

We Believe...

The Scriptures - The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to man. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, as its matter.

God - There is only one living and true God. The eternal God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

Man - Man was created by the special act of God, in His own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. Man sinned against God so Christ died to make man acceptable before God.

Salvation - Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

God's Purpose of Grace - Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end.

The Church - The New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel ... and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth. This church is an autonomous body. The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages.

Baptism & the Lord's Supper - Baptism is the act of obedience symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior, the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. **The Lord's Supper** is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

The Lord's Day - The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion.

It is the vision of Amherst Baptist Church that every one of us becomes a thriving, multiplying, joy-filled follower of Jesus Christ, whose understanding of God is always deepening — to the glory of God and to the building of His kingdom.

If you have questions about what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ, how to request baptism, or what membership at Amherst Baptist Church looks like, please speak with Pastor Eric or Pastor Scott
email:
pastors@amherstbaptist.com

*Thank you for worshipping with us today!
Today's Message:*

THE MYOPIC LIFE OF SIN
JOHN 11:45-57
BY PASTOR ERIC NAPOLI

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NEW BEGINNINGS PANTRY NEWS: We have been receiving quite a few more clients for the area we are honored to serve. We are requesting immediately to fill some of our shelves, particularly, **Pasta and Canned Meat (spam, tuna, chicken, potted meat, etc).** With increased volume, we can always use more volunteers, too. Please let



John or Carol Young know how you may assist them as Carol awaits surgery. The pantry will be closed the first week of May.



APRIL Birthdays!



4/24— Madeline Reigh



4/26— JoAnn Malloy

UPCOMING WEEKENDS IN APRIL

TODAY – VOLUNTEER SCREENING & TRAINING—

following **DNA**. This is for all volunteers, in particular, those working with youth, children and nursery. Backgrounds checks will be completed on all the volunteers. Thank you to Val Goodwill who will provide a lunch for us.



4/29 – CHURCH WORK DAY—@ 9am. With Spring on the move, our property could use some sprucing up (inside and out). Sign up sheets will be posted soon outside the office to direct those coming to help. Thanks!



4/30 – CELEBRATION SUNDAY during the service.



Come and hear what God has been doing in our midst. If anyone would like to be included, please let Pastor Scott know what brief testimony you would like to share.

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WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

SUNDAY EVEING BIBLE STUDY @ 6:30 begins again tonight and runs through May 21st. Seven Principles of Experiencing God. Led by Pastor Eric.

MEN'S WEEKLY PRAYER ON ZOOM—Every MON @ 9:30a.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS—

Every TUES from 6-8pm (Every Tuesday this month)

FRIDAYS—4/14 & 4/28 this month from 9-11am.

Every third SATURDAY – 4/15 this month from 9:45-11:45am.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY—Every WEDS 9:30-11:30am at church.

Currently studying the Gospel of John. Join us anytime!

AWANA –Every WEDS at 6:30pm. Grades Pre-K– 6

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY—Every THURS @ 7:30pm.

Study is in the Book of Romans

X2-YOUTH GROUP— Every FRIDAY from 7-10pm. Grades 7-12.

MONTHLY, BI-MONTHLY AND OCCASIONAL EVENTS

FRI 4/28- FOURTH FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP– TRIVIA NIGHT–

Teams of up to 6 can start getting organized to compete. Popcorn & beverages are provided. May bring your own snack, too

SAT. 4/29 - CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY @ 9am.—Please pitch in!

MAY 5-7TH- ALLEGHENY FAMILY CAMP WEEKEND is coming up soon. Any last minute groups who would like to join us, please see Kathryn asap. This is also for singles who want to share a cabin and join the fun. Four cabins still remain open!

MOST WEEKS AFTER THE WORSHIP SERVICE,

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR DNA (DISCUSSION 'N APPLICATION) GROUPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL AGES (PRIMARYLY LOCATED IN THE EDUCATIONAL WING).

A GREETER WILL BE HAPPY TO ESCORT YOU TO A DNA GROUP AND INTRODUCE YOU TO THE DISCUSSION LEADER.

ADULT DNA CLASSES:

Young Adult DNA – Pastors' Study

Young Couples' DNA – Rm 2

Women's DNA – Library

DNA – Rm 9

Coed DNA – Old Library (S3)

Coed DNA – Room S2



CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES:

Nursery—Nursery (Room 5)

Grades K–2—Rm 24

Grades 3–4 —Rm 26

Grades 5–8—Rm 25

Grades 9–12— D2 (Downstairs)



Nursery Care is available for infants and toddlers during the entire service. A greeter will be happy to escort you to the nursery and introduce you to our wonderful nursery volunteers.



If you have a prayer concern that you would like to share with our church family, please email it to prayerchain@amherstbaptist.com