

**May 3, 2026**

**9:30 AM Worship**

**Song Leader – Keith Crouch**

800 – Zion's Call

687 – 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

572 – Send the Light

**Welcome and Prayer – Will Pendleton**

982 – We Shall Assemble

384 – Lead Me to Calvary

**Lord's Supper/Contr. – Jeff Burney**

274 – I Have Found a Friend in Jesus

Dismissal to Junior Disciples

**Reading: Acts 9:36-42 – Cory Fuqua**

**Sermon: Healing the Body**

**- Mike Peters**

520 – Only A Step

811 – Jesus in the Morning

**Closing Prayer – Wayne Pinckley**

**Nursery – Cindy Burney**

**Greeter – Tonya Crouch**

**Junior Disciples (2yr-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)**

**Bible Class – 10:45 AM**

**Cradle Roll – Angel Bebout**

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

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

**K-5<sup>th</sup> - Brad & Thea Moser**

**6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> - Seth Riley**

**Unity - Auditorium**

**Y.M.C.A – Young Married, College and  
young Adults – Mike Peters**

**Wednesday Bible Class – 6:30 PM**

**James: Pure Religion (Aud.) –Mike Peters**

**Class Behind Aud. - Donnie Mitchell**

**Ladies Class – Brooke Shivers**

**2's-3's – Emma Arnhold**

**4's-3rd Grade - Tyler and Kaylee Binkley**

**Teens - Seth Riley**

**Internet Guest Password: 1John4:4**

### **Sunday Night Schedule**

**5/3 - Chosen Sunday Ep. 7 in  
FLC @ 5pm**

**5/10 – No Evening Service  
(Mother's Day)**

**5/17 – No Evening Service  
(Praise in the Park)**

#### **Pulpit Minister**

**Mike Peters - (901) 334-6772**

#### **Family Minister**

**Seth Riley - (740) 710-6863**

#### **Secretary**

**Tonya Crouch – (615) 710-7841**

#### **Elders**

**Jeff Burney - (615) 618-3886**

**Bruce Gibbs - (615) 330-7144**

**Brad Moser - (863) 860-1767**

**Wayne Pinckley - (931) 263-4060**

**Tim Shivers – (615) 627-8710**

**Chris Travis – (931) 206-0699**



# Ashland City Church of Christ

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

## **Finding Peace in Uncertain Times**

In a world filled with uncertainty and challenges, it's natural for Christians to experience fear. Whether it's personal struggles, cultural changes, or concerns about the future of the church, we all face moments when anxiety threatens to overwhelm us. But what should our response be as believers?

Everyone struggles with fear in some form—waiting for medical test results, worrying about family members, or facing financial uncertainty. As Christians living in 21st century America, we also share collective concerns: our culture is becoming increasingly secular, moral convictions are being compromised, biblical illiteracy is growing, and religious freedoms may be under threat. When faced with frightening circumstances, we might be tempted to become defensive, dismissive, aggressive, passive, or elusive. None of these approaches reflect the heart of Christ or lead to effective ministry.

The early church faced persecution, imprisonment, and even death. Yet they remained unstoppable. Why? Because they understood a crucial truth that Jesus shared: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Notice Jesus didn't say "you might be" or "depending on circumstances, you could be." He said "you will be."

Throughout Acts, we see this promise fulfilled. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit and saves thousands. When apostles are arrested, they receive divine words to speak. After being beaten, they rejoiced for being "counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name of Jesus." When persecution scatters believers, they preach wherever they go. Jesus even converts Saul, the church's chief persecutor, into its greatest missionary.

The remarkable truth is that Jesus doesn't just overcome opposition—he uses it to accomplish his will. Satan's attacks become fuel for Jesus' fire. Every attempt to stop the church only serves to advance God's kingdom.

Acts 9:31 provides a key insight: "So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied." When you fear God, you fear nothing else. When you don't fear God, you fear everything else. The problem isn't that we're too fearful—it's that our fear is misplaced. We focus on the power of evil rather than the power of God.

Here's the ultimate truth: if we align our lives with Jesus' mission, we cannot lose. Evil cannot prevail against Jesus and His people. The gates of hell will not overcome the church. This week, examine where you're placing your fear. Are you spending more time focusing on evil circumstances than on God's power? Walk in the fear of the Lord and the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

*There will be no Connect groups meeting in May.*

5/3 – Mission Sunday with Don and Marlon in the auditorium class after church. They will be talking about their trip to Guyana. All adults and teens will be in the auditorium for class.

5/3 - Shining Stars lunch in the FLC after class.

5/3 - 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.

5/9 – Door knocking from 10 am to 2 pm.

5/11 – Spark Kids Night is for kids ages 2 through 5th grade! Join us from 5:30–7:00 PM for a fun night—dinner is provided.

5/16 – Wildfire Youth Devotional at Bruce and Elaine Gibbs.

5/17 – Praise in the Park @10:30AM (Previously known as Mayday)

5/22 – Spark Kids Devotional

5/23 – Cleanup/workday at the building 9am to 12pm.

5/24 – Senior Sunday for Lila Hughes. There will be a table in the foyer.

5/31 - Family Meeting with meal following Bible class in the FLC. The church will provide taco meat. Please bring sides and desserts.

## News

There are signup sheets for VBS in the foyer on the bulletin board and in Lightpost.

Please make sure you are checking Lightpost for notifications for upcoming events, signup sheets, and assignments.

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



## Prayer Request

Prayers for Don and Norma Beshears for the loss of their sister-in-law Louise Beshears.

Marie Williams has been in the hospital and is now in rehab. She has had pneumonia.

## Shut-Ins

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

## Birthdays

Briley Haislip 5/4  
Brooke Shivers 5/6  
Dreama Franklin 5/7  
Tommy Nicholson 5/7

## Anniversaries

Dan and Wendy Dowlen 5/9  
Tim and Anglela Shivers 5/9

## Stats For Last Week

AM Worship – 131  
Sunday PM - 22  
Wednesday – 56  
Contribution - \$4319.45  
Weekly Budget - \$5731.00  
Weekly Average - \$4857.61

## Member Spotlight

Jimmy and Jenny Simpkins

Jenny has been a lifelong member of the Church of Christ, and Jimmy became a member after their marriage in 1984. They worshipped at Joelton before placing membership here in 2010.

Favorite Verse: “Christ in me, the hope of glory.” — Colossians 1:27

Fun Fact: Jimmy and Jenny met at Sycamore Junior High when Jenny subbed for him—the rest is history.

Faith in Daily Life: Jenny shares that her faith has grown from self-reliance to daily surrender and identifying with Christ.

Encouragement: Read your Bible daily. Jenny and her mom have read through the Bible together each year, deepening both their faith and their relationship.

## Continued Prayers for...

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, Char Nicholson, Trudy Thrasher, Ridge Tittle, Dee Shivers, Marilynn Delashmitt