

July 5, 2026

9:30 AM Worship

Song Leader – Chris Hughston

801 - America, the Beautiful

802 - Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

275 - I Love to Tell the Story

Welcome and Prayer – Jerry Craig

805 - I Come to the Garden Alone

238 – Holy, Holy, Holy!

Lord's Supper/Contr. – Nick Hagler

885 - Something Beautiful

Dismissal to Junior Disciples

Reading: Col. 2:11-15 – Tyler Hagler

Sermon: Where Are We After Baptism? -
Mike Peters

730 - What a Friend We Have in Jesus

756 - When We All Get to Heaven

Closing Prayer – Brad Moser

Nursery – Lanelle Craig

Greeter – Kerry Delashmitt

Junior Disciples (2yr-3rd Grade)

Bible Class – 10:45 AM

Cradle Roll – Angel Bebout

1-2 years old - Angie Hughes

3-4 years old - Edwin & Amanda
Rutherford

K-5th - Brad & Thea Moser

6th-12th - Seth Riley

The Book God Breathed – Auditorium –
Mike Peters

Y.M.C.A – Young Married, College and
young Adults – Tyler Binkley and Will
Pendleton

Wonderful Wednesday 6:30 PM

Song Leader – Keith Crouch

Wed. Night Opening Prayer – Tim
Shivers

Unstoppable (Aud.) – Will Connelly

Wed. Night Closing Prayer – Travis
Shivers

2's-K – Emma Arnhold

1st-5th Grade – Seth Riley

Sunday Night Schedule

7/5 – Independence Devotional

7/12 – Connect Groups (no evening
service at the building)

7/19 – Chosen in FLC – 5PM

7/26 - Chosen in FLC – 5PM

8/2 Back to School Blessing (no
evening service at the building)

Pulpit Minister

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The Best Place To Be On The Best Day Of The Week

Why Are We Baptized?

Baptism is one of the most discussed and debated topics in Christianity. But what does the Bible actually say about why we are baptized? First Peter 3:21-22 gives us a powerful and clear answer, and unpacking just a few key words from that passage can change the way you understand your faith.

It is the blood of Jesus that cleanses us from sin. Romans 5:9 says, "Since we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God." But baptism and the blood of Jesus are not competing ideas. They work together. Baptism is the *when* of our spiritual cleansing. The blood of Jesus is the *how*. When Ananias spoke to Saul, he said, "Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins" (Acts 22:16).

First Peter 3:21-22 gives us seven key words that unlock the full meaning of baptism. First, **immersion**. The word *baptisma* literally means to dip, plunge, or immerse. You cannot pour or sprinkle someone into a river, but you can immerse them. Second, **comparison**. The passage says baptism "corresponds to" the story of Noah. Just as the floodwaters washed away the wickedness, evil, and corruption of Noah's day, baptism washes away the filth of our past.

Third, **salvation**. The passage says baptism "now saves you"—present tense. Not "used to save" or "will save someday." Romans 8:1 confirms: "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Fourth, **sanitation**—cross it out. Baptism is "not as a removal of dirt from the body." It is not about physical cleanliness. It is a spiritual act with eternal significance.

Fifth, **interrogation**. The phrase "an appeal to God for a good conscience" carries the idea of an interrogation. Picture yourself sitting before God under His full scrutiny. When you have been baptized and your sins have been washed away, you can sit before Him with confidence—not because of your own goodness, but because the blood of Jesus has cleansed you.

Sixth, **resurrection**. None of this works without the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Because of the resurrection, we have no fear about the future—we are headed to heaven. And because of the resurrection, we have no fear about the past—our sins have been washed away. Hebrews 10:2 tells us that with true forgiveness, there is "no more consciousness of sin."

Seventh, **intercession**. Jesus is seated at the Father's right hand, interceding for us. First John 2:1 says, "If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." He is at God's side, and He is on our side. If you have never been baptized, consider the words spoken to Saul: "What are you waiting for? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name."

Events

7/5 – Independence Devotional and Fellowship at the home of Tim and Angela Shivers starting at 6 o'clock. Please bring finger foods, desserts, chilled drinks and lawn chairs. There will be a slip n slide for the kids.

7/5 - Shining Stars lunch in the FLC after class.

7/5 - Leadership (Elders, Deacons and Ministers) meeting in the FLC at 8AM. Please make plans to attend. If you cannot make it, please let one of the elders know.

7/12 - Bebout Connect Group will meet immediately following Bible classes at the home of Tim and Angel Bebout.

7/12 – Travis Connect Group will meet from 5-7 pm at the home of Chris and Stephanie Travis.

7/23 – Lunch trip to Bell Buckle, TN. We will be leaving at 9:30 am. This is for all ages.

8/1 – Back 2 School Youth Rally. Staying Faithful 10am – 2pm. Guest Speaker Jerry Elder. Please start inviting youth and friends you know.

8/2 – Back to School Blessing

News

We are excited to announce Riley and Hannah Bennett have placed membership here at Ashland City. Their address is 1026 Forestwood Road, Ashland City, TN 37015. They are now listed in Lightpost.

If you have not been getting the bulletin and you would like to receive it, please email Tonya.

If you have anything (events, prayer requests, etc...) that you would like to have put in the bulletin, please send those to Tonya by Tuesday at accocsec@gmail.com or text to 615-710-7841

Thank you.

Prayer Requests

Please keep our group members that are traveling to Latvia in your prayers.

Renee Crawford is home from Virginia.
Please continue to pray for her.

Shut-Ins

Juanita Glasgow (Vantage Point Room 423),
Linda Pewitt; Preston & Dot Tucker
(Vantage Point Room 414)

Birthdays

Jennie Cornell 7/6
Millie Hughston 7/7
Jenny Simpkins 7/8
Nora Grace 7/10
Bo Cornell 7/11

Anniversaries

Don and Norma Beshears 7/8
Jerry and Lanelle Craig 7/9

Stats For Last Week

AM Worship – 120
Wednesday PM – 76
Contribution - \$4884.61
Weekly Budget - \$5731
Weekly Average - \$5103.04

C'mon Church: PICK UP YOUR SWORD
We battle powers, principalities, dark
rulers, & hosts of wickedness Eph 6:12



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Continued Prayers for...

Charles and Nancy Drake, Kay Nicholson, Jimbo Hannah, Sue Hannah, Henry and Cynthia Odom, Harper Penick, Melinda Riley, Darlene Baxter, Joe Bruggeman, Sr., Joe Demonbreum, Ricky Hackett, J.W. Hymer, Anita Lunn, Kim Mayberry, Ridge Tittle, Dee Shivers, Marilyn Delashmitt, Chuck Couture, Creig McGlaughlin

My Worship Notes



Listen and write down notes from today's singing and sermon!

Name: _____

Date: _____

Circle one: **Sunday** **Wednesday**

Circle one: **Morning** **Evening**

Songs we sang: (No.) (No.) (No.) (No.) (No.) (No.)

My favorite song we sang: _____



LISTEN TO THE SERMON! MAKE A MARK FOR EACH TIME YOU HEAR:

BIBLE	GOD	JESUS	LOVE
CHRISTIAN	VERSE	HEAVEN	PRAY

WRITE DOWN THE LESSON TITLE OR BIBLE VERSES!



DRAW A PICTURE FROM THE LESSON



Ashland City Youth Weekly Update



July 6th Spark Kids Night 5:30-7:00. 2 years old - 5th grade.

July 9th Summer Youth Series Goodlettsville Church of Christ. Van will leave at 6:00.

July 12-17 - Church Camp at Valley View in Greenbrier. This is for grades 3-12. See me for any questions.

The Youth Camping trip for 6 - 12 grade has been moved to July 23-25. Please let me know as soon as possible if your kids can go.

August 1 & 2 - Back to School Bash and Blessing. Be on the lookout for more information!

Please be sure to RSVP to me at 740-710-6863 or on the Lightpost app for all events, so we can get an accurate headcount. If you are not receiving alerts on Lightpost, or if you are having any other Lightpost issues, please see Seth.