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# W O R S H I P

Sunday morning worship begins at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary, live on 101.7 WTYE FM or live streamed at [robinsonfumc.org/livestream](http://robinsonfumc.org/livestream). Sunday evenings worship service begins at 6:00 pm in the Chapel. The building is handicapped accessible. A staffed nursery is available for families with children during all services.

## **July 7, 2019**

Theme: *Light and Love: God's Gift*

Scripture: 1 John 4:1-21

## **August 18, 2019**

Theme: Cultivating Generosity: Talent

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12

## **July 14, 2019**

Theme: *Summer of Seuss*

Scripture: Various

(Music and Arts Camp leads worship)

## **August 25, 2019**

Theme: Cultivating Generosity: Treasure

Scripture: Mark 10:17-31

## **July 21, 2019**

Theme: *Light and Love: Follow Christ*

Scripture: 2 John 1:13

## **September 1, 2019**

Theme: Bearing Fruit: Love

Scripture: John 15:1-17

## **July 28, 2019**

Theme: *Light and Love: Lean on Me*

Scripture: 3 John 1-15

## **September 8, 2019**

Theme: Bearing Fruit: Joy

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-9

## **August 4, 2019**

Theme: Cultivating Generosity: Trash

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-30

## **September 15, 2019**

Theme: Bearing Fruit: Peace

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-18

## **August 11, 2019**

Theme: Cultivating Generosity: Time

Scripture: Psalm 39

## **September 22, 2019**

Theme: Bearing Fruit: Patience

Scripture: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

# **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday Mornings from 10:15 - 11:00

## **Kindergarten - 2nd Grade**

Leader: Sue Roales - (618) 544-9072

Study: *Deep Blue Connects* - weekly scripture, story and craft

## **3rd - 5th Grade**

Leader: Gary Oxford - (618) 544-7857

Study: *The Call* by Adam Hamilton

## **Jr. and Sr. High**

Leader: Amy Hartke - (618) 562-7860

## **S.P.I.C.E.**

### **(Self-Paced in Christian Education)**

Leader: Nina Davis - (618) 421-2156

Study: *The Salvation of Doctor Who* by Matt Rawle

## **Koinonia**

Leader: Jay Regennitter - (309) 235-2697

Study: *Faith Connections*

## **Faith & Friends**

Leader: Janelle Oxford - (618) 544-7857

Faith and Friends Sunday School class is on the threshold of discovery as we explore spirituality in our middle years. We will be studying *Threshold of Discovery* by L. Roger Owens through the end of July. At first, the topic of examining our middle years was a bit scary for some of us, especially when the author of the book is actually 40 years old and all of us are a bit past that. However, the weekly discussions have been meaningful and relevant for everyone. An interesting fact is Pastor Jay knows the author of this study. So, when he suggested it for our group, we had to dive into it. We would love for you to join us. The topics with this study are stand alone, so feel free to stop by anytime. If you do not classify yourself as a youth or young adult, you might want to give us a try. We are in intergenerational, eclectic mix of folks young at heart and eager to grow in our faith journey. In August and September, we will participate in our annual churchwide stewardship study and then we plan to dig into *Unafraid* by Adam Hamilton, which will explore living in hope and courage in uncertain times. We are already planning another outing for sometime this summer, so let us know if you would like to be a part of that. It is a great way to join in fellowship!

# CHILDREN & YOUTH

## **Kid's Club**

Leader: Jay Regennitter - (309) 235-2697

Kids' Club resumes on September 4th and meets Wednesday after school.

We gather in age groups and rotate through chapel, snacks, art, music, and recreation each week. Our activities usually begin by 3:00 pm and end at 5:00 pm.

Registration Forms:

<https://www.robinsonfumc.org/children>

## **Refresh**

Leaders: Jay Regennitter - (309) 235-2697; Nina Davis - (618) 421-2156;

Janelle Oxford - (618) 544-7857; Brennan Tracy - (618) 554-4432

Refresh Student Ministries resumes on September 4th and meets Wednesday mornings during the school year. A group of gentlemen cook breakfast every week, which is available from 6:30-7:00 am. Middle school students then go to Bible study with Janelle, Brennan, and Nina.

High school students go to Bible study with Pastor Jay. Studies conclude by 7:30 am, and rides are available for students to get to school on time.

Registration Forms:

<https://www.robinsonfumc.org/youth>

## **M.A.T.S. (Moms and Tots Sing)**

Leader: Antje Pippin - (618) 544-2228

MATS is for parents with kids from birth to PreK. It meets on Tuesdays at 11:00 am beginning on September 2nd. Class time includes interactive songs, instrument discovery, take-home activities and snack.

## **Youth Mission Trip**

Please pray for our Youth as they travel to UMCOR Sager Brown in Baldwin, LA on August 3 through 10!

## **End of Summer Bash**

There will be an End of Summer Bash at the Robinson City Pool on July 31st from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. There is no charge for this event, and it will be open to Kid's Club, Refresh and Boy Scouts. Pizza will be provided.

# **N O W P R O G R A M**

The NOW Program began in 2013 as a response to a growing population of at-risk children in the Robinson School district. Our three-pronged approach allows students to receive meals on weekends through the school year, lunches three times a week in the summer and head back to school with confidence with our back to school shopping day. Please contact Kirbie, [firstumcrob@gmail.com](mailto:firstumcrob@gmail.com), if you would like to volunteer.

## **Summer Lunches**

Please use this link if you would like to sign up for any of our summer lunches, every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 10:30 -11:30 am during the summer! The lunches go through August 8th. <https://tinyurl.com/yy75v7ly>

### **Remaining Summer Lunch Dates:**

July: 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31

August: 1, 6, 7, 8

### **Just One Items**

NOW collects one item every month that we give to our students at the Back to School Shopping days.

July: Large pink erasers and/or a 24 count box of Crayola brand crayons.

August: *We do not collect an item during August due to the shopping day.*

September: Child or Adult size bottle of Shampoo

### **We're Having a Cookout!**

Every year First Robinson Savings Bank hosts a fundraising cookout for us! This year it will be on July 19th, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. We will be serving food right in front of the bank, please stop by to eat some yummy food and help out this amazing program!



## **Back to School Shopping Days**

Kids are paired with a personal shopper, and they get to choose two new/gently used outfits, three new pairs of socks, three new pairs of underwear, basic toiletries, basic school supplies, and are fitted for a new pair of sneakers. In 2016 we incorporated haircuts into our shopping day. We worked with two local salon Hello Gorgeous. Their stylist provide free basic haircuts to the students that register. We also provide a small stock of additional shoes, coats, and other items that the students can choose from. These items help our students to feel confident about starting a new school year.

The shopping day will be Saturday, August 3rd, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.

The set up for the shopping day will be Friday, August 2nd beginning at 9:00 am. If anyone would like to volunteer please call Kirbie in the office or look for the sign up sheet on the welcome center.

## **Food Order Pick-up**

We will meet at FUMC at 10:00 am and, as a caravan, head over to Ruler Foods, pick up the order, then we head back to the church and unload it. That day will be Wednesday, August 14

## **Weekend Meal Bagging Dates**

Thursday, August 22nd at 4:00 pm

Thursday, August 29th at 4:00 pm

Thursday, September 5 at 4:00 pm

Thursday, September 12 at 4:00 pm

Thursday, September 19 at 4:00 pm

Thursday, September 26 at 4:00 pm

# OUTREACH

## **Women's Jail Ministry**

*Women's Jail Ministry Needs Your Help!*

The women who serve in the Women's Jail Ministry have been busy! We continue to serve in pairs each Thursday night from 6-7 as we visit with women who are in the Crawford County Jail. We continue to plant seeds of faith as God works through our weekly devotions, listening ears, and heartfelt conversations with women who are often at an all-time low due to addictions, severed relationships, and feeling lost. Our ministry is in need of some help due to Thelma Gifford moving and Brenda Graham continuing to recover. We know the Holy Spirit is moving among our congregation and may be calling some of you to join us. Visiting women in jail has brought all of us who serve in this ministry many blessings beyond anything we could have imagined. We have seen God work on women's hearts. We have experienced women learning about Jesus for the first time. We have realized that many of the issues that lie at the heart for the women we visit are larger social justice issues needing our church's attention. God has helped even helped each of us grow in our own spiritual journey through our weekly visits to the CC Jail. If the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve in this capacity, now is a great time to say, "yes!" We thank everyone for their continued support and prayers for our Women's Jail Ministry which just reached its four year anniversary! Feel free to contact Pastor Jay, Jennifer Emken, Shannon Goebel, Linda Null, Janelle Oxford, Beck Veenstra, or Brenda Graham if you would like to learn more or join us on our journey.

## **Movie Night**

The Outreach Committee is hosting another family movie night on Wednesday, August 14. We will enjoy a movie appropriate for all ages outside of the church on the grassy lawn at dusk. Additionally, we will serve popcorn and drinks. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to join us for a heartwarming flick and fellowship. Hope to see you there! Bring a friend!

## **Heritage Health**

Each 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:30 pm, our church is responsible for providing a worship service for the residents & their families at the Heritage Health Nursing Home in Robinson. It is a time when we pray, worship, sing hymns together, read poetry, scripture, & share communion with one another. Please come & join in this valuable outreach ministry of our church. For more information, please contact the church office.

## **Radio Broadcast**

One of our most enduring outreach programs is our Sunday morning airing of our church service from our local radio station, WTYE 101.7 FM at 9:00 am. The cost of the broadcast is \$100. Broadcasts can dedicate a broadcast in someone's honor or memory, for a birthday, anniversary, etc. To sign up, call the church office.

## **Lunch Buddy**

The Lunch Buddy Program is a program in which adults volunteer their time at WES or LGS, and have lunch with a student that is in need of a positive role model. This program allows for our students to form a meaningful relationship with an adult and studies have shown that even one positive relationship in these children's' lives can do a world of difference. We ask that you please consider donating your time to one of these students by being a buddy!

With a new school year starting that will mean new students that are in need of a lunch buddy! Please contact Kirbie, [firstumcrob@gmail.com](mailto:firstumcrob@gmail.com), if you would like to get started being a buddy for the 2019-2020 school year! If you don't have the time in your schedule, but want to help out, lunch buddy is always accepting free will donations to help pay for the lunches and the background checks.

## Stephen Ministry

Great things are happening with this ministry! In addition to our weekly prayer team who are available in the chapel each Sunday after church and our grief care team reaching out to folks who have lost loved ones during the past year, our Stephen Leaders are gearing up for our first Stephen Ministry class this fall that will train our first set of Stephen Ministers. In June, Pastor Jay, Janis Daugherty, Marcia Schmidlin, and Janelle Oxford attended a week-long Stephen Leaders Training, which taught them how to train Stephen Ministers and how to keep our Stephen Ministry running smoothly, so we can serve others needing care in our congregation and community. Many of you in our congregation would make excellent Stephen Ministers who could walk alongside someone needing care. Please keep this group and our church in prayer as we begin planning our training and seeking Stephen Ministers. Please be open to God's still small voice that might be calling you to serve in this important care and outreach ministry. If you are interested in learning more, please talk with Pastor Jay, Janis Daugherty, Marcia Schmidlin, or Janelle Oxford.



*Christ caring for people through people*

**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

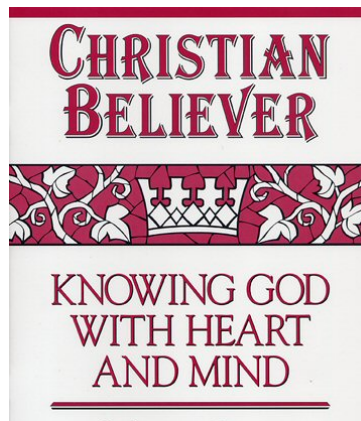
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# BIBLE STUDIES

## **Christian Believer**

Leader: Jay Regennitter - (309) 235-2697

Pastor Jay will be offering Christian Believer during the school year. This study is another in the Disciple Bible study series, and looks at Christian faith through the eyes of the creeds. Each week involves the reading of significant portions of Scripture and some source readings from different saints of the faith. We'll be offering a sign-up for materials (cost will be \$50) beginning in July. Classes will meet from 6:00-8:00 pm on Tuesdays, beginning September 3, and from 9:30-11:30 am on Thursdays, beginning on September 5.



## **Couples Small Group**

Leaders: Daniel and Jennifer Boatman - (618) 843-5152

Thursdays at 5:30 pm beginning on September 5

Study: *Sacred Marriage* by Gary Thomas and *Kingdom Marriage* by Tony Evans

# FINANCE

## Finance Fun Facts

This quarter's topic is everyone's favorite: stewardship! Our yearly stewardship campaign is coming up in August, and this year we have a stewardship program written by Pastor Jay to look forward to. However, I know a lot of people inwardly groan when they hear stewardship, thinking that it's just the church asking for their money; but it's so much more than that! The dictionary actually defines stewardship as "the conducting, supervising, or managing of something, especially as it relates to something entrusted to one's care." Stewardship isn't about the church wanting your money; it's about God wanting you to faithfully manage what he has entrusted to you: time, talents, money, etc. Yes, the finance committee does focus a bit more on the money side (it's our job). But our goal this year is to help you better understand where your money goes when you give a gift to the church; we are working on an easy to read narrative budget to provide to everyone, so stay tuned. However, if you choose to give to the church in another way (time, talents, etc.), that's great too. God calls us to be generous givers in all areas of life, and we can't wait to see how God calls you!

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