

**The Lord's Day**  
VBS Closing Program—Sunday, August 18, 2024  
Sandy Creek United Wesleyan Church  
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### Today's Prayer

Heavenly Father, We thank You for the Blessings You showered upon our Vacation Bible School this past week: the energy and joy of the children; the faith, love and stamina of the staff who served them; and the seeds of faith planted in young hearts through the proclamation of Your Gospel. We pray that these seeds may grow into lives of sincere faith and loving service in Your kingdom.

In Jesus' name, Amen

### The Morning Message

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#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

*Marilyn & Fred Poole and Family For Their Loss*

Mary Hesford • Scarlet • Edith Quinn  
Dan Conway • Santo Messina • Doris Duger  
Gary Raiti • Aaron Karpala • Bev Commings  
Paula McCooye • Wrenleigh • Merrill Parker  
Burt Goodnough • Gary Peterson • Carol Merritt  
Rod Quackenbush • Annie Grant • Sally Munson  
Elaine LaCelle • Mark Freeden • Charles Young  
Phoebe Wheeler • Jeanna Lebeau • Dale Reid  
George Seymour • Alice Ridgeway • Dick Bryant  
Phillip Seymour • Jarod Eldridge • George Steven  
John Shatraw • Beverly Snyder • Stanley Perzan  
Lynn & Stan • Bonnie VanDyke • Rebecca Nelson  
Shaun Hull • Dan Race • Norm Kepner • Stanley Kepner

**MISSIONS:** John White, Regroup Ministry to Pastors

**ALL MILITARY SERVICE PERSONNEL**

**NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, August 25, 2024**

**Greeters:** Bill Butman / Steve Berkman

**Security:** Fred Poole / Jerry Weed / Wayne Davis

**Today, August 18, 11:15 AM:** Taking Down VBS Decorations  
**August 19, 6:00 PM:** Ladies Bible Study  
**August 19, 7:15 PM:** Fundraiser Mtg.  
**August 20, 9:00 AM:** Men's Bible Study  
**August 21, 6:00 PM:** Activ8Her Chapter Meeting  
**Saturday, August 24, 8:30-3:00 PM:** Men's Challenge Day Event, at Mad River Club.  
**Sunday, August 25, 2:00 PM:** Baptismal at Stephanie Gillette's house in Belleville. Food Sign-up Sheet at Welcome Desk.  
**Saturday, October 5, 8:30-1:30 PM:** Ladies Retreat—Theme: What A Friend We Have In Jesus—at Stone Presbyterian Church, Watertown. \$20, Deadline: Sept. 21- Info. and sign-up at Welcome Desk.

### The Blessings of Vacation Bible School

The first blessing of VBS is that it happens in the summer.

The second blessing of VBS is that many, many adults volunteer. Adult involvement is a testimony to the children that they are loved and care for by our congregation, especially when older adults, who are not their parents take a role in nurturing them.

The third blessing is that Adults need Bible School as much as the children. As Jesus said, "Unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

A fourth blessing is that the activities for the children/teens can remind us that God's world and the gift of life are awesome—full of wonder!

A fifth blessing is the opportunity to allow some of the energy and faith of children to rub off onto adults. Everyone needs to take some time to play like a child in order to be renewed in spirit.

The sixth blessing of VBS is the music. The music of VBS invites us to get up and move, wiggle, tap our feet, sing out loud, laugh, hold hands with our neighbors.

The last blessing are the memories, friends made by Adults and children. The experience is truly amazing and well worth all the time and effort. Thank you parents for blessing us with your children/teens this week. Hope to See You All Next Year!!



When I am Afraid,  
I Put My Trust In You

Psalm 56:3

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