



### Sunday School Resumes

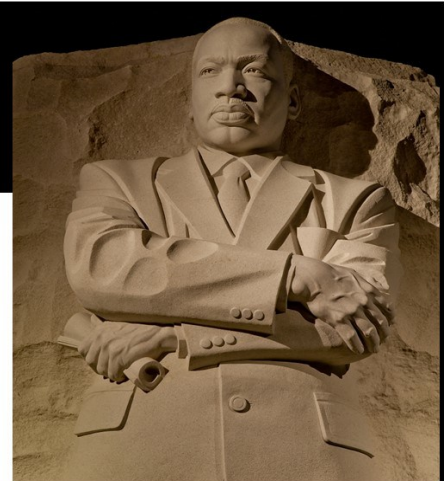
Adult Sunday School resumes this Sunday at 9:30 am. If you have wanted to attend but haven't, now is a great time to start!

### Interfaith MLK Service

The Henry County Interfaith Coalition will be holding the 5th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Service on Sunday, January 8, at 3:00 pm. Join Pastor Robb and other interfaith community leaders as they reflect on Dr. King's legacy and impact. The service will be held at Congregation B'nai Israel in Fayetteville. Please make plans to attend.

## DARING TO DREAM

*honoring the legacy of*  
**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**



Sunday, January 8, 2023

3:00pm

Congregation B'nai Israel  
1633 Hwy 54 East,  
Fayetteville, GA

You are invited to join us for an interfaith gathering  
to promote hope, peace, and transformation

Guest Speakers:

**Rev. Dr. John H. Vaughn**

Executive Pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta  
*and*

**Rabbi Lydia Medwin,**

Associate Rabbi at The Temple, Atlanta

Space is limited - RSVP is suggested but not required

Please contact Susan Burden at [sburden@bnai-israel.net](mailto:sburden@bnai-israel.net) to RSVP or for directions  
This service will be streamed live from <https://www.facebook.com/CBIFayetteville/>



Sponsored by the Henry County Interfaith Coalition

### Congregational Meeting

Please plan to attend our annual congregational meeting on January 22, immediately following worship. Annual reports will be presented. All voting members will have an opportunity to ask questions, and items for discussion may be presented by any member from the floor.

### Council Retreat

The church council will gather for a day-long retreat on Saturday, February 4, beginning at 9:00 am. Location TBD. If you are on church council, please make sure you set this important date aside.

### Continuing Education

Pastor Robb will be on continuing education leave January 23-29. Pastor Pasch will preach and preside on the 29th.



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## **Upcoming Commemorations**

### **January 1 Name of Jesus**

By Jewish law, every baby boy was circumcised and named on the eighth day of life, so on the eighth day of Christmas the church celebrates this event in Jesus' life. The keeping of the covenant as well as Jesus' name are signs of God's salvation given to us through him.

### **January 2 Johann Konrad Wilhelm Loehle, renewer of the church, died 1872**

Loehle was a pastor in nineteenth-century Germany. Loehle's chief concern was that a congregation find its life in the holy communion, and from that source evangelism and social ministries would flow. He sent pastors to North America, Australia, New Guinea, Brazil, and Ukraine.

### **January 9 Adrian of Canterbury, teacher, died around 710 (TFF)**

African by birth, Adrian (or Hadrian) worked with Theodore, archbishop of Canterbury, in developing the church in England. He was director of a school at which church leaders were trained.

### **January 15 Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of society, martyr, died 1968**

An American prophet of justice among races and nations, King was an eloquent preacher, a leader of the non-violent resistance to race-segregated society, and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. Born on this date, he was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

### **January 17 Antony of Egypt, renewer of the church, died around 356**

One of the earliest of the Egyptian desert fathers, Antony gave away his sizeable inheritance and became a hermit. Later he became leader of a group of monks who devoted themselves to prayer, worship, and labor.

### **January 17 Pachomius, renewer of the church, died 346**

Born in Egypt, Pachomius became a Christian while a soldier. He became a hermit (a solitary monk) and organized others into a religious community. His rule for monasteries influenced later ones in both the Eastern and Western churches.

### **January 18 Confession of Peter**

Today the church remembers the apostle Peter's great acknowledgement of Jesus as "the Christ, the Son of the living God." This festival serves as a fitting beginning to the week in which we particularly pray that all Christians might be united in faith and witness.

### **January 19 Henry, Bishop of Uppsala, martyr, died 1156**

When Erik, King of Sweden, determined to invade Finland for the purpose of converting the people there to Christianity, Henry went with him. Henry is recognized as the patron saint of Finland.

### **January 21 Agnes, martyr, died around 304**

Agnes was a girl of about thirteen living in Rome. The details of her martyrdom are not clear, but she gave witness to her faith and was put to death as a result, most likely by the sword. The church has honored her as one of the chief martyrs of her time.

### **January 25 Conversion of Paul**

The week of prayer begun by the remembrance of Peter's confession now comes to an end as we recall the pivotal moment in the life of the other pillar of the early church, the apostle Paul. His encounter with the risen Christ turned him from persecutor of the followers of Christ to one of their leaders.

## Upcoming Commemorations (continued)

### January 26 Timothy, Titus, and Silas, missionaries

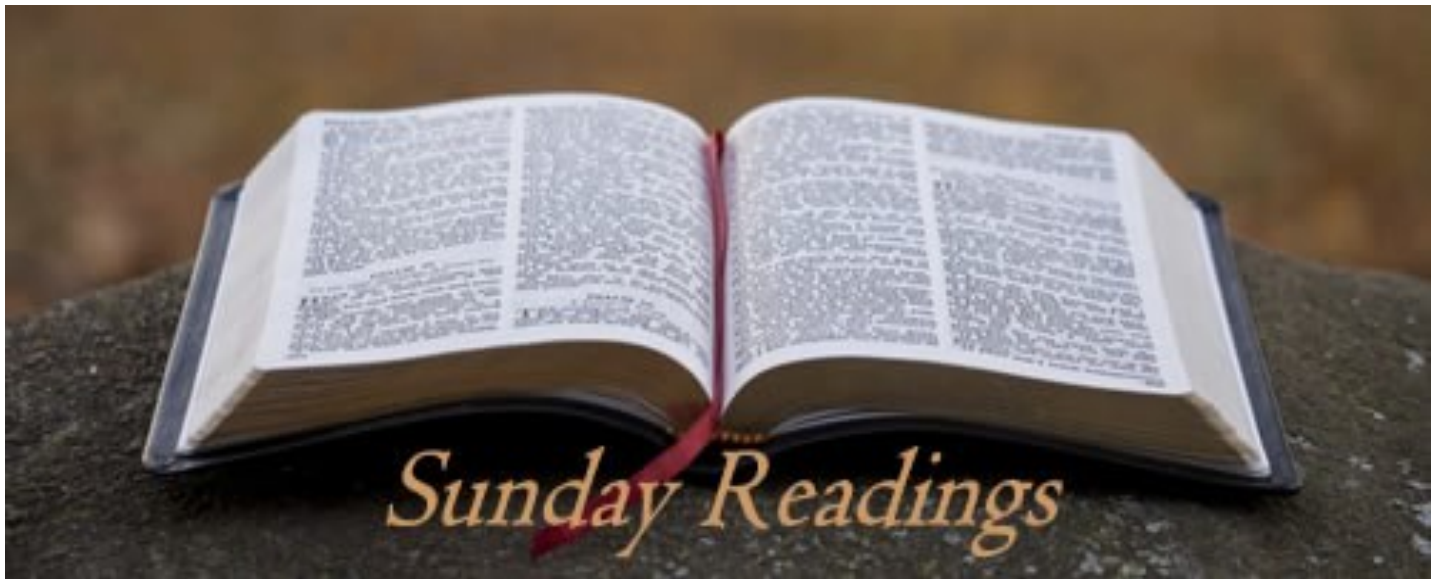
These three early Christian men were missionary companions of the apostle Paul. Timothy became bishop of Ephesus, Titus bishop of Crete, and Silas was imprisoned with Paul at Philippi until they were delivered by an earthquake.

### January 27 Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe, witnesses to the faith

Women as well as men were important Christian leaders from the beginning, as demonstrated by these coworkers of the apostle Paul. Lydia, a seller of purple goods, lent her home for a church; Dorcas was known for charitable works; and Phoebe was a deacon in the church at Cenchrae.

### January 28 Thomas Aquinas, teacher, died 1274

One of the most brilliant and creative theologians in the church's history, Aquinas worked to bring together scripture and the philosophy of Aristotle. A member of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), Aquinas was also a hymnwriter.



### January 1

Numbers 6:22-27  
Psalm 8  
Galatians 4:4-7  
Luke 2:15-21

### January 8

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Psalm 29  
Acts 10:34-43  
Matthew 3:13-17

### January 15

Isaiah 49:1-7  
Psalm 40:1-11  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
John 1:29-42

### January 22

Isaiah 9:1-4  
Psalm 27:1, 4-9  
1 Corinthians 1:10-18  
Matthew 4:12-23

### January 29

Micah 6:1-8  
Psalm 15  
1 Corinthians 1:18-31  
Matthew 5:1-12

## **January 2023 Sunday Servants**

### **January 1**

Assistant: Kelly Glow

Lector: Dave Barkdoll

Ushers: John Shaw and Larry Egas

Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little

Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

### **January 8**

Assistant: Debbie Lundell

Lector: Shelia Kelley

Ushers: John Shaw and Tony Kelly

Counters: Beverly and Mark Rettig

Cleaners: The Egas Family

### **January 15**

Assistant: Mark Rettig

Lector: Conrad Busch

Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner

Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace

Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little

### **January 22**

Assistant: Mary Shulak

Lector: David Ludley

Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig

Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little

Cleaners: The Barkdolls and Vickie Pace

### **January 29**

Assistant: Barbara Little

Lector: Eric Heckman

Ushers: Ed and Judy Joyner

Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace

Cleaning: The Joyners and the Sparrows

# January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	2 Al-Anon 12 pm	3	4	5	6	7 AA 9 am
8 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	9 Al-Anon 12 pm	10	11	12	13	14 AA 9 am
15 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	16 Al-Anon 12 pm	17	18	19	20	21 AA 9 am
22 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	23 Al-Anon 12 pm  Deadline for newsletter submissions	24	25	26	27 Gathering 11 am	28 AA 9 am
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