

Vol. 70, No. 41 October 19, 2025

Does God Grade On A Curve?



ORDER OF WORSHIP

O Worship the King
Redeemed

Welcome......Greg Petree

Romans 3:9-12 & 4:7-8 Daniel Richardson

Song of Moses

Only by Grace

Deep Call to Deep

Come Unto Me

Prayer Scott Burleson

Glory to His Name

Communion......Randy Doores

Kids Praise

Ancient Words

Is He Worthy

Sermon......Harvey Hearn

Is It For Me?

Beautiful One

The Lord's Supper: Spiritually Nourishing the Church

The Lord's Supper stands out to me as one of the things we do not focus on enough in the Restoration movement. We do it every week and sometimes get numb to what is actually happening at the table. Alexander Campbell once wrote, "Our first step towards scriptural order was our beginning to break bread every Lord's day." The early church came together weekly to remember Christ's death and celebrate His resurrection—not as a mere symbol, but as a time of real spiritual communion with the risen Lord. Campbell also emphasized its spiritual presence, saying, "In the Lord's supper especially does God commune with his sons and daughters, and they with him. This, to the living Christian, is a banquet of love."

Justin Martyr, writing in the second century, said of the Eucharist: "We do not receive these as common bread and common drink; but in like manner as Jesus Christ our Savior, having been made flesh by the Word of God, had both flesh and blood for our salvation, so likewise have we been taught that the food which is blessed by the prayer of His word... is the flesh and blood of that Jesus who was made flesh." Each Lord's Day, we gather not to perform a mere ritual, but to be spiritually fed—to share in the life of Christ Himself. The table is a feast of arace. where heaven touches earth and the faithful are renewed in the presence of their Savior.

~Will Case

Spanish Speaking Ministry

The Spanish speaking ministry of Tusculum would like to invite you to come and enjoy authentic foods from Honduras, Mexico, El Salvador, Venezuela, Guatemala, and Peru on Sunday, October 26. We will serve after church until 12:30 p.m. in the main hallway. Our purpose is twofold: to help the member of Tusculum experience different cultures through their foods and help raise funds for the Backpacks of Opportunity trips to Guatemala and Mexico in 2026. Our goal is \$8,000 which will help us deliver 400 backpacks. We ask only that you consider giving a donation. Donations can be made on Subsplash: Backpacks church app opportunity

Fall Festival Volunteers



Our annual Fall Festival, Chili Fall Fest 🕻 Cookoff, Trunk or Treating and Hayride is coming up at the

end of this month, Saturday, October 25, from 5 to 8 p.m.!! We are in need of some volunteers. You may register on the app and sign up to help while you are there!!

Breakfast Buddies

Ladies: Breakfast Buddies is TOMORROW, October 20, 9 a.m. at Wendy's on Nolensville Road between Concord and Burkitt. Please join us and bring a friend. Also, note your calendars for EVERY THIRD MONDAY so you won't miss a single one!

Remember Our Sick....

Bo Newcomb is in Southern Hills ICU she has kidney septic shock. Prayers requested.

Beth Santymire will undergo thumb surgery on Thursday, October 23.

Hollis Tackitt will be having a pacemaker adjustment on Thursday, October 23.

Gavin Marshall had surgery on Monday, October 13. He is in room 8304, Monroe Carell Children's Hospital. Prayers have been requested.

Beth Burgess is in an assisted living facility now. Her new address: C/O Clarendale at Bellevue Place, 7632 Highway 70 South, Apartment 148, Nashville 37221.

Patty Augustus is in Trevecca Rehabilitation, Room 512, 329 Murfreesboro Pike, Nashville 37210. She has received another round of antibiotics. She is able to receive visitors.

Yvonne Cantrell, a long time janitorial staff member, has been diagnosed with bone cancer. She has five more months of chemo to go. Her address is 1433 Tempany Ct., Nashville 37207. She would cards!

Fall Ladies Retreat

All ladies college-age and up are invited to attend our Fall Ladies Retreat, October 31-November 2 at the Retreat at Center Hill Lake. Our theme is Finding Ourselves on the Pages of Scriptures. Registration is now open. The deadline to register is TODAY! The cost is \$185 per person, which includes two nights lodging and four meals. Please pay via check, cash, or Subsplash. Give check or cash to Doris Chandler or Ann Robinson. Learn More by visiting: tusculum.org/fall-ladies-retreat

Our Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Willene Litton and her family on the death of her daughter and our sister, Karen Litton. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 25, here at Tusculum in the Chapel. Visitation with the family will be 12 to 1:30 p.m. with the Celebration at 1:30 p.m. Karen is the sister of Debra Litton Butner.

Our sympathy is also extended to Mark and Leigh Ray on the death of Mark's mom, Martha Ray who passed away on Thursday. There will be a private burial in White House, TN.

Tech-tober at Tusculum: Tech Support and Photo Updates

As of today, over 600 people have downloaded our Tusculum app, and together it's been launched nearly 23,000 times—a great tool for communication and connection! Just in our Prayer messaging group, we have almost 90 participants working together to lift people in prayer every day.

Maybe technology isn't your thing, and you've felt a bit left out. We want to help catch everyone up to speed. That's why this October, we're offering Tech Support Sundays today, and next Sunday between worship and class. Volunteers will be in the Great Hall to help you install and log in to the Tusculum App, the Instant Church Directory, join the Prayer group, and answer any other questions you might have.

Also, Rebecca Foster will be set up in the Great Hall to take new photos for our households, deacons, and ministry leaders.

To assist you, please come prepared. Ensure you are logged in to your email account on your phone. If you know how, be sure to update your phone's software. Bring along any usernames or passwords that you need to access your email. Also, bring your phone, your tablet, and any other device on which you want to install the apps.

TUSCULUM YOUTH MINISTRY

Sundays

Come join us as we study God's word.

Wednesdays

We will have a time of fellowship and study in the TYM. Great time to invite your friends.

Chapel Service

The TYM. Will lead the chapel service on tonight from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Recharge

Our fall retreat will be November 14-16. Please sign up in the app! Friends come free! Deadline to sign up is October 30.

Tusculum/Smyrna Winter Formal

Joins us from 3 to 9 p.m. on December 6 for our Winter Formal. We'll shop for outfits at Goodwill (bring up to \$40), enjoy dinner at the church, then head to Stars and Strikes bowling, arcades, and laser tag. Registration covers dinner and activitiesjust bring money for your outfit! The last day to sign up is November 16. More details on the app.

Happy Birthday

We want to wish a big "Happy Birthday" to Gwen Watson, who will celebrate her 95th birthday on Sunday, October 26 and to Ruby Darks, who will celebrate her 92nd birthday on Tuesday, October 28.

Deacons

Adam Agee	615-430-9123
Brett Byram	
Andy Flanigan	615-405-0324
Jeff Fox	615-337-1431
David Gee	
John Goode	615-364-4059
Jeff Lasher	615-300-2690
Bobby Mullins	
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Hollis Tackitt	629-254-5533
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Andy White	248-396-6985
James. York	615-310-9601

Elders

P.R. Anderson	615-642-1363
Mike Dotson	615-418-3521
Rick Hatcher	615-210-6322
Gerald Merritt	615-491-0520
Sam Peebles	615-969-8253
Greg Petree	615-891-9433
Earl Santymire	615-319-6988
Richard Thompson.	615-916-0838



Kids Praise

Followina communion. children ages 3-kindergarten are invited to join us in the children's wing for Kids Praise

Children's Bulletins and color sheets are available in the racks on the left side of the Great Hall.

Nursery

An attended nursery is available during worship for infants through 2 years old.

October 19—Sandy Lambert and Kathy Flanigan October 26-Carolina Adams and Jamie Frankum

Email dburgesstcc@gmail.com and let her know if you would like to help.

> MAIN LINE Benevolence Counseling (AGAPE)

615-833-1660 615-833-1869 615-781-3000

Attendance and Contribution October 12, 2025

Attendance	376
(includes online and Spanish)	
Bible Class	125
Contribution	\$20,049.52
Weekly Budget	\$16,400.00
Average YTD Contribution	

What can we help you with?



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