

SUNDAY, August 9, 2026

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

TUESDAY, August 11, 2026

12:30 pm Forever Young @ "Golden Corral"
6:00 pm After the Sermon
7:00 pm Phone-In Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY, August 13, 2026

6:00 pm Women's Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., Aug. 10	Tues., Aug. 11	Wed., Aug. 12	Thurs., Aug. 13
9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm

How Do I Join Upper Seneca Baptist Church

- **By Salvation** ~ By professing faith in Jesus Christ and following Him in believer's baptism.
- **By Transfer of Letter** ~ By transferring your membership from another Baptist Church.
- **By Statement of Faith** ~ By statement of faith in Jesus Christ.

If you have not been baptized by immersion since your conversion, you will need to follow the Lord in believer's baptism.

When Do I Join?

At the close of every worship service as we sing the "Invitation Hymn", the pastor stands facing the congregation. Walk to him and tell him you want to join the church or make some other decision.

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Weather Policy

If the church cancels or postpones any service or activity due to inclement weather or wintry conditions, a cancellation notice will appear on the church's Facebook page, church's website, through church email, and on the church's voice recorder. To access the church's voice recorder, please dial (301) 972-3686. The church will only post a cancellation message if a service or activity is canceled or postponed.

Upper Seneca Baptist Church



Impacting The Kingdom Of God One Person At A Time

Upper Seneca Baptist Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship

Sunday Worship

August 9, 2026

Call to Worship

*Song *"Where Would I Be"* Congregation

Meet and Greet

*Song *"Blessed Be Your Name"* Congregation

Prayer/Welcome Pastor Dennis

*Song *"When We Pray"* Congregation

Message *"PRAYER"*** Pastor Dennis
Matthew 5:44-47; (NIV)
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Hebrews 4:16

*Song *"Don't Stop Praying"* Congregation

*Song *"Cast My Cares"* Congregation

*Denotes Congregation standing

**Children will be dismissed to their classrooms following the Sermon Video (prior to the Message).

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Your tithes and offerings will be collected at the end of the service upon leaving.

EVENTS

Friday, June 26 – Aug. 9, USBC Food & School Drive
Tuesday, August 11, Forever Young @ "Golden Corral"
Tuesday, August 11, After the Sermon
Tuesday, August 11, Prayer Meeting
Thursday, August 13, Women's Bible Study
Sunday, August 16, Pancakes w/Pastor @ IHop
Saturday, August 22, Minute to Win It
Sunday, August 30, Church Chat
Sunday, August 30, Dive Deeper Bible Study



During the month of **July** and the first part of **August**, our church will collect non-perishable food for families needing a helping hand. Please make certain that the non-perishable food you donate has not expired. Grocery Gift Cards (Weis or Safeway) are also appreciated.

If you are interested in bringing donuts, pastries or fruit to help with the coffee shop on Sunday mornings, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.



But I say, love your
enemies! Pray for
those who
persecute you!
Matthew 5:44

Back to the Basic – “Prayer”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

August 9, 2026

Scripture: Matthew 5:44-47; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18;
Hebrews 4:16 (*NIV*)

Synopsis: Prayer was an integral part in the life of Christ and as followers of Christ we are called to follow the powerful example of our King.

Our prayer life should be:

I. _____.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 – *Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.*

Do not ever give up on prayer.

Distractions and temptations can hinder one’s prayer life.

Romans 8:26 – *In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.*

Romans 12:12 – *Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*

To experience the full power of prayer, one needs to have a constant prayer life.

John 15:7 – *If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.*

God’s will for you is to pray.

II. _____.

Hebrews 4:16 – *Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*

God hears a bold prayer.

1 John 5:14 – *This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.*

God answers bold prayers.

John 15:7 – *If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.*

Don’t pray a wimpy prayer.

Psalms 34:17 – *The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.*

III. For _____.

Matthew 5:44 – *But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,*

Everyone needs prayer and that includes the people you don’t want to pray for.

It’s easy to pray for those whom we love and care for.

Matthew 5:46-47 – *If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?*

It’s difficult to pray for those who have harmed us or wronged us.

Every person has a redeeming quality.

Romans 5:8 – *But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*



Come join Pastor Dennis on **August 16** (immediately after worship service), at the Mt. Airy IHOP for pancakes and fellowship.

The *Forever Young Luncheon* will take place on Tuesday, **August 11** at 12:30 p.m. We will be meeting at the **Golden Corral** in Frederick, MD. Remember, anyone is welcome.



Join us for a fun night of *Minute to Win It* on Saturday, **August 22** at 6 p.m. *Minute To Win It* will be an entertaining evening filled with challenging games for all ages to enjoy. All you need is to bring is yourself, an adventurous attitude, and you can end up in victory. Along with games, there will be hotdogs, chips, and drinks.

If you are planning on attending, please sign up on the list located on the magnetic board in the church's foyer.

On Wednesday, **August 26** at 11:30 a.m., the men will gather at the IHOP in Mt. Airy for an enjoyable lunch to connect and to plan for future events for the men.



Don't forget to mark your calendar for **August 30** for our next *Church Chat*. As usual, immediately following our Sunday morning worship service, we will gather in the church foyer/coffee shop for a 10-minute informal meeting. During this 10-minute time period, I will be sharing with everyone about upcoming events, areas where the church needs help, and receiving vital input from our church family. *Church Chat* is a great way of keeping everyone informed about all the activities and church events that will be taking place.

On Sunday, **August 30**, our *Dive Deeper Bible Study* topic will be "*The 1000 Year Reign*". The thousand-year reign—what Scripture calls “the millennium”—generates genuine theological tension. This study will address the hard questions surrounding the events of the 1000-year reign.



Calling all adventurers and vacationers! We want to see all of the fun and memorable moments from your summer travels. Show us your stunning scenery, tasty treats, and family fun. We can't wait to see where you have been and what you have been up to this past summer! So, share your best vacation pictures with us to be featured in our September Newsletter.

Please submit your picture(s) by **August 24** to be included. Please email your pictures to pastordennisusbc@hotmail.com or text your pictures to 843-957-5140. Be sure to include your name and the location of the picture(s).