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Freedom Bought By The Ressurrection

Sunday, as we come to the fourth lesson in our current Sunday morning preaching series about the resurrection, we listen as Paul explains the freedom that resurrection has purchased for us all. Paul will ask a 'don't you know' question, followed by a 'shall we go on sinning' question. Both are critically important to our understanding of exactly what it is that Jesus has accomplished on our behalf. He will explain to us exactly what sin is and what it does as well as the remedy that has so graciously been provided.
When the Bible says that as believers we have been 'set free', what exactly does that mean? Sunday, we will look at and listen carefully to the scripture as it answers this question so powerfully. Bring your Bible and expect to be encouraged during our time together!
Jim Brown

The Shepherd's Pen

What a difference a week can make as the weather will flip in the opposite direction with a temporary blast of winter weather toward the end of the week. This week several experienced the first frost. The first frost marks the end of the growing season for most plants, and we begin to give thought in preparing for colder weather. We read in Proverbs 16:18," Pride goes before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall." Pride is dangerous because it can enter our hearts quietly. Pride does not always look like arrogance. Sometimes it looks like refusing to apologize, refusing to forgive, refusing to listen, or believing we are always right. The Bible teaches us that God desires a humble heart, not a proud spirit. "God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble." (James 4:6) God does not expect us to be perfect, but He does call us to be humble. Jesus who had all power, all authority, and all glory humbled Himself. (Philippians 2:8) If Jesus could humble Himself, surely, we can humble ourselves. Humility is not weakness. Humility is recognizing that without God, we are nothing. Don't let pride take you somewhere that humility could have kept you from going. Let our lives reflect the humility of Jesus. Looking forward to seeing you this Sunday. Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family.
Your Elders



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 11
LIGHTHOUSE BINGO NIGHT
JAGGER LAWSON

NOVEMBER 12
PRAYER BREAKFAST
7AM, LIGHTHOUSE

NOVEMBER 15-18
SERVE WEEK

NOVEMBER 18
FRIENDSGIVING

NOVEMBER 29
5th SUNDAY AT COBLE COC
JOSEPH ISENBERG SPEAKS

DECEMBER 4
COOKIES WITH SANTA DRIVE-THROUGH

DECEMBER 9
A LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTMAS

ALONG THE WAY
CARTER HOOVER

WHAT A GREAT NIGHT WE HAD at the Qualls cabin Sunday night! There is just something special about gathering around a fire on a cool November evening. We enjoyed a wonderful Fireside with our Jr. and Sr. High students, and I appreciate the Qualls family for opening their cabin to us. Nights like these remind me that some of the best moments in youth ministry are the simple ones—good fellowship, meaningful conversations, and time spent together.

NEXT WEEK IS SERVE WEEK! As we approach Thanksgiving, we want to challenge our young people to look beyond themselves and find ways to make a difference in the lives of others. We have four days of challenges planned, and I hope our entire church family will encourage our students to participate!

- **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 – FILL THE BLESSING BOXES: At 3:00 PM, starting in the Lighthouse, we invite kids and adults of all ages to help us restock the community Blessing Boxes. We are asking everyone to bring canned goods and nonperishable food items, especially soups, Chef Boyardee, and other easy-to-prepare meals, to the Lighthouse. This is a simple way to help families in our own community who may be struggling to put food on the table.**
- **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 – DONUTS FOR TEACHERS: Our students will receive donuts Sunday night to take to their teachers on Monday morning. We want our students to take a moment to say thank you and let their teachers know that their hard work does not go unnoticed.**
- **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 – THE EXTRA MILE CHALLENGE: This one is all about taking initiative! We are challenging our students to find someone they can serve without being asked. Do an extra chore around the house, rake a neighbor's leaves, help someone carry groceries, or find another way to make someone's day a little easier. The challenge is simple: notice a need, meet that need, and do it without expecting anything in return!**
- **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 – FRIENDSGIVING & ENCOURAGEMENT: We will wrap up SERVE Week by writing cards to our sick and shut-in members, reminding them that they are loved and remembered. We also want every student to invite a friend to Friendsgiving to help us meet our goal of 100 students in attendance! Sometimes the simplest way to serve someone is to make sure they feel welcomed, included, and wanted.**

HERE IS WHAT I HOPE OUR STUDENTS LEARN through SERVE Week: serving others does not require a special talent, a lot of money, or even a lot of time. It simply requires a willing heart. Galatians 5:13 reminds us to "through love serve one another." As Thanksgiving approaches, may we remember that one of the best ways to thank God for what He has given us is to use those blessings to help someone else. Have a great week!

In Him, Carter



SYMPATHY



Janet Grimes Barber
1940-2026

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the passing of our friend Janet Barber. Janet was born April 3, 1940, in Wyandotte, Michigan. She met the love of her life, Guy Barber, at the age of 15, at a church picnic. They were soon married and lived in Michigan until 1961 when Guy was offered a job at The First National Bank in Centerville, TN. They moved to TN and raised 3 daughters, Sherry, Tammy and Tracy.

A loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, she was a woman whose greatest joy in life was her family. She cherished the fond memories of living in the small, close-knit community of Beaverdam and Brushy, where she developed values and traditions and lifelong friendships.

Janet is survived by her 3 daughters Sherry Galey, Tammy (Shane) Willis and Tracy Robinson, 7 grandchildren Holly (Jeff) Stewart, Jill (Kris) Akens, Jana (Randy) Wright, Jenny (Andrew) Weber, Andrew Robinson, Eli Robinson, McKayla (Justice) Conner and 11 great- grandchildren, Cameron, Claire and Cruze Wright, Kamden, Scout, Colton and Abby Akens, Aden and Ava Weber and Ryan and Dean Conner.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Ricky Slaughter who passed away.

Memorials

Memorials have been given to the Benevolence Fund in memory of Janet Barber by the following: 3 Memorials from the Centerville Church of Christ, Doug & Billie Sue True.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Janet Barber by Lonnie & Diane Garrett.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Contribution
November 8, 2026
$ 13,988.51
Camp:
$ 152.00
Budget:
$15,075.00

Operation Santa Claus

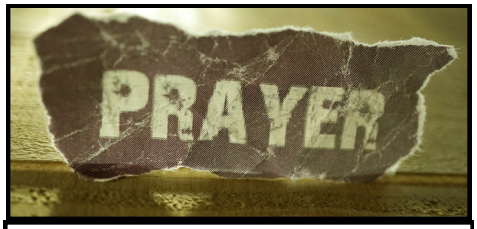
Anyone interested in participating in this year's Operation Santa Claus is encouraged to contact Becky Coleman. This annual effort provides an opportunity to help others during the Christmas season. If you would like to participate or need additional information about how you can help, please see Becky or contact her at 931-209-6564.

Thank You

Mary Katherine Bates writes: "My deepest appreciation and thanks for all the different ways each of you did to make my birthday extra special. In Christian Love..."

Randall & Sandra Barber write:"Dear Church Family, Thank you for all of your thoughtrs and prayers, calls, text messages and visits during my recovery. Thank you for the food train. The food was delicious and very much appreciated by both of us."

The Family of Janet Barber writes: " We want to thank you all for every call, text, visits to the hospital and funeral home, and prayers during our mom's illness and death. The outpouring of love and concern has been such a blessing to our family. Thank you for the Memorials for her and for the wonderful meal provided following her burial. We want to thank everyone who helped serve and clean up. Our parents loved the Centerville Church. Thank you for loving them." *Sherry Galey, Tammy (Shane) Willis, and Tracy Robinson*



...Martha Loveless is recovering at home.

...Chris Peters is feeling better and getting stronger. He is in St. Thomas Mid-Town.

...Chris Scott will have surgery November 17th at St. Thomas West.

...Ann Johnston is in Maury Regional due to weakness and low sodium levels.

...Leland & Savannah Porter have been referred to high risk pregnancy doctors for additional scans.

Recovering From Surgery Or Other Illness: Marvin Dorton, Sandra Barber, Chris Scott, Allen Walker, Bobby McCoy, Cathie Copley, David Nash

Dealing With Cancer:
Frances McMeen, Woody Woodruff, Matt Howell, Lynda Walton, Rufus Woodard, Linda Thomasson, Nick McNabb, Dale Thomas, Ed Sullivan

Home: Faye Dotson, Billie Sue True, Marilyn & Lonnie Gilliam, Wanda Givens

Nursing Home: Life Care Center:
John Thomas Givens, Joanna Campbell, Willie B. Coates, Frances McClanahan, Larry Talley, Cynthia Butler

Glenda Dorton
House 4 6408N 70th Plaza
Omaha, Nebraska 68104
Phone: 402-5730-3704

St. Thomas Hickman Hospital
Wayne Chessor, Dottie McClearen

All Church Night
December 6, 2026
Details To Come
Sign the list in the lobby for desserts!





The Ladies are invited to join us for a fun holiday cookie exchange on December 5th from 1-3 P.M. at the home of Bryan & Lori Woods, 3429 Dodd Hollow Road Nunnelly, Tennessee 37137 Let's get together to celebrate the season, trade delicious treats, and play some games. Please prepare 2-3 dozen cookies to exchange and a few extra to sample. Any leftovers can go to All Church Night. Please RSVP Lori Woods at 931-994-7042.

PRESIDE

November 15
Marshall Spencer

November 22
Clay Chessor

November 29
George Bragg

Please Be Assembled Up Front By 8:55

LEFT SIDE
Wyatt Aydelott
Aden Weber
Joseph Isenberg
Landon Jenkins

RIGHT SIDE:
Case Martin
Ray Qualls
Jackson McDonald
Bo McDonald

PM CHAPEL
Finn Martin

COMMUNION PREP.

November 15
Phillip & Letitia Allen

November 22
Mark & Shela Chessor

November 29
Monty & Amy Dunn

READ SCRIPTURE
November 15, 2026

Tony Powers

ELDER'S PRAYER

Craig Shelton

PRAYER WEEK OF NOV. 15

S.M.W
Cecil Qualls

S.M.D
Randy Wright

S.E.W
Slater Springman

S.E.D
Calvin Hoover

W.E.B.S
Brad Davis

W.E.D
Randy James

