



# CENTERVILLE

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*Todd Parsley*

**"From Where I Sit"**

### Worship With Us Sunday

Sunday AM

*"Redemption and Salvation"*

(Romans 3:21-23)

Sunday PM

*"In the Cave He Prayed"*

(Psalm 142:1-7)

9AM and 5PM



The scriptures are very straight forward when it comes to the devil. We are to take him seriously so that we "do not give the devil an opportunity" (Ephesians 4:27). At the same time, we need to remember that God has already defeated the devil through Christ and given us the tools to help us resist his influences in our lives "so that no advantage would be taken of us by Satan, for we are not ignorant of his schemes" (II Corinthians 2:11).

Scripture also tells us that the devil is not just some representation of evil, but that he is a real being who desires, who acts, and who seeks to hurt anyone and everyone who belong to God. Remember that Jesus warned Peter, "Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat" (Luke 22:31). The devil wanted Peter specifically, and Peter of all disciples knew the danger of the devil when he wrote, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world" (I Peter 5:8-9).

While the devil is dangerous and powerful, he is not equal to God in any way. He does not have the knowledge of God or power of God, and he is, in fact, both defeated and defeatable. This defeat was affected by Jesus Christ: "Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives" (Hebrews 2:14-15).

The devil cannot make us sin, he cannot make us become unfaithful to God, he cannot make us do anything we truly don't want to do. He knows how to keep attacking our faith. He tempts us openly through "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life" (1 Jn. 2:16). He also works on us through physical weaknesses, such as illness and injury. He works on us when we're dealing with relationship problems and when we face any kind of setback. If we're not careful, such life-challenges can weaken us spiritually and leave us vulnerable to his attacks. He cannot win against our will and our faith if we resist him. James wrote: "Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you." (Jamess. 4:7).

God Bless -Todd

# Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Dan Turbeville who passed away. He was the brother-in-law of Marilyn (Jerry) Nash.

# Memorials

...a Memorial has been given to Day School in memory of Nancy Myatt and Danny Buie by Doug Shepherd.  
...a donation has been given to the church in memory of Wayne Rediker by Steve & Susan Anglin.

# Thank You

Betty Litton writes: " I want to thank everyone for all of the cards, phone calls and text messages I received on my birthday. It is so nice to be remembered. You made my day very special."

Eli Mayberry, *grandson of Bobbie Lowery*, is serving our country and would appreciate cards and prayers. His address is:  
Eli Mayberry  
USS O'Kane DDG 77  
Unit: 10089 Box 2090  
FPO AP 96674-8900

## DEDICATION....

Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 4 P.M. at the River Park Pavilion in Centerville there will be a dedication ceremony to name the new basketball courts in honor of Coach Doug True and J.B. Brown. The public is invited.

# CALLING ALL FISHERMEN!



The Lake at Camp Meribah is full, and we would love to have it full of fish too! If you would like to help us stock it by releasing your catches, it would be much appreciated!

## THE CAMP BOARD

# Carter's Corner



WE HAVE HAD A TERRIFIC START for our youth program as we have started the new school year. There have been excellent crowds at all of our youth events, and I am excited and encouraged by the involvement we have seen so far. What a great time to be a part of our youth group! I encourage our young people to keep doing their part to ensure we carry this momentum throughout the school year!

A FANTASTIC CROWD of over 50 students joined us last Wednesday evening for Lighthouse, many of which were first-time guests with little to no previous church experience. I am thankful for the ability to reach out to our schools and community with our Lighthouse program every other week. Special thanks go to Lillian and Landon Jenkins for helping to host our group that night.

OUR JR HIGH GROUP is shaping up to be our largest and most active group this year, as 22 students joined us in the Lighthouse Sunday evening for a time of food, fellowship, and devotional. Holley Kreuger is a fan-favorite cook among our students, and everyone enjoyed the meal provided that evening. Thanks to Jacob and Holley for hosting us!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for RUSH at Freed-Hardeman University, coming up on Saturday, September 28th. RUSH is a combination of a youth rally and a campus tour at Freed-Hardeman and will include keynote sessions, breakout classes with FHU professors, games, and other fun activities on campus. The cost to attend is \$20, and students will also need to bring money for supper out in Jackson that evening. A link to sign up online can be found on the Youth News Board as well as the Lighthouse.

THE FRIENDS WE CHOOSE can have a profound impact on our lives. Good friends encourage us, challenge us, and help us grow in our walk with God. On the other hand, the wrong company can lead us astray, pulling us away from God's path. Proverbs 13:20 says, "Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm." This verse reminds us that the people we surround ourselves with can shape our character and destiny. Choosing friends who share our values and encourage us in our faith is crucial. They can offer godly counsel in times of need, uplift us when we are down, and help us stay accountable in our walk with Christ. As we seek to live out God's

## UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 30  
HCHS FCA LUAA  
TAILGATE

SEPTEMBER 11  
LIGHTHOUSE  
PING PONG  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
(AMELIA SLAVINSKI)

SEPTEMBER 15  
SR HIGH FIRESIDE  
(WYATT AYDELOTT)

SEPTEMBER 19  
JR & SR HIGH  
PRAYER BREAKFAST

SEPTEMBER 20  
5TH QUARTER

SEPTEMBER 22  
JR HIGH FIRESIDE  
(JACKSON MCDONALD)

SEPTEMBER 25  
LIGHTHOUSE  
PING PONG  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
(ADEN WEBER)

promises in our lives, let's be intentional about the friendships we cultivate, ensuring they are ones that lead us closer to Him. Have a great week! In Him, Carter

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

## CONTRIBUTION

August 25, 2024

\$ 16,105.13

Camp: \$ 226.25

Budget: \$14,186.00

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

...Marshall Spencer had knee replacement surgery August 27th.  
...Laura Powers had spinal fusion surgery on her neck August 27 at Maury Regional Hospital.  
...Carolyn Chessor will be undergoing tests this week.  
...Wayne Chessor will have back surgery September 12 at St. Thomas Mid-Town.  
...Cori Parks, daughter of Ann Hooten is recovering from hip surgery. Her address is: 1340 Center Star Road Columbia, TN. 38401  
...Edgar Beard got a good report on Monday. He will see his doctor again in a month.  
...Gethlyn Gardner has received 2 units of blood, fluids, and platelets due to low blood levels.  
...Steve Bragg, son of George & Mary Sue, will have back surgery September 10th at Select Specialty Hospital in Nashville.  
...Sandra Barber will have back surgery September 5th at the Howell Allen Clinic.  
...Yvonna Caillouet, mother of Randy Wright, is recovering from knee replacement surgery.



Barbara & Edgar Beard  
Married 61 Years  
September 6, 2024



Pat Petrowski  
81 Years Old  
September 7, 2024



Martha Loveless  
83 Years Old  
September 8, 2024



Billy Garner  
96 Years Old  
September 9, 2024



Edgar Beard  
82 Years Old  
September 14, 2024



David & Jane Talley  
Married 62 Years  
September 20, 2024



Charlie Shelton  
82 Years Old  
September 25, 2024



Marjorie Claud  
82 years old  
September 29, 2024

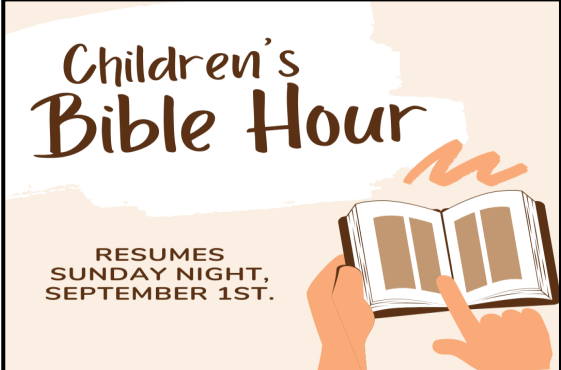


Bobbie June Kittrell  
95 Years Old  
September 12, 2024

**Centerville Church of Christ**...will be accepting "Sealed Bids" for the following Buses:

1-1997 International Blue Bird School Bus with 96,597 miles  
 1-1999 Chevrolet Express G3500 15 passenger Bus with 146,926 miles  
 We will be taking "Sealed Bids" until 1:00 pm CST on September 10 in the office of the Centerville Church of Christ in which all Bids will be opened at this time and the Winning Bidders will be contacted!

Bids can be submitted to John Bradley or George Garland in person or can be mailed to the Church Office at :  
 138 N. Central Ave, Centerville, TN 37033 and must have "Sealed Bid" marked clearly on the outside of the envelope!



**Those To Serve In September**

**Preside**

**September 1**  
Robert Bowman

**September 8**  
Alan Potts

**September 15**  
George Garland

**September 22**  
Garth Richardson

**September 29**  
Keith Matlock

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

**Left Side**

Philip Jacobs  
 Shaun Lawson  
 Eli Jacobs  
 Jagger Lawson

**Right Side**

Chris Buchanan  
 Jonathon Longworth  
 Trevor Buchanan  
 Michael Bryant

**P.M. Chapel**

Clay Chessor  
 Braydon Chesor  
 Bryson Chessor

**Communion Prep.**

**September 1**  
*Joey & Charlene Hunt*

**September 8**  
*Shaun & Jamie Lawson*

**September 15**  
*Randy & Jana Wright*

**September 22**  
*Andy & Jenny Weber*

**September 29**  
*Betty Breece*

**Life Care Center**

9/1: Jeremy Qualls  
 9/8: Robert Bowman  
 9/15: Matthew Dotson  
 9/22: Daniel Dressler  
 9/29: Norman George  
 Tulipwood Service: John Bradley

**RADIO ROOM SEPTEMBER**

Media Director: Cory Martin  
 Video: Aden Weber  
 Sound: Finn Martin  
 Mac/Keynote: Marshall McCauley

**Read Scripture:**  
 September 1  
 Kevin Isenberg

**Elder's Prayer:**  
 Shane Willis

**Prayer Week of**

**Sept. 1**

**S.M.W.**  
Randy Wright

**S.M.D.**  
David Brown

**S.E.W.**  
Cory Martin

**S.E.D.**  
Matthew Dotson

**W.E.B.S**  
Chris Peters

**W.E.D.**  
Brett Martin

**Meals On Wheels**

9/4: George & Mary Sue Bragg  
 9/11: Nancy Leathers  
 9/18: Jane Talley  
 9/25: Sam & Cindy Chessor  
**PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40**  
*Please Contact George Bragg If You Are Unable To Deliver Meals*

**USHERS:**

Ronald Coates,  
 Monty Dunn,  
 Don Chessor

**NURSERY:**

Lesley Hudgins

**BAPT. CLOTHING:**  
 Barbara Beard

**Hey Kids! BIBLE HOUR RESUMES SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

**Prayer** "Daniel" Jonathan/Hannah Longworth, Major Qualls, Wyatt Aydelott, Sam Brown, Joseph McCauley, Sarah Isenberg, Anna Kate Jenkins, Hailie Tilley, Lillian Jenkins, Merfy Qualls  
**Hungry Hound Pantry Item:** Corn

**Greeters**

Joey & Charlene Hunt  
 Kevin & Leah Isenberg  
 Derek & Rachel Newsom  
 Don & June Roder