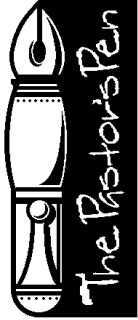




September



ENGAGED IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

De Soto Baptist Church

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Blessed is the person whose strength is in You, in whose heart are the roads to Zion!

Passing through the Valley of Baca they make it a spring; the early rain also covers it with blessings. They go on from strength to strength, every one of them appears before God in Zion." Psalm 84:5-7 I think a lot about strength in this season of my life. Or at least my lack thereof. I was always proud of the strength of my youth. Able to be competitive on the sports field, in hay bale tosses, in different military challenges.

Those days seem like a dream. And I know I'm preaching to the choir, as many of you are older than I am, and very aware of your fading strength.

This verse from Psalm 84 tells us there is a strength for the believer that comes from God. A strength based on our faith in the road ahead that is taking us to the very presence of God. We find this well-spring of strength when we fix our eyes on our eternal hope. When we remind ourselves where our strength comes from and to whom we now belong. Then we can find the strength to step out daily and be of service to God here in this place.

The passage goes on to say that "passing through the valley of weeping..." or some valley of unpleasantness, we can "...make it a spring..." just by our very presence. The unbelievers around you are walking this valley alone and without the strength of God to carry them on. It's no wonder so many turn to anger, acts of violence, rudeness, or just thoughtless actions as they navigate the valley.

It is not to be so with we who have given our lives to Jesus. We have a hope and a future. We should find strength and joy in our station regardless of the valley in which we find ourselves. Our challenge is to not bury that strength and joy within ourselves, but let it rise from our hearts, show forth from our faces, and make the "valley of weeping" a place of "springs" and "blessings".

You can do this by carrying your faith with you. By sharing it through word, prayer, and deed as you interact with others around you. It is a feat of strength like no other. It can lift a heavy load and perhaps even change the trajectory of a life.

Verse 7 says we can go on "...from strength to strength..." as God renews our strength for the next encounter. Day to day. Year to year. With our eyes fixed on Zion, our heavenly home. Where every one of us "...appears before God..."

Then we can rest.

Blessings

Pastor Matt

ONLINE WORSHIP—LIVE SUNDAYS AT 10:30AM

Link to weekly worship services and all past worship services
can be found on our church website:

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

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September 4

Deacon's Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Trustees Meeting 6:30 p.m.



Church Business Meeting

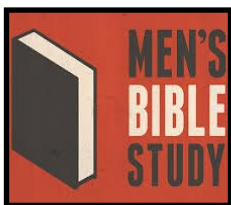
September 4

7:00 p.m.



ABW Meeting

September 9 6:30 p.m.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting in the Copeland Center



Choir Practice

Last Sundays after service

Choir Performances

First Sundays during service with practice at 9:30 a.m.



For health concerns, prayer list or Pastoral Care

Please contact Pastor Matt Burns ~

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ABCCR Annual Gathering 2024

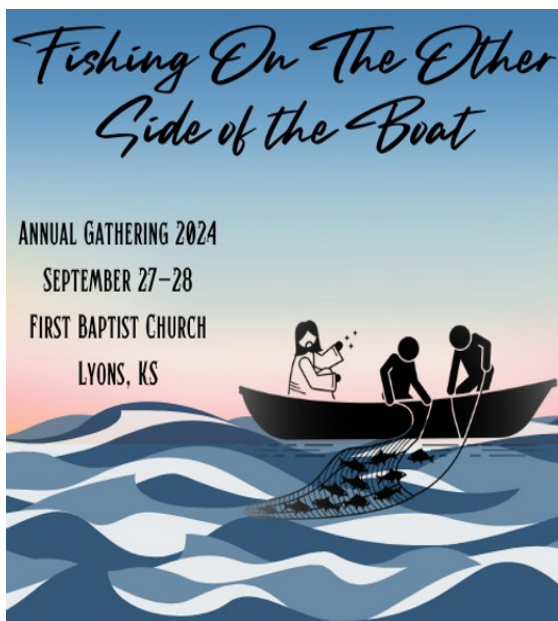
September 27- 28, 2024

First Baptist Church,

The keynote speaker is Rev. Dr. Steve Van Ostran.

He serves as the Executive Minister for the American Baptist Churches of the Rocky Mountains. He is passionate about empowering local churches and in helping them become the incarnated body of Christ in their community.

He has served as Executive Minister since March of 2008 and has been involved in coaching pastors and local churches since 2003 after 18 years of pastoring local churches.



Please let Kim Ingalls know if you are attending & submit meals money by **September 8th!**

Friday Lunch \$13 and Friday Dinner \$18

Registration Fee has been provided by De Soto Baptist Church

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED AFTERNOON!!

We've booked another group reservation for the latest production at the New Theatre and Restaurant!

This has proven to be a very enjoyable outing for our ABW women as well as their guests - bring husbands, friends, acquaintances!

Matinee on Wednesday, Dec. 11

We have reserved 28 tickets for this production at \$35 each.
\$5 down payment due by Sept. 1.

Contact Karen Wall: 913-669-1991 (Call or Text)

We always car pool, so transportation should not be a problem. The doors open at 12 and the play should be completed by 3:00

BUT, it is important to get your reservation in as soon as possible.



A MOMENT WITH JO

Psalm 62:5, "My soul, waits silently for God alone, for my expectation is from Him.

I was reading a daily devotion and the scripture was Genesis 27:28, "May God give you heaven's dew." The author of the devotion shared that God sends dew when there is no rain, saturating nature with moisture on arid days. As I meditated over this word from the Lord, I asked what He wanted me to know and what to do: When I was in my early 30's and attending a prayer group and I had just finished praying, a woman said that she believed that I was an intercessor. I did not know exactly what that meant, but she said, "you heard from the Lord what is needed and you prayed in faith for it to come forth." I have always loved to pray, so I asked the Lord and He confirmed. Now many years later, I have seen the fruit of many prayers being answered from Heavenly Father.

Many nice evenings, I love to sit on the deck and enjoy the stars, moon, breeze. talk to Jesus and listen for His heart visit with me. I pray, sing, cry, and enjoy His goodness and faithfulness and together we pray and enjoy our precious time together.

Job 36:32, "He fills His hands with lightning and commands it to strike its mark." That word is Paga- which is also a word for intercession, Prayer releases power, light, and the glory of God to strike targets, sometimes for blessings, at other times judgment. I desire to strike the mark when I pray. Let us keep praying for our nation and world-wide revival.



ABW College Connection Program

ABW would love to send your children, grandchildren and family members that are attending college this year greeting cards throughout the school year. We would need the names and mailing addresses of each of the students to get them on the list.

Please contact Barbara Bosworth at mulemanmike@centurylink.net or text the information to 913-221-5642





COOKS GET READY!!!

DE SOTO BAPTIST HAS COOKING TO DO!

Mark your calendars for two days in October! Our church has been asked to provide pies and/or cakes for two community events in October.

October 26 will be the Harvest Festival at The Barn at Kill Creek Farm. We will have a booth that will serve pies, desserts, cookies and whatever else might be needed.

We will need many pies along with cakes, cookies, cinnamon rolls and other such goodies. We will also need workers to man our booths. Please be on the “look-out” for sign-up sheets for these volunteer events. These are great opportunities for us to support community events, but these also provide excellent means for us to raise money for the important missions of our ABW.



DOERS OF THE WORD - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Have you ever been in such a hard and difficult time that you thought that God had, perhaps, deserted you? Or have you been waiting for answers so long that you think God is not aware of your need or just moving toooooo slowly?

The Doers of the Word women's group is planning to explore this study of women and men who cried to God and whose prayers were answered: The God Who Sees. The name El Roi means “The God who sees me,” and this study begins with the Genesis story of Hagar – who first spoke the name: Genesis 16:13.

We will also explore the stories of Boaz, Ruth, David, and Mary of Magdala.

All women are encouraged to join our group whose three-pronged goal is to study God's Word, Pray for each other, and be “Doers not just hearers only.”

Meeting days and times will be determined soon.

Please contact Karen Wall (913-669-1991) or Mary Etta Copeland (913-583-1425 or 913-314-9362) if you might be interested in joining our group.



Back to School Ice Cream Social

VBS invited kiddos to come and get a free backpack loaded with school supplies and a bible. They enjoyed ice cream, also!

Thank You to all the volunteers and people who made donations.



Embracing our COMMUNITY

DE SOTO FOOD PANTRY

Donations Needed

Thank you so much for supporting this vital resource in our community!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Canned Fruit & Applesauce
- Dried beans
- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Spaghetti sauce
- Box meals (*like Hamburger helper*)
- Tuna (*canned meat*)
- Personal items (*shampoo, razors*)
- Toilet paper

Donations bins are located at Harps & Great American Bank or can be dropped off at the Food Pantry during regular hours.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail your check to: De Soto Food Pantry, 32905 W 84th, De Soto, KS 66018.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Tuesdays — 10 am to 12 pm

Thursdays — 4 pm to 6 pm

Saturdays — 9 am to 11 pm



The De Soto Food Pantry has created a fund called One De Soto Relief Fund. This fund is available for community residents who are undergoing a hardship due to a current emergency, crisis, or natural disaster.

For more information, visit our website at:

www.desotoksfoodpantry.wordpress.com

Thank you for your support!



TITHES & OFFERINGS

THANK YOU!!!

For submitting Tithes and Offerings to:

DeSoto Baptist Church

PO Box 578 - DeSoto, KS 66018

Online Tithing and Donations

are available!

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De Soto Baptist Church Calendar



HELLO september



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Communion Deacons Fund	 2 Labor Day	3 Deacons 6:00p Trustees 6:30pm Business 7:00pm	4 Patriot Day WE WILL NEVER FORGET	5 Deacons 6:00p Trustees 6:30pm Business 7:00pm	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	ABW Meeting 6:30 pm	Women's Bible 1:00p Men's Bible 6:30p				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
All Church Birthday Party Grandparents Day						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		Women's Bible 1:00p Men's Bible 6:30p				
29	30					

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