



Lifeline

CHURCH of CHRIST
at Galena



VBS is Intentionally for Everyone!

Vacation Bible School is one of the highlights on the calendar every year! It is not an event that should be scheduled “because we always have one” or an event that folks say “we just have it.” There are wonderful and valuable purposes for an annual VBS.

With Vacation Bible School We Can Focus on the Children!

VBS is not only about children, but it certainly IS about children! Jesus said, “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me,” (Matthew 18:5). In the next verse, Jesus warned about causing a child who believes in Him to stumble in their faith, but what if we cause a child who believes in Him to develop in their faith? That’s what a VBS allows us to do intentionally!

With Vacation Bible School, We Can Focus on Teaching the Bible to Every Age Group!

The VBS here at Galena offers classes for all ages, including teenagers and adults. The Bible is wonderfully universal in its relevance and application to our lives, no matter our age! The stories of Gideon, Deborah, Joshua and Paul are needed by, and beneficial to, everyone! That’s what a VBS allows us to do intentionally!

With a Vacation Bible School, We Can Focus on Reaching Families in the Community!

This does not mean that we do not try to reach individuals and families in the community throughout the year, but a VBS provides a unique opportunity to appeal to families with children. A Vacation Bible School is often

viewed (by outsiders) as an enjoyable, non-threatening and safe place to bring their kids (especially when it’s “Free” and the church is not charging any fees). Some events on a church calendar make it easier to reach certain segments of the community. That’s what a VBS allows us to do intentionally!

With Vacation Bible School, We Can Focus on Giving Members an Opportunity to Serve!

While it takes some special, dedicated folks to schedule, coordinate and plan an event, like a Vacation Bible School, it takes an army of volunteers to make it happen. VBS always provides opportunities for members to get involved in various facets of the event, and it often gets members, who may not be active in some other areas of the church’s work, to take an active role in this wonderful event. That’s what a VBS allows us to do intentionally!

With Vacation Bible School, We Can Focus on the Only Thing that Matters!

Since the world steadily keeps us focused on things that don’t really matter, it is nice to have five consecutive days every June to remind us, excite us and target us on things of a spiritual, godly, Biblical and eternal value. That’s what a VBS allows us to do intentionally!

Intentionally plan to be here each night this week at 7:00 PM to share in the study of God’s word and in spreading the gospel of Christ? 🌟

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A Study of the New Birth

ELEMENTS OF NEW BIRTH

SPIRIT MOVING THROUGH WORD

John 6:63; 14:26 • Acts 2:4



WATER JOINED WITH THE WORD

Eph. 5:25-27 • Rom. 6:3-4
Heb. 10:22

MAN MUST BE BORN AGAIN

SPIRIT

BORN INTO

WATER

{ THE FAMILY OF GOD

Eph. 3:15 • Gal. 3:2-27
2 Cor. 5:17

{ HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH

Rom. 8:16-17 • Gal. 4:4-6
Eph. 2:19

{ THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Col. 1:13 • Col. 12:28
Col. 4:11

{ THE BODY OF CHRIST

1 Cor. 12:13 • 1 Cor. 12:27
Eph. 5:23

{ THE CHURCH OF GOD

Acts 2:38, 41, 47
Eph. 1:22-23; 5:23

BORN ONCE, DIE TWICE ... BORN TWICE, DIE ONCE!

Clinging to God

"Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments." (Deuteronomy 7:9)

When we look at this text we find Moses explaining God's love for His people. A love that was not reserved for them because they were so great, but because God was so gracious and they were His special and chosen people.

But we must remember the warnings that precede that statement of love. They were told when taking over their enemies to destroy the nations entirely, to not intermarry with them, to completely destroy their altars and carved images and to make no covenants with them. But God doesn't command destruction simply to be cruel. He demands it because He knows that if His people compromise with the enemy they would be led to sin by them.

God, wanting His people to remain faithful to Him, said, "You shall fear the LORD your God; you shall serve Him and cling to Him..." (Deut. 10:20).

The Jews ultimately did not destroy them entirely. The next generation intermarried with them and served their idols and forsook and angered the Lord. And because they did not destroy the enemy from their midst, destruction fell on them as they turned away from the Lord. Judges 2:10, in fact, says that within two generations the people did not even know God, nor know the goodness He had shown them. The same danger lies in wait for those willing to compromise with the enemy today.

God is our praise. He is our good and awesome God whom we serve, knowing His love and grace toward us. He is the God of gods, Lord of lords, who keeps His promises to His people for a thousand generations. He is a God we can cling in and delight in, yet never be disappointed. He is God. ☪



The Greatest Among You

(Mark 1:29-31)

LORD'S SUPPER MEDITATION

Why Did Jesus Come to Die?

...To Become the Place
Where We Meet God

"So the Jews said to him, 'What sign do you show us for doing these things?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking about the temple of his body." (John 2:18-21)

The Greatest Among You

(Mark 1:14-38)

Introduction: Greatness is such a subjective and elusive quality. One who is "great" in one particular field may be of no interest to those in another crowd. And, greatness is so elusive and fleeting because just when you think you've got it—its gone. I want to introduce you to a great woman yet, we don't even know her name. She has a title which is the subject of many a joke and is often held in derision—"mother-in-law".

I. What's the _____? (Mark 1:30-31)

- A) Simon's mother-in-law
- B) We don't know much about her.
 1. "Lying sick with a fever"
 2. "He came to her and raised her up"
 3. "The fever left her"
 4. "and she waited on (served) them"
- C) Doesn't that seem amazing to you?
- D) Why do you suppose she did that?

II. What's the _____?

- A) We have been sick unto _____ (Romans 6:23)
- B) Jesus came to us, took us by the hand (showing a personal interest) and _____ us up (Romans 6:4).
- C) Our response to the healing of our sin sick souls by the "Great Physician" is humble service motivated by thankful hearts (Hebrews 12:28-29).

III. What's the _____?

- A) Problem is we don't see ourselves as _____.
- B) Problem is we have "professionalized ministry".
- C) Problem is we are a service oriented society that is always looking to _____ service.
- D) We're not sure we like _____ we are supposed to serve and we become weary in well doing (Galatians 6:9-10).

IV. What's the _____?

- A) This is the path to _____ (Luke 22:24-26).
- B) It is the guarantee of a great _____ (Galatians 6:6-8)
- C) We will receive a great _____ (Matthew 25:31-46)
- D) The church will be a group full of servants taking care of practical needs.
 1. Sick will get cards, visits, food, trips to store...
 2. Members checked on when missing...
 3. People won't give up on brothers & sisters
 4. Satisfaction of service is joy to humble heart.

Conclusion: Seek out the path to greatness. It is not the well lighted and oft traveled highway of the majority. Rather, it is a dark path, seldom trod, which is lighted by the lives of faithful servants seeking the "narrow gate that leads to life" (Matthew 7:13-14).



Israel's Glory & Grief (Psalm 44)

Introduction: The psalmist recounts the great deeds God did for his people in the past and asks God why he is allowing his people to be humiliated now.

I. Israel's Past _____ (vs. 1-8)

- A) The _____ of God
1. The Lord led His people.
 - (a) He drove the Canaanites from the land (vs. 1-2).
 - (b) He directed the Israelites into the land (v. 3).
 2. The Lord loved His people (v. 3b)
- B) The _____ to God (vs. 4-8): The psalmist acknowledges that Israel's past victories came directly from the Lord, and he praises the Lord.

II. Israel's Present _____ (vs. 9-26)

- A) Their _____
1. Israel's _____ suffering (vs. 10-12, 22).
 - (a) They are defeated and plundered by their enemies (v. 10).
 - (b) They are slaughtered like sheep (vs. 11, 22; Rom. 8:31-39).
 - (c) They are sold and scattered among the nations (vs. 11-12).
 2. Israel's _____ suffering (vs. 9, 13-16).
 - (a) They feel rejected by God. They feel God no longer leads them into battle.
 - (b) They are mocked by their neighbors (vs. 13-16).
- B) Their _____ (vs. 17-22). The psalmist feels that they are innocent despite their suffering.
- C) Their _____ (vs. 23-26). The psalmist calls upon God to redeem His people.

Conclusion: Looking back at the great deliverances of the past may not always overcome our dismay in our present troubles. In spite of the challenges of present distresses we must remember to praise God and depend on Him for deliverance.



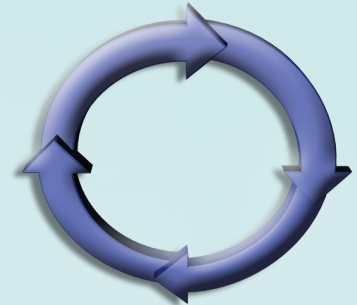
It is the LORD your God you shall fear.

*Him you shall serve
and by his name you shall swear.*

Deuteronomy 6:13



Going in Circles?



Try Ours for a Change

Remember when you were a child, and you used to spin around and around until you could hardly walk? Your lack of balance would not allow you to walk a straight line if you had too.

Do you ever feel like your life is just going in circles? Spinning around and around until after awhile it is spinning out of control. Sometimes we would just like to say, "Stop the world. I want off."

If you're going in circles we can help. We can't stop the world from turning but, we can offer a place where the "circles" are those of loving people who want to help you keep your balance and walk the straight and narrow way which leads to life (Matt. 7:14). This is a place "Where You're Always Welcome!"

"Oh Be Careful Little . . .

VBS THIS WEEK!



Shut In Members:

Marjorie Dodge &
Grace Singleton

Friends & Family Members:

Beatrice Buchanan
Stewart Dodge
Eric Foushee
Kay Gegenheimer
Ray Gilbert
Wilma Hudson
Jan King
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PRAY FOR...

...VBS as an opportunity to teach God's word, make contacts for teaching more people and for connecting with families and souls in need of the gospel. Let's make sure VBS has a purpose and we are using it to do the Lord's work and give Him all the glory.



THIS WEEK

Barker May 21 st	Dowling May 28 th	Loughmiller June 4 th	Mitchell April 30 th	Scott May 7 th	Stout May 14 th
Farmer Keehn Loughmiller, B. Woolbright, Randol	Barker, Ashlyn Keehn Michell Sieg, Don	Dooley Schoenbaechler Shaffer Woolbright, Ryan	Buchanan Hudson Sieg-Swank	Bailey Miller Sieg, Donny Culver	Loughmiller, N. Maudlin McKinney Woolbright, D.

JUNE SERVANTS

Building Cleaning & Communion:
D. Woolbright & Ryan Woolbright

Benevolence Organizers:
Mitchell & Sieg

Meal Organizers:
M & S



JUNE

2 - Helen Bailey B'day
4 - Mike & Belinda
Loughmiller
8 - Jonas Loughmiller
10 - Evelyn Loughmiller
11 - Madelynn Dowling
13 - Mary Beth Maudlin
16 - Ruth McKinney

21 - Nick & Carla
Loughmiller
24 - Shanon & Desirae
Miller
25 - Gus & Carmen
Schoenbaechler
28 - Belinda Loughmiller
29 - Amy Loughmiller
29 - Jessica Scott

BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

SERVING IN WORSHIP

NEXT WEEK

Sunday Morning (06/04)

Announcements: Bill Buchanan

1st Prayer: Keith Keehn

Song Leader: Seth Shaffer

Lord's Table: Scott Mitchell (Lead)

Don Sieg, S. Miller, M. Stout

Sermon: Shannon Shaffer

Closing Prayer: R. Woolbright

Sunday PM (06/04)

Announcements: Bill Buchanan

1st Prayer: Randy Scott

Song Leader: Dale Woolbright

Lord's Table: Scott Mitchell (Lead)

Don Sieg

Sermon: Shannon Shaffer

Closing Prayer: Mike Loughmiller

Wednesday (06/07)

Announcements: VBS

1st Prayer: Daryn Barker

Song Leader: Shannon Shaffer

Invitation: Shannon Shaffer

Closing Prayer: Benny Loughmiller

NEXT WEEK

Sunday Morning (06/11)

Announcements: Dale Woolbright

1st Prayer: Seth Shaffer

Song Leader: Michael Stout

Lord's Table: Michael Stout(Lead)

J. Farmer, S. Mitchell, D. Culver

Sermon: Shannon Shaffer

Closing Prayer: Tim Maudlin

Sunday PM (06/11)

Announcements: Dale Woolbright

1st Prayer: Randol Woolbright

Song Leader: Jonathan Maudlin

Lord's Table: Michael Stout(Lead)

J. Farmer

Sermon: Shannon Shaffer

Closing Prayer: Daryn Barker

Wednesday (06/14)

Announcements: Kyle Dowling

1st Prayer: Bill Buchanan

Song Leader: Don Sieg

Invitation: Shanon Miller

Closing Prayer: Jim Hudson

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Sunday

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Bible Classes: 10:00 AM

Worship: 3:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Classes: 7:30 PM

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