



**May 3, 2026**

**Our Mission Statement**

We are a community of praying Christians called by God to worship Him; intentionally share Jesus' story with others; baptize those who accept Christ, enfolding them into the family of God; and joyfully disciple Christians to think Biblically about life.

**(Matthew 28:16-20)**

# Order of Worship

**A Call to Worship**

**Announcements**

**Invocation Prayer**

**Hymns of Praise: All Creatures of Our God & King**

**Glorify Thy Name**

**Scripture Reading:** *Psalm 67:1-7*

**Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon**

**Hymn: And Can It Be**

**Collection of our Tithes to the Lord**

**Dismissal of Children:** 3-5 yrs. Old & K-2<sup>nd</sup>

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture:** *Luke 7:36-50*

**Sermon:** *The Tears of the Uninvited Guest*

**Benediction**

**Closing Hymn:**

*There Is A Fountain Filled with Blood*

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## **Thought for the Week**

Psalm 100:3 Know the LORD, He is God! It is he who made us, and not we ourselves.

Shall not the creature reverence its Maker? Some men live as if they made themselves; they call themselves “self-made men,” and they adore themselves as their own creators; but Christians recognize the origin of their being and of what they are. Neither in our first physical birth nor second spiritual rebirth dare we put so much as a finger upon the glory, for it is the sole right and property of the Almighty. To renounce honor for ourselves is as necessary a part of true reverence as to ascribe glory to the Lord. “Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give glory!” will forever remain the true believer’s confession.

C.H. Spurgeon

## **May Bible Memory Verse**

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

## **Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon**

**Leader:** Heavenly Father, even as your adopted children, sin remains in our lives.

**Congregation:** Our hearts can be sneaky and deceitful. We can fool ourselves into thinking that we are not that desperate for your grace; that we are not as bad as other people; that we only need a little savior. Forgive us our foolish pride. Be gracious to us and bless us, O Lord.

**Leader:** Show us our sin, for he who is forgiven little, loves little. But he who is forgiven much, loves much.

**Congregation:** Yes, Lord. Help us to see our sin. And then show us Jesus, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

### **Silent Moment for Private Confession**

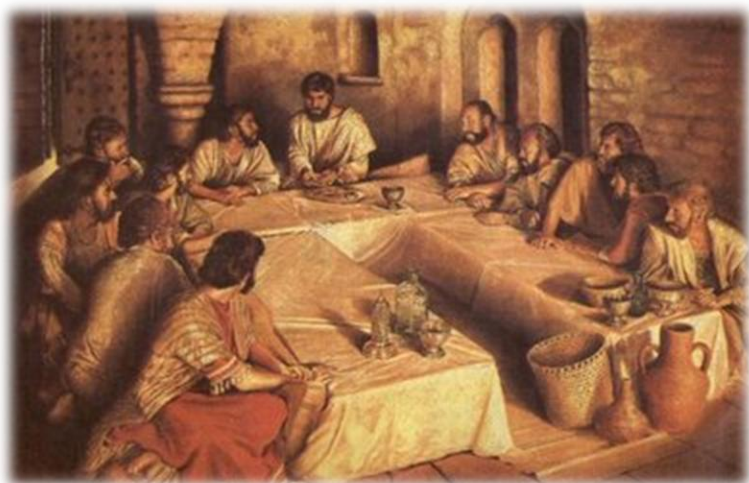
**Assurance of Pardon:** The words Jesus uttered to the sinful woman in Luke 7 are true for all who have turned to him in repentance and faith: “Your sins are forgiven...Your faith has saved you; go in peace.

## **Events & Announcements**

- ❖ **College & Career Bonfire (Ages 18-35)** is today at Meeks Mountain Shelter, 4:30 PM. RSVP to Sandy Finley (304) 634-5500.
- ❖ **Band of Brothers** men's Bible study will be this Monday, May 4, 7pm at church. All men are invited.
- ❖ **Systematic Theology Class** – Wednesday, May 6. 7 PM.
- ❖ **Missions Committee** meeting will be Sunday, May 24.
- ❖ **Session Meeting** will be Thursday, May 14. 7pm.

**Missionaries of The Month  
Christopher & Stephanie  
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## Sermon Notes



### Weekly Bible Reading Plan

- May 3– John 3:1-21 & Psalm 104:1-23
- May 4– John 3:22-4:3 & Psalm 104:24-35
- May 5 – John 4:4-42 & Psalm 105:1-15
- May 6 – John 4:43-54 & Psalm 105:16-36
- May 7 – John 5:1-23 & Psalm 105:37-45
- May 8 – John 5:24-47 & Psalm 106:1-12
- May 9 – John 6:1-21 & Psalm 106:13-31

## **Volunteer Schedules**

### **Children's Church**

Today: Vicki Hall, Amber Stevens  
5/10 Tony Erwin, Scott Smolder  
5/17 Harry Griffin, Miriam Gillispie

### **Toddler Worship**

Today: Annie Erwin, Audrey Gray  
5/10 Caleb Carter, Kate Erwin  
5/17 Barrett Jordan, Amy Nash

### **Greeting Team**

Today: Steve & Caroline Gray  
5/10 Matt & Lizzie O'Dell  
5/17 David Heis, Judie Smith

### **Nursery**

Today: Abbey Stover, Sandy Finley  
5/10 Lizzie O'Dell, Lauren Carter  
5/17 Cathy Stover, Cecilia Hayes

## **Church Staff & Leadership**

**Elders:** Barrett Jordan, Kurt Gray, Steve Gray, Jim Mayfield, Carlos Parra, Harry Yates

**Deacons:** Travis Ballengee, Scott Gray, Harry Griffin, Mike Hall, Tom Lyvers, Craig O'Dell, Tom Ogle, Josh Potter, Bill Stevens (emeritus)

**Administrative Assistant:** Heather Hall

**Youth:** Caleb Carter

**Praise Team:** Bret Johnston

## **Church Information**

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## **YTD Financial Summary**

2026 Total Budget	\$612,376.00
2026 Tithes Collected to Date	\$307,716.47
2026 Faith Promise Commitment	\$63,000.00
2026 Faith Promise Collected	\$19,700.00
Building Campaign Pledged	\$854,037.00
Building Campaign Collected	\$824,583.95