



# CENTERVILLE

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**"From Where I Sit"**

*Todd Parsley*

### Worship With Us Sunday

Sunday AM

*"Good Works, Serve One Another"*  
(Galatians 5:13-14)

Sunday PM

*"Is God to Blame"*  
(Psalm 77:6-9)

9AM and 5PM



The month of April brought us lessons on "Good Works" focused on evangelism and everyone's responsibility to share the gospel. We now go into the month of May and our focus will be on the good work of serving one another. Paul said in Galatians 5:13; *"For you, brethren, do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another"*. How do we serve one another as God wants? I think the best place to start is through prayer. To ask the Lord for opportunities to serve in our daily prayers.

Praying about opportunities to serve is a great first step but not the only step, when being proactive we must look for those opportunities and then when we see a need we must be ready to serve another. Whether we are asked to do something or volunteer to address a need we must be ready even when it might not be convenient. Matthew 25:31-46 is a great reminder to serve: *"For those that help the sick, and hungry, and thirsty, and a stranger, and naked, and in prison, the King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did do it to Me.'" Verse 40 is the opposite for those who choose not to serve: "Then He said, I say unto you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me. These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life"*.

Christ gave us the ultimate example of service, saying, *"For even the Son of man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many"* (Mark 10:45). Jesus was, always humble, always thinking of others, always serving others. I need to learn from Him!

So, let's pray for opportunities to serve one another daily and be ready to do so. May we grow in good works and serve one another with love.

God Bless -Todd



## Summer Quarter

May, June, July 2024

Sunday, May 5, 2024  
Wednesday, May 8, 2024

BABYLAND	109	Megan Lampley, Laura Harris <u>WED.</u> Cecily Dotson Laura Harris
AGE 2	200	Michelle Jenkins, Tabitha Cude <u>WED.</u> Misty & Ellie Aydelott
AGE 3	204	Lauren McDonald Cassidy Orton
PreK Age 4 & 5	206	Gwyneth Richardson <u>WED.</u> Ages 3, 4, 5 Christine Hoover
Sensory Class	225	Ashley Thomas
In KG	208	Maty Hunt <u>WED.</u> Kaitlyn Wallace
GRADES 1 & 2	220	Joey & Charlene Hunt <u>WED.</u> June Aydelott
Grades 3, 4, 5 Girls	224	Harper Shelton
Grade 3,4,5 Boys	226	Michael Jenkins <u>Wed.</u> Boys & Girls Jean Qualls
Jr. High 6,7,8	B18	Kevin Isenberg
Sr. High 9,10,11,12	B8	Carter Hoover & Others <u>Wed. Gr. 6-12</u> Carter Hoover & Others
YOUNG ADULT	222	YAMS Deacons
ADULTS	214	Craig Shelton & Others <u>WED.</u> Mike Elkins & Others
ADULTS	CHAPEL	Bill McDonald Shane Willis
ADULTS	218	Wayne Qualls
ADULTS	110	Eric Coleman
ADULTS	AUD.	Daniel Dressler Mike Goodpasture <u>WED.</u> Todd Parsley & Others

# Carter's Corner



THE BEGINNING OF SUMMER IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER, which means that so many wonderful activities are about to begin for our young people. We have a fantastic summer planned for our students, with so many activities for them to grow in their faith, spend time with God's family, and have a lot of fun. I hope that you are planning to be involved in everything we have going on this summer!

THE SR HIGH FIRESIDE was picture-perfect this past Sunday night as our youth group gathered for a wonderful evening at the home of Sam Brown. The weather was fantastic for a wonderful evening enjoying the Brown's beautiful backyard, with even some of our students deciding to test the pool in late April! Thanks go to David, Kathy, Sam, & Gracie for hosting us for the evening!

OUR FINAL FIRESIDE of the school year is scheduled for this coming Sunday night, May 5th, for both our Jr. & Sr. High students at Joey and Charlene Hunt's home on Swan. We will load onto the vans immediately following Sunday evening worship to head to the creek for a shrimp boil, devotional, and a time in fellowship together. We hope you are planning to attend!

INFORMATION REGARDING SENIOR SUNDAY was sent to our graduates this past week. If you did not receive information from me and would like to be recognized on Senior Sunday this year, please reach out to me ASAP. Senior Sunday is scheduled for Sunday, May 19th.

OUR SUMMER SCHOLARS PROGRAM will be starting sooner than normal this year in an effort to give our students more time to study and prepare to answer their questions. Summer Scholars are set to begin on May 12th, with students having exactly one month to complete their challenge in order to receive a VBS Summer Scholars t-shirt.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 1  
**LIGHTHOUSE**  
CAMERON WRIGHT

MAY 5  
**FINAL FIRESIDE**  
(SHRIMP BOIL ON SWAN)

MAY 5  
**SPARKS &  
INTERMEDIATES**

**PARK DAY**  
(ENSLEY & EMBERLY  
GARLAND)

MAY 12  
**SUMMER SCHOLARS  
BEGIN**

MAY 15  
**LIGHTHOUSE**  
**GRILL N' CHILL**  
(YAM'S)

MAY 19  
**SENIOR SUNDAY**

OUR SUMMER REINFORCEMENTS WILL BE ARRIVING in just a few short weeks, as Weston Elkins will serve as our youth ministry intern this summer, and Harper Shelton will be serving alongside Mrs. Jean in our education program. We are looking forward to having two of our own young people learn about the different (but important) roles within the church and lending their excitement and energy to our office staff. If you see either of those two young people, be sure to welcome them for the Summer!

Have a great week! In Him, Carter



## Sympathy



**Ruth Staggs**  
1936-2024

...We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Ruth Staggs who passed away. Ruth was a member of the Centerville Church of Christ for a number of years. To her son Mike Staggs of Centerville, granddaughters Keaton Morrissey and Rachel Staggs, her great-grandchild Weston McCaleb we express our deepest sympathy.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Tim Blackwell who passed away.

### 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.*

## 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 28, 2024  
\$ 12,846.66

Camp: \$ 212.00

Budget: \$14,186.00

### HELP US REACH OUR SUMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP GOAL

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### SCHOLARSHIPS REMAINING

FULL SCHOLARSHIPS ARE \$225.  
PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE COMBINED.

## Thank You

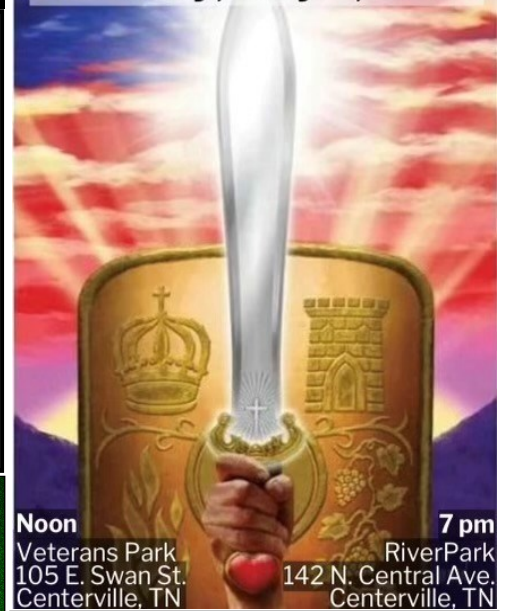
Keith Matlock writes: " Thank you, thank you for all the love shown during Keith's surgery on his hip and quick recovery! We received more meals and gift cards than the number of sessions of physical therapy! Y'all are great! We love ya'll so much!"

## Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Emma Nicks Education Fund in memory of Ruth Staggs, Betty Davis, and Loudon Qualls by Wayne & Carolyn Chessor.

...a Memorial has been given to Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Ruth Staggs by Dwayne & Susan Harber.

## NATIONAL DAY of PRAYER Thursday, May 2, 2024



Noon

Veterans Park  
105 E. Swan St.  
Centerville, TN

7 pm

RiverPark  
142 N. Central Ave.  
Centerville, TN

## Please Pray For:

...Becky Gatewood is undergoing radiation and chemotherapy this week.

...JoAnn Bragg, daughter-in-law of George and Mary Sue, has been in ICU at St. Thomas West. She had good results from a heart cath but is still dealing with pneumonia. She hopes to go home soon.

...Gethlyn Gardner suffered 2 massive strokes and is in Maury Regional Hospital.

...Corbin Barr (Lauren Gatewood), son-in-law of Gary & Becky, was discharged from the hospital and is at home. He will have several weeks of therapy and be closely monitored.

...Randy Hammer's health is declining. He is the father of Nanette Simmons.

...Valerie Mears, mother of Richard, is recovering from knee replacement surgery. Her address is: 1548 Pigeon Hill Road McMinnville, TN. 37110

## Baptisms



We rejoice with Cindy Beard who was baptized Sunday, April 28, 2024 by Jamie Stoltz. Her address is: 44 Pinetree Village Centerville, TN. 37033



### The Shepherd's Pen

*All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." (II Timothy 3:16-17)*

Jenny Lind was a talented opera singer during the 1800's. Her voice captivated everyone, and she became known as the Swedish Nightingale. She performed all over the world, toured the United States under the management of P.T. Barnum. Jenny Lind retired at the height of her career and never returned to the opera stage. Later in life, a friend went to visit her and found her on the beach with a Bible on her lap. When asked why she had retired so early, she pointed to the Bible and said, "Because every day made me forget this." Then she pointed to the sunset, "And nothing in life is as important and precious as your appreciation of God." In life we can become consumed with things around us. Activities, which in themselves are not wrong, can slowly snuff out other things more vital, essential, and important. Whether intentional or not, our priority list takes on an adjustment. "In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths." (Proverbs 3:6) Let worship this Sunday be a top priority for you and your family. Your Elders

# May Celebrations

PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE



**Dorris & Marjorie Claud**  
Married 65 Years  
May 2, 2024



**Margaret McCord**  
89 Years Old  
May 6, 2024



**Charles & Reba Horner**  
Married 51 Years  
May 11, 2024



**Ann Johnston**  
91 Years Old  
May 15, 2024



**Frances McClanahan**  
82 Years Old  
May 22, 2024



**Ralph Shelton**  
91 Years Old  
May 22, 2024



**Doug Shepherd**  
94 Years Old  
May 30, 2024

# Those To Serve In May

<p><b>Preside</b></p> <p><b>May 5</b> Michael Bryant</p> <p><b>May 12</b> Keith Matlock</p> <p><b>May 19</b> Robert Bowman</p> <p><b>May 26</b> George Garland</p> <p><i><b>(PLEASE BE ASSEMBLED UP FRONT BY 8:55)</b></i></p> <p><b>Left Side</b></p> <p>Clay Chessor Jimmy Krueger Braydon Chessor Jacob Krueger</p> <p><b>Right Side</b></p> <p>Ray Qualls Joey Hunt Don Roder Ron Jenkins</p> <p><b>P.M. Chapel</b> Eli Jacobs Philip Jacobs</p>	 <p><i>Communion</i> <small>Remembering His sacrifice.</small></p>	<p><b>Life Care Center</b></p> <p>May 5 : Jeremy Qualls May 12 : Robert Bowman May 19 : Matthew Dotson May 26 : Daniel Dressler</p> <p>Tulipwood Service: John Bradley</p>	<p><b>Prayer Week of May 5th</b></p> <p><b>S.M.W.</b> Bill McDonald</p> <p><b>S.M.D.</b> Dr. Eddie Boone</p> <p><b>S.E.W.</b> Alex Seagraves</p> <p><b>S.E.D.</b> Jim Hudgins</p> <p><b>W.E.B.S</b> Chris Peters</p> <p><b>W.E.D.</b> Wyatt Aydelott</p>	<p><b>Read Scripture May 5</b> Cameron Wright</p> <p><b>Elder's Prayer:</b> Ken Dickerson</p>
<p><b>Communion Prep.</b></p> <p><b>May 5</b> Karen Bridges</p> <p><b>May 12</b> Jeremy &amp; Meredith Qualls</p> <p><b>May 19</b> Matthew &amp; Ashley Halliburton</p> <p><b>May 26</b> Chris &amp; Candice Scott</p>	<p><b>RADIO ROOM MAY</b></p> <p>Media Director: Alex Seagraves Video: Aden Weber Sound: Kevin Isenberg Mac/Keynote: Cameron Wright</p>	<p><b>Meals On Wheels</b></p> <p>May 1: Wayne/Carolyn Chessor May 8: George/Mary Sue Bragg May 15: Nancy Leathers May 22: Joy McDonald May 29: Sam/Cindy Chessor</p> <p><b>PICK-UP MEALS AT 10:40</b> <i>Please Contact George Bragg If You Are Unable To Deliver Meals</i></p>	<p><b>USHERS:</b></p> <p>Ronald Coates, Monty Dunn, Don Chessor</p>	<p><b>NURSERY:</b> Michelle Gilbert</p> <p><b>BAPT. CLOTHING:</b> Linda Shelton</p>
<p><b>Bible Hour: Help Others "Good Samaritan"</b> Wayne &amp; Jean Qualls Hailey Halliburton, Wyatt Aydelott, Sam Brown, Major Qualls, Will McDonald, Gwyneth Richardson, Sarah Isenberg, Anna Kate Jenkins, Hailie Tilley <b>Hungry Hound Pantry Item:</b> Corn</p>	<p><b>Greeters</b></p> <p>Bill &amp; Joy McDonald Cory &amp; Nicole Martin John Plemmons, Jr. Barry &amp; Melissa Shelton</p>			