



SUNDAY SERVICES May 29, 2022

LEAD SINGING: James Quillen

LEAD OPENING PRAYER: Terry Gross

PRESIDE: Dennis Daniel

SERVE Communion Emblems in MAY: Larry Osborne, Greg Morris,

David Karnes, Larry Lampley

SERMON: Daniel Cauthen

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Qualls

USHERS to Collect Contribution in MAY: Don Mosley, Pierre Griffin

Sunday Evening Service

LEAD SINGING: Gabe Orendorff

LEAD OPENING PRAYER:

SERMON: Daniel Cauthen

LEAD CLOSING PRAYER: Donnie Wills **PRESIDE MONTH OF MAY**: Karl Craun

Wednesday Bible Study Devo — May 25 Ethan Myers

FOOD CALL IN MAY: Marilyn Wilkins, Kim Willoughby

WASH LINENS IN MAY: Penny Rodgers

LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

Pierre Griffin & Donnie Wills

May 22- Attendance— 195 Contribution— \$7,179

<u>Directory Updates, Prayer Request Notifications & Death Notices</u>:

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

May 25 — Ethan Myers

June 1 — Harley Pope

June 8 — Peter Chimera

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WORDS FROM ETHAN

No Longer Strangers

When I started attending Freed-Hardeman, I felt a huge weight on my shoulders because I did not know anyone there. I transferred at the beginning of my sophomore year, so many of the students my age had already found their friend group. It was a terrifying feeling to be a stranger. When becoming a part of the body of Christ, there no longer is a feeling of being a stranger. Once we have entered into the covenant relationship with Christ, our identity is no longer about who we are, and it is about Christ. Paul expresses this transition in Philippians 3 in expressing that his old identity no longer meant anything because it was now bigger than himself since he was filled with Christ. There is no longer a need to feel like a stranger because there is a common strength, goal, and purpose among the body of Christ. Peace and unity are the goal. It is about something greater than ourselves. Once we get ourselves out of the way, then we can be fully immersed into the body of Christ. We are no longer strangers because of the hope that we have in Christ.

Ethan Myers

Summer

June Youth Events

June 2—Summer Youth Series—Maple Hill

June 5—6th Grade Initiation After Service

June 7—Nerf War

June 9—Summer Youth Series—- Heritage

June 12-17 — Camp Leatherwood

June 23—Summer Youth Series Crieve Hall

June 21—Buzz Lightyear Movie

June 30—Summer Youth Series Mount Juliet

June 28-Serve 1:27

WHITE BLUFF

CHURCH OF CHRIST

MAY 29, 2022

Elders:

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

Deacons:

Larry Cocke
Tim Godwin
Butch Lee
Mike Jones
David Karnes
Dwayne Daniel
Greg Morris
Tom Todd
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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

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"STANDING UP FOR *RIGHT* IN A WORLD GONE *WRONG*"

Recently University of Pennsylvania swimmer Lia Thomas made history by becoming the <u>first transgender woman to win an NCAA swimming competition</u> in Division I. One of our Sisters here at White Bluff was very concerned about this for a *number* of reasons. She decided to write a letter to Congressman Jim Cooper and share her concerns about all fallout that would follow. Here is Mr. Coopers response:

"Dear

Thank you for your letter. States across the country are passing bills aimed at limiting transgender Americans from competing in sports, including here in Tennessee. As too often happens, these bills are solutions to problems that don't really exist. The sponsor of the legislation in Tennessee even said that he "doesn't know of a personal example in Tennessee."

The rise in attacks on LGBTQ Americans is concerning. I understand this issue is sensitive for many, but we should all remember and strive to live by the Golden Rule: to treat others as you'd like to be treated.

Thanks again for reaching out to me.

Sincerely, Jim Cooper Member of Congress

Here is our Sister's response to Mr. Cooper. "Congressman,

I do not hate LGBTQ people, as we are *all* sinners. But since you quoted scripture, here are a few others to ponder on:

I Corinthians chapter 6:9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

And it in 1 Timothy chapter 1:9 understanding this, that the law is **not** laid down for the just but **for the lawless and disobedient**, for the <u>ungodly</u> and <u>sinners</u>, for the <u>unholy and profane</u>, for those who <u>strike</u> their fathers and mothers, for <u>murderers</u>, **10** the <u>sexually immoral</u>, <u>men who</u> <u>practice homosexuality</u>, <u>enslavers</u>, <u>liars</u>, <u>perjurers</u>, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, **11** in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

These lists encompass several groups of people. I know that I sin, but there is a difference between trying to live right, and stumbling while trying, and those who purposefully *continue* to live in sin with no regard to ever trying to live right. In 1 Cor. 6, Paul even said "and so WERE some of you...meaning they <u>were</u> that way, but they <u>changed</u>.

(An alcoholic will always be an alcoholic, but it is up to him/her to live sober OR give in to an addiction that destroys their life.)

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In the BIBLE, gender was determined at birth, not what a person "felt" like they were. We are fearfully and wonderfully made, and God knows us from the womb.

Also in Deuteronomy 22:5 "A woman shall not wear a man's garment, nor shall a man put on a woman's cloak, for whoever does these things is an **abomination** to the LORD your God.

Again, I do not hate these people - I do not agree with their lifestyle, and I pray for them to see the error of their ways.

One final point - if it is okay to allow a person to "identify" by whatever they feel like, all standards are thrown out the window. (Even though these may seem extreme, 50 years ago where we are right now was extreme.):

- A fourteen year old could identify as a 21 year old and should be allowed to drive, buy tobacco, and buy alcohol without legal consequences.
- A thief should not be prosecuted, because they can "identify" as the rightful owner of the property.
- All students should pass every class because they can "identify" as an honor roll student.
- If I "identify" as the president's child, they should let me in to see him without calling security.

I could go on and on...

I am sure none of these things I have said will have any impact on you or how you vote on the issues. You may represent Dickson County, but you do not represent me OR true Christians.

I will be praying for you as well as all of our leaders. This nation was founded on Godly principles. I pray that we can get back to those days.

A constituent,

A lady with a Godly heart AND a knowledge of the Word of God can be a powerful tool for the Lord AND His purpose. Standing for what's right is never easy but stand...we MUST. -Daniel Cauthen



Sympathy

Sympathy to the family of Clara Mae Cathey, sister-in-law of Ann Hamilton. Her funeral service was on Monday, May 23 at Taylor's. Remember the Cathey family in your prayers.

Thank you

Thank you for the cards, calls, and visits during my mom's stay in the nursing home and after her passing. It's great to have a loving church family. God bless you, Wade Lynn & family

Prayer Requests

Ronnie Mitchell will have a stint put in on June 6. Scot Lyles had cancer surgery on Tuesday. Kathryn Bradford has been moved to Richland place with a broken leg. **Ouida Polk** is in Horizon Rehab with a broken hip. Joe Jack will have hip replacement surgery on June 6. Gary Shepherd, Kim Karnes ' father, is under hospice care. **Betty Forkum** is now home.

Those Battling Cancer...

Anthony Bennett Sandra Floyd **Karl Craun** June Driver Priscilla Roebuck Tammy Cathey Willie Hamilton

Yvonne Quillin **Bernice Greer Kim Marlow** Kathleen Wilson **Dale Gross Doug Utley** Jav Wilkins Jimmy St. Clair **Gary Shepherd Kaedence Clark** Megan Axelson

Rhoda Hooper **David Stokes** Norma Mayer Scot Lyle **Larry Osborne**

Continue to Remember...

Rubie Corkan Carol LeBlanc **George Green** Joan Jones Joann Rist Ronnie Chandler Carolyn Ricketts

Jo Corkan **Lois Willis Betty Caldwell Darryl Northern** Tom Jackson

Cecelia Black Aline Kerr **Margie Spicer** Joyce Spicer Sandra Stiles Sue McEndree **Charles Carver** Pamela Todd Dianne Hall **Ouida Polk** Leon & Verna Couch

In the Nursing Homes

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: Galye 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 May

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Brushes & Combs



PANTRY NEEDS: Chicken & Dumplings Canned Ham Canned Beans Canned Potatoes Instant Potatoes **Canned Tomatoes** Chili **Toothbrushes/holders**

See Glenda Bull with monetary donations.

We still need Teachers and helpers for VBS. **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — JULY 17 –20**

Please see Joanna Jackson if you can help & to get your material. •-----

Calendar of Events

June 5— PROMOTION SUNDAY—all students will promote to the grade level that will be in this next school year.

June 5—Staff Meeting for Camp at 4:00 pm

June 12-17— BIBLE CAMP at LEATHERWOOD

July 5—Red Cross Blood Drive

July 17-20 - Vacation Bible School

AREA EVENTS

June 26-29—VBS at Hilldale Church of Christ in Clarksville

Aug. 13—Men's Seminar at East Main Church of Christ in Murfrees-

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boro. See board for more details.

God Knows What You Need **Before YOU Ask**

Hypocrites prayed long prayers to get people's attention. They wanted to be recognized as devoted people. Christians don't pray with this motivation. In fact, they don't need to make lengthy prayers.

"Do not be like them, for you Father knows what you need before you ask Him." (Matt. 6:8). Some people ask, "If God already knows, then why ask?" But let's check the context: We don't need to make long prayers. We don't have to explain to God all the details, all the whys, nor do we have to impress Him with our need, as one does with other people, He already knows. The request in and of itself is already sufficient.

We don't have to convince God of anything, nor win over His fa-

Besides this, His foreknowledge says nothing either about asking repeatedly, Jesus doesn't mention the Father's foreknowledge to keep us from repeated prayer. On the contrary! It serves as motivation to keep on asking, since He is interested in us so much as stay "informed" about our needs. (I speak now from a human perspective.) Thank you, our Father, for knowing us and offering us opportunity to ask you for our needs. Hold this though: God knows, of this we're sure, we ask, and asking, mature.

Playhouse Preschool is looking for a preschool

teacher for their two day a week program. If interested, call Joanna Jackson at 615-714-0725.



Happy Birthday

May 29—Larry Lampley, Michael Webster

May 30—Debbie Butler

May 31—Ouida Polk

June 1—Andrea Johnson

June 2—Ashlie Bevin

June 3—Betty Hall, Sandi Martin

June 4—Henrietta Bradford, Jeremy Petty



Our fathers have left us a rich spiritual legacy. Surely it is our duty not to squander it but to leave it replenished so that we, in our generation, may bequeath to those who come after us a tradition as noble as was left us. Francis E. Clark

