



# CENTERVILLE

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**"From Where I Sit"**

*Todd Parsley*

**Worship With Us Sunday**

Sunday AM  
*"Evangelism In Today's Culture"*  
(I Corinthians 1:18-24)

Sunday PM  
*"Does God Hear The Sinner's Prayer?"*  
Psalm 66:17-20

**9AM and 5PM**



**Our Ministry Fair was a great day! I want to again thank all our deacons for their efforts to present the ministries that this congregation is involved in. With the information presented through this ministry fair surely you found a place to use or develop the talents that God has given you. The work of the local congregation is dependent on efforts of each member. The Centerville Church of Christ has a long history of faithful men and women who have tirelessly prayed and worked for the growth of the Kingdom here in this community. May God continue to bless our work for generations to come.**

**As we talked about on Sunday, all the talent in the world is useless until put to use. All the training and education in the world, as helpful as it may be in the development of talent, goes to waste unless those talents are put to use. Once we have the ability, then we must be willing to get out there and put those talents to work for the Lord, and in the way He would have us use them. Here is where we must look around and see where we are needed most, and then get involved in what needs to be done. Here is where we must not wait for an invitation or for someone else to tell us what we need to be doing, but the time to take the initiative and get to work.**

**Jesus once said, *"The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest"* (Matt. 9:37- 38); He also said, *"lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!"* (John 4:35). If we see there is work to be done, let us join in or, at the very least, pray that others will join in with us; but let us not close our eyes to the work that has to be done, nor shirk our responsibilities. Get involved!**

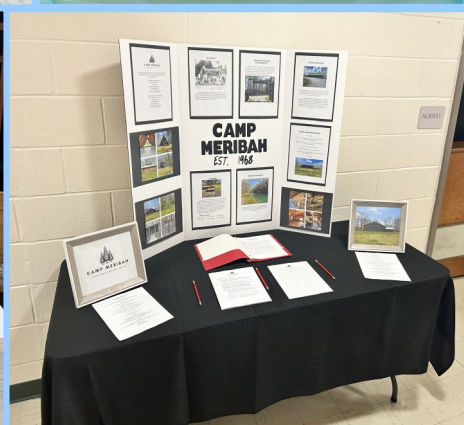
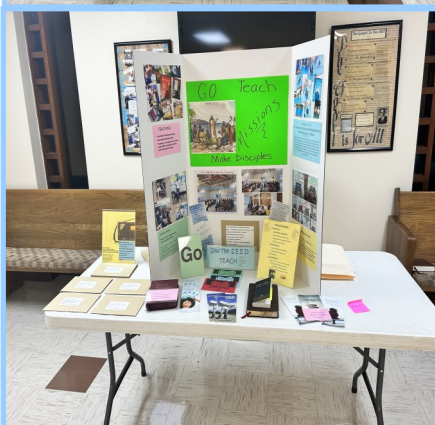
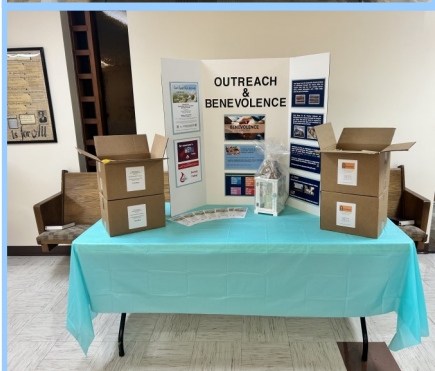
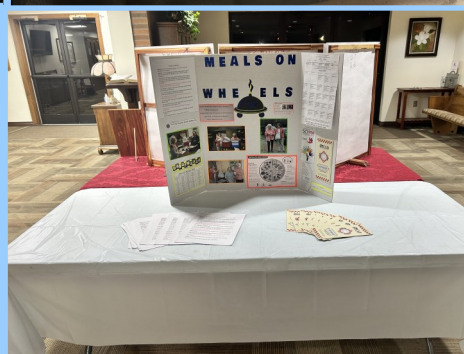
**Let us never forget that the Lord knows what we can do and cannot do, and He also knows whether or not we are willing to do the work He has given us; we cannot make excuses for not being involved when the Lord knows otherwise. God had an answer for every excuse of Moses (Exodus 3), and He has an answer for every one we might come up with too. Lets make sure we are involved in the Lord's Church!**

**Let us not bury our talents, as did the one-talent man, but put them to work for the Lord and for His glory. He has entrusted the most valuable thing to each of us.**

**God Bless -Todd**



# 2024 Ministries Fair





## CENTERED SISTERS

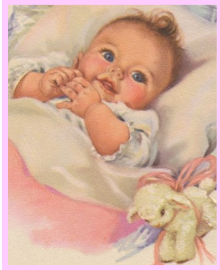
Any ladies interested in the Centered Sisters Ministry for 2024-25, There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer. A date will be announced soon for drawing of names.



## REVEAL MEAL CSI: CENTERVILLE (College Secret Involvement Ministry)

Sunday, April 28th  
Fellowship Hall  
Immediately following morning services & classes  
(See Tina or Ken Dickerson for more information)

## Mother's Day Request



We would like to honor all Mothers on Sunday, May 12, 2024 following our A.M. worship service by recognizing all babies born since Mother's Day 2023. Please email a picture to: [tammy@centervillechurchofchrist.org](mailto:tammy@centervillechurchofchrist.org)

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### CONTRIBUTION

April 21, 2024  
\$ 14,069.56

Camp: \$ 191.75

Budget: \$14,186.00

## In Honor

...a Camp Meribah Scholarship has been given in honor of Carter Hoover and Family for his work with our young people by Doug Shepherd.

## Thank You

Trevor Buchanan and family write: "Thank you for all the calls, gifts, visits, and cards during my surgery. I appreciate all the acts of kindness and love that was shown during this time. I feel so blessed to be a part of this church family. In Christian Love..."  
Bobbie Lowery writes: " I would like to say "Thank You" to everyone that had a hand in the "Good Works" Ministry Fair. It went over well and was very informative. I did not realize there were 24 ministries at our church. There is plenty of work that we all can do. As Todd said Sunday, we all have talents, but we do not have the same talents. God gave us everything we need to use our talent. So, we all need to use what we have and get to work."



...Ruth Staggs is very sick. She is at her son's home.  
...Ann Spencer has been moved back to AHC in Decatur County, Parsons, TN. She is in room 500.  
...Jimmy Jenkins, father of Regina Elkins and Jonathan Jenkins, has returned home.  
...Jerry Bates got a good report from the doctor this week. His shoulder is healing and he will begin therapy.  
...George Simmons was diagnosed with emphysema this week.  
...Becky Gatewood will have 5 consecutive radiation treatments beginning Wednesday this week. She will begin chemo on Thursday, May 2.  
...Corbin Barr (Lauren Gatewood), son-in-law of Gary & Becky, suffered a mild stroke and will be going to a rehabilitation center for therapy.

### Nursing Home Life Care Center:

Gerald McFarlin, Jessie Seagraves, Tim Blackwell, Frances McClanahan, Margaret McCord, Hester Moss, Katherine Hoover, Larry Talley

### Home:

Marilyn & Lonnie Gilliam, Glenda Teet, Dorris & Margie Claud, Troy Parks, John Thomas & Wanda Givens, Joyce Mayberry, A.J. & Willie B. Coates, Martha Weber, Billy Garner

## Baptisms



We rejoice with Stephanie Fitzgerald and Sam Wilkins who were baptized by member of the Jail Ministry.



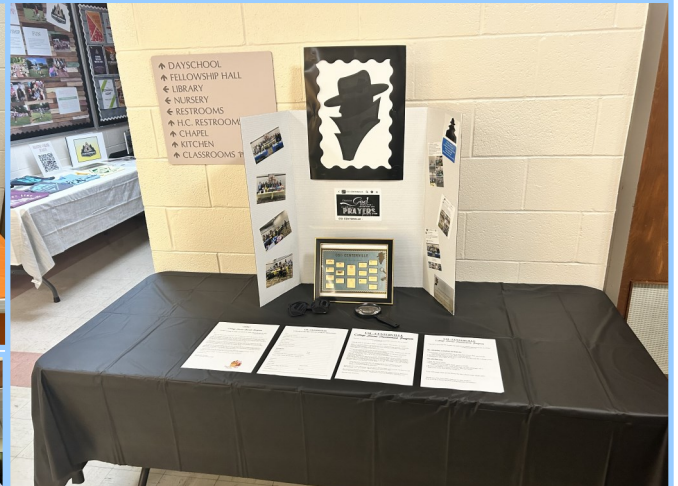
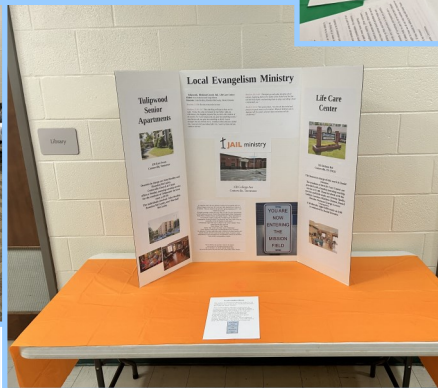
## The Shepherd's Pen

Sunday was a wonderful day! The Good Works Ministry Fair was a Success! The evening worship, fellowship, and family meeting was well attended! Overall, Sunday was a day that glorified God, His Son, and the blessing to work in the kingdom. "Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope by grace, comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work." (II Thessalonians 2:16-17) The desire to serve God comes from Him. The thankfulness for salvation, wanting others to know Him, or His call to live for Him, those feelings are evidence of God working in you. Do not question whether you are smart or talented enough to work for God. Do not feel unworthy because of your faults or weakness. He will provide you with everything you need, and He will accomplish good works through you. Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family.

Your Elders

**Great Attendance For  
Family Meeting & Finger Foods!**

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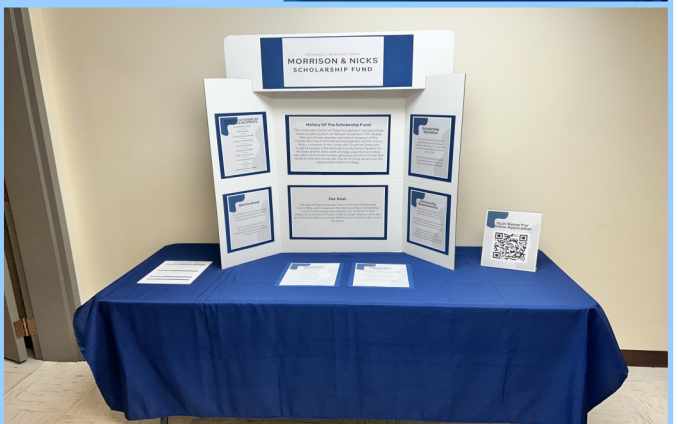


**Preside**  
  
**April 28**  
**Bill McDonald**  
  
***(PLEASE BE ASSEMBLED UP FRONT BY 8:55)***  
  
**Left Side**  
**Jeremy Barber**  
**Jeremy Qualls**  
**Cory Martin**  
**Major Qualls**  
  
**Right Side**  
**Ben Austin**  
**Thomas Chessor**  
**Patrick Allen**  
**Barry Shelton**

**Read Scripture**  
**April 28**  
**Chris Teet**  
  
**Elder's Prayer:**  
**April 218**  
**Shane Willis**

**Communion Prep.**  
  
**April 28**  
**Patricia Skelton**  
  
**P.M. Communion**  
**In Chapel**  
  
**Marvin Dorton**

**Prayer Week of**  
**April 28**  
  
**S.M.W.**  
**Brad Davis**  
  
**S.M.D.**  
**Patrick Allen**  
  
**S.E.W.**  
**Keith Matlock**  
  
**S.E.D.**  
**Cory Martin**  
  
**W.E.B.S**  
**Colby Shelton**  
  
**W.E.D.**  
**Marshall McCauley**



**Centerville Church Of Christ**  
**Sunday: 9 A.M. Worship 10:20 Bible Class**  
**Sunday Evening: 5 P.M. Wednesday: 7 P.M. Classes For All Ages!**