



CHURCH OF CHRIST

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White Bluff Church of Christ February 11, 2024

SUNDAY SERVICES February 11, 2024

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff
LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Terry Gross
PRESIDE: Doug Couch
SERVE Communion Emblems in FEB: Kenny Goodman, Brent Welch, Dennis Daniel, Wayne Hooper
SERMON: Daniel Cauthen
ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Qualls
USHERS to Collect Contribution in FEB: Wesley Burns, Peter Chimera, Wade Lynn, Daryl Daugherty

Sunday Evening Serving

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff
LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Harold Petty
SERMON: Daniel Cauthen
LEAD CLOSING PRAYER: Brant Sweat
PRESIDE FOR MONTH: Karl Craun

FOOD CALL IN FEB: Ann Mitchell & Edie Stewart
WASH LINENS IN FEB: Joyce Morey
LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF FEB: David Karnes & Larry Cocke

Feb. 4—Attendance—251 Contribution - \$ 13,119

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.



PRAY MORE

IN 2024

INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION



If the roads are bad with snow & ice then for the safety of everyone, the service will be cancelled.

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

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Youth News

God's Child She searches the crowd for him. Is he listening? Is he behaving himself? It was such a short time ago when she would complain, "I did not hear a word the preacher spoke," but now her thoughts are distracted for another reason. Now her children are not beside her—they are "too big." Her arms ache for a child squirming there all through church. She stands to sing and her body sways as if rocking a child. Where did the years go? Was it worth all those frustrating Sunday mornings? Sunday nights? Wednesday nights? Oh, there he is; look at him...he's singing. His eyes are attentive. She feels so much joy. Look! There's my child. No, he's God's child!

WBYG SPRING 2024



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18: Recharge
22-25: CYC - Shamron and Joanna
28: M2E @ 6:15
TBD: Dickson County Area Wide

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
Lee Marlow Greg Morris

Evangelist: Doug Couch 973-9652
Associate Minister: Daniel Cauthen

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:

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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God is So Good

You might notice over your heading of Psalm 107 that it begins "Book Five." You also do not see David's name over this psalm. There may be clues pointing to this being one of the later psalms, even after Babylonian Captivity (1-3). Many believe this was a song sung by Jewish pilgrims who sang it on their way to Jerusalem for one of the major feast days. It is full of parallelism, where the writer says the same thing two similar ways (nearly every verse contains this, except 3, 12, 26, 34, 37, and 40).

But as we pay attention to its structure, it looks like it contains four main "strophes" (poetic stanzas). Each strophe ends with the same chorus or refrain: "Let them give thanks to the Lord for His lovingkindness, and for His wonders to the sons of men" (8, 15, 21, 31). It covers the full range of human distress and problems and God's gracious response. We struggle, God delivers, and for that we should always be thankful! Truly, God is so good!

God is Good When We Wander (4-9). Historically, we would think of the wilderness wandering or even being scattered by captivity. But this seems bigger than just one occasion. Whether we wander by sin, wander because of struggles and distresses, God is still so good to be our beacon and compass. He will help us find our way home, which should fill our hearts with gratitude. He can lead us back from any and every direction we have gone.

God is Good When We Are Oppressed (10-16). Sometimes our struggle is not of our own making and choosing. Sometimes, though, it is the result of our rebellion. Either way, when we face darkness and death, chains and misery, He brings us out and breaks us free. No one has to stay in spiritual prison. God offers freedom. That should draw our gratitude, He's so good!

God is Good When We Are Hurting (17-22). He writes of afflictions and distresses, again some of which are self-inflicted and others which are brought upon us. It doesn't matter which way it happens, God can heal our wounds. His word is medicine and He is the Great Physician. There is salvation and deliverance.

God is Good When We Are in Danger (23-32). Perhaps one of the most graphic illustrations of danger is of being storm-tossed at sea. Stormy winds and waves threaten to capsize us and expose us to the deep. We may at times feel like we're hanging on by a thread, in desperation. This psalm makes me think of the hymn, "Does Jesus Care?" The writer brings up four different scenarios where we hurt or struggle, and we are reminded of how much He cares! There's a good chance you are struggling right now or you have just been through struggle or are about to go through it. Please remember the goodness of God and His ability to help you through it. But He hushes the winds and stills the storms. God is so good!

The writer closes by speaking of all the ways God turns chaos into calm (33-43). He may not have mentioned your specific trial in this psalm, but he covered it. Remember, no matter what you face, He will bless you and help you through it all! No doubt, it will make you sing, "God is so good!"

Neal Pollard, Lehman Avenue church of Christ, Bowling Green, KY

Calendar of Events

Feb. 11—Couples Retreat Meeting after morning service
 Feb. 11—Elders & Deacons Meeting @ 3:00 pm
 Feb. 11— Compassion Cards Signing after evening service.
 Feb. 12—Dorcas Sewing Group at 10 am
 Feb. 16-17- - Ladies Retreat @ Camp Leatherwood
 Feb. 18—Teacher’s Meeting at 4:30
 Feb. 18—Recharge for Youth Group after evening service
 Feb. 19—Family Night at 6:30
 Feb. 26—Clothing Give-Away @ 6-7 pm

Area Events

Feb. 5-9—Freed Hardeman Lectureship
 Mar. 2—Ladies Day @ Walnut St. from 8:30-10:45
 Mar. 16—Ladies Day @ Centerville
 Mar. 16—Intergenerational Ladies Day @ Walter Hill CofC
 April 18-21—Equipped Workshop, Bowling Green, KY

See Bulletin Board for more details

Sunday Night, Feb. 11, we will sign **Compassion Cards** after evening service in the fellowship hall. Plan to stay just for a few extra minutes.



Feb. 11—James Sellers
 Feb. 14—Aubree Jackson
 Feb. 15— Jimmy St. Clair

There is a very sweet sister in our congregation that will be turning 90 years old on March 9th. Sis. Dorothy Hunter has not been able to get out and worship with us since Covid, but watches online. We would like for her to get 90 birthday cards to celebrate. There will be a basket in the foyer to collect the cards and we will deliver them to her. Thanks for your participation.

Thank You

Thank you for all of the calls, visits ,cards and food, during the loss of my brother. Linda Hooper & the family of Gale Westcott

Thank you for the cards, hugs, and prayers. We are so blessed to be part of a church family that shows so much love, kindness and cares so much for each other during the loss of my mom.

Love, Ronald, Debbie and Andrea Johnson

Thank you for the beautiful lap quilt made by Bernice Stokes and Becky Clark and others. And thanks to all of those that signed it. I will enjoy reading it while recuperating from my 2nd knee surgery on the 21st. We have a loving, caring congregation here. Love you all!
 In Christian Love, Debbie Couch

To our members and visitors:

WELCOME TO WHITE BLUFF! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

Prayer Requests

Kevin Stringfield, Bernice Stokes, Carol LaBlanc
 Shirley Griffin fell and had hip replacement surgery on Friday. She will be going to rehab this week.
 Shamron Jackson had foot surgery on Tuesday and is doing well.
 Connie Wood will have shoulder replacement surgery next week.



Those Battling Cancer...

OUR MEMBERS

Yvonne Quillin
 Karl Craun
 Kim Marlow
 Larry Osborne
 Jimmy St. Clair
 Willie Hamilton

OTHERS W/ CANCER

	Relationship
Sandra Floyd	Glenda Bull's niece
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
Peggy Donegan	Shirley Daniel's sister
Anthony Bennett	Jerry & Adelaide's son-in-law
Grayson Sawyer	5 yr old friend of Lou Ann Tidwell
Melanie Barber	Nathan Barber's mother
Lee Shockney	friend of Daryl Daugherty

Continue to Remember in Prayer

OUR MEMBERS

Carol LeBlanc Bernice Stokes
 Sue Murphy Lois Willis
 Betty Caldwell Ouida Polk
 Diann Smithson Pamela Todd
 Roy Hamilton Willie Hamilton

OTHERS Relationship

Rubie Corkan	Peggy Heath's mother
Jo Corkan	Peggy Heath's aunt
Darryl Northern	Betty Reynold's son
Jean Majors & Kit	Wed. Meal recipient
Joe Pacone	Wed. Meal recipient
Antonia Cangemi	sister of Carol Leblanc
Norman Mayer	Michelle Morris' brother

In the Nursing Homes

Olive Branch: Mary Buttrey, Freddie Weatherspoon, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055.

NHC: Peggy Jackson, rm 101, Ouida Polk rm 300, Lisa Butler rm 11B, Barbara Travis rm 303, Jerry Butler rm 113, 812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson 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.

NHC Place at the TRACE: Ruth Nicholson, rm 322, 8353 Hwy 100, Nashville, TN 37221

Items Needed for February

MAGI NEEDS: bars of soap

PANTRY NEEDS: Spam, Jelly, Cereal, Green Beans, Corn, Pork n Beans

See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

For the Ladies!

Ladies Retreat at
 Camp Leatherwood—
 Feb. 16-17

Celine Sparks Speaking

Get your registration forms in the foyer. We had a wonderful time last year with almost 100 ladies. Plan to join us this year for fun, food, fellowship, crafts, hiking and spiritual uplifting as we strive to MAKE ME A SERVANT! Get your forms in this week for a T-shirt.

Clothing Giveaway

Monday, February 26
 6:00 - 7:00 PM



Please bring your own shopping bags.

Help is needed for set up at 9:00 AM and during the Giveaway.

Our Outlook on Life

A few years ago, a lady committed suicide, leaving behind this note. "I decided that unless life was worth living, I would just quit living."

How do you feel about your life? Is it worthwhile? Or let's change the question. What would it take for you to feel that your life is worthwhile? What would have to happen to make you feel positive about your life?

If you inherited a bunch of money, would that do it? If your marriage suddenly was all patched up, would that do it? If your kids began to make you proud, or if you got a promotion, would that do it? What would it take for you to feel positive about your life? Now if that's the way you're thinking then you'll probably never feel positive about life because all the little pieces that must come together to make you positive about life will probably never be there.

I am reminded that things, circumstances, and people don't make us happy or even positive about life. Notice the Apostle Paul's attitude in Philippians 4:11-13, "Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

Paul had a positive attitude despite what life threw at him. Someone has said, "Life is 10 percent what happens to us and 90 percent how we respond to it." Let's make it our goal to look at the circumstances of life with a positive attitude.

Mark T. Tonkery, Norval Park church of Christ, Zanesville, OH

LOVE DEMONSTRATED

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

God did not just tell us He loved us and then left it there. As the preceding verse states, God demonstrated, revealed, and validated His love for mankind by allowing Jesus to be crucified, thus bearing the sins of all undeserving people. After showing us the greatest act of love, He now commands us to love others. (1 John 4:11). As we comply to the second greatest command, "love your neighbor" (Mark 12:29-31), it becomes so easy to shake the hand or hug the neck of a fellow Christian and say, "I love you."

However, the love that the Lord requires of us is much more than a verbal acknowledgment. The love which God demands is not a love spoken, but a love shown.



Notice how we are to demonstrate love:

- Doing good and showing mercy for our enemies (Luke 6:35-36)
- Giving preference to each other (Romans 12:10)
- Serving one another (Galatians 5:13)
- Putting up with each other's imperfections (Ephesians 4:2)
- Sacrificing ourselves for our family (Ephesians 5:25)
- Being ready to meet urgent needs of others (Titus 3:14)
- Encourage one another to do good works (Hebrews 10:24)
- Being enthusiastic in expressing our love for each other (1 Peter 1:22)
- Showing compassion for each other (1 Peter 3:8)

Jay Launius, Maud church of Christ, Maud, TX

Pray for Colorado this week.

