



November 15, 2021



Laughter is Faithfulness!

An airplane flew into a violent thunderstorm and experienced a lot of turbulence. One very nervous flier happened to be sitting next to a pastor. "Can you do something?" she asked the pastor. "Sorry, ma'am," he replied, "I'm in sales, not management."

A priest, an imam, and a rabbit walk into a bar. The rabbit said, "I think I'm a typo!"

Who was the greatest comedian in the bible? Samson! He brought the house down.

Okay, okay, those are all what you might call, "Groaners," or "Preacher-jokes." I'm sure you've heard more than a few over the years. Maybe they are not the *funniest* jokes in the world, but they always get a reaction! Laughter is important. It is an important part of being human. If we are made in God's image, then laughter and comedy must also be a reflection of who God is.

After all, as it says in the Proverbs, "A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit saps a person's strength." The proverb tells us that laughter is part of our faith! So remember that it is biblical when someone says that laughter is the best medicine. Joy and humor can do so much to bring light and life to our lives. Let's always remember that.

And if you don't believe that God is funny, take a moment to read the story of how Israel got exactly what they asked for and ended up knee-deep in quail (Numbers 11). Or maybe when Elijah taunted the prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel, saying, "Yell louder! Maybe Baal is in the bathroom!" (1 Kings 18). Or maybe the story of how Paul preached a sermon so long he literally bored someone to death (Acts 20).

Humor is an important part of the story of the people of God. What is your favorite funny story from the Bible?



Kidzone News

It was great to see everyone today. Our lesson was to trust in God to help us make wise choices about other things that seem good, but are not good for us. We worked on our projects for our fundraiser which is coming soon.

Remember this Saturday, November 20th from 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., we will meet in the Caleb House to work on our fundraiser items. We will serve you pizza for lunch. Hope to see you! Have a great week!

Ms. Debbie, Ms. Suzie, & Ms. Marty

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE KIDZONE EXTRAVAGANZA CHRISTMAS SALE!!!

WHEN-FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26th & SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 27th
WHERE-THE WELL—I01 W. 38th Street
TIME-I0:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
ALSO SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28th IN THE NARTHEX
BEFORE AND AFTER SERVICES



This is our annual fundraiser to provide Christmas Stockings for kids at Sand Springs Community Services.

Thank you for your support!!

Nursery

November 21 9:00 a.m.—Susie & Amanda 10:00 a.m.—Katherine & Sara 11:00 a.m.—Susie & Amanda

November 28 9:00 a.m.—Katherine & Sophie 10:00 a.m.—Jami & Hallye 11:00 a.m.—Susie & Amanda

December 5
9:00 a.m.—Gerri & Hallye
10:00 a.m.—Cayleigh & TBD
11:00 a.m.—Marty & Cayleigh

December 12 9:00 a.m.—Jami & Hallye 10:00 a.m.—Katherine & Sara 11:00 a.m.—Debbie & Frankie

December 19 9:00 a.m.—Susie & Amanda 10:00 a.m.—Jami & Hallye 11:00 a.m.—Susie & Amanda

December 24—TBA
December 26—

9:00 a.m.—Katherine & Sophie 10:00 a.m.—Lacey & Haylee 11:00 a.m.—Katherine & Sara

Children's Church

November 21—Jami & Marty November 28—Jami & Amanda December 5—Communion December 12—Jami & Susie December 19—Jami & Sara December 26—Jamie & Debbie

Youth Dinners

November 17—Noah Class
November 24—Youth help with Thanksgiving
December 1—CIA/Pathfinders Class
December 8—Priscilla Circle
December 15—TNT Class
December 22—No Youth
December 28—No Youth

Counters

November 21—Sondra & Trena November 28—Howard & Jami December 5—Janie & Kent December 12—Betty & Karen December 19—Sondra & Trena December 26—Howard & Jami

28th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Mission Thursday, November 25, 2021

Just a reminder, fully cooked pies that don't need to be refrigerated can be delivered to The Well next Wednesday, November 24th any time after noon.

Thursday morning, volunteers can arrive between 10 and 10:30 a.m. at The Well to prepare to deliver meals.





Candlelight Sing-Along & Tree Lighting Event in the Sand Springs Triangle

December 1—6:00 p.m.

Hosted by the Local Church Network & City of Sand Springs

The SS Chamber of Commerce Schedule of Events for December is in Tracey's office if you want to partici-

pate. On December 1 at 6:00 p.m., head to the Triangle to welcome in the Christmas season with a candlelight Sing-Along and while you are there, stop by and grab a warm drink from Grady and the SSUMC youth. (Festival of Lights Christmas Parade is December 3)

Prayer Box Includes our Sick & Homebound

Betty & Howard Smith

Bill Schwartz

Bruce Warren

David Allen

Dick Ford

Donna McLain-Hope

Elsie & Roger Jones

Faye Lee Posey

Gordonna Fisher

Joe & Donna Woodruff

June Wilborn

Leonard Brehm Louise Read

Mary Lea Forsythe

Maureen Gibson

Max Schuermann

Montie Box

Ralph Rand

Ronnie Patterson

Ruth Weaver

Suzanne & Valerie Jones

Vi McAllister

And Prayer Chains

And Unspoken Requests

VOLUNTEERS

It is that time of year where we start putting together volunteer lists for the year.

We will need nursery volunteers for 9 a.m., 10 a.m., and 11 a.m. on Sundays.

If you think this is something you would be interested in, please see Tracey for a background check form and we will get you signed up!



Monday, November 22 Monday, December 27

Community Meals

1st Monday—Lake UMC-7750 W. 14th St.

2nd Monday—Olivet Baptist Church—155 N. 65th W. Ave.

3rd Monday—Grace UMC—514 So. 49th W. Ave.

4th Monday—SSUMC—4th & Main Street

UMW Circle Christmas Gatherings...

Faith Circle December 2 6:30 p.m.

Priscilla Circle
December 7
6:30 p.m.
Home of Virginia Baldridge

Ruth Esther
December 16
Time TBD
Luncheon

Kidzone needs empty Tide pod containers.

If you have any, just leave them in offie.



Sand Springs United Methodist Church Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m.—Contemporary Worship (Also streamed live online and uploaded to YouTube) 10:00 a.m.—Sunday School 11:00 a.m.—Traditional Worship

Sand Springs United Methodist Church Sunday Schedule 319 N. Main—918-245-5955—www.sandspringsumc.org

The Well—Family Life Center 101 W. 38th Street, Prattville