

December 28, 2025

9:30 AM Worship

Song Leader – Brad Moser

934 - Hosanna

977 – The Battle Belongs to the Lord

19 – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Opening Welcome and Prayer – Wayne Pinckley

929 – Glorify Your Name

874 – Jesus Is Lord

Lord's Supper/Contribution – Travis Shivers

829 – Mansion Over the Hilltop

Dismissal to Junior Disciples

Reading: Luke 14:25-33 – Daniel Arnhold

Sermon: Limitless Loyalty - Mike Peters

655 – There's a Fountain Free

362 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Closing Prayer – Tim Shivers

Nursery – **Cindy Burney**

Greeter – **Norma Beshears**

Junior Disciples (2yr-3rd Grade)

Bible Class – 10:45 AM

Cradle Roll - **Angela Shivers**

1-2 years old - **Angie Hughes**

3-4 years old - **Edwin & Amanda Rutherford**

K-5th - **Brad & Thea Moser**

6th-12th: **Seth Riley**

Nehemiah (Auditorium) – **Wayne Pinckley**

Against the Grain (Class behind Auditorium) – **Mike Peters**

Wednesday Bible Class –

7 PM Singing in the FLC for everyone.

Internet Guest Password: 1John4:4

Visitors, please use this QR code to let us know you are here.



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

The Cross of Christ: Five Life-Changing Truths

The cross of Christ stands as the central message of Christianity, yet sometimes we lose sight of its profound impact on our daily lives. When Jesus endured the cross, He looked ahead with joy at what His sacrifice would accomplish for humanity. By examining five key New Testament passages, we can rediscover how the cross transforms every aspect of our relationship with God.

First, the cross provides salvation. In First Corinthians 1:18, Paul declares that "the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God." The cross makes salvation possible by providing the blood necessary to cleanse us from sin. Without the cross, repentance becomes merely a futile gesture and baptism loses all meaning. But when we understand that Jesus died for our sins, everything changes.

Second, the cross sanctifies us—it sets us apart. Galatians 6:14 reveals that through the cross, "the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world." The cross doesn't just save us from our past—it sets us apart from the world. Our values, beliefs, and lifestyle choices should reflect this separation. We live for the One who died for us, not for worldly approval.

Third, the cross creates connection and unity. Ephesians 2:16 shows how the cross "reconciles them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity." The cross breaks down barriers between people of different backgrounds, uniting everyone who believes in Christ as one spiritual body—the church.

Fourth, the cross brings reconciliation. Colossians 1:20 speaks of "having made peace through the blood of his cross." Reconciliation means being at peace once again—both God being at peace with us and us being at peace with God. We were rebels shaking our fists at God, yet God says, "Let's get back together," and the blood of Jesus makes that reunion possible.

Fifth, the cross provides emancipation—freedom. Colossians 2:14 reveals that Christ wiped out "the handwriting of requirements that was against us" and "nailed it to the cross." The cross freed us from a religion of perfect obedience. While God still requires obedience, He doesn't demand perfection. We obey because we believe and love God, not to earn perfection.

We need to become people of the cross once again. Instead of being known primarily for our practices, we should be known for our Savior and His sacrifice. This week, share Jesus and His cross with others before discussing religious practices. Let the cross be your foundation for explaining faith.

Upcoming Events

12/31 – 7 PM Singing in the FLC with snacks and games after. **NO CLASSES** that night. **EVERYONE** will meet in the FLC. Bring your favorite New Year Snacks to share.

12/31 - New Years Youth lock in for 4th grade and up.

1/4 – Shining Stars lunch in the FLC after class.

1/4 - **Chosen Sunday** — Join us at **5:00 PM in the FLC (not the auditorium)** for sandwiches, fellowship, and a viewing of two episodes of *The Chosen*. We'll conclude with a guided discussion as we reflect on the life and ministry of Jesus together.

1/9 – Lunch trip to Miss Lucille's Café in Clarksville weather permitting. We'll be leaving the building promptly at 10:20 am. There's a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Please see Tonya if you have any questions.

1/12 – Krazy Kids Night. Starting at 5:30 ending at 7 o'clock pm. 2 years old to 5th grade. Prepare for an indoor snowball fight. Meal provided.

1/15 – Red Cross Blood Drive

1/18 – Area Wide at Main Street Church of Christ in Springfield

1/28 - We will be packing Fuels bags in the old kitchen starting at 5:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to help serve a need in our community and a time of fellowship.

2/15 – Area Wide at Ashland City

News

There will be a meeting this Sunday after class in the auditorium regarding CYC.

We've received thank you notes from Laura Bruggeman, Doris Sanders, Mable Gill and Juanita Glasgow. They will be on the bulletin board in the foyer.

There's a lot of helpful information included in Lightpost. If you need help to get in Lightpost, please see Tonya to schedule a time to work on it.

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

Mitch Ledman will be having surgery the 26th to repair a hernia.

Shut-Ins

Louise Beshears (Vantage Point); Juanita Glasgow (Vantage Point Room 423); Linda Pewitt; Preston & Dot Tucker (Vantage Point Room 414); Kay Nicholson (Riverview)

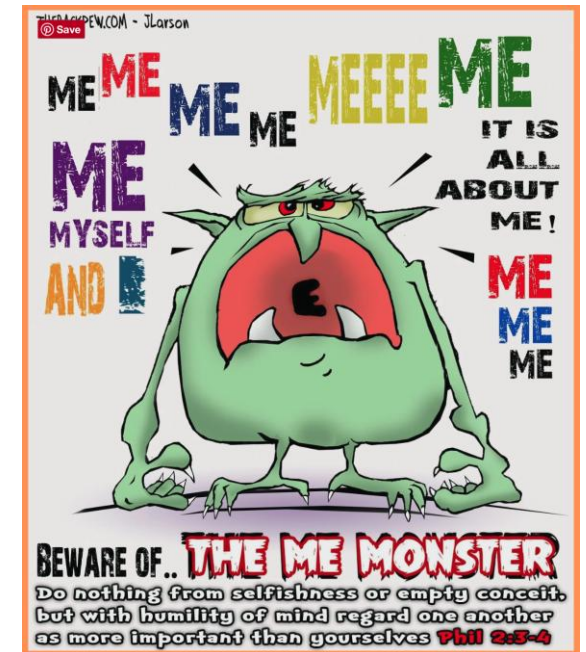
Birthdays

Kaylee Binkley 12/28
Mack Fuqua 12/29
Mitch Ledman 12/30
Stokely Jenkins 12/31
Nolan Magsam 1/2

Stats For 12-28

AM Worship – 127
Wednesday – 76
Contribution - \$9,583.00
Weekly Budget - \$5731.00
Weekly Avg. – \$5,530.33

\$5,793.84 will be going towards 2026 Missions



The Elders would like to take a special collection throughout the month of December to raise additional funds for mission work. We have set a goal of raising \$20,000 for missions. Anything given above and beyond our weekly budget will go towards this goal. There will not be a separate collection taken. Please add any additional gifts to your normal weekly contribution method.

Continued Prayers for...

Harper Penick, Melinda Riley, Darlene Baxter, Joe Bruggeman, Sr., Joe Demonbreum, Ricky Hackett, J.W. Hymer, Anita Lunn, Kim Mayberry, Char Nicholson, Trudy Thrasher, Ridge Tittle, Dee Shivers, Marilyn Delashmitt