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Love God
Love Others

Sedalia We Love You!

My dad had a quip for most any occasion. One of these was - "If it's the truth, it ain't braggin'." He usually said this when he was, in fact, braggin' about his grandchildren but it was wrapped in a ton of a love. He was such a great Daddy and Papaw. He loved well.

One way I showed my love to my children was through a game my children and I played when they were little. I would tell them I loved them. They would tell me they loved me more. I would tell them that *I* loved *them* more. This would go back and forth until I would ask, "Do you know why I love you?" The answer: "Because you're mine." I wanted them to know there was nothing they could do to earn my love. I simply loved them because they were mine. They missed a few curfews, got in trouble in school a few times, sometimes fought with their siblings or disobeyed family rules but that didn't change my love for them.

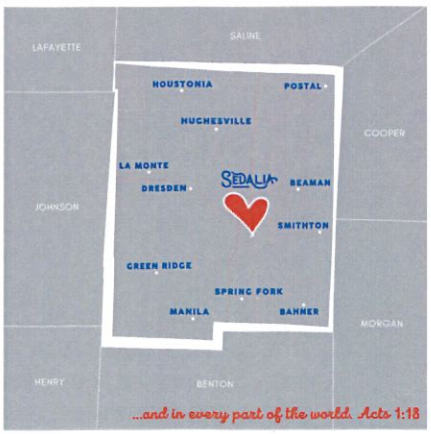
Somewhere along the way our society has equated agreement/compliance with love. God calls us to love everyone. We read a conversation in Matthew where the disciples ask Jesus what he wants most from them? Jesus says, love God and love others as you love yourselves. (Matthew 22:36-40) The disciples were a group of twelve with very different backgrounds and political views and Jesus called them to love. They were to love despite failings, differing opinions, or disagreements. Simply love.

Love is the core theme of *Sedalia We Love You.* In Sedalia, the surrounding communities and beyond - we are called to love every person in those spaces. We don't have to agree, see eye to eye, or look the same. We simply are called to love. When the world sees us loving and working together, Christ says ***that*** is when the world will know the love of Jesus. We seek God's heart and the Most Loving One to teach us to love.

And when we love like Jesus, we proclaim without any hesitation with all fact, no brag- ***Sedalia We Love You!***

Learning with you how to love like God,
Pastor Candace

PS: In the sermon this past weekend I referenced a passage from the Psalms. It was instead *Proverbs 4:23: "Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."* **Sorry for the confusion!**



Shirts

Shirts will be available soon for purchase before and after services in October.

Sedalia Support

To show our "Sedalia We Love You!" support, at the end of October we will give 10% of the financial gifts in October to the following Non-Profit Organizations: *Child Safe* and *Mercy Rest Stop.* A portion of the proceeds from the T-Shirt Sales will be divided between the two organizations as well.

In October we look at the life of Jesus and how He ministered to and loved people. We use the life of Christ to prompt us to see ways we can be the hands and feet of Christ in our community.
We hope you'll join us for worship.

Leading People to an Active Faith in Jesus Christ

Family Movie Night

There will be a Family Movie Night on Friday, October 15th from 6-9 p.m. in the Eyesee Theater at the Celebration Center. Free popcorn! Wear your P.J.s. All children under the age of 5 must be accompanied by an adult. Come join the fun! If questions, contact Lancy at lancy@firstsayyes.com.

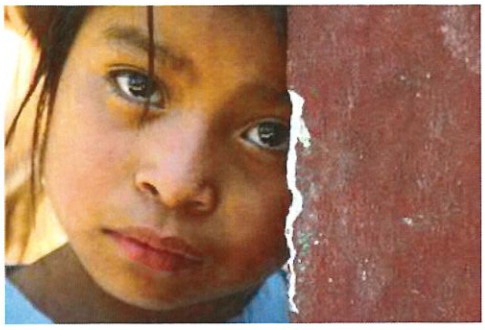
HeartBeats

♥**MPACT Students (Grades 6-12)** meet weekly on Sundays at 6 p.m. in the MPACT room at the Celebration Center.
If questions, please reach out to: christopher@firstsayyes.com

♥**$25 Key Fobs for the Fusion Wellness Room** are available for sale by contacting Tehya at the church office (827-2993) or emailing: fusionroom@firstsayyes.com.

♥If you are interested in free access to ***Right Now Media***, (over 20,000 Bible Studies, children's videos, and more) contact Tehya Huffman at Tehya@firstsayyes.com or call the church office at 660-827-2993 for more information or please use this QR code to sign up for RightNow Media.

♥**Communion** is offered in the Chapel of the Clouds each weekend before and after worship. Individual bags containing the bread and cup will be available. You are invited to stop in and partake and all are welcome at the table!



Orphan Sunday (Oct. 30-31)

We will observe Orphan Sunday Weekend on Oct. 30/31st. Orphan Sunday is an initiative of the Christian Alliance for Orphans that recognizes and celebrates God's heart for the orphan and us all.

Sit 'N Fit

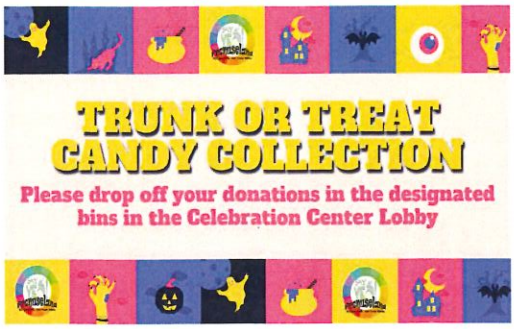
Sit 'N Fit meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 to 9:45ish a.m. at the Celebration Center. All senior adults are invited to come join this low impact exercise group.

Card Ministry

We have several church members that are residents in assisted living facilities or skilled nursing homes. Due to COVID, visits have been restricted. These members greatly appreciate getting mail. Would you consider dropping a card in the mail to these members? If so, please see Becky in the church office during Office Hours. She can provide you with a list of names and addresses. Thank you for showing love to each other in these unique times.

Acolytes

We invite 3rd-5th graders to serve as an Acolyte. As an Acolyte, you will bring a flame into the sanctuary reminding the congregation of God's presence with us, and you will carry the flame out of the sanctuary at the end of the service, reminding the worshippers that God remains with us in all places at all times. This takes place at our 11 a.m. Service at the Thompson Site. If you are interested and want to learn more, please contact Lancy Ulrich at lancy@firstsayyes.com or the church office at 660-827-2993.



Trunk or Treat Candy Collection

The *Children's Ministry* is in the process of planning our annual Trunk or Treat event for Sunday, October 31st at 5 p.m.. Please donate 2 bags of candy in advance. Designated bins in the lobby are available now for drop-off of your candy donations. Advanced monetary donations are welcome as well. Please designate on the check memo or envelope "Candy" and turn your monetary donation in to the church office.
Everyone is welcome to this annual event!

WOW
(W.onderful o.n W.ednesday)

There are classes For ALL AGES on Wednesdays thru Nov. 17 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Celebration Center. (Excluding Oct. 20th Parent Teacher Conference)
The 9 week study for Promiseland Children's Ministry is

Dr. Jones and the Secret of the Lost Keys.

Sign up in the Celebration Center Lobby, or by submitting a "Subscription Card", or by calling the church office during office hours (660-827-2993).

Come and join us on Wednesdays!

Note - *Common Grounds Café* will be open on Wednesdays from 5-5:45 p.m. before WOW. Coffee will be available for purchase; and ***The Fusion Room*** will be open to everyone age 14 and above (Open Gym) from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on WOW Wednesdays.

Leading people to an active faith in Jesus Christ.

THANK YOU: (On display at Bulletin Board behind Wall Fountain)

We rec'd a thank you from: *Sedalia Community Café, Inc.*

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION

All men are invited to *Men Under Construction* which meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Gathering Place at the Celebration Center. Currently the study is **The Secret Church: Angels, Demons and Spiritual Warfare**, a video study taught by David Platt. Come join us on Tuesdays!

MASTERPIECE Older Adult Ministry

The Masterpiece Second Sunday Luncheon will be at 1:00 pm on October 10th at Fortune Palace (3005 S. Limit Avenue. Across from Casey's). Everyone will be responsible for their own meal and beverage. Contact Penny Coerver at penny@firstsayyes.com or the church office (660-827-2993) with any questions.

Church Women United

MENS/BOYS COLLECTION

CWU is collecting mens/boys socks and underwear to be given to our *Pettis County Community Partnership* for **People in Need**. Donations can be dropped off at the lobby of the Celebration Center until the end of October.

HOSPITALITY

We invite you to be a part of the Hospitality Team. We have wonderful ways to serve. One of those ways is to bring in individually wrapped snacks. If that is something you are interested in, please contact Anna Buchanan at anna@firstsayyes.com.

THE UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONAL

You can sign up for your own Upper Room Daily Devotional Guide subscription by downloading the app today! Go to Upperroom.org/welcome, or use this QR Code: (Your First 30 days are free.)

Note—The church purchases a limited supply of copies that are available at the welcome center every two months as well. (Next copies are Nov/Dec Issues).

WE CELEBRATE THE DAY YOU WERE BORN

If your birthday is not listed, please let us know so it can be added!

Birthdays (Oct. 10-Oct. 23):

Debbie Brumble, D'Rae Marcum, Amy Younce, Gary Farr, Johnathan Valtos, Tyler Thompson, Nicci Funk, Nancy Finley, Glenda Horne, Nick Veale, Logan Brown, Hannah Ingram, Eric Dillon, Cassidy Ferolito, Marilyn Morhain, Dan McNeely, Earl Williams, Rich Kendrick, Ronnie Barker, Jen Kinter, Karen Cairer, Jamie Schroeder, Dan Holt, Tyler Kilby, Carol Harper, Sherry Broyles, Brian Fowler, Eric Leiss, Crystal Wood, Will Myers, Lucy Skrzypczak, Bill Wyatte, Ron Higgins, Tony Monroe, John Ezell, Kady Mason, June Holt, Alyssa Hawkins, Russell Ragar, Judy Page, Robert Goalder, Gary Eck, Michaela Pomajzl, Kate Harrison, Audrey Yazell, Alex Luvin, Andrew Frazee, Abbey Ahern, Ron Cunningham, Joanna Rhea, Pauline Carpenter, Laura Pool, Brenda Houk, Wendy Mateja, Christian Kovalenko, Jerry Rothganger, Carol McDonald, Charli Jo Darbyshire, Troy Ives, Jami Swope, Emmy Estrada, Jason Thompson, Karen Gruhn, Brian Oster, Korbin Kyle, Mercedes Morrison, Cendy Carson, Andrew Darrah, Matthew Kahrs, Ashleigh Pool, Lincoln Kelley

FIRST STEPS

Sept. 25/26, 2021

Sunday School	41
Worship	369

Oct. 2/3, 2021

Sunday School	53
Worship	405

Sept. 2021 Totals

Budget	$ 48941.22
Building	$ 6239.50
Specials	$ 3815.57

Our Family

OUR PRAYERS FOR:

Darlene & Virgil Burgess, Kenneth Burgess, Cansata Arnold, Annabell Hackman, Glenda Horne, Kristina Johns, Dana Gillig, Virginia Davis, Jim Richwine, Rebecca Kolsky, Stacey Shaw, Evelyn Richards, Chuck Siron, Our Military Families, Strong Tower Haiti, Whittier and Horace Mann Schools, and our covenant churches in Mozambique

Our hearts go out in Christian love and sympathy to:

***~Helen Lefevers and family** in the death of her husband, Frank Lefevers, on Sept. 29, 2021, and to*

***~Judy Reed and family** in the death of her husband, Will Reed, on Oct. 2, 2021.*

The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday, October 12th for Staff Retreat.

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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Cat and dog, pig and bird, lizard and spider, hamster and fish (in water, please) - All are welcome!

Saturday, Oct. 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 10 at 12:30 p.m. at the Celebration Center (outside).

We look forward to seeing you, and your pets and animals!