

Sunday, February 12	
Greeters	Houston & Denise Hutto
Bible Reading	Chris Hood
Devotional Prayer	Harry James
Song Leader (AM & PM)	Paul Gilliland
Worship Prayer	Chris James
Lord's Table	
(B) Jerry Hall	(J) Rex Free
Windell Denney	(O) Marl Fuller
Jimmy Jones	Bryant Addison
Roger Jones	Tom Wilkerson
Announcements	Aaron Fletcher
Dismissal Prayer	Brex Fuller
Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday)	
-Streaming	Preston Grover
-Songs/Audio	Chuck Cleghorn
Prepare Communion	Bonita Jones-Regina Lee
Sunday Evening	
Opening Prayer	Josh Jones
Dismissal Prayer	Will Fletcher
Wednesday, February 15	
Song Leader	Mark Biles
Closing Prayer	Matt Addison
Ushers	David Scarbrough-Houston Hutto
Lock Building	Matt Addison-Aaron Fletcher

Sunday, February 19	
Greeters	Brent & Beth James
Bible Reading	Casey Pirtle
Devotional Prayer	Danny Standridge
Song Leader (AM & PM)	James Rogers
Worship Prayer	Sam Scott
Lord's Table	
(B) Houston Hutto	(J) Paul Gilliland
Larry Peebles	(O) Tim Hester
Roger Jones	Rayford Morgan
Frank Pitts	Roger McCaghren
Announcements	Larry Little
Dismissal Prayer	Paul Rogers
Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday)	
-Streaming	Chris James
-Songs/Audio	Harry James
Prepare Communion	Tasha Davis-Tamara Lunsford
Sunday Evening	
Opening Prayer	Jamie Patterson
Dismissal Prayer	Roger Thomas
Wednesday, February 22	
Song Leader	Ken Nelson
Closing Prayer	Mark Biles
Ushers	Nathan Lee-Aaron Fletcher
Lock Building	Matt Addison-Aaron Fletcher

January '23							March '23						
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February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 Phillip Waldrep	2	3	4 Megan Pitz
5 Bowling	6 Judy McCaghren	7 Jane Biles	8	9	10 James Rogers	11 Anna Hill
12 Valentine Lunch Mapes Baby Shower Elders/Deacons Mtg	13	14	15 Julie Carter	16	17 Jennifer Addison Bradley & Brittany Liles	18 Jacob Hutto Supper Outing
19	20 Roger Thomas	21	22	23	24	25
26 Elders Meeting Card Signing	27 Benton Watson	28	1	2	3 Steve Chmberlain	4



The Mediation Of Christ

The Master said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14:6). Jesus Christ is our Savior, our Mediator, our High Priest, and our Advocate.

Jesus Christ is our SAVIOR. The angel directed Joseph to “call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins” (Matthew 1:21). When Peter told the Sanhedrin about Jesus Christ of Nazareth, he declared, “Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12). The word “Savior” (soter) means “deliverer.” Jesus Christ is our Savior.

Jesus Christ is our MEDIATOR. Paul wrote, “For there is one God and one Mediator between God and man, the Man Christ Jesus” (1 Timothy 2:5). The word “mediator” (mesites) literally means “go between.” As our Mediator He is “the one who seeks to resolve the differences between two conflicting parties” – God and us! As God incarnate, He is eminently qualified to do this. He “was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin” (Hebrews 4:15). Jesus Christ is our Mediator!

Jesus Christ is our HIGH PRIEST. In Hebrews 4, “Jesus the Son of God” is identified as our “great High Priest who has passed through the heavens” (verse 14). He can “sympathize with our weakness” (verse 15). Because He is our High Priest we can “hold fast our confession” (verse 14) and “come boldly to the throne of grace” (verse 16). From the shadow of the Levitical priesthood, we learn that the role of the “High Priest” (archiereus) is to offer sacrifice for the people and to mediate on their behalf. As our Savior, Jesus “appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself” and as our Mediator He went “into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us” (Hebrews 9:24-26). Jesus Christ is our High Priest!

Jesus Christ is our ADVOCATE. John wrote, “My little children, these I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous” (1 John 2:1). The word “Advocate” (parakletos) literally means “called to one’s side.” Jesus Christ is “counsel for the defense.” He is the One who pleads our cause before the Father. He is “the righteous.” Jesus Christ is our Advocate!

He is our Savior! He is our Mediator! He is our High Priest! He is our Advocate! Thus, we see the mediation of Christ. Simply stated, we come to God through Jesus Christ! We express our gratitude to God through Him (Romans 1:8). We glorify God through Him (Romans 16:27). We have victory over death through Him (1 Corinthians 15:57). We are heirs of God through Him (Galatians 4:7). We have access to the Father through Him (Ephesians 2:18). We have eternal life through Him (Romans 6:23). Our response can only be, “Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift” (2 Corinthians 9:15). Dwight Fuqua

SICK

- Phillip Waldrep is recovering from surgery.
- Melonee Wilkerson has had severe hearing loss in her left ear. She will be having an MRI soon.
- Sheron Ray had stent placement due to a heart attack. Address..429 Co Rd 227 Moulton, AL 35650.
- Russell Estes continues to need our prayers.
- MacKenzie Smith, 6 week old premature baby, is having breathing issues and is in need of prayers.

SYMPATHY

Our hearts go out to Mary Louise Thomas and her family in the passing of her brother, Sammy Cowart. Memorial services were conducted Wednesday in Somerville. This has been a very challenging year for Sister Thomas. Please continue praying for her.

Our hearts go out to Sam and Ida Scott in the passing of their nephew, Dedrick Robinson. This has been a challenging year for them also, as their sister law passed away a few weeks ago. Continue to pray for this family.

BABY SHOWER

The ladies of the congregation are invited to a baby shower for Megan Mapes, today at 2 p.m. at the home of Alison James. The Mapes' twin boys are due in late March. Registries are available at Target, Amazon and Walmart. Light refreshments will be served. Address is 1199 County Road 358, Trinity.



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What You Missed

It is sad but true that a large percentage of the people who come to worship on Sunday morning do not come back on Sunday night or Wednesday night. Also, many wait until after Bible class is over Sunday morning before gathering together. We could talk about the sin of forsaking the assembling of the saints, but I want to focus on what individuals miss when they do not attend these meetings of the church. If you missed these services...

...you missed the opportunity to sing praises to your Creator. Do you believe He is worthy of such praise? If so, you missed opportunities to show Him.

...you missed the opportunity to offer up prayers to the One who hears and answers prayers.

...you missed the opportunity to encourage brothers and sisters in Christ, and to be encouraged by the same.

...you missed the opportunity to be nourished spiritually. God’s Word was taught, which means spiritual nourishment was provided. It is only God’s Word that is able to provide spiritual nourishment (1 Peter 2:2). If you have not been growing spiritually, you are lacking spiritual nutrition. Stop skipping meals.

Let’s be sure we don’t miss out on any more of these opportunities.

Tim Wilkes II

SENIOR SAINTS VALENTINE LUNCH

Valentine Lunch honoring our Senior Saints will be today following morning worship.

ELDERS	MINISTER
Roger Thomas Brent James Nathan Lee	Harry James Sam Scott David Barker

DEACONS

- Benevolence**
Deacon: Windell Denney
- Visitations**
Deacons: All
- Education**
Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Houston Hutto
- Missions**
Deacon: Larry Little
- Youth**
Deacon: Matt Addison
- Building & Grounds**
Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Aaron Fletcher
- Technology**
Deacon: Tim Hester
- Worship Assignments**
Deacon: Matt Addison

MIDWEEK STUDIES

Our sincere appreciation goes out to Sam Scott for leading the auditorium class discussion this past Wednesday while David attended FHU lectures. All of us should be living for judgment day. “Shall not the judge of all the earth do what is just” (Genesis 18:25)?

A NEW HOPE

The word “now” comes from a Latin phrase, novus homo, which means “a new man” or “man newly ennobled.” There is a powerful lesson in that. Each moment is a change we have to start over. To become a new person, to become a better person.

“Now” is an important concept in the Bible. Now is the day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2) Now is the time to encourage (Hebrews 3:13). Now is the time to do what is right (James 4:15-17). Now is the time to repent (Acts 17:30).

A new you starts will an action but it must be done now! Tomorrow isn’t here. Yesterday is already gone. Now is the time. There is no time like the present because we exist nowhere other than now. Do you want a new start? Do it now! Barry Haynes

LOVE THE UNKNOWN?

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge and wisdom. These are exhortations from Proverbs. In addition to that, he who loves instructions loves knowledge (Prov. 12:1). What this translates to is this: he who loves the Lord will take time to know the Lord, learn from His will and apply His teachings to life. Thus, those who don’t do this, contrary to the frequent sentiment expressed by them, they do not love the Lord. How does one love what he does not know? As true as this is, notice what the Lord said about those who refuse His instructions, “But he who hates correction is stupid” (NKJV). Ron Thomas

BROTHERHOOD RESPONSE

Our Ukrainian brethren and millions of their countrymen are facing much suffering. Many have died, been injured or been forced to leave their homes and communities. Christians from all over the world have responded to the call for help. There is a coordinated effort to mobilize Christian workers when the war is over. There is a need for mature, capable, and experienced Christians who are ready, willing and able to physically go into Ukraine on short term trips when the war is over to help plant congregations, reestablish congregations, minister to brethren, share the gospel, preach, teach and serve. For a list of missionaries, their contact information and their particular area of work, please see David. (Some vital information was shared about these efforts at the Freed-Hardeman lectureship this week.)

SIX DEADLY SOCIAL SINS

1. WEALTH without WORK
2. PLEASURE without CONSCIENCE
3. EDUCATION without CHARACTER
4. COMMERCE without MORALITY
5. SCIENCE without HUMANITY
6. POLITICS without PRINCIPLE

“Lord, who may abide in Your tabernacle? Who may dwell in Your holy hill? He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness, and speaks the truth in his heart” (Psalm 15:1-2).

EVENTS TO PLAN FOR

Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat, February 15-19; Challenge Youth Conference, February 24-26; Pigeon Forge; Men’s Day at Midway, March 11; Family Day at Midway, April 30; Vacation Bible School at Midway, June 11-14; VBS meeting today at 5:15, teen room.



- **Today,** Senior Saints Valentine lunch
Baby shower for Megan Mapes at the home of Alison James
Elders/Deacons meeting at 5PM
- **February 18,** Supper Outing at Rosie’s in Florence
- **March 1,** Wednesday night ladies class will resume
- **March 11,** Men’s Day