### **Ladies Group**

Soup 'r' Supper Tuesday, July 18th McAlister's in Carbondale 6:00 p.m.



### Lunch at the Bar B Q Barn In Harrisburg

Thursday, July 6th Van leaves UBC at 10:30 a.m. Sign up to save your seat!

### Taco Thursday & Spinners

Thursday, July 20th in the Pink Room @ 11:30 a.m.





In June, our KEYS group took a trip to Grand Rivers, KY. We ate too much at Patti's and then enjoyed the music of the 60's at the Badgett Theater. A good time was had by all!!!

# The Builder



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community through worship, fellowship

Each year we celebrate the Fourth of July as a reminder of some of the struggles our forefathers underwent when they set out to "form a more perfect union." The intent was to gain independence from what some historians call the tyranny of the British gov-

ernment. Some have said it was a war for religious freedom. The truth was it was more about economic issues and political freedom.

In recent years, within this "newly formed union," the discussion has gone to ideas of religious freedom and the separation of Church and State. Recently you have heard the term **Christian Nationalism**. In blunt terms this means that some in this country believe that others of us would need to conform to the norms of a select group of "Christian" people who decide what those norms would be and decide the punishment for other Christians making other decisions that are based on their understanding of the Christian scriptures. And those who propose the idea of Christian Nationalism need to be careful about how they too closely tie the Church with the State in these days. Let me remind you of the statement found in The Baptist Faith and Message (2000). "Church and State should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others...The church should not resort to civil powers to carry on its work. The gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind."

Every now and then we have to remind ourselves of the role of the Church in society. Even though I would love to see every person accept my point of view, I am aware that growing numbers of people in our country do not. The number of people who are members of churches are dwindling and of Those, fewer of them are deciding to attend church. Are we sure we want to open the door to the minority to legislate religious laws such as those we abhor that restrict the right of people to drive cars, attend school, or decide their own marital status, among others.

I hope you have a safe Fourth of July and exercise your religious liberty to worship with us on Sunday and engage in the conversation that is going on around us! Pastor John

# Sunday Morning Worship @ 10:45 a.m. Lively but traditional! Join us in person or on facebook www.facebook.com/UBC.Carbondale

#### Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. service

July 2, 2023

Harry Treece –Greeter
Harry & Jan Treece -Invocation & Scripture
Mike Morgan - Sound
Harry Treece - Building Lock-up

July 9, 2023

Mike Morgan –Greeter Suzanne Corzine -Invocation & Scripture Harry Treece - Sound Mike Morgan - Building Lock-up

July 16, 2023

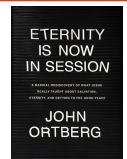
Dick Cannon –Greeter
Dick Cannon -Invocation & Scripture
Jaleel Edmond - Sound
Karen Zelten - Building Lock-up

July 23, 2023

Dick Cannon –Greeter Karen Zelten -Invocation/Scripture Mike Morgan - Sound Dick Cannon - Building Lock-up

July 30, 2023

Dick Cannon –Greeter
Jessica Edmond -Invocation
Amilia Estrada - Scripture
Jaleel Edmond - Sound
Mike Morgan - Building Lock-up



New Bible Study led by Pastor Annable will begin Wednesday, June 28th @ 6:00 p.m. Located in the Pink Room

Something in us is waiting--for what, we don't know. Something different? Something better?

For Christians, perhaps the deepest expression of what we're waiting for is found in the phrase "eternal life." But what is eternal life? Why do we want it? And how do we know if we have it?

In Eternity Is Now in Session, bestselling author John Ortberg dispels the myth that eternal life is something way out in outer space that we can only hope to experience after we die--and that being saved is merely about meeting the minimal entrance requirements for getting into heaven. Instead, John unpacks the reality that the moment we trust Christ, we are initiated into "eternal living" with God as a here and now reality, one that will continue beyond our life on this earth.

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## This Month at University Baptist

Monday, July 3rd

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 5th

Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 6th

KEYS Lunch at the Bar BQ Barn Van leaves at 10:30 a.m.

Friday, July 7th

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Monday, July 10th

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 12th

Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m.

Friday, July 14th
Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Monday, July 17th

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, July 18th

Soup 'R' Supper

Dinner at Mc Alister's @ 6 p.m.. Wednesday, July 19th

Bibl Study @ 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 6th

Taco Thursday & Spinners 11:30 a.m. in the pink room

Friday, July 21st

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Monday, July 24th

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 26th

Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m.

Friday, July 28th

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Monday, July 30th

Food Pantry ~ Clothes Closet

Our Prayer List...Bobby Edmond, Patricia Tucker, , Chesney Gholson. Our shut ins, those with continuing health problems and our world.

Interfaith Council:

Week of July 2nd: Carbondale Unitarian fellowship Week of July 9th: Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saint Week of July 16th: Church of the Good Shepherd Week of July 23rd: Church Women United in C'dale Week of July 30th: Congregation Beth Jacob

> "Give all your worries to Him because He cares about you." 1 Peter 5:7

### SUMMER MISSION PROJECT



It's hard to believe that it is already time to start preparing for the annual "Back to School ~Supply Give Away"

Once again, we will be partnering with Hopewell Baptist Church to help equip Carbondale school children with supplies needed for a successful school year. Last year they were able to double the normal amount of backpacks distributed from 1000 to 2000! Let's help them do it again!

Please dig deep and give generously for this community event.



Deacon on Call the month of July is Harry Treece







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Deacon on Call for the Month is						1
Harry Treece						
Worship at 10:45 a.m.	Food Pantry & Clothes Closet Student Ministries 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	4	5 Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	6  KEYS Lunch at the Bar B Q Barn Van leaves at 10:30 a.m.	Food Pantry & Clothes Closet Student Ministries 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	8
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Worship at 10:45 a.m. John & Marilyn Annable Anniversary	Food Pantry & Clothes Closet Student Ministries 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Sheila Edwards Birthday	18 Soup 'r' Supper Dinner at McAlister's @ 6 p.m.	19 Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	20 Taco Thursday & Spinners in the Pink Room @ 11:30	Food Pantry & Clothes Closet Student Ministries 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	22
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