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## TRUNK OR TREAT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

We invite you and your family to join us on Sunday, October 31, from 6:00-8:00 pm, for our annual Trunk or Treat. This will be a safe and fun trick or treating experience for the whole family! There will also be games and lots of candy, so don't forget to invite your friends and family! Contact Chantelle Bedrin for more information.

## TRUNKS & TREATS NEEDED

We need individuals to bring their Cars, Trunks, SUVs, and Minivans decorated for fall. Then stock those trunks and cargo spaces with all types of candy and other goodies to hand out to our community. We also need individuals who are willing to donate bags of candy (remember no nuts!)

If you are able to serve during this year's Trunk or Treat or make a donation, please log onto Realm or use the QR Code and let us know if you will be bringing your vehicle, donating candy, or even better...both!!

Contact Pastor Wade Casey or Chantelle Bedrin for more details.



# REGISTER ONLINE



# A LETTER FROM PASTOR TROY

#### **HIDDEN FAULTS**

Psalm 19 is one of the most familiar psalms to us because of the way it begins: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. (Psalm 19:1-2)

But as you go through the psalm and arrive at verse 12 you find this interesting passage: <sup>12</sup> Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. <sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! (Psalm 19:12-13)

The psalmist describes three categories of sin, if you will. Errors, hidden faults, and presumptuous sins.

I want you to think for a moment about that second category of sin, hidden faults. No doubt you have noticed things in other people that are sinful which seem to be hidden to them. It appears they are totally aloof to what for you seems to be a glaring flaw — it's a hidden fault. We can think, "I don't see how that person can be so blind to this obvious issue." But have you ever thought about the fact that those same people likely see "hidden faults" in you?

In my experience there are two ways God normally makes us aware of our own hidden faults. First, through the mirror of God's Word. As we study it and meditate upon it God reflects back to us those hidden faults that we have become oblivious to.

Another way we become aware of those hidden faults is God uses someone else to point them out to us. Someone, at great risk to themselves, normally trembling in fear, but motivated by love, will come to you and point out those hidden faults. And it can be painful. We don't like it. It's uncomfortable and awkward. Our pride wells up and we respond by thinking or even saying, "Who do you think you are calling out my sin!"

Would you ask the Lord to give you a spirit of humility so that when God reveals to your own life those hidden faults – whether that's through the mirror of His Word or through the loving confrontation of a friend – you can receive that correction and confess it to the Lord? This is what a gospel-shaped community looks like as we seek to grow more and more into the image of Jesus. We "consider how to stir up one another to love and good works." (Hebrews 10:24).

Grace and peace,

Paster Troy

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **OCTOBER**

- 2 New Member's Class
- 9 Women's Ministry Paint Party
- 13 No Wednesday Activities
- 16 Men's Breakfast
  - Children's Ministry Pumpkin Painting Party
- 20 Youth Ministry Laser Tag
- 23 Senior Adult Outing
- 31 Trunk or Treat

### **NOVEMBER**

- 3 Youth Golf Night
- 5-7 Women's Unshakable Hope Retreat
- 9 Senior Adult Meeting
- 10 Member's Meeting
- 13 Men's Breakfast
  - Children's Ministry Thanksgiving Craft Day
- 17 Youth Ministry Turkey Sports
- 21 Thanksgiving Fellowship Dinner
- 24 No Wednesday Activities
- 25 *Thanksgiving Day* (Church Office Closed)
- 26 Church Office Closed

### **DECEMBER**

- 4 Women's Ministry Christmas Brunch
- 8 Children's Ministry Christmas Parties
  - Youth Tacky Taco Bell Christmas Party
- 11 Men's Breakfast
- 12 Kingdom Kids Special Performance
- 14 Senior Adult Meeting
- 15 Chili & Caroling
- 19 Christmas Choir Performance
- 22 No Wednesday Activities
- 24 Christmas Eve (Church Office Closed)
  - Christmas Eve Service
- 25 Christmas Day

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- 26 No Small Groups
- 27 Church Office Closed
- 29 Church Office Closed
  - No Wednesday Activities

    New Year's Eve



# MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men, we invite you to join us for breakfast on Saturday mornings, as Pastor Troy begins a monthly series of talks based upon the book *Masculine Mandate* by Richard Phillips, where we will consider what God's design for masculinity is and how that works itself out in the different arenas of life. We will meet at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Pastor Troy Walliser for more details.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Saturday, October 16
Saturday, November 13
Saturday, December 11

# MEMBERS MEETING

On Wednesday, November 10, at 6:30 pm, we will hold our bi-monthly Member's Meeting in the Fellowship Hall. Prior to our meeting, we invite you to join us as we gather together for a Fellowship Dinner (see November's bulletin for cost and menu). Dinner will be served at 5:45 pm. Following the Fellowship Dinner, our Member's Meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 pm, where we will welcome new members, discuss membership issues, vote on the 2022 budget, and hear about what the Lord is doing in the life of our church.



# THANKSGIVING DINNER

Sunday, November 21 @ 6:00 PM

As the season of thanksgiving is upon us, we invite you and your family to join us on Sunday, November 21, at 6:00 pm, for our church-wide Thanksgiving Dinner. This will be an exciting evening of great food and good fellowship. Dressing, rolls, and tea will be provided by the church. Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish to share (meat, side dish, and/or dessert).

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Allison or Pastor Wade Casey.



### **CHILI & CAROLING**

Join us on Wednesday, December 15, for our annual night of Chili and Caroling. Bring your favorite pot of chili or soup to share before we load up and go out caroling to our fellow church members. We will then return to the Fellowship Hall for dessert, coffee, and hot chocolate. Dinner will start at 6:00 pm and caroling will follow shortly thereafter. Contact Wade Casey for more details.



# PUMPKIN PAINTING PARTY

Saturday, October 16 | 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Join our Children's Ministry on Saturday, October 16, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall for a Pumpkin Painting Party. Pumpkins and snacks will be provided. Be sure to register your child online at **lookoutvalley.org/childrens-ministry**. Deadline to register is Wednesday, October 13. Contact Chantelle Bedrin for more details.





## THANKSGIVING CRAFT DAY

On Saturday, November 13, our Children's Ministry will gather together from 10:30 am—12:30 pm to make Thanksgiving themed crafts for patients in our local nursing homes and Hospitals. Snacks will be provided. Be on the lookout for more details.

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our Children's Ministry will host the annual Christmas Party for both the Preschool and Kingdom Kids on Wednesday, December 8 from 6:30-7:30 pm. During this time our children will be making Blessing Bags for our missionaries to distribute on the mission field. If you would like to donate supplies, please contact Chantelle Bedrin.





## SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

Join us on Sunday, December 12, at 10:45 am, as the Kingdom Kids sing during our worship service. If your child is performing, please have your child here no later than 10:00 am for our final practice. For more information, contact Chantelle Bedrin.



## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Friday, December 24 @ 6:00 PM

"O holy night! the stars are brightly shining;
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth.

Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.

A thrill of hope- the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!
Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!

O night divine, O night when Christ was born!"

These familiar words have an interesting history. In 1843, a Parish priest in Roquemaure, France convinced a young poet to write a Christmas Poem for a celebration event of a recently renovated church organ. A year later the words were set to music, and by 1847 it was premiered to the adoration of the town. In 1855 an American minister wrote the English version, which soon became popular among the abolitionist. Specifically, among the slaves themselves. Some of the first voices to sing these lyrics were those bound by chains, and fighting to free those in bondage. Hear them sing; sweet thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices!

"Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
And in His name all oppression shall cease."

We invite you and your family to join us for our candle-light Christmas Eve Service, on Friday, December 24, at 6:00 pm. During this special service, we will sing carols together, read scripture, and focus on the importance of the birth of Christ, as we light each symbolic candle around the advent wreath.

# A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR TRACY

Church Family,

I am so excited about the upcoming Christmas season! If you have ever served in our Choir/Music Ministry before, or are interested in joining us for our 2021 Christmas Specials, there is still time! Contact me today!

Already a choir member? Check your email for Planning Center updates, music, and schedules!

Want to become a member? Email tracy@lookoutvalley.org and let me know your name, and what part you like to sing.

I will send you a link to login to our Planning Center Resource where you will find music files, listening tracks, part rehearsal tracks, and more. Not a techperson? We do CD's and Print as well.

We would love to have you join us for one of our scheduled rehearsals:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15TH SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH



## A THRILL OF HOPE

Sunday, December 19 @ 10:45 AM

As you being filling your calendar with holiday plans, be sure to make plans to attend our special Christmas Worship Service, *A Thrill of Hope*, on Sunday, December 19, at 10:45 am. You won't want to miss it!



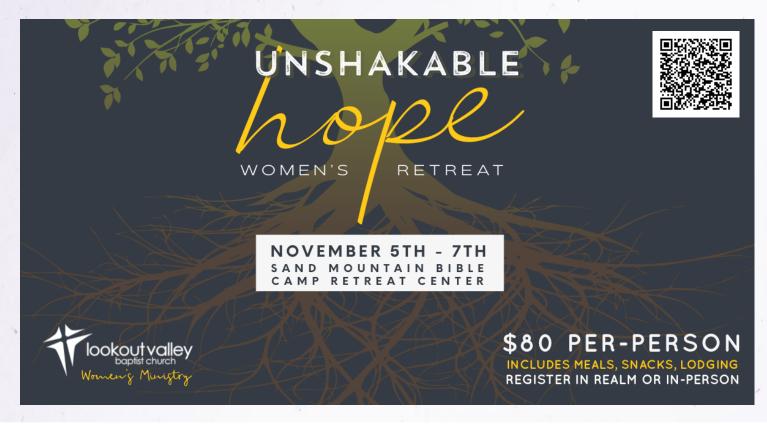
# WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

On Saturday, December 4, we invite you to join us for a Women's Christmas Brunch as we celebrate the coming of our KING and the HOPE He fulfilled this Christmas season. Brunch will promptly begin at 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Be on the lookout for more details in November.

### UNSHAKABLE HOPE RETREAT

Friday, November 5 — Sunday, November 7

Ladies, mark your calendars and make plans to attend the Unshakeable Hope Women's Retreat, November 5-7, at Sand Mountain Bible Camp, in Trenton, Georgia. This year's speaker, Biblical Counselor Angela Parsley, will encourage us through God's Word, as she shares with us how to have hope even in times of stress and uncertainty. Cost is \$80 per person. Sign up by scanning the QR Code below or logging onto the Realm App. Deadline to register is October 24. Contact Ashleigh Trivette for more details.



## **UPCOMING STUDENT MINISTRY EVENTS**

#### FEEDING LVHS FOOTBALL

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help feed the LVHS Football team this season. There are two home games left, so if your small group or group of friends would like to help feed the football team on one of the dates listed below, please contact Christina Wilson.

Meals needed: October 22 and October 29.



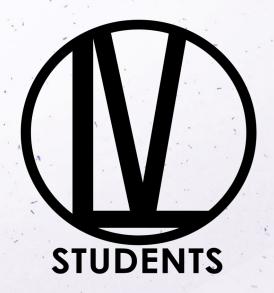
We have some exciting Wednesday nights coming up for our Student Ministry now through December! Be sure to be here at 6:00 pm on those nights, so you don't miss out on all the fun!

October 20 — Laser Tag

November 3 — Mini Golf

November 17 — Turkey Sports

December 8 — Tacky Taco Bell Christmas



#### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

November 24: No Service / Thanksgiving Week

**December 8:** Tacky Taco Bell Christmas Party

December 15: Church-wide Chili & Caroling

December 22: No Activities / Christmas Break

December 26: No Small Group

December 29: No Activities / Christmas Break

January 2: No Small Group



### **SENIOR ADULTS**

### **OCTOBER:**

On Saturday, October 23, the Wise & Wonderful group will board the Southern Belle for an exciting tour down the Tennessee River. We will meet at the church at 12:15 pm and take the church van. Cost is \$40 per person. If you have not yet purchased your ticket, please contact Jennifer Smiley (931-224-6392).

#### **NOVEMBER:**

The Wise & Wonderful will enjoy their annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Tuesday, November 9, at 10:30 am. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Please be sure to make your reservation with Jennifer Smiley.

#### **DECEMBER**:

On Tuesday, December 14, The Wise & Wonderful will meet together at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Be on the lookout for more details!