



SUNDAY SERVICES April 9, 2023

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff

LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Cameron Jones

PRESIDE: Dennis Daniel

SERVE Communion Emblems in APR: Don Mosley, Terry Gross,

Pierre Griffin, Dean McKaskle

SERMON: Doug Couch

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Greg Morris

USHERS to Collect Contribution in APR: Nathan Barber, Jeremy

Petty, Wade Lynn **Sunday Evening**

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff

Sermon: Daniel Cauthen

<u>Lead Opening Prayer:</u> Jeremy Petty <u>Preside for month of APR:</u> Brant Sweat

Lead Closing Prayer: Pierre Griffin

FOOD CALL IN APR: Karmen Burns, Glenda Bull

WASH LINENS IN APR: Kate Dutton

LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF APR: Brent Welch &

Jeremy Petty

Apr. 2– Attendance - 222 — Contribution \$12,588

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.

ONLINE GIVING

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

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Wednesday Night Bible Class

April 12--What Are Some of the Church's Sins? J. Smith April 19—What Happens when Christian Restraints are Removed? Terry Gross

Our Theme for 2023: Matthew





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It's Time To Register for Bible Camp at Leatherwood! June 11-16

Registration is now open online. You can go to this website: http://www.whitebluffcoc.org/camp-leatherwood-registration

or scan the QR code.



Register by April 24 to receive the Early Bird Discount. Invite your friends to join you for a week of great fun, great food, great Bible Study and great moments that make memories.



Graduation time: if you have any

student graduating from preschool, high school or college please turn their picture into the office to

Debbie or Julie by April 30.

Also, while you are going through pictures if you have any Veterans that you would like in the **Veterans** Day Slide Show please turn those pictures into the office to Debbie or Julie. The past slide show pictures have all been lost due to computer crashes.

YOUTH NEWS





White Bluff Church of Christ

April 9, 2023

Elders:

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

Deacons:

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

Evangelist: Doug Couch 973-9652 **Associate Minister:** Daniel Cauthen **Youth:** Ethan Myers 940-783-1668

Secretaries: Adelaide Butler 797-3380
Debbie Couch 957-7452
Julie McKaskle 308-8456

Sunday:

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

Wednesday:

Thursday: Ladies Bible Class 10:00am

7 PM Classes for everyone

"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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Jesus Loves Me

If not the first song we learn this is certainly one that is well known and a favorite for all ages, especially children. This song is attributed to be written by Anna Warner (1827-1915).

Anna and Susan Warner lived in a lovely, lavish townhouse in New York City where their father, Henry Whiting Warner, was a successful lawyer. However, the "Panic of 1837" wrecked the family's finances, forcing them to move into a modest Revolutionary War-era home on Constitution Island on the Hudson River, right across from the Military Academy at West Point.

Needing to contribute to the family income, Anna and Susan began writing poems and stories for publication. Some of their more well-known works are "Robinson Crusoe's Farmyard," written by Anna and Susan wrote, "The Wide, Wide World." Between the two of them the girls had 106 publications, 18 of which were co-authored.

One of their most successful joint projects was a novel titled *Say and Seal* written in 1860, in which a little boy named Johnny Fox is dying. Johnny asks his Sunday School teacher, John Linden, to sing to him. Mr. Linden comforts him by taking him in his arms, rocking him, and making up a little song: "Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so, little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong...." There were 4 verses to this impromptu song created by Mr. Linden.

The novel became a best-seller, second only to *Uncle Tom's Cabin*; and when hymnwriter William Bradbury read the words to John Linden's little song (written by Anna) in 1862, he composed a simple, childlike musical tune to go along with them and added a chorus.

Despite their success, the Warner sisters never seemed able to recover from their financial downfall. Years later a friend wrote, "One day when sitting with Miss Anna in the old living room she took from one of the cases a shell so delicate it looked like lace work and holding it in her hand, with eyes dimmed with tears, she said, "There was a time when I was very perplexed, bills were unpaid, necessities must be had, and someone sent me this exquisite thing. As I held it, I realized that if God could make this beautiful home for a little creature. He would take care of me."

There is no telling how many lives have been changed and affected by this song. An interesting occurrence happened in 1943 where a future US President, John F. Kennedy, was a PT-boat Commander in the Pacific during WWII. Near to the Solomon Islands his PT-109 boat was rammed by the Japanese destroyer, *Amagiri*. The PT was split in two, Kennedy's half of the boat stayed afloat along with several of his men. Looking around he chose to swim for a small island that even though it was farther away there was less of a chance there would be Japanese soldiers. They happened to make it to the little island and for a few days struggled to find food and water. After a few days Kennedy happened to run into two natives. Luckily these natives were Allied scouts and JFK scrawled out a message on a coconut for these scouts to deliver. The natives did not speak English but had been visited by missionaries and one thing that they knew in common was the song "Jesus Loves Me". They sang that song together on that little island.Continued on Page 3

Calendar of Events

April 10 — Dorcas Sewing Group 10 am

April 13-16 —Couples Retreat in Pigeon Forge

April 17— Family Night @ 6:30;

April 30— SPRING SING @ White Bluff 6:00 pm

June 11-16 — Camp Leatherwood July 16-19 — Vacation Bible School

Area Events

April 8—Ladies Day @ Poplar Grove Janie Craun speaking. We will be taking a van leaving the church building at 8:15.

April 14—Celebration in Song @ HillIdale CoC in Clarksville

April 15 — Ladies Day @ East Main CoC in Murfreesboro

June 14-17—Church Growth Workshop @ Heritage Christian University in Florence. AL

April 23—Singing at Taylor Town CoC at 3 pm

May 10-14—Lectureship at East Hill CoC in Pulaski

Check the Bulletin Board for more information on these events.

Happy Birthday

Apr. 9-Emma Hartsfield, Lauren Myers

Apr. 11—Joann Rist

Apr. 12—Bud Martin

Apr. 14—Garry Sensing Apr. 15—Kenny Goodman, Kayla Webster



April 7—Jimmy & Anita St. Clair (62 years)

Thank You

Thank you so much for all you did for us during our bereavement of our mom. The ham rolls, fruit and vegetable trays and all the desserts brough to the funeral home were much appreciated. And then, the day of her service, you all went above and beyond to feed our large family so that we could have one more meal together at our mother's house. Your kindness will not be forgotten.

Sincerely, Daisy Clark's family

Baby Shower



The baby shower for **Hudson Harp**, newborn son of Kristie and Blake Harp has been rescheduled for April 16 at 2 pm. They are registered at Amazon and Target. Please see Julie McKaskle if you would like to go in on a group gift.

for those having health issues this week

Larissa Dills **Kathleen Gross** Ellen Lee **Tony Meadows** Joe Pacone, Carol Leblanc's neighbor

Those Battling Cancer...

OUR MEMBERS Yvonne Quillin Karl Craun Kim Marlow **Larry Osborne** Jimmy St. Clair Willie Hamilton Joan Jones

Joann Rist

OTHERS W/ CANCER Relationship Robert Petty Jeremy Petty's dad Sandra Flovd Glenda Bull's sister-in-law Rhoda Hooper Linda Hooper's sister-in-law **David Stokes** Bernice Stokes' brother-in-law Dale Gross Terry Gross's brother Scot Lyle Brenda Lyle's son Anita Pickard Pickard's daughter-in-law June Driver late Tina Resha's mother Peggy Donegan Shirley Daniel's sister

Continue to Remember Our Shut-Ins

OUR MEMBERS

Joann Rist **Ouida Polk Carol LeBlanc Bernice Stokes** Pamela Todd Sue Murphy Lois Willis **Dianne Hall Betty Caldwell**

OTHERS Rubie Corkan Jo Corkan **Darryl Northern**

Relationship Peggy Heath's mother Peggy Heath's aunt Betty Reynold's son

n the Nursing Homes

Olive Branch: Freddie Weatherspoon, Mary Buttrey,

110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055.

NHC: Ouida Polk rm 123, Lisa Butler rm 117B

The Meadows: Joan Butler.

8044 Coley Davis Rd. Room A-36B, Nashville, TN 37221.

Hillcrest Health Care Center: Gayle Westcott, 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: Betty Hall, Ruth Nicholson, Gayle Lankford,

8353 TN-100. Nashville. TN 37221 Brookdale Belle Meade: Peggy Blessing, 6767 Brookmont Terrace, Nashville, TN 37205.



Items Needed for April

MAGI needs: **BOYS YOUTH SIZE T-SHIRTS**

PANTRY NEEDS: Canned Chicken Pork n Beans Jelly Canned Carrots Sweet Peas

See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.



Please bring finger foods and desserts to serve our guest at our Spring Sing. Drinks will be provided. We normally have many visitors to this yearly event. Your help is appreciated.

Opportunities to Serve

Ladies Day will be on Nov. 4 this fall. There is an Involvement Questionnaire in the foyer for you to complete to choose which area vou prefer to serve.



Playhouse Preschool is looking to hire a preschool teacher helper for this fall. Contact Joanna Jackson for more information.

Time to register for Fall Pre-school. Openings are now available for 3 and 4 year olds.

Also, if you would like to help with Vacation Bible School and could not attend the meeting last Sunday contact Joanna.



Sunday AM 7 - 7:30 Channel 30 or Channel 14 on Comcast or YouTube

4.9.23 - "Being Saved"

There is no greater blessing in life than being saved by the grace of God. Salvation includes many blessings, including redemption, sanctification, justification, atonement, and reconciliation. What a blessing to be saved!

WiFi Info— If you would like internet access while you are at the church building, please see Debbie Couch to set up a password.

If you are visiting: <u>User</u>: GUEST

Password: ISPYWCZX.



The Lord of the Brokenhearted

By Jett Smith

How many of us have experienced the passing of a loved one? All of us, at some point, either have or will experience this painful occurrence. It is like a punch to the gut. It rattles us to the core. The internal struggle begins, and the mind tries to wrestle with the reality that their loved one is gone. It may feel like there is nothing one can say or do to improve how one feels.

Unfortunately, everyone has to leave us eventually (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2), but how does one cope with such a loss? The answer in every case is to spend time with God, in His word, and through prayer. In our times of loss, God is always our refuge (Psalm 18:2). When we desire solace, He fills us with His overwhelming comfort (2 Corinthians 1:3-40). If we do not feel like talking to anyone, just as Job remained silent in his time of grief, we can go to God, who hears our prayers (Philippians 4:6-8; 1 Peter 5:7).

Even when you are upset, feel like no one is there, and even feel God has abandoned you, know He hasn't left you! Listen to the words of the psalmist. He says, "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit" (Psalm 34:18). Again, the psalmist writes about the brokenhearted. He says, "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3). When a person is experiencing sorrow or loss, God is with them. He heals those who are broken in pieces by binding up their wounds of sorrow!

While our time on this earth is riddled with pain, sorrow, and death, those in Christ will eventually no longer experience such hardship! A home in Heaven awaits the saved, where there will be no more mourning, crying, or death because God will wipe away all our tears! Thanks be to the Lord our God who watches over the brokenhearted.

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For forty years, Susan and Anna conducted Bible classes for cadets at West Point, and both were buried with full military honors. It is believed that Dwight D. Eisenhower was one of the last cadets to attend their classes. He graduated the year of Anna's death. They are the only civilians buried in the military cemetery at West Point. To this day, their home on Constitution Island is maintained by West Point as a museum to their memory.

The words sung by a fictional character to comfort a dying child still offer comfort to people of all ages all these years later. Jesus loves us so much that He sacrificed His very life for us while we were helpless sinners (Rom. 5:6-11). He loves us even when we don't love ourselves.

by Gabe Orendorff