



# CENTERVILLE

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Todd Parsley

### Worship With Us Sunday

Sunday AM

*"The Rich Man and Lazarus"*  
(Luke 16:19-22)

Sunday PM

*"Fight! Contend! Do Battle!"*  
(Jude 3-4)

9AM and 5PM

EVANGELISM  
THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

Sunday was a good day here at Centerville. We had 550 here for worship and good number for bible classes as well. Overall, it was a good Easter Sunday, and the good news is we will do it again this coming Sunday. I hope that what was a priority one Sunday will be a priority every Sunday. Yes, the Easter bunny comes once a year, but the command to worship God comes every first day of every week of every year!

I guess the big news of the week for the majority of the world is the passing of the Catholic leader, Pope Francis. What does that mean to Christians or to the Lord's true church? Nothing really! The Bible teaches us that Jesus is the head of the church. Paul put it very simply in Colossians 1:18. *"And he is the head of the body, the church..."*. The church of Christ does not need two heads. Jesus Christ is deity (Col. 2:9). He has revealed His Word to us and ratified it with His precious blood (Matt. 26:28). It was once revealed to the saints (Jude 3) by the Holy Spirit of God (I Cor. 2:9-13). It needs no additions or subtractions (Rev. 22:18-19). It will govern until the Lord returns (II Tim. 3:16-17). Then, the Lord will use it to judge the world (John 12:48).

The church has a head and that head is no mere man. That head is Jesus Christ, the only begotten of God. He alone has the preeminence over the church. *"And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that fills all in all"* (Eph. 1:22-23). So, brace yourself in the days and weeks to come for an abundance of man-made rite and ritual that man in his own mind has made up. *"Let God be true, but every man a liar"*.

See you Sunday!  
God Bless -Todd

# Carter's Corner...



**CSI REVEAL MEAL**



**TOP SECRET**

## Baptisms

...We rejoice with David Halbrooks who was baptized April 9, 2025 by Craig Shelton.

...We rejoice with Tiffany Riggs, Michelle Collins, Kristin O'Connor and James Hedge who were baptized April 19, 2025 by members of the Jail Ministry.

## Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Kari Galey Pitts, Danny Galey, and Guy Barber by Sherry Galey.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Judy Semore McWilliams from Clara Maurer, Peggy Mathis and Shela Dankovic.

...a Memorial has been given to Day School in memory of Kathy McDonald by Doug Shepherd.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Bill, Martha and Greg McCord.

## Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of James Easley who passed away. Mr. Easley was a member of the Shippo Bend Church of Christ where he enjoyed leading singing. He was a former member of the Centerville Church of Christ for many years.

Visitation: Sunday, April 27 10-2p at McDonald Funeral Home. Funeral: April 27 at 2p. Burial: Oakmont

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

## CONTRIBUTION

April 20, 2025:  
\$ 14,729.16

Camp: \$ 175.04

Budget: \$14,978.00



Applications are available in the office if you are interested in becoming a member.



...Bobby Stone, father of Kristen Garland, is on high doses of antibiotics due to an infection. He has returned home from the hospital.  
...Jerry Flowers, Bethel Church of Christ had surgery April 22, 2025.  
..James Stoltz, father of Melissa Sanderson, will have a heart procedure on April 23rd.

Recovering from surgery or other illness: Tim Sanderson, Jimmy Krueger, Tanya Booker, Barbara Vanetta

Please Pray For Those Who Are With Cancer: Wilber Davis, Sonny Anglin, Renee Clavette, Kelley Davis, Ed Sullivan, Owen Vander Horst, Willie Powers, Rodney Tune, Jerry Yates, Mark Isenberg, David Talley, Lorrie O'Guin, Bobby Stone

### Home:

Janet Barber, Don Luther, Troy Parks, Reba Horner, Marilyn & Lonnie Gilliam, Glenda Teet, John Thomas & Wanda Givens, Willie B. Coates, Martha Weber, Billy Garner

### Nursing Home Life Care Center:

Frances McClanahan, Margaret McCord, Hester Moss, Larry Talley



CAMP IS THE GIFT.  
CHRIST IS THE GOAL.

# MERIBAH MISSION:

Camp Is the Gift.  
Christ Is the Goal.

Each summer, Camp Meribah offers more than just games, creek time, and campfires—it offers a mission field. Through the *Meribah Mission Scholarship Program*, our goal is to raise 50 full scholarships so that every child has the opportunity to experience a week of faith, fellowship, and fun.

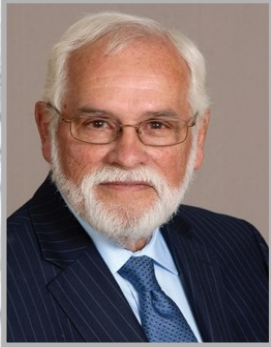
Each \$225 scholarship helps a camper unplug from the world, grow closer to God, and build lasting friendships. Already this year, 5 scholarships have been raised toward our goal of 50!

Camp is the gift. Christ is the goal. Will you help us send the next child? To give or learn more, contact Carter Hoover or the church office.



Vacation Bible School is coming June 9-11, 2025

## Our Elders



*Ken Dickerson*



*Gary Gatewood*



*Mike Goodpasture*



*Wayne Qualls*



*Craig Shelton*



*Shane Willis*

Place  
Stamp  
Here



Sunday was a wonderful day! The weather was beautiful, a great crowd gathered for worship. There were several visitors in the audience and many youngsters participated in the egg hunt following Bible classes. You should have left Sunday with a feeling, "I'm glad I came!" Can you define a Christian without mentioning the church? The most important reason for a Christian to attend church service is that the church is God's idea. (Matthew 16:18) Our attendance is just not a good suggestion, but it is God's will for us. "And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:24-25)

What are the benefits of being part of a church family? We study God's word together. The church family is called to grow spiritually together, urging one another on. (II Timothy 3:16) We honor God together through worship. "Oh, magnify the Lord with me, And let us exalt His name together." (Psalm 34:3) We find support in trials. (Galatians 6:2) We find accountability. Accountability is vitally important in the battle to overcome sin, and the church family is a great place to find someone to pray with, talk too, and confide in. (James 5:16) We have opportunities to serve. (I Corinthians 15:58) In an age when the culture is increasingly secular, it is essential and beneficial spiritually to be in a family of like-minded believers. Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family. Looking forward to seeing you. *Your Elders*

**Preside**

**April 27**  
John Bradley

**Left Side**  
Brett Martin  
Shaun Lawson  
Ray Qualls  
Jagger Lawson

**Right Side**  
Jeremy Barber  
Patrick Allen  
Barry Shelton  
Ben Austin

**(PLEASE BE ASSEMBLED UP FRONT BY 8:55)**

**Read Scripture April 27**

Jonathan Longworth

**Elder's Prayer**  
Shane Willis

**Communion Prep.**

**April 27**  
Karen Bridges  
Patricia Skelton

**Prayer Week Of**  
**April 27**

**S.M.W.**  
Clay Chessor

**S.M.D.**  
Michael Bryant

**S.E.W.**  
Patrick Allen

**S.E.D.**  
Eddie Boone

**W.E.B.S**  
Jim Hudgins

**W.E.D**  
Bill McDonald