospel of Jesus. 100% of the offering will go to support our local missionaries as they too carry out the Great Commission.



**Mother's Day** is just around the corner (**May 11**). To help celebrate our mothers and the women who have had a special influence in our lives, **USBC** will have a special *Mother's Day Service*. During the 11 a.m. service, the children will be giving

beautiful flowers to all the women in attendance. It is our way to express our appreciation for your love and dedication.

The *Forever Young Luncheon* is held every month at the **Golden Corral** in Frederick, MD. It will take place on Tuesday, **May 13** at 12:30 p.m. Remember, anyone is welcome.



On Sunday, **May 18**, the following *Ministry Teams* (Children's Ministry/VBS, and Security) will meet for about 15 minutes following the 11 a.m. worship service.

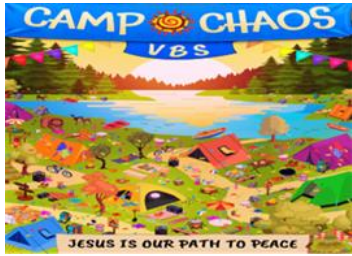
Don't forget to mark your calendar for **May 25** for our next *Church Chat*. As usual, immediately following our Sunday morning worship service, we will gather in the church foyer/coffee shop for a 10-minute informal meeting. During this 10-minute time period, I will be sharing with everyone about upcoming events, areas where the church needs help, and receiving vital input from our church family. *Church Chat* is a great way of keeping everyone informed about all the activities and church events that will be taking place.



On Sunday, **May 25**, our *Dive Deeper Bible Study* topic will be "*How to Defend the Faith*". This study will offer practical guidance and biblical insights to help you confidently and respectfully share your

beliefs. Whether you are new to apologetics or looking to deepen your understanding, this is a valuable opportunity to grow in your faith and engage with others effectively.





Are you ready for this summer to get a little ... chaotic? Get ready for **Camp Chaos!** This summer, your kids can spend a few days at a campsite in the forest. But watch out -- things are starting to get a little crazy at **Camp Chaos.**

**Camp Chaos focuses on five of the Gospels' most chaotic stories.**

**Jesus Is Our Strength In Chaos.**

**Jesus Cares For Us In Times Of Chaos.**

**Jesus Saves Us From Chaos.**

**Jesus Is Our Peace In Chaos.**

**Jesus Kicks Out The Chaos.**

During Camp Chaos the kids will learn how Jesus is our peace in a chaotic world.

**VBS (Dates & Times)**

June 27<sup>th</sup> (Friday) from 6-8 p.m.

June 28<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

June 29<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Worship Service (11 a.m.) – Will highlight VBS.

“Camp Chaos” celebration after the Worship Service.

**VBS is for ages 3 years old to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The youth (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) will be our helpers.**

**(If anyone would like to help with VBS, please sign up in the foyer.)**

**CANCELLED**

The following activities will be canceled in May.

***After the Sermon Bible Study*** (May 6<sup>th</sup>)

***Prayer Meeting*** (May 6<sup>th</sup>)

**Church Office Closed** (May 26<sup>th</sup>)

