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SUNDAY SERVICES

April 10, 2022

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff

LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Karl Craun

PRESIDE: Cameron Jones

SERVE Communion Emblems in APR: Adam Griffin, Dean McKaskle, Dylan Daniel, Daryl Daugherty

SERMON: Doug Couch

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Dennis Daniel

USHERS to Collect Contribution in APR: Wade Lynn, Kenny Goodman

Sunday Evening Service

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff

LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Don Mosley

SERMON: Doug Couch

LEAD CLOSING PRAYER: Daniel Cauthen

PRESIDE MONTH OF APR. Butch Lee

Wednesday Bible Study Devo —April 13—Terry Gross

FOOD CALL IN APR: Glenda Bull, Karmen Burns

WASH LINENS IN APR: Susan Jones

LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF APR:

Dennis Daniel, James Stanfield

Apr. 3 Attendance 190 Contribution— \$10,508

Directory Updates, Prayer Request Notifications & Death Notices:

Debbie Couch 615-957-7452 or at couchd25@hotmail.com

If you have announcements to be put on the screen: send email to:

whblchurch@gmail.com PLACE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS THAT YOU HAVE FOR SUNDAY MORNING ON THE CLIPBOARD IN THE LOBBY.

Wednesday Night Adult Auditorium Class

April 13 — Ethan Myers — Spiritual Growth

April 20—Jeff Clark—Trust is a Must

April 27 — Daniel Cauthen

ONLINE GIVING

Go to www.whitebluffcoc.org and click/tap on "GIVE". Follow the instructions to "contribution by card." There is a slight card fee as expected with all credit card transactions.

YOUTH NEWS

It's time to register for

CAMP LEATHERWOOD

JUNE 12-17



Go to the website at www.whitebluffcoc.org/camp-leatherwood-registration and sign up now to reserve your spot.

Get the DISCOUNT and REGISTER by April 16!

Bunks will be limited this year so first come first serve. Registra-

In the youth class, we have been studying the book of James. This week I have posted a summary of what has been discussed in class. This summary includes major ideas I have emphasized in class and questions that go along with the passages. I hope for this to serve as a tool for spiritual conversations to take place at home. We have spent a lot of time in the youth class discussing what spiritual conversations and how to have them. A great place to start having these conversations is at home with parents. If you would like a copy let me know. ..Ethan

FUN TIME TOGETHER FOR THE YOUTH April 14 —HANG-OUT
April 24—SPRING SING
April 28—HANG-OUT
April 30—Prom Alternative

Seniors — It's getting close to graduation time!

Please turn in a picture to the office by April 24 if you are graduating from High School, College or Pre-school so that your achievement can be recognized. A dinner will be held in your honor on May 15, so mark your calendar now.

WHITE BLUFF CHURCH OF CHRIST

APRIL 10, 2022



Blessed Are the Peacemakers

A few years back a few men set out to digitize copies of the Gospel Advocate that were no longer under copyright. They were able to put onto a thumb drive, copies of the magazine that run from 1855 to 1963. I have recently been reading some of the old articles from 1861. Officially, the Civil War in the United States ran from April 12, 1861 to May 9, 1865. The magazine suspended publishing for some time during the Civil War, but the files from 1861 are still available.

I suppose it is inevitable that during such a time there are bound to be articles that address the current situation. One article, in particular, caught my attention. The article was titled "Religious Aspect of the American Revolution of 1861." This article was published in the July 1861 edition by Tolbert Fanning. I want to share with you the following words from the conclusion of this article:

"As war settles not right, we have expressed the ardent hope that God-fearing men would exert all their influence to calm the raging storm, so soon at least as it can be done in safety to the oppressed, be they who may (T.F.)."

Fanning was expressing his ardent desire for God-fearing men of influence to do what they could to bring about peace. This calls to mind the message of Jesus from Matthew 5 "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called sons of God" (Matt. 5:9). Paul also said, "If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men."

Our country may not be in a Civil War in the same sense that it was in the 1800s, but the division is not far off. I pray that cooler heads would unite to prevent such if we found ourselves in a position of war. You may think you have no power to influence the tide of our country, but I do not believe that for a minute. I pray that we would all consider Fanning's words that called for **Christians to exert their influence to calm the raging storm in our country.**

Unfortunately, just as in days of the Civil War, many Christians are adding to the unrest by poking at people on the other side. I know of people who have left their congregations because they were sickened by political posts on social media. What good does it do? Will a headlong attack on our political beliefs cause us to change or will we change anyone with the same? Will a brute force attack change anyone's religious beliefs? It is doubtful Does anyone believe they will change their opponent with these tactics, or do they just want to gratify themselves by trying to prove they are right?

However, if we consistently teach the gospel, I believe we can make a difference but we have to live what we are preaching. We have to show kindness to those who may not deserve it. We have to give the gospel to those we do not like. We have to pray for those who would even seek to do us harm. That is what it means to be a peacemaker. It is that attitude that can diffuse a situation and change peoples hearts. I do not know about you, but I would rather be called a son of God than try to prove I am right to a person that will never believe it or admit it. Love your enemy (Matt. 5:43). Speak the truth in love (Eph. 4:15). Be a peacemaker (Matt. 5:43). Give consideration to your actions and choose ones that will so some good.

Doug Tooley Rivergate Church of Christ

Elders:

Buddy Driver Terry Gross
Doug Couch Jay Wilkins
Larry Osborne Brent Welch
Shamron Jackson

Deacons:

Larry Cocke Gale Larkins
Tim Godwin Butch Lee
Mike Jones Jeremy Petty
David Karnes Dean McKaskle
Dwayne Daniel Lee Marlow
Greg Morris Gabe Orendorff
Tom Todd

Evangelist: Doug Couch 973-9652

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Jail: Tom Todd 615-351-2446

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Debbie Couch 957-7452

Julie McKaskle 308-8456

Custodian: (Cleaning)

Dennis Donaldson 615-495-6382

Keri Donaldson 615-946-6944

Sunday:

Bible Classes 9:00am
A.M. Worship 10:00am
P.M. Worship 5:00pm
Children's Bible Hour 5:00pm

Wednesday:

7 PM Classes for everyone

Thursday: Ladies Bible Class 10:00am

"In Search of the Lord's Way" Sunday AM 7 – 7:30

"Gospel Broadcasting Network"

(GBN) Sunday AM 7:30-8:00

"Good News Today" Sunday AM -8:00

All on Channel WUXP 30

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Happy Birthday

April 11 — Joann Rist
April 12 — Bud Martin
April 14 — Garry Sensing
April 15—Kenny Goodman, Kayla Webster
April 16—Ruth Pack

Happy Anniversary

April 7—Jimmy & Anita St. Clair (61 years)

Sympathy



Sympathy to the family of **George Polk**. He passed away on Friday, April 1. His service was held at White Bluff Church of Christ on Wednesday, April 6. He and Ouida would have been married 70 years on this day. Bro. George was a great man of God and will be missed by all.

Sympathy to the family of **Christine Couch Hendricks**, Doug Couch's aunt. Her service was in Madisonville, TN on April 6.

Preschool Registration



We are now registering for fall classes at Playhouse Preschool. Students must be 3 by August 15th. Classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8-11 for 3yr olds and 11:30-2:30 for 4yr olds. See Joanna Jackson for more information.

Items Needed for April

Buckets for Ukraine

Remember to return the Buckets by April 10.

MAGI Items needed for this month:
Boys T-shirts: 8/10 10/12



PANTRY NEEDS: Canned Chicken, Beef Stew,
Canned Ham, Canned Potatoes, Beane Weenees,
Chili w/Beans, Cereal, Canned Beans

See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

Prayer Requests

Joann Rist is undergoing tests to diagnose a growth on her lungs. **David Osborne** is in Horizon Hospital recuperating from a seizure. **Betty Forkum** has been moved to THE TRACE. **Georgia Herren**, Debbie Couch's father's wife is in a rehab in Knoxville. Her address is Room 448 Farragut NHC. 122 Cavette Hill Ln, Knoxville, TN 37934

Those Battling Cancer...

Anthony Bennett	Sandra Floyd	Yvonne Quillin	Rhoda Hooper
Karl Craun	Bernice Greer	Kim Marlow	David Stokes
June Driver	Kathleen Wilson	Dale Gross	Norma Mayer
Anita Pickard	Priscilla Roebuck	Doug Utley	Jay Wilkins
Tammy Cathey	Sarah Biggs	Jimmy St. Clair	Gary Shepherd
Willie Hamilton			

Continue to Remember...

Rubie Corkan	Jo Corkan	Aline Kerr	Cecelia Black
Carol LeBlanc	Lois Willis	Margie Spicer	Joyce Spicer
George Green	Betty Caldwell	Virginia Lynn	Sandra Stiles
Sue McEndree	Joan Jones	Carolyn Ricketts	Darryl Northern
Charles Carver	Pamela Todd	Joann Rist	Faustina Griffin
Jeanette England	Tom Jackson	Dianne Hall	Ronnie Chandler
Ouida Polk	Leon & Verna Couch		

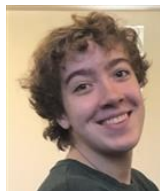
In the Nursing Homes

NHC: Clara Mae Cathey, Jo Warf, PO. Box 585, Dickson, TN 37056 **Olive Branch:** Freddie Weatherspoon, Mary Buttrey, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055. **The Meadows:** Joan Butler, 8044 Coley Davis Rd. Room A-36B, Nashville, TN 37221. **Hillcrest Health Care Center:** Shirley Hamilton, 111 Pemberton Dr, Ashland City, TN 37015. **Belvedere Commons:** Judy Barfield, 303 S Royal Oaks Blvd, Franklin, TN 37064 **Life Care Center:** Kenny Pack 112 Dickson Rd, Centerville, TN 37033. **THE TRACE:** Ruth Nicholson, Gayle Lankford, Virginia Lynn, 8353 TN-100, Nashville, TN 37221 **Betty Hall**—7316 Coronada Court, Nashville, TN 37221 **Brookdale Belle Meade:** Peggy Blessing, 6767 Brookmont Terrace, Nashville, TN 37205

Placing Membership



Welcome to James and Jennifer Sellers and Ellie, their daughter. The Sellers have been visiting with us for a couple of years and have decided to work under the eldership here at White Bluff. We have already grown to love and appreciate this family and their many talents. Their address is 1065 Forest Dr. Kingston Springs, TN 37082



Calendar of Events

April 8-9 — ARK ENCOUNTER CREATION MUSEUM TRIP

April 10 — Elders & Deacons Meeting at 3:00

April 16 — Baby Shower for Brandon Sullivan @ 3pm

April 24 — SPRING SING 6pm @ White Bluff

AREA EVENTS

April 9— Ladies Day at East Main Church of Christ in Murfreesboro, Jania Otey Speaking. See board for details.

April 21—24 - Gospel Meeting at Friendship Church of Christ in Cumberland Furnace. Alan Yeater speaking. See board for details.

April 23—Ladies Day at Pomona Church of Christ with Amy Mullinicks speaking

A correction from last week's front page article on the Smokey Mountain Couple's Retreat. Wade & Jennifer Lynn began the retreat in 2001 with over 30 couples participating. Then Carl & Jan Meadows took over until his passing and now Dwayne & Leslie Daniels organize the retreat. Thanks to these couples that have seen a need and made an opportunity for improving our relationships.

Clothing Giveaway

Monday, May 16
6:00-7:00 PM

Help setting up the Giveaway will be needed at 9:00 AM and Help will also be needed during the giveaway and at 7 PM for cleanup.



Fun Time had by the young at the Easter Egg Hunt and by the not-so-young at the JOY Group lunch.



This Is Repentance

Dear Members of the church of Christ at White Bluff, As a younger man in the early 1980's I was the recipient of some gas that was taken from one of your church buses. A friend needed a ride to Dickson and I told him I had no gas in my car, only later finding out that he took it from one of your buses. At the time gas was about 98 cents a gallon and I'm sending this money to replace it. As we get older we mature and I've asked God to forgive me and now I'm asking you. Because of family members that may still be going there and not to embarrass them I will remain unnamed. Included is \$50 to pay for the stolen gas.



Spring Sing

April 24, 2022

6:00 pm

Refreshments & Fellowship Following

We ask that our members bring finger foods, sandwiches, desserts, vegetable tray, etc. Drinks will be provided.

TRANSFORM LADIES CONFERENCE

Ladies Retreat in Pigeon Forge, **October 14-16, 2022**. Registration fee is \$85. We need an exact count of those ladies planning to attend so that we can reserve a cabin. Several signed up at the Ministry Fair, so if you still plan to go, let Debbie Couch or Joanna Jackson know ASAP so that we can make reservations.



baby shower

The family of **Brandon Sullivan** will host a baby shower on Saturday, April 16 at 3:00. Mary Margaret and Brandon are registered at babylist.com/baby-mary-margaret-sullivan It's a boy!