



# Weekly Word

*New Covenant United Methodist Church*

## MESSAGE IN A MINUTE



### *Spiritual Reflection*

"Anxiety's like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you very far."

**JODI PICOULT**

**Viewing for Weekend Services from August 1 - 2**

**Worship 2454 | Youth 14 | Kids Camp 38**

# BACKPACKS FOR KIDS

Once again, New Covenant is blessed to be able to provide children at both Wildwood Elementary School and Wildwood Middle High School with backpacks filled with supplies. Sadly, due to the virus, we aren't able to help hand them out this year as in previous

years. However, we are pleased to announce that 1,232 backpacks are being delivered to both schools this week and will be distributed at orientation. Your generosity in supporting this initiative through attending Sean and Angie's annual Backpacks for Kids concert or gifts to this ministry helped raise the \$33K required to purchase these packs.



# REGATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Our SALT Committee is meeting on August 18 to reassess the situation in our community. We will communicate the regathering plan in our next WeeklyWord.



## SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

We encourage you to follow us on Facebook! If you have ever been nervous about inviting someone to church, Facebook is another way to share Sermons, church events, and news with friends and family you might be too nervous to invite. By clicking "share" on a post, you are able to share it with all of your followers.

Click the title to follow our Facebook page and we encourage you to share our post!

## VIRTUAL WORSHIP

Pastor Harold continues his sermon series, "What Jesus Meant-Jesus' Greatest Sayings."

- **5 p.m. Saturday, Contemporary-** Worship with the Praise Team
- **9 a.m. Sunday, Blended-** Worship with favorite hymns, piano, organ, and special music

Click the title to watch worship!

WHAT JESUS MEANT



JESUS' GREATEST SAYINGS



# SACRED STORIES

TESTIMONIALS  
PRESENTED BY  
CONGREGANTS



## SACRED STORIES

Sacred Stories are testimonies about how Jesus has impacted congregants' lives. They will be available every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.. Click the title to watch the first story.

## SACRED SONGS – A TIME OF PRAISE

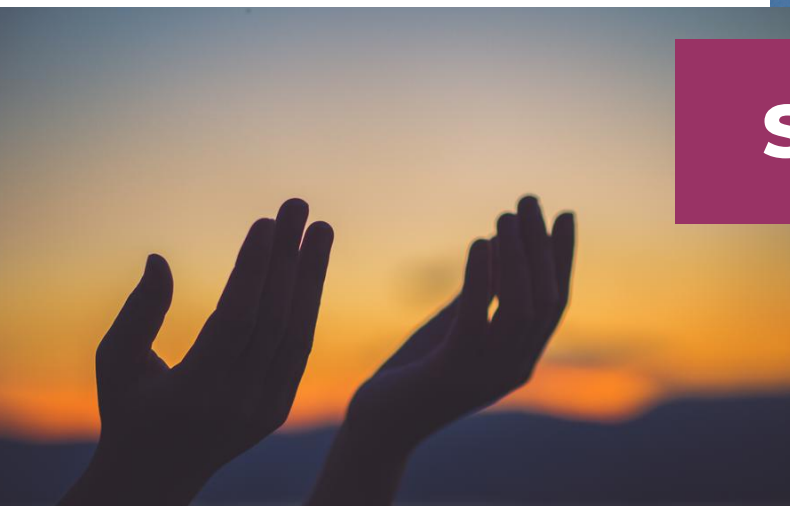
Our Worship Leaders, Sean Pollock and Angie Rose, lead us in a time of worship, prayer, and reflection each Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. “Sacred Songs” includes hymns, praise choruses, and modern praise songs - something for everyone. Sean and Angie are joined each week by special musical guests, with a short devotional by one of our New Covenant pastors. Please join us on our website by clicking here.

## Sacred Songs A Time of Praise



## SACRED PRAYERS

COMING SOON! Beginning next week Donna Hendren will be leading us in a time of prayer. The video will be available on Facebook, Vimeo, and Youtube on Wednesday at noon.





# UMCOR

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is helping those impacted by the recent explosion in Beirut to meet their most immediate and basic needs. UMCOR continues to provide assistance both nationwide and internationally.

To learn more about how you can help, [click here](#).

## NAME BADGES

You can now order your name badge online! The cost for a new name badge is \$6.00. Delivery will take approximately a week after you place your order. Please look for your name badges at the Welcome Center Desk.

[Click the title to purchase!](#)



## Sermon Series

*Click the Sermon Series or button to access the WeeklyWord, Study Guide, and Worship Video.*

## WEBSITE TIDBIT

Did you know you can watch sermons all the way back to 2018? On the website, click "Resources" and then "WeeklyWord" or "Worship Videos." Selecting either will bring you to our past Sermon Series.

[Click on the title to explore this page.](#)



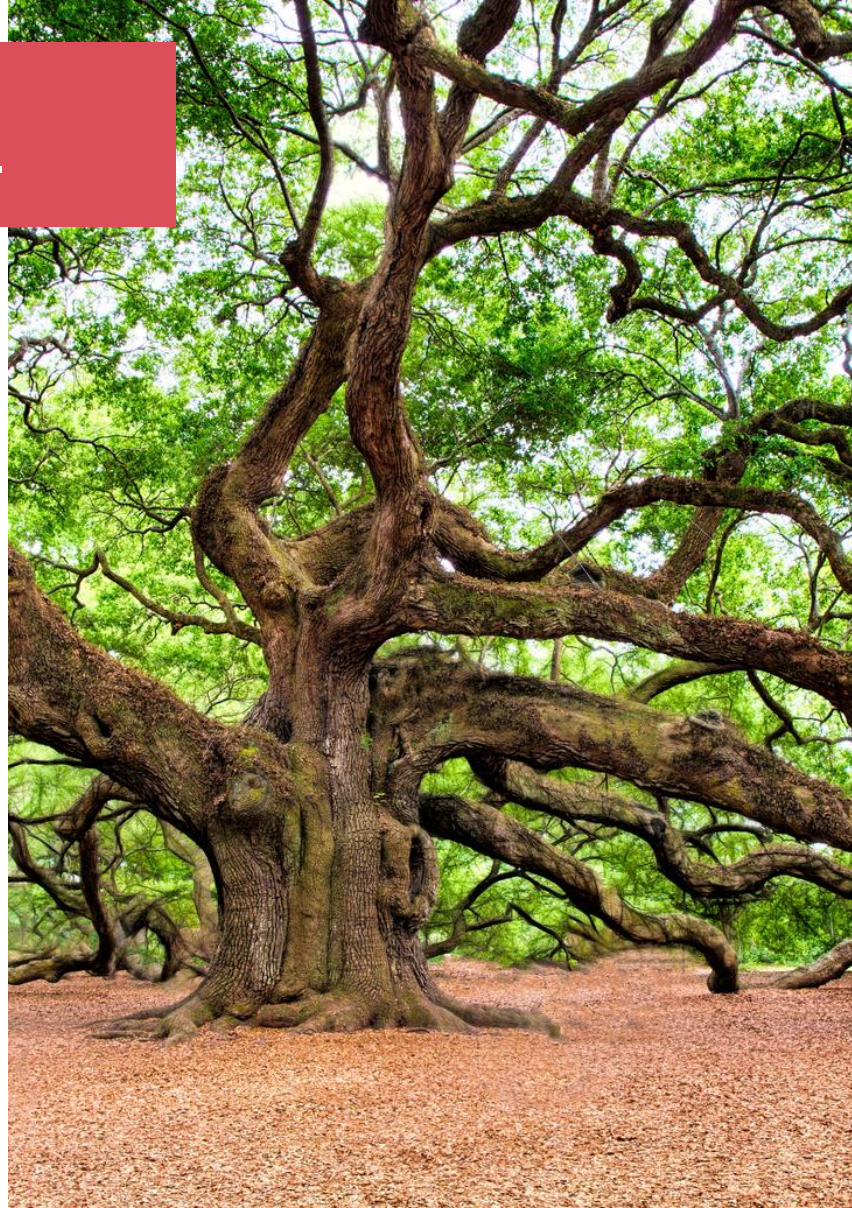
# STEWARDSHIP

This morning, while doing my Bible study, I read some verses from 2 Corinthians 9:6 that we all have heard many times. Paul says to us: "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

In these times when some of us have lost a great deal of value in our IRA's, or worst yet lost our jobs or lost a friend or loved one, it may seem difficult to see how we can be a "cheerful giver." But equally important in that verse is "...not reluctantly or under compulsion..."

So give as you are led and do it cheerfully.

-Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Committee



# GIVE



## THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who participated in writing notes of encouragement to our Wildwood teachers! We delivered goody bags with your notes inside. Please continue to pray for our teachers and students as they return to school.



# CARE

During these times, we want you to know we care about you and are praying for you. We are continuing to have our Congregational Care Ministers (CCMs) reach out to you when you offer a prayer request. To make a prayer request, click the title above and go to Portal, or you can call the Care Office. A CCM will contact you for prayer and to let you know we are seeking to care for you and walk alongside you during these times of need.

[Click here for the current list of Weekly Prayer Concerns.](#)



## NEW CONCERNS

- The People of Beirut                      Fred Schatz
- George Blick                                  Joyce & Steve St Clair
- Dorothy Brown                                First Responders
- Joe Collins                                      George Vanderhorn
- George Dunne                                  Paul Watkins
- Tammi Hynes    Those Returning to School
- Tuff King
- Jesse Kohler
- Irene MacColeman
- Jamie Purser

## OUR LOVE & SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO...

Al & Dianne Letch, family and friends on the passing of their nephew Mark F. Letch.

Ralph Hartke, family and friends on the passing of his wife Beverly Hartke.



## CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

George Rainbolt



**Your prayers are requested for our virtual prayer quilts. If you have Facebook, please click on each quilt, pray, and then “like” the picture to symbolize the tying of a knot. Knots will be physically tied by staff as a tangible representation of all the prayers and love offered on behalf of those in need. If you do not have Facebook, please still pray for those receiving the quilts.**



J.P. has repeat chemo and recurrent cancer.



P.R. is battling COVID-19.





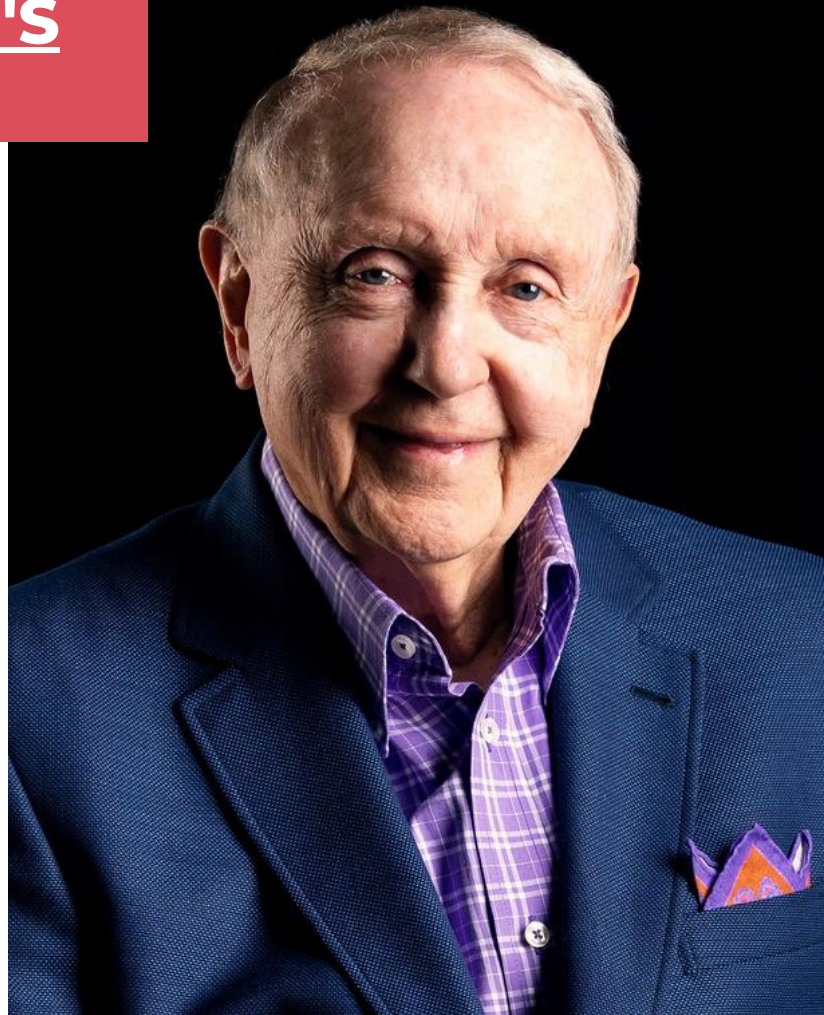
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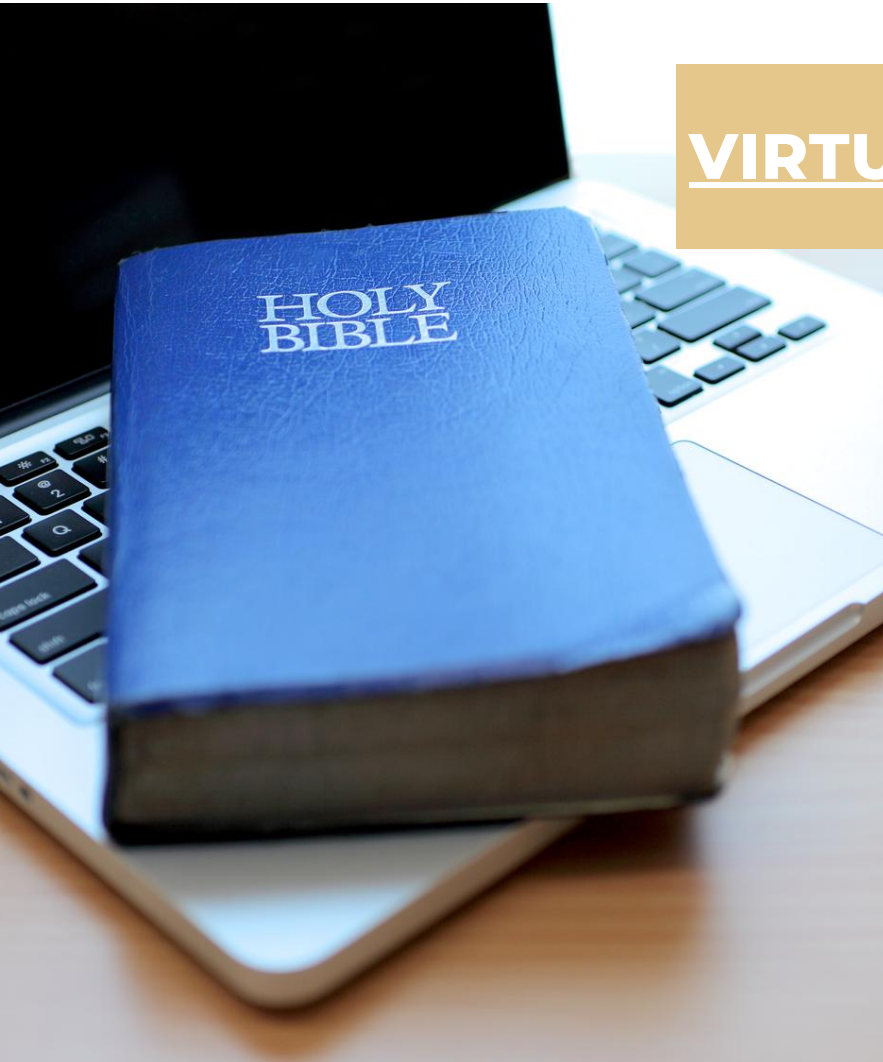
By clicking the title above, you can explore all of our online and in-person Bible Studies, Prayer Services, Daily Devotions, and much more!

## JOHN ED MATHISON'S STUDY

Dr. John Ed Mathison retired in June 2008 after serving 36 years as senior minister of Frazer Memorial United Methodist Church in Montgomery, Alabama. Under his leadership, Frazer grew from 400 members to 9,000 and had the largest Sunday School attendance for United Methodist churches in America. In 2006, The Church Reporter magazine recognized Frazer as the 25th most influential church in America.

We have a unique opportunity for Dr. John Ed Mathison to lead us in a study on 'How to Handle Unprecedented History.' A handout will be available to view on Monday and the video for each week will be available the following Sunday (starting August 9, 2020).





## VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

You can still sign-up! We have extended the registration for Chris Wiles' Zoom Sunday School Class.

- Who saved the Jewish nation from being annihilated?
- Who gave birth to two nations?
- Who ran from a wicked nation?
- Who went to heaven in a chariot on fire?
- How did Jesus respond to His opponents?

We will visit the Old Testament and David, Esther, Elijah, Jonah, and Rebekah. New Testament studies will include stories about those who opposed Jesus and His response to the opposition through the parables.