

HIS HANDS AND FEET

A Monthly newsletter of the
Webster Federated Church

October 2026

From the Pastor

Here we are! Fall has come and, with the fall, our activities are starting again! Bible study every Tuesday, Halloween events are around the corner, and we are already preparing for Advent and Christmas! We are going to be busy, busy, busy! But busy is good, right?

Moving on, I've had the recurring thought that I should write an article about why we study the Bible, why the Bible should be the foundation of our lives or why it is important to study the Bible.

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This Month

Sunday, 10am: Worship service followed by coffee hour

Tuesdays, 6pm, "Bible 101" small group

Saturday, 10/3, 10 to 3: Dudley Grange Apple Festival

Monday, 10/13, 6pm: Council Meeting

Monday, 10/20, 6pm: Outreach Meeting

Saturday, 10/24, 12-2: Community Halloween Party

Sunday, 10/25, after worship: Monthly Pancake Breakfast and Birthday Celebration

Friday, 10/30, 4-6: Town Trunk or Treat

Mark your calendar:

Sunday, 11/1: All Saints

Sunday, 11/8: Volunteer Appreciation Sunday



Event Season is Starting Again!

Our church has become well-known in the community for the community events we either organize or participate in. Take a look in this edition of our newsletter to discover what is in store for us this fall, mark your calendars, and remember to check out the opportunities to volunteer during this time!! From Trunk or Treat to the Giving Tree and more, we will be busy and need all the help we can get! And it is fun, just ask volunteers that already participated!!



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From the Pastor (continued)

Many of us love to serve and volunteer in our ministries and events. There is nothing better than a servant heart and emulating Jesus.

However, how about feeding your soul? Many of us pray every day. Many read the Bible (from time to time...). Many also give offerings on Sunday. All of these are spiritual disciplines and all are necessary. However, how about studying, not only reading, the Bible? We think we know what's in the Book. But do we? Do we understand it? Can we study alone or do we need guidance?

We do have many volunteers helping at all our ministries but a small group in the weekly Bible study. "I don't have time for one more evening group..." I get this. How about taking a break from feeding the sheep and feeding yourself instead? From clothing the sheep and clothing your soul instead?

Here are some reasons we should study the Bible:

Reason #1: We study the Bible to understand God's character.

Reason #2: We study the Bible to remember God's mighty acts.

Reason #3: We study the Bible to know that God has redeemed us.

Reason #4: We study the Bible to grow in our awe of the Lord.

Reason #5: We study the Bible to grow in wisdom and understanding.

Reason #6: We study the Bible to be reminded to worship God.

Reason #7: We study the Bible for encouragement.

Reason #8: We study the Bible for hope.

Reason #9: We study the Bible so we can endure.

I hope these reasons convince you that it's important to study the Bible. That it's important to let the Bible be the foundation of your life. The Bible holds the key to knowing God, being redeemed from your sins, and having hope to endure to the end. It holds the words that bring eternal life.

I hope you will join us at Bible 101 as we study God's word each week!

In Christ,

Pastor Sabina

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*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me".
Philippians 4:13*

*"I never saw a useful Christian
who was not a student of the
Bible." —D. L. Moody*

WORSHIP

Gathered to praise. Sent to serve.



October 2026 Updates

Worship Schedule

10/4	Matthew 16:13-20	Why do I Have to go to Church?
10/11	Luke 22:14-23	Why did Jesus Die?
10/18	Ephesians 1:3-10	Why am I Here?
10/25	Job 19:7-8	Where is God?
	Psalms 22:1-5	



Worship & Music

This fall will welcome the start of a new worship team. This team will include volunteers interested in anything worship-related, from music, to technology, decorating the space, preparing communion and more. Contact Pastor Sabina if interested.

Verse OF THE MONTH



REMINDERS & HIGHLIGHTS



Upcoming Services

All Saints
Sunday, November 1



Prayer Focus

Join us in praying for our country and all its people.



Worship Preview

Continuing sermon series: Why, God?
If You Could Ask God One Question

Should we celebrate Halloween as Christians?

Halloween actually began as a Christian holiday, although whether it usurped another pagan holiday remains undetermined. Halloween is just another way of saying, "All Saints Eve." It's a holiday in which the church celebrates all of the saints who have died in the last year.

When you tell your kids they cannot trick or treat because they are Christians and good Christians don't do such things, you turn Christian freedom into Christian bondage. Such talk removes justification by grace through faith as the means by which one is

saved and replaces it with holy and right living as the means to salvation. You teach your kids that God cares more about their behavior than he cares for them because they are sinners in need of grace. Don't make Jesus into a cosmic killjoy. In other words, don't make Christ into the reason your kids can't do something that he neither commands nor forbids. In this way, Christianity is needlessly associated with a bunch of made-up rules, rather than the forgiveness of sins.



SERVICE NOTES

Worship services begin at 10:00 AM every Sunday. Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

MINISTRY NEWS

Updates from around our outreach ministries



The Giving Tree

It may seem early, but the Webster/Dudley Giving Tree organized by our church has already begun its work! Christmas is important and exciting for children, and helping their parents and guardians provide presents is what we're all about. If you know someone with children who needs some assistance, please let them know about us.

During the first three weeks of November, volunteers will take names of children whenever the Threads of Hope Closet is open: Tuesdays from 9-11am and Thursdays from 9-11am and 4-7pm. In addition to providing information about their child, parents and guardians will need to show proof they live in Webster or Dudley and proof that the child is 12 or younger.

If you'd like to help, please contact Gayle at websterdudleygivingtree@yahoo.com or phone her directly at 774.200.8988.



FEED MY SHEEP

Free Meal Ministry

Beating records here!
75 guests served in
one evening!!
Congratulations to our
volunteers!



Close to 500
sleeping bags so far
this year, sent to
different
organizations!
Congrats to all!

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOU
AND ME IS YOU USE SCRIPTURE
TO DETERMINE WHAT LOVE MEANS
AND I USE LOVE TO DETERMINE
WHAT SCRIPTURE MEANS.



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STAY CONNECTED

Selah Internet Cafe



🕒 THURSDAYS, 1-7M

📍 CHURCH OFFICE

📶 FREE WIFI

💻 5 COMPUTERS

🖨️ FREE PRINTING

🖨️ FREE COPY/SCAN

☕ FREE COFFEE

ALL

AGES

- Research
- Online classes and educational resources
- Job search (writing résumés, search for jobs...)
- Access SNAP, SSI, housing and other government sites such as the RMV...
- School homework, learning activities
- Type correspondence...
- Access email

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"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

DISCIPLESHIP

Updates, Stories, Prayers, and Opportunities to help us grow



Discipleship Groups

Bible 101 has started again, every Tuesday at 6pm. There is no commitment as each Tuesday is different. We talk about a different book of the Bible in order. Quick review, who wrote it, when, what was the purpose, why is it important and what does it mean for our lives now. Here is a quick outline for October. We have completed the major prophets and are now moving on with the minor ones!

10/6: Books of Hosea and Joel
10/13: Books of Amos and Obadiah
10/20: Books of Jonah and Micah
10/27: Books of Nahum and Habakkuk
11/3: Books of Zephaniah and Haggai
11/10: Books of Zechariah and Malachi
11/17: Review of what we have learned so far, aka the story of the Bible!
11/24: Break



Prayer of the Month

Creator God, for daily bread
and all who work
to bring your harvest home
we bring our thanks today.

Forgive our ingratitude
we who have so much
yet waste what you have given.

For those whose harvest is poor,
whose crops have withered,
water tainted, children starve,
help those who bring relief
and bestow on us
an unaccustomed generosity,
that all might share from your garden
and all might sing your praise.

Creator God, provider of all
we bring our thanks today.

Better Together

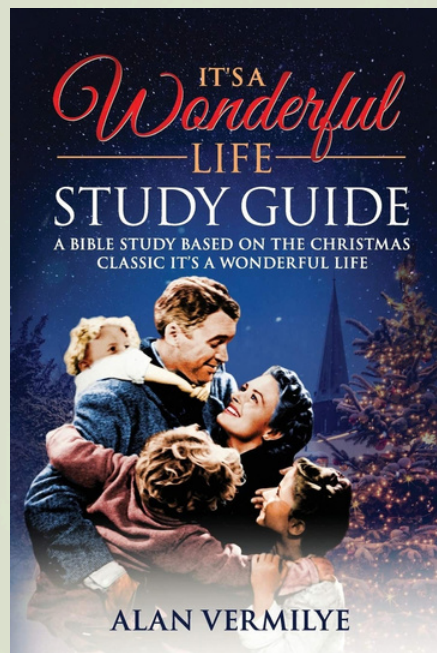
Let's encourage
one another and
grow in faith—together.

ADVENT STUDY!!

As we always do at Christmas time, we will take a break from our Bible 101 small group during Advent and spend 5 weeks on something special!!

**"It's a Wonderful Life:
A Bible Study Based on the Christmas
Classic It's a Wonderful Life"**

Details will be coming soon!



"Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance". Proverbs 1:5

EVENTS

Upcoming Opportunities to Connect with our Community



UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT
3

Dudley Grange Annual Apple Festival

10am-3pm

The church will have an information booth with games for the kids.

OCT
24

Community Halloween Party

12pm-2pm - Fellowship Hall

Volunteers needed for our annual Halloween bash!

OCT
30

Town Trunk or Treat

4pm-6pm

Volunteers needed to have fun with the children on the town hall parking lot!

NOV
8

Volunteer Appreciation Sunday

During worship, followed by a luncheon

Join us to celebrate the many volunteers that make our ministries and events possible!



2026 Stewardship Campaign

The theme for this stewardship year is the climactic line from the parable of the Good Samaritan: "Go and Do the Same." (Luke 10:25-37). The implication is that God calls us to "go and do th

By mid-October, everyone will receive a letter and pledge card. We ask that your return the cards by Sunday, November 15, for our Stewardship Sunday celebration.

Coming Up
Soon!



Saturday, November 7,
12pm-2pm, featuring
the Pulaski Brass Band



"Christian wisdom
requires us to look for Jesus
in every issue."



CYNTHIA GARRETT

EVENTS

Upcoming Opportunities to
connect with our community



FREE FAMILY HALLOWEEN PARTY

SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER

12PM TO 2PM

COSTUME CONTEST WITH PRIZES
TREATS FOR ALL KIDS
FACE PAINTING, PINATAS
PUMPKIN AND COOKIE DECORATING
SCAVENGER HUNT
GAMES (EVERYONE WINS A PRIZE)

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Join us on the Town Hall parking lot as
our church participates this year again in
the town Trunk or Treat event!

Pastor Sabina's car will be decorated and
we will have treat bags for the children,
a prize wheel with free prizes, and
information bags for the parents!

Volunteers are welcome! This is a fun
event just across the street from our
church!!



"You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand."
Psalm 16:11

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Happy October!



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OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Friday, 9:30-1, or by appointment

WORSHIP:

Sundays at 10, in person and live on Facebook

BIBLE STUDY:

Tuesdays at 6pm

THREADS OF HOPE CLOTHING MINISTRY:

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-11, and Thursdays 4-7, 1

FEED MY SHEEP FREE MEAL MINISTRY:

Thursdays, 5

GOLDEN BEES SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY:

Mondays, 9-12

KNIT PRAY LOVE MINISTRY:

Mondays, 10-12, Ladies' Parlor

OUTDOOR FOOD PANTRY: Ongoing