

2024



*“O come, let us sing unto the Lord:
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of
our salvation. Let us come before his pres-
ence with thanksgiving”
Psalm 95:1–2*



ENGAGED IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

De Soto Baptist Church

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I woke up this morning to 42-degree weather. My weather app tried to tell me it was 44, but I'm pretty sure it was lying.

That is the problem these days. You don't know who to trust. Which candidate? Which news channel? You can't even believe your eyes because the technology for photo shopping is so amazing.

It's almost like I must discern the truth apart from the truth. I must accept the theory without proof. Because we can fake the proof.

Pilate asked the good question: "What is truth?" (Jn 18.38)

I think that is the reason why God's word is so precious to us.

It is Truth. "...Your word is truth." (Jn 17.17)

And "...it is impossible for God to lie..." (Heb 6.18 Therefore He is truth....)

"We will know by this that we are of the truth..." (1 Jn 3.19)

By what does He speak of? By the loving of others not just in what we say, but by what we do; "...in deed and truth" (1 Jn 3.18)

I must say in all honesty, that there are days when this verse seems to condemn me, for I do not always find myself reacting in a loving manner toward others. It's not that I am mean or rude, but I am just oblivious and unconcerned.

There is one thing I go back to that reminds me of the truth of God and the reality of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit. It is that moment in time, forty-plus years ago when I realized for the first time that Jesus was real. It changed me. A light bulb went off in my inner being and I KNEW He was real. All the darkness of the universe cannot reverse that revelation, and my study of God's word builds on that experience with Jesus.

I cannot prove to you the truth of the gospel. You must seek Jesus for yourself, find Him, and He will prove to you that He is truth. Jesus promises: "...ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock and it will be opened." What is "it"?

The answer to Pilate's question. The Spirit of Truth. And "...He will guide you into all truth." (Jn 16.13)

Then, "...you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (Jn 8.32)

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." (3 Jn 1.4)

Blessings to you,

Pastor Matt



ONLINE WORSHIP—LIVE SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM

Link to weekly worship services and all past worship services

can be found on our church website:

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

or on our Facebook account



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De Soto Kansas Baptist Church



Deacon's & Trustees Meeting

November 6th at 6:30 p.m.

Copeland Center Conference Room



Church Business Meeting

November 6th

7:00 p.m.

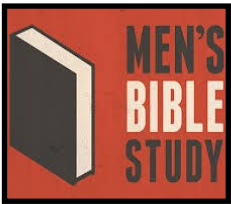
Lower Level

American Baptist
Women's
MINISTRIES

ABW Meeting

November 11

6:30 p.m.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 pm

Meeting in the Copeland Center



DOERS OF THE WORD - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The women's bible study group is finding our new study to be very meaningful and inspiring. We have completed the first Session of six, so there is plenty of time for latecomers to join us.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 1:00. We would welcome any "oldies" or newcomers. The workbook is available for \$15 which also gives you access to the online videos that we will use to open each of the six sections.

Please contact Karen Wall (913-669-1991) or Mary Etta Copeland (913-314-9362) if you might be interested in joining our group. Karen has some extra books at this time and will be happy to order more as needed. You can find these at christianbook.com or Amazon.com



Board of Christian Ed Meeting

November 13th

7:00pm

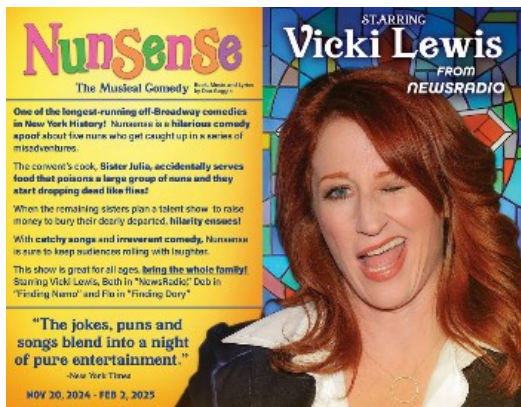
A Moment with Jo...

REMEMBER

Jeremiah 6:16, "Stand in the ways and see and ask for the old paths. where the good way is and walk in it; then you will find rest for your souls."

As I write this article, I am recovering from 2 falls a week apart. I hit my head, shoulder, right side, hip, and leg. The last one I went in an ambulance to ER where x-rays and scans were taken with the results of a fractured rib and hurt back. I was instructed to rest and take it easy for 6 weeks. I tell you this background as it leads to a story I want to share. It is difficult to sleep with a broken rib and one morning, I awoke and hurt, so I went into our sitting area near kitchen, made a cup of lavender tea, turned on Pandora music and listened to hymns by piano-like Karen Wall plays on Sundays. I sat in the dark, prayed, and sang the hymns. As the sky became lighter, I realized that the clouds looked like fingers in the sky. I said, "Father, this is Your hand over us, isn't It? I felt Him say to pray and lift up my ancestors and countrymen who had prayed for this nation and ask for His help, As I prayed and declared His word for righteousness, truth, and honoring the Lord to be released as the founders had. I asked that the bowl of prayers from previous days be given to the Lord in remembrance of God saving us and please to do it again. When I finished praying, the song being played was Remember.

As John walked into the room, I asked him what the clouds looked like to him. He said , "Fingers"... Oh, the goodness of God leads to repentance.



THE NEW THEATRE & RESTAURANT PRODUCTION: NUNSENSE!!

We have 30 seats reserved and filled for the New Theatre & Restaurant production of Nunsense on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11.

If you paid the \$5 down payment earlier, you owe \$33; If you did not make a down payment, you owe \$38. Karen must pay the balance on Nov. 11, **so you need to pay her the full amount by Sunday, Nov. 10.**

The dinner theatre excursions that we take are made to give our church family and their friends the opportunity to go to these productions with a group. Many of us would not make the arrangements to go by ourselves, but have found it to be a very enjoyable time for fellowship as well as a great dinner and a great show. Feel free to contact Karen for further information.

If you know of any promising Christian productions or workshop opportunities in the city, please let Karen know so that we can pursue those events as well.



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 food pantry is located in the same building as City Hall and the Community Center. Anyone with a DeSoto address or a student enrolled in the DeSoto School District, and that can show proof of residency, is eligible to shop.

SPONSOR A

Thanksgiving bag

AVAILABLE AT HARPS

NOVEMBER 2ND - 21ST

\$25 PER BAG

FILLED BAGS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON NOVEMBER 23RD AT THE SENIOR CENTER (BACK OF CITY HALL) 9AM-1PM



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!

<https://collectcheckout.com/r/yyw9d>



Women's

SEEKING HIM

SERVING OTHERS

Ministry

ABW meets November 11th @ 6:30 (lower level)

We will be adopting 1 large family from Bethel for our Christmas Projects as well as providing cleaning buckets for Bethel.

If you are aware of someone who needs assistance, this year, please contact Linda Lane or Patsy Allenbrand.

Mary Gale and Debbie have generously agreed to again be in charge of collections for Bethel, watch for sign up sheets on the bulletin board.

Turner Baptist Houseless and Pantry Drive

Protein snacks, warm socks, blankets, deodorant,
feminine hygiene items, sweat shirts/ men's jackets

Working Needing a Hand Up (WNAHU)

Canned goods, flour, salt, sugar, cereal...

Other non-perishables



Thank you to Patsy Allenbrand for spearheading this very worthwhile collection!



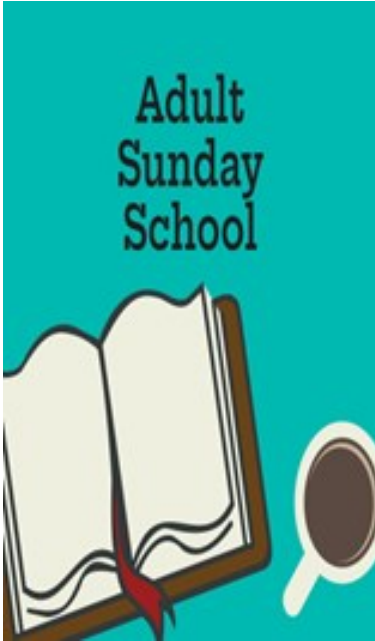
November 24th

Please join us for the Church Family Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner after services.

If you'd like to volunteer to bake a turkey contact Linda Lane

Look for the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Also need volunteers to decorate tables, food set up and clean up.



Sunday School classes will combine for the months of NOV and DEC. We will be watching a video series called "Flickering Lamps".

It is a series to help churches become strengthened and effective. We will start promptly at **9:35** each morning so we have time to view the video and discuss before church.

I would encourage all of you who are interested in a growing, vibrant church to set aside and commit to this time for these seven

Sundays beginning **November 10th through December 22nd.**

We will meet in the church basement. We hope to have coffee and treats!



Adult Choir Cantata

Rehearsal at 11:30 a.m.

Nov. 10th, 17th, 24th

Dec. 1st, 8th & 15th



Salvation Army Bell Ringing

We hope to get on the schedule for this again in December.

If you would like to join us, please let us know.

Harvest Festival at The Barn at Kill Creek



Thank you for the wonderful baked goods the De Soto Baptist Women provided for the Harvest Festival at The Barn at Kill Creek on October 26th and to Paula Rhodes for coordinating the booth. Your baking talents added such warmth and sweetness to the event, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed each delicious bite!



Linda Lane and Fred & Paula Jones were vendors and their contributions made the festival extra special, and the barn was so grateful for all the time and effort you put into creating such a memorable experience. Thank you again for your generosity and hard work – it truly made a difference.



Thank You for a Spooktacular Turnout!

We are thrilled to share that our Truck or Treat event on October 27th was a wonderful success! It was a joy to see so many smiling faces and creative costumes from our community.

Thank you to everyone who came out, decorated their vehicles, donated treats, and helped make the evening festive and fun. We couldn't have done it without the dedication of our amazing volunteers and the generosity of our church family. A special Thank You to Richelle Hodges for leading the committee.

We hope everyone enjoyed the games, treats, and fellowship, and we look forward to seeing you all at our future events.





Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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	Adult Choir Cantata rehearsal at 11:30 on Nov. 10th, 17th, 24th, & Dec. 1st, 8th, & 15th					
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Communion & Deacon's Fund		Women's Bible Study 1:00pm	6 Deacons & Trustees Meeting 6:30pm Business Meeting 7:00pm			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	11 ABW Meeting 6:30pm VETERANS DAY 	Men's Bible Study 6:30pm	Board of Christian Ed Meeting 7:00pm			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Women's Bible Study 1:00pm	DHS Brass Band Concert 7:00pm At DHS			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Men's Bible Study 6:30pm				



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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**

					1 Jeff Hodges Jerry Nalley	2
3 Carter Beck <i>Rick & Monica Walker</i>	4 Tim Queen	5	6 Sannie Dibble	7 Jim Etherton	8 Kayla Ingalls	9 Crissy Allen
10 Calvin Hayden	11	12	13 Sarah Tush	14 Gayla Houghman	15 Avery Ingalls	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Cole Huang Jeff Sipe	25	26	27	28 SunDee Evertt	29 Rita Ellis	30

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