



## THIS WEEK AT SARDIS

### Sunday, July 8

10:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Elementary Faith Exploration	Ed Hall
	Summer Sermon Talk Back Session	Dining Room
6:00 p.m.	HS Youth Spontaneous Combustion	Away

### Monday, July 9

6:30 p.m.	Stewardship Ministry	104
7:00 p.m.	Session Ministry Meetings	Various Rooms

### Wednesday, July 11

6:30 p.m.	Faith & Films Series	Sardis House
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### Thursday, July 12

7:00 p.m.	Musical Exploration	Sanctuary
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### Join us after the 10:00 service

July 8 Sanctuary Porte Cochere	July 15 Preschool Porte Cochere
July 22 Preschool Porte Cochere	July 29 Preschool Porte Cochere



## EVENT SPOTLIGHT

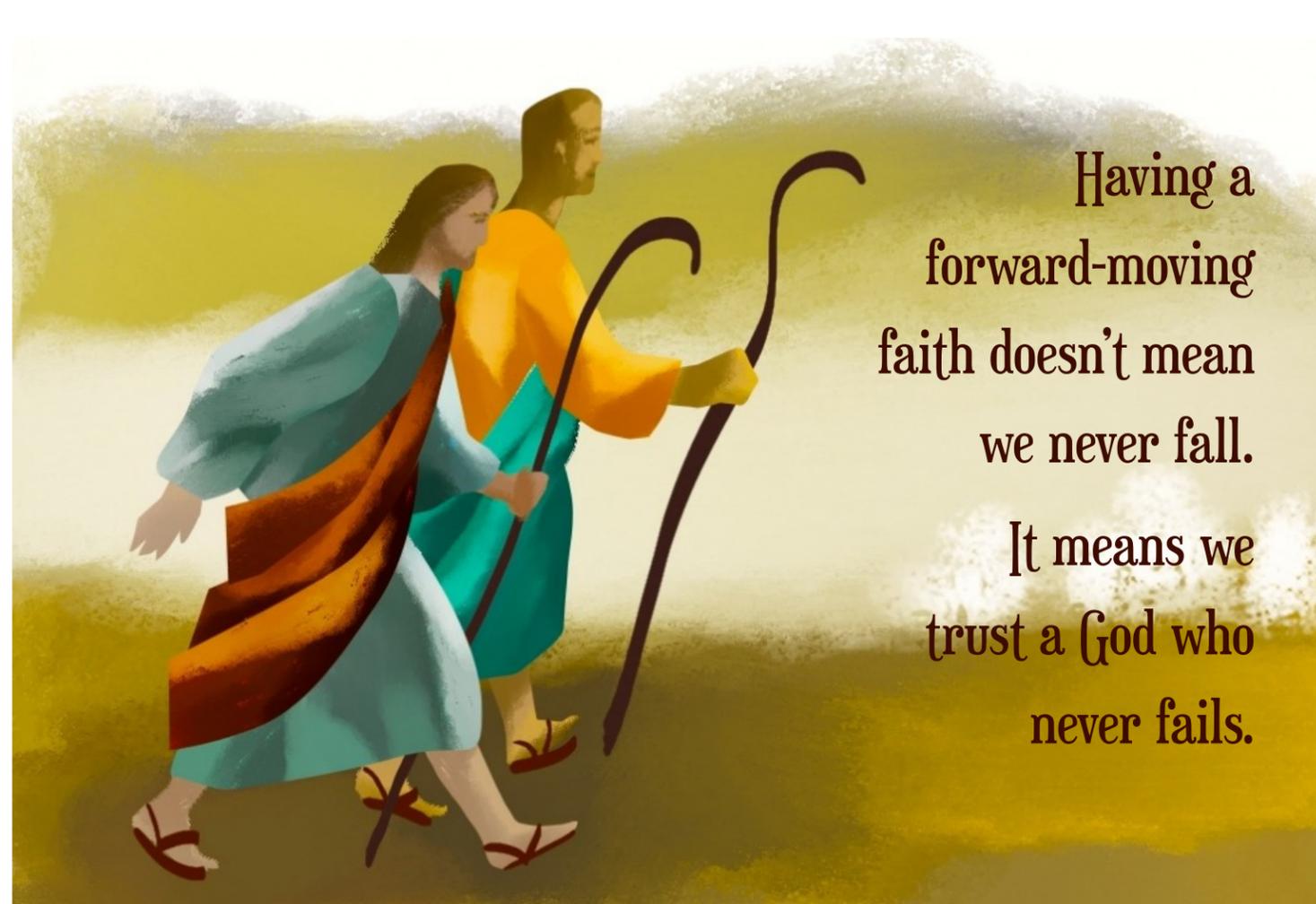
**Next Sunday, July 15:** Please join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for worship.

**Sermon Talk Back:** After our 10:00 a.m. worship services now through September 2, we invite the adults and youth to join us for Sermon Talk Backs—conversations with our Sardis pastors.

**Elementary Faith Exploration begins today.** While the adults and youth are in the Sermon Talk Back, we invite the elementary children to gather for hands-on learning and faith exploration. We will meet up at the Lemonade Socials each Sunday.

**Baseball for Bayonnais: The deadline to purchase tickets is July 16.** Help support the OFCB Clinic in Bayonnais, Haiti as the Knights take on the Louisville Bats on Saturday, August 18. Tickets for the 7:05 game include a fireworks show afterward. The cost is \$21 with \$4 going to the mission. Limited bus transportation from Sardis is available by request. Purchase tickets at [sardis.org](http://sardis.org) or download the registration form and mail it in with payment (checks made out to Sardis Presbyterian Church). Questions: contact Pressly Gilbert ([presslygilbert@gmail.com](mailto:presslygilbert@gmail.com)).

Visit [sardis.org](http://sardis.org) to find out more about Sardis events, or pick up an issue of this month's newsletter, *The Communicator*, in the Narthex.



Having a  
forward-moving  
faith doesn't mean  
we never fall.  
It means we  
trust a God who  
never fails.

### Sardis' Core Values

- A Family Growing in Faith Together
- Where You Never Walk Alone
- Discover and Follow Your Calling
- Appreciating Our Past; Embracing Our Future
- Serving God by Serving Others

### Mission Statement

The mission of Sardis Presbyterian Church is to glorify God as we seek to live, express and faithfully demonstrate the Great Commandment and Great Commission of our Lord, Jesus Christ.



We seek to advance this mission through the God-directed purposes of:

*Worship  
Service  
Evangelism  
Discipleship  
Fellowship*

*Please remember to silence all cell phones in the Sanctuary.*

### Welcome to Sardis Presbyterian Church.

We are honored that you chose to worship God with us this morning.

If you are looking for a church home, we would love to help you explore the possibility that Sardis is the place God is calling you to worship and serve. Just give us information in the pew Friendship Pad for how you prefer to be contacted.

You are welcome here.

### GET CONNECTED

Breaking news. Exclusive content. Valuable insights. Our church's online community is growing. Like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter! Get started by clicking on the link at [sardis.org](http://sardis.org).

[Facebook.com/sardispres](https://www.facebook.com/sardispres)

[Twitter.com/sardispres](https://www.twitter.com/sardispres)

[Instagram.com/sardispres](https://www.instagram.com/sardispres)

## SUMMER FUN @ SARDIS

### Vacation Bible School

**! THIS WEEK !**

**Registration is closed.**

We have a full roster and are excited for the fun week ahead. Be sure to join us for Worship next Sunday in the Fellowship Hall as the VBS participants lead us in Worship and demonstrate what they learned during the week.

### SMASH

Sardis Music & Arts Summer Hoopla

**JULY 30 – AUGUST 3**  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- \$45 per child (\$75 max)
- For rising 2<sup>nd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> graders
- Performance on Sunday, August 5, during the 10:00 a.m. worship service

### Youth Cooking Camp

**AUGUST 20 - 22**  
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- \$50 per child
- Middle & high school ages
- Lead by Chef Ron Ahlert of the Community Culinary School of Charlotte.

Get more information and register at [www.sardis.org](http://www.sardis.org)

# WORSHIP



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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS are available on racks in the hall near door by the pulpit and the Narthex (main entrance). Please return the bags to the designated basket by the rack.

CHILDCARE for infants through age 5 is available during worship in the Weekday School building. Children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and older are encouraged to worship with their families.

COPIES OF THE Sardis Church newsletter, The Communicator, are available in the Narthex and on the website, [www.sardis.org](http://www.sardis.org).

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES with disposable ear coverings are available. Please speak with an usher and he/she will provide one for you.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNS are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY is provided in the main body of the Sanctuary, on the side aisles on the seventh pew, and in the transept area. A handicap unisex bathroom is located in the left rear hallway.

CDs & DVDs of the worship service are available. Contact the church office for details. Audio sermons are available online at [www.sardis.org](http://www.sardis.org).

## THE CORPORATE WORSHIP OF GOD

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

† SONG Build Your Kingdom Here *Rend Collective*

**Come set Your rule and reign, in our hearts again  
Increase in us we pray, unveil why we're made  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope,  
like wildfire in our very souls  
Holy Spirit come invade us now  
We are Your Church, we need Your power in us.**

**We seek Your kingdom first, we hunger and we thirst  
Refuse to waste our lives, for You're our joy and prize  
To see the captive hearts released, the hurt;  
the sick; the poor at peace  
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause.  
We are Your church, we pray revive this earth.**

*Chorus:* **Build Your kingdom here, let the darkness fear,  
show Your mighty hand,  
Heal our streets and land, set Your church on fire,  
Win this nation back, change the atmosphere,  
Build Your kingdom here we pray.**

**Unleash Your kingdom's power, reaching the near and far  
No force of hell can stop, Your beauty changing hearts  
You made us for much more than this,  
awake the kingdom seed in us  
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.  
We are Your church, we are the hope on earth.**

† WELCOME Rev. Katherine B. Harrington  
*Both members and visitors are asked to sign as the register is passed.*

† SONG #450 Be Thou My Vision *Slane*

OPENING PRAYER Rev. Dr. Jane B. Fobel

SCRIPTURE Mark 6:1-13 New Testament page 40

SERMON Welcome Home? Rev. Dr. Joe B. Martin

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Matthew 28:18-20, The Great Commission  
**Jesus said to his disciples, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."**

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Jim and Sherry Grieco  
Heather Webb Hester  
John and Cynthia Nolan, Lindsey and Jack

CALL TO PRAYER (remain seated) "God With Us"

*Congregation joins on refrain:*

**God with us, God for us  
Nothing can come against,  
No one can stand between us**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Hymnal pg. 35)

### OFFERING

*Please place your Prayer Request Cards in the offering plate.*

### ANTHEM

Steal Away to Jesus  
*Summer Choir*

*Weidner*

† DOXOLOGY *(to the tune of All Creatures of Our God and King)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**God of wonder, we offer you these humble gifts, signs of your goodness and mercy. Receive them with our gratitude, that through us all people may know the riches of your love in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

† SONG

Set a Fire

*Jesus Culture*

**No place I would rather be,  
No place I would rather be,  
No place I would rather be,  
here in your love, here in your love.**  
*Repeat*

**Set a fire down in my soul.  
That I can't contain that I can't control  
Cause I want more of you God, I want more of you God.**

† BENEDICTION

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**

*Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor.*

**Welcome Visitors!** Drop by the Welcome Table near the main door to speak to someone about Sardis Presbyterian Church and receive more information about all of our ministries.

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**The flowers in the Sanctuary** today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Clay Thomas by his family.

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**Pastoral Emergencies:** On weekends or holidays please call the church office to be directed to the Pastoral Care Voicemail. Please leave a message, including a call-back number, and a Pastor will be in touch with you shortly.

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No cash for the offering plate? **Make a credit card gift online using your mobile device:** go to [sardis.org](http://sardis.org) and click on "Make a Gift Now," or click the code here to go directly to the secure online form.

