

**The Lord's Day**  
Sunday, September 10, 2023  
Sandy Creek United Wesleyan Church  
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## Today's Prayer

Our Heavenly Father, we thank you for Your love and grace. Let our faith and trust in You direct our lives. Guide us to follow Your path, and do good works, to glorify Your name. Like the mallow flowers are open and illuminated by sunlight, let us be open to Your Word and illuminated with Your love.

In Jesus' Name We Pray, Amen

## The Morning Message

Pastor Terry Nichols—Mark 12:28-34  
Which Commandment is the Greatest?

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

*The Family and Friends of Bob Gibbs, Jr.*

*Protection For All Teachers and Students As They Return to School*

Olivia (Judy Grant's niece)  
Bob and Bethann Gibbs • Dorice Stewart  
Burt Goodnough • Tina (Paula's daughter)  
Ron Latella • Cindy Caufield • Carla Dingman  
Jared Eldridge • Lynn & Stan • Karen Ross  
Carl & Danielle • Daniel Shirley • Mary Hesford  
Helen Potter • Laura Paddock • Beverly Snyder  
Bonnie VanDyke • Mark Freeden • George Steven • Randy  
Norm Kepner • Doris Bates • Shaun Hull • Patricia Myers

**MISSIONARIES:** Mozambique: Rev. Jim Pickett

**ALL MILITARY SERVICE PERSONNEL**

**NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, September 17, 2023**

***Greeters:*** Kelly Blair / Brooke Snyder

***Security:*** Tim Redden / Cristina Davis / Rod Quackenbush

**Monday, September 11, 6:30 PM:** Ladies Bible Study Bible

**Monday, September 11, 7:00 PM:** Local Board Meeting

**Tuesday, September 12, 9:00 AM:** Men's Bible Study

**Tuesday, September 12, 6:00 PM:** Grief Sharing Support Class

**Wednesday, September 13, 6:00 PM:** Men's Bible Study

**Thursday, Sept. 14, 6:00 PM:** God's Given Gift Class.

**Saturday, Sept. 16, 9:00-11:00 AM:** 2023 Walk4Life and Open House at The Family Resource Center.

**Saturday, Sept. 16, 10:00-3:00 PM:** Fall Fest, need volunteers to work, bake goodies, sign-up at Welcome Desk.

**Wednesday, Sept. 20, 6:00 PM:** Activ8Her Chapter Meeting, every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

**Saturday, Sept. 23, 1:00-5:00 PM:** Sept. Paint Class, \$35, Sign-up

**Saturday, Sept. 23, 8:30-3:00 PM:** Men's Challenge Day Event \$20  
Registration Deadline is today.

**Saturday, Oct. 21, 8:30-2:30 PM:** Ladies Retreat \$20 at Life Church of the Nazarene, Watertown "Fully Rely On God" sign-up sheet at welcome desk, Registration Deadline is 10/1, Lunch will be served.

**Wednesdays, starting October 4, 7-8:00 PM and Thursdays 1-2:00 PM:** Brian Derby will be having a class: Talking with God through Prayer.

## It is the Gift of God—Ephesians 2:8-9

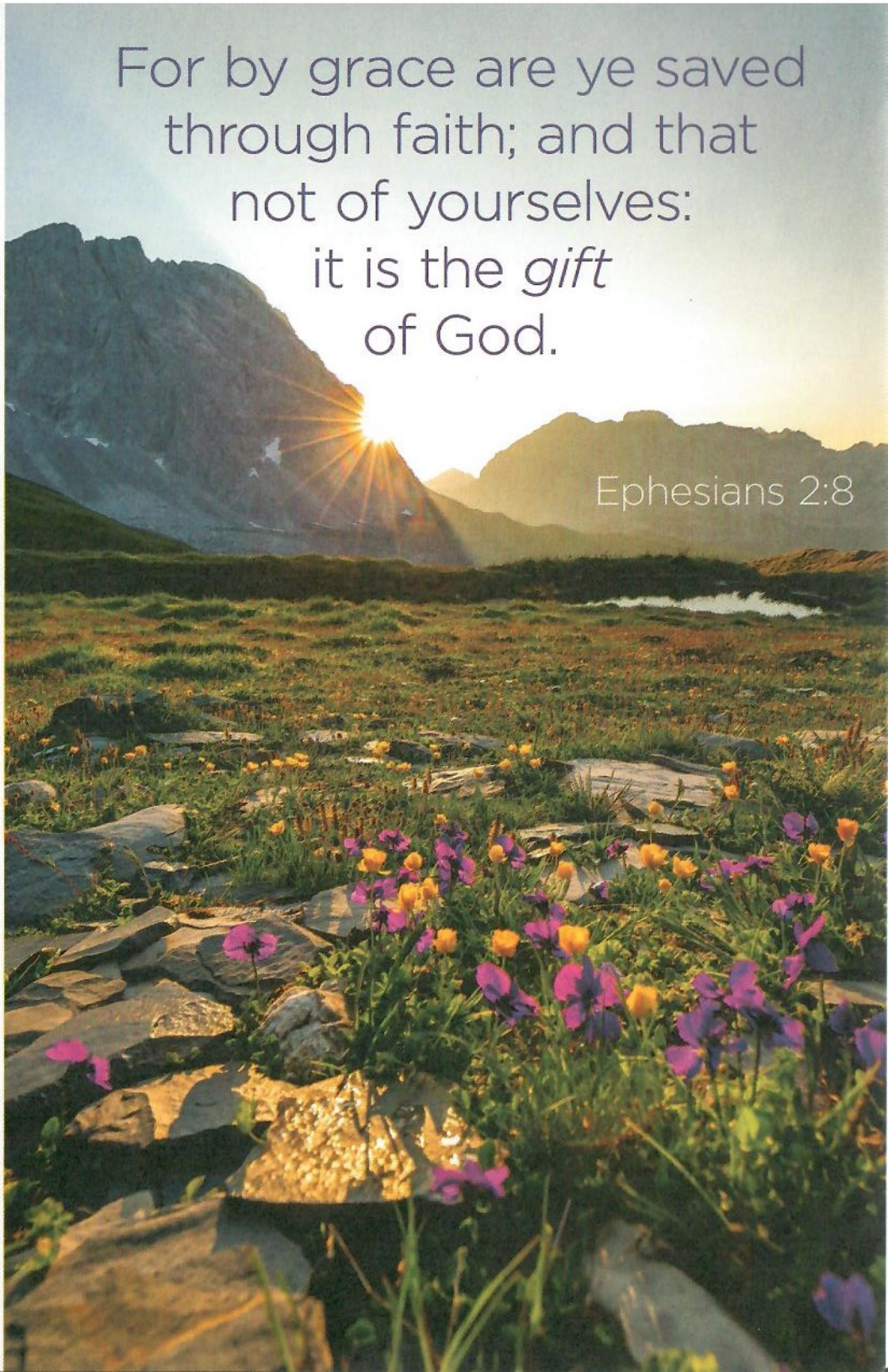
"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not works, lest anyone should boast."

From the beginning, He made us the focus of His Love and planned to adopt us into His family as His own dear children. Through the generosity of the grace he lavished on us, we are now accepted in the Beloved.

His grace bought our redemption through the blood of Jesus. It washed away our sins and justified us to God's sight. He sees us as clean, washed as white as snow, just as if we had never sinned at all.

It is only by grace that we have been saved through faith! We could never earn this grace. Nothing we could ever work up in ourselves could merit such favor. At Calvary, the glory of God's grace was His gift to us—pure and simple.

We praise you for saving us by grace through faith. This is a gift from you for which we give you glory.



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Ephesians 2:8