

# Bulletin

July 14, 2024

## For The Church



In the book of Judges, chapters 4 and 5, we read about one of the most influential women of the Bible. Deborah was a prophet and could hear God’s voice and then share God’s Word. She is the only woman who was a prophet and a judge. Judges in ancient Israel were leaders raised up by God to deliver the people from oppression and to administer justice. Deborah became a judge in Israel at a time when the nation faced oppression from the Canaanites. God allowed this because of their disobedience.

Deborah was known for her wisdom and was a woman of faith. She was bold, a powerful encourager, confident and she had a heart for the Israelite leaders and those who followed God. Deborah was not only a prophet and judge but also a warrior and leader of the Israelites as she went off to battle and was victorious over the Canaanites.

The traits that stand out in Deborah that we can apply to our lives

1. Be Obedient – Deborah listened to what God called her to do and she followed His plans for her.
2. Be Courageous – “God doesn’t call the qualified, He qualifies the called”.
3. Stand True – We need to remember that God is guiding us, even when we are in a crisis. Deborah was so faithful to God.

### **A shining example for us**

Judges 5:31 “Thus let all Your enemies perish, O LORD! But let those who love Him be like the sun when it comes out in full strength.” A proclamation at the end of the song—“the land had rest for forty years” (verse 31)—is a testament to the life of Deborah. How much faith and commitment do we have in serving God as she did?

## In Our Prayers

Emersyn Milton  
Thomas Pruitt  
Elmer Schuette  
Carol Gingrich  
Madison Cole  
Susan Mayer (Chet’s sister)

Audie Thornburg  
Shari Soukup  
Zeb Carter  
Juanita (Abby’s Mother)  
Rick Toland  
Tim Taylor

Girard and Marilyn Holinde  
Courtney Emery  
Brenda Staub  
Dwight Huston  
Becky Carter  
SMC 2nd Session (Starts Today)

# Upcoming Events

## Young Family Ministry [Tonight]

Our next young family ministry will be tonight at 5 PM here in St. John at the church building. A meal and childcare will be provided. Come join us for a good time of fellowship!

## India Missions [Tonight]

Ben Renegar from Church of Christ India Missions will be speaking at Isabel tonight at 6:00 PM. This is the group that Linda Hamm accompanied to India and Sri Lanka in February.

## VBS [August 10]

The Stafford Church of Christ will be hosting their annual VBS on Saturday, August 11 from 9 AM until 1 PM.

## Save the Date:

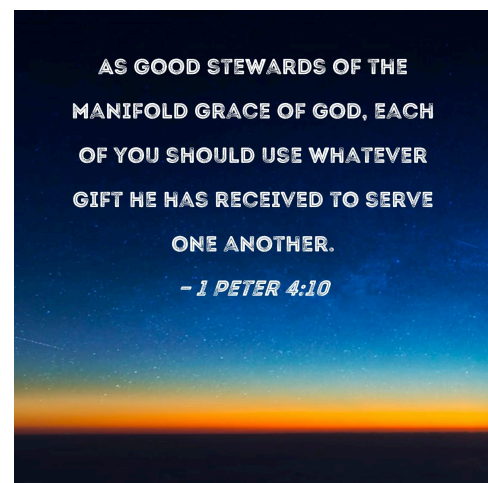
July 14-20 - SMC Second Session

July 21-27 - SMC Third Session

August 10 - VBS at Stafford

August 11 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)

September 8 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)



## Birthdays

None

# Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Terry & Joy Sallee

Song Leader: Stan Aldrich

Sound System: Orrin Feril

Gathering: #63 - I Will Call Upon the Lord

Welcome: Chris Mansel

Scripture Reading: Chris Mansel (1 Peter 4:10-11)

Shepherd's Prayer: Richard Brensing

Song: #611 - Heavenly Sunlight

Song: #376 - He Paid a Debt

Communion: Carl Feril

Song: #647 - Soldiers of Christ, Arise (vs. 1, 3, and 4)

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #635 - Freely, Freely

Closing Prayer: Zach Marks

**Sundays:** Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am  
Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am  
**Elders:** Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril  
**Deacons:** Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril, Zachary Marks  
**Minister:** Zeborah Carter