

September 6, 2026

9:30 AM Worship

Song Leader – Tyler Binkley

I Will Call Upon the Lord

585 - Soldiers of Christ, Arise

As the Deer Thirsts for the Water

Welcome and Opening Prayer – Will Pendleton

950 - Lamb of God

Lord's Supper/Contr. – Paul Mahaney Jr.

Communion Servers –

John Pendleton, Riley Bennett

Randy Moon, Don Moreland

975 - Thank you, Lord

Here I Am to Worship

Dismissal to Junior Disciples

Reading: Acts 12:20-24 – Connor Hagler

Sermon: Villains: Herod Agrippa

Mike Peters

400 - Living by Faith

454 - Nothing but the Blood

Closing Prayer – Jerry Craig

Nursery – **Kim LeGate**

Greeter – **Fuqua Family**

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 – **Wayne Pinckley**

Auditorium – Mike Peters

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

Wednesday Bible Class – 6:30 PM

EVERYONE will meet in the auditorium at 6:30 for a brief time of fellowship and worship before classes start!

Adult Class – **Mike Peters**

Class Behind Aud. - **Donnie Mitchell**

Ladies Class – **Tonya Crouch**

2's -K

1st – 5th Grade – **Wayne Pinckley**

6th – 12th Teens – **Brad Moser**

Pulpit Minister

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Tonya Crouch – (615) 710-7841

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

Have We Settled for a Cheaper Perfume?

Mark 14 opens two days before Passover, with Jesus at a dinner in Bethany at the home of Simon the Leper, a man almost certainly healed by Jesus himself. Martha is serving, celebrating her brother Lazarus's recent resurrection. It is a house full of people who have experienced the power of Jesus.

In the middle of that meal, Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus, breaks open an alabaster flask of pure spikenard, a perfume worth roughly a year's wages, and pours the entire thing over Jesus. John tells us she also anoints His feet and wipes them with her hair, a scandalous act in that culture. She put her reputation on the line without hesitation.

The reaction was sharp. The disciples, led by Judas, were indignant, arguing the perfume could have been sold and given to the poor. It sounded reasonable, but Jesus saw through it. He told them to leave her alone and said, "She has done a beautiful thing to me." Then He made a promise that has held for two thousand years: wherever the gospel is preached, what she did would be told in memory of her. And here we are, still telling it, because she did not settle for a cheaper perfume.

Three types of people were in that room: the expressive, like Simon and Martha, celebrating what Jesus had done for them; the excessive, like Mary, giving everything in costly devotion; and the expulsive, like Judas and the disciples, criticizing and trying to shut her down. Every one of us falls into one of those categories.

That is where this story stops being about Mary and starts being about us. Have we settled for a cheaper perfume in how we think about the church, treating it like just another club rather than a chosen people? In how we handle Scripture, letting preference or rigid tradition replace what God actually says? In supporting the mission, telling missionaries no because of budget while Jesus still says to go into all the world? In our marriages and families, investing less in marriage than we did in dating, raising children who know every song lyric but can't name the twelve apostles? In our personal priorities, giving hours to entertainment but not to the Bible, keeping our homes immaculate while neglecting the place we gather to worship?

Mary's act wasn't impulsive. It was the overflow of a heart that understood who Jesus was. She gave her most valuable possession without hesitation and expecting nothing back.

This week, identify one place you've quietly settled for a cheaper perfume, then make a deliberate, costly decision to pour out something valuable there instead. What is the alabaster flask in your life, and are you willing to break it open for Him?

Events

- 9/6 - Shining Stars lunch in the FLC after class.
- 9/10 - Lunch trip to 5 Chef's in Portland. We will be leaving promptly at 9:45 am. This is for all ages that would like to come.
- 9/11 – Family Game Night for everyone of all ages! Please bring your favorite game, finger food and a friend!
- 9/13 – Bebout Connect Group will be meeting at Tim and Angels home immediately after Bible Class.
- 9/13 - Travis Connect Group will meet from 5-7 pm at the home of Chris and Stephanie.
- 9/20 – Area Wide at Stroudsville Church of Christ at 5pm (topic IYKYK).
- 9/27 – MAGI Boxes Family packing project. Please bring your favorite finger food, side and dessert. We’d like everyone (of all ages) to come and be a part of this!

News

It’s time for MAGI boxes! You can pack an individual box or boxes—boxes are available in the foyer—or you can donate so we can purchase items in bulk.

If you would like to donate, please see Jerry Craig by September 6th.

Packed boxes are due back at the building by September 27th.

A packing list is available in Lightpost.

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

Ms. Juanita Glasgow is now at Riverview for rehab in room 104.

Birthdays

Connor Hagler 9/09

Stats For Last Week

AM Worship – 128

Wednesday PM – 57

Contribution - \$5,572.85

Weekly Budget - \$5,731

Weekly Average - \$5,462.51

MAGI money collected so far \$3290.00!

Internet Guest Password: 1John4:4

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Sunday Night Schedule

- 9/6 - Chosen in FLC – 5PM
- 9/13 – Connect Groups
- 9/20 – Stroudsville Area Wide
- 9/27 - MAGI Boxes Packing

Shut-Ins

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

Continued Prayers for...

Rex Davis, 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