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Worship & Bible Study:

SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:15 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

Psalm 23:4

Years ago, a well-known television circus show developed an act involving Bengal tigers. The act was performed in front of a live audience.

One night, the tiger trainer went into the cage with several tigers and the door was routinely locked behind him. Spotlights flooded the cage and television cameras moved in close so the audience could see every detail as he skillfully put the tigers through their paces.

In the middle of the performance, something potentially terrifying happened. The lights went out! For thirty long seconds, the trainer was locked in the cage with the tigers in the darkness. With their superb night vision, the tigers could see him but he could not see them.

The trainer survived the ordeal. When the lights finally came back on, he finished his performance.

When the trainer was asked how he felt, he admitted to feeling chilling fear at first. But he then realized something. Though he couldn't see the big cats, *they didn't know he couldn't see them.*

He said, "I just kept cracking my whip and talking to them until the lights came on. They never knew I couldn't see them as well as they could see me."

Keep talking back to the tigers that seem to be stalking you!

Remember, courage is *resistance* to fear, *mastery* of fear...not the *absence* of fear.

In Christian Love,

Mike





It was good to have **Dannie George** back Sunday morning after being out with health issues and a knee replacement.

Ladies craft night will be on Tuesday, April 16th at 6:00 pm in room 104. Bring a sewing machine if you have one.

The **Mission Committee** will meet Wednesday, April 17th, at 6:00 pm in Room 104.

Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tuesday morning at 6:00 am in the basement.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday @ 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the basement.

If you have a **prayer request**, please use a blue card, and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.

Adam Jude has been nominated to be added to our work here as a Deacon. If anyone has a scriptural reason that he does not qualify, please submit the reason in writing with your name signed and give that information to one of the elders. If there are no objections within 14 days, he will become a deacon.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN APRIL/MAY:

A Money Tree Bridal Shower for **Maggie Conley & Gabe Zervas** will be held on April 21st from 2 to 4pm in the church basement. Maggie is the granddaughter of Sarah and Gerry Hinson. If you are unable to attend, you may give your gift to Sarah Hinson.

A bridal shower for **Zach Bentley & Anslee West** on Sunday, April 28th from 2:00-4:00 pm in the fellowship hall. They are registered at Amazon.

Community Wide Widows' & Widowers' Luncheon Saturday, May 11th in the Fellowship Hall at 12 noon.

Topsy Turvy Tea Party for all ladies Sunday, May 19th in the Fellowship Hall, 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

Senior night is Sunday, May 5th starting with the evening service. Finger food fellowship to follow. We will be celebrating these seniors: **Hannah Irwin, Daveigh Cochran, Connor Liddell, Emery Dotson, Liberty McCauley, Kole Hellman & Tyler Stacks.**



Members: Sue Smith (home), Lloyd & Faye Rochelle, Lizzie Barber, Charlene Breece, Floy Cochran, Joyce Bruno, Sharon Burns (surgery on April 15th), Carolyn Phillips, Reda Springer, Barbara Chandler, Shanon Irwin, Kenneth Chandler, Terry Duncan, June Prince, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb (rehab), Woody Woodruff, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes & Jo Ann Totty.

Friends & Family: Rita Tidwell Cannon (Gerry Loveless' sister-in-law-hospice), Danny Cagle (brother of Joyce Swaw-Centennial hospital), Chris Chilton (4 wheeler accident), Gail Barber (mom of Jerrie Wayne), David Stewart, Willie Lawler, Carol Warren (daughter of Toby and Brandy), Gary Gossett, (Janey Gilbert's brother), Braydon Chessor, James Coates (VA Hospital Nashville), Trevor Buchanan, Pam Sullivan, Pam Simmons (surgery soon), Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, June Roder, Mary French, Bobby McCoy, Anthony Stacks, David Talley, Billie Lynn Tyler, Cory Patterson (Vanderbilt hospital), James Stoltz, Grayson Gunter, Becky Gatewood, Ann Spencer, Jimmie Jenkins, Stephanie Pitman, Jenny Teet, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Roy Harris, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell (lung cancer), Colene Beasley, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler & Donna Gaspard.

Life Care: Martha Ann McCord, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss. Joyce Boyd, Sue Davidson, Gary Yates, Wilma Green.

Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson: Martha Page

The Bridge at Columbia: Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



April 14 - 3rd-5th grade Devo, during evening service, FH
April 16 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH
April 21 - Puppet Show, during evening service in LO



Center Fielders News

“Remembering Columbine”

Twenty-five years ago, on April 20, 1999, two teenagers named Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold entered Columbine High School with hatred and guns. They killed 12 students and 1 teacher, and wounded 24 others, before finally killing themselves. Stunned, the surviving students and families of the victims struggled with questions about the terrible crime. They set up a makeshift memorial in Clement Park nearby, where people placed flowers, poems, drawings, and even an occasional teddy bear.

But something was missing. An appropriate symbol for the tragedy was needed, and people recognized it immediately when it came. There was also a thirst for justice and an agony of loss that drove one woman to commit suicide and many others to lash out against the families of Eric and Dylan.

Seven days after the shooting, 15 crosses showed up on Rebel Hill behind the school: 13 for the victims and 2 for the killers. The crosses stood 7 feet high and 3 feet wide and evenly spaced on top of the hill. Thousands of people marched up the hill to hang flowers, leave notes, and grieve. They had found the place where they truly and finally let go, even though they still didn't have all the answers. (The crosses for Eric and Dylan were later removed.)

At some time in everyone's life there comes a time when nothing makes sense. There is only confusion, hatred, and desperation. There seems to be no way out. Then through the mist and the fog, the cross of Christ appears, and His voice gently whispers, “I am the way, the truth, and the life.” Each one of us must take that lonely walk up Golgotha's hill, and leave all our fears and doubts and exchange them for peace, despite not knowing all the answers. The old rugged cross makes a difference for me, because I know He is coming back and when He does everything will be made right.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF April 7, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP	227
CONTRIBUTION:	\$6071
2024 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5104

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Adam Jude

Scripture Reading: Robert Graf

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-15

Preside Lord's Supper: Willie Powers

Left: Ken Copley **Right:** Wayne Prince

Ronny Pitman Vance Willis

Damon McCoy Buddy Chandler

Phillip Coates James Swaw

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Woody Woodruff

Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Rick Bruno

Scripture Reading: Gerry Hinson

Scripture: Luke 9:18-20

Song Leader: Damon McCoy

Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey

Lord's Supper: Gary Basford, Lafayette Spears

Closing Prayer: Randal Halbrooks

Van Driver: Gary Basford 931-628-0355

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

RESPONSE

Jan Hopkins-Campbell came forward for prayers on behalf of her co-worker, Pam Simmons, who is dealing with health issues.



Thank you for the prayers, cards & texts sent, meals brought by the house and the love and concern shown to me following my recent knee replacement surgery! You all are an amazing group of people--always ready to rise up to any occasion--and I love this church family!

All my love,
Joyce Bruno



“The man who doesn’t read his Bible has no advantage over the man who has no Bible.” — Albert M. Wells, Jr.

“It is fatal to enter any war without the will to win it.” — General Douglas MacArthur

“Morale is the greatest single factor in successful wars.” — Dwight D. Eisenhower

“Enthusiasm is nothing more or less than faith in action.” — Henry Chester

“None are so old as those who have outlived enthusiasm.” — Henry David Thoreau

“Skill to do come of doing.” — Ralph Waldo Emerson

“If you want to be a big company tomorrow, you have to start acting like one today.” — Thomas Watson

“If you expect nothing, you’re apt to be surprised. You’ll get it.” — Malcolm Forbes

“No pessimist ever discovered the secret of the stars, or sailed to an uncharted land, or opened a new heaven to the human spirit.” — Helen Keller

“Change your thoughts and you change your world.” — Norman Vincent Peale

“The greater part of our happiness or misery depends on our dispositions, and not our circumstances.” — Martha Washington

“Faith is like radar that sees through the fog—the reality of things at a distance that the human eye cannot see.” — Corrie Ten Boom

“Better the friend we can see than the money we cannot.” — Greek proverb

“It is better in times of need to have a friend rather than money.” — Greek proverb

“In times of difficulty friendship is on trial.” — Greek proverb

“No man can produce great things who is not thoroughly sincere in dealing with himself.” — James Russell Lowell

“Inconsistency is the only thing in which men are consistent.” — Horatio Smith

“Patience is a bitter plant, but it has sweet fruit.” — German proverb

You're Invited to a...

Friends & Family Day

April 14, 2024

At the church of Christ at Brushy
774 Hwy 48 South ~ Centerville, TN 37033

Speaker: *Matt Miller*

9 A.M. Bible Class: “I Am the Bread of Life”
10 A.M. Morning Worship: “I Am the Light of the World”
A Fellowship Meal Following Morning Worship
1 P.M. Evening Worship:
“I Am the Good Shepherd”

We hope you'll make plans to join us!

SPRING

Gospel

MEETING

7747 CLEARVIEW CHURCH RD. LYLES, TN 37098

14th-17th

SUNDAY-WEDNESDAY APRIL BILL MCDONALD

2024

Fellowship Sunday
Bible Class at 9 a.m. Worship at 10 a.m.
Meal at 11 a.m.
Devotional at 12:30 p.m.
Monday-Wednesday at 7 p.m.



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