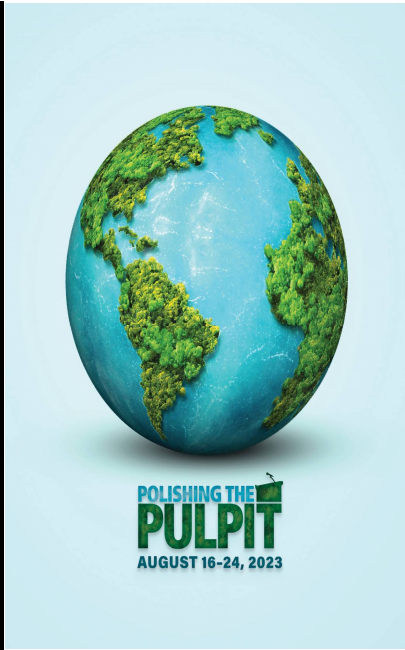


	7/9	7/16	7/23	7/30
Call To Worship	Greg Nash	Jonah Dawes	David Gullledge	Jonah Dawes
Scripture Reading	Tucker Hopkins	Peyton Nash	Carson Hopkins	Austin Tittle
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	David Gullledge	Stan Mitchell	Charles Nash
Prayer	Dave Poskevich	Eric Hagin	Steve Hopkins	Tim Tittle
Preside Lord's Supper	David Hopkins	Holden Cella	Clay Posey	Ray Russell
Usher	Cliff Nash	Ron Biles	Cliff Nash	Ron Biles
Sermon	David Gullledge	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	David Gullledge
Closing Prayer	Tommy Durden	Andy Johnson	Paul Lyons	Jimmy Garner
Evening Worship				
Announcements	Greg Nash	Jonah Dawes	David Gullledge	Jonah Dawes
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	David Gullledge	Stan Mitchell	Charles Nash
Prayer	Hugh Kelly	JD Branch	Jim Garner	Greg Nash
Sermon	David Gullledge	Dave Rogers	Singing Night	David Gullledge
Lord's Supper	David Hopkins	Holden Cella	Clay Posey	Ray Russell
Prayer	Anthony Stinson	Larry Rose	Keith Killingsworth	Jack Sorrell
Worship Assignment Coordinator for July: Dale Findley				



Communion Preparation
Available on the table in the foyer

Nursery—July
9 Cara Dawes
16 Amy Nash, 23 Melody Johnson
30 Crystin Gullledge

August
6 Katherine Hopkins
13 Melanie Boelsterli
20 Staci Killingsworth
27 Giuli DeBrown

Visitors' Center—June
16 Connie Kelly/Theresa Green
23 Susie Graham/Linda Armstrong

Care of Building
7/1-15 Steve Esler/Stan Mitchell
7/16-31 Eric Hagin/David Hopkins

Media Center
July 9
Sound Board — Carson Hopkins
Streaming — Eric Hagin
Projector Computer — Holden Cella

July 16
Sound Board — Ethan Boelsterli
Streaming — Holden Cella
Projector Computer — Steve Esler

July 23
Sound Board — DJ Phillips
Streaming — Steve Esler
Projector Computer — Dennis Graham

July 30
Sound Board — David Hopkins
Streaming — Dennis Graham
Projector Computer — Eric Hagin

Wednesday Devotionals
July 12 — Cliff Nash
July 19 — Jonah Dawes

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Holden Cella, Campus Director

Our Mission Works
Graham & Elizabeth McDonald, Scotland

Victor & Esperanza González-Geronimo, Mexico

Raintree Village Children's Home

WATCH!
The Fountain of Life
With **Larry Acuff**
Saturdays at 7 am on channel 57

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way With Phil Sanders

Sunday at 7:30am, Stations 69 or 45

Elders
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Jim Garner (770) 461-3197
Greg Nash (404) 455-1546

Deacons

JD Branch	Andy Johnson
Steve Esler	Stan Mitchell
Dennis Graham	Charles Nash
Eric Hagin	David Poskevich
David Hopkins	Hugh Kelly
Jack Sorrell	

Records You Made – July 2, 2023

Bible Classes	92-8 Units Online
10 am Worship	143-16 Units Online
5 pm Worship	61-5 Units Online
Offering	\$15,214.40
Wednesday Bible Study	67-4 Units Online

Assembly Schedule:
Sunday
9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Worship Service

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
10:00 am
(Classes begins Sept 12 - May 16)
Wednesday Evening
Bible Classes at 7pm

Basic Facts from...The REVELATION (Part 1)

by Dave Rogers

There is only **one** “revelation” – this letter’s proper “title” appears in its first sentence:

“The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants-- things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John,” (Revelation 1:1).

This means the last book of the bible is “**the**” revelation, NOT “**revelations.**” The inspired pen-man is John the apostle, and this letter dates from about 96 A.D. (some biblical scholars connect it to the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D., and the early Christian historian Justin Martyr dated it at 150 A.D.). Although Nero persecuted Christians in and around Rome during the mid- to late 60’s, that persecution did not affect most other Christians spread throughout the Roman Empire. During the reigns of Domitian and Trajan (in the 90’s), persecution spread throughout much of the empire, including to the region of Asia Minor, and it appears that the apostle John was exiled from Ephesus to the island of Patmos during this time.

The Revelation depicts the ultimate victory of Christ and His church over Satan, and this theme is emphasized and repeated throughout the letter (Revelation 1:18; 2:3; 6:2; 11:15; 12:9; 14:2; 15:2; 19:16; 20:4; and 22:3). Most modern readers find the Revelation hard to understand because it is written in a literary style almost unknown today – **apocalyptic** literature (the Greek word *apocalupsis* in vs. 1 means “to reveal” or “to uncover”). The language of Revelation seems cryptic and difficult because it is **symbolic** rather than literal; by presenting a message as a “dream” or vision, the writer gives the impression that it belongs to some “later time” rather than his own era. Apocalyptic literature combines parts of an epistle/letter with elements of prophecy to produce a message that is

expressed mainly through figures or symbols.

Apocalyptic literature is almost uniquely a product of times of persecution or intense oppression. Books like the revelation point the reader toward the future by using figures or symbols instead of plain language (Ezekiel, Daniel, and parts of Zechariah in the old testament are also written in this style). This type of literature was very familiar to most first-century Jews and Christians, and there were many *secular* books of this type written between about 200 B.C. to 200 A.D. (Those are **not** part of the bible, but were mainly written to teach moral lessons, and they share characteristics that are also found in the Revelation).

Symbolic books like the revelation do not repeat messages that had previously been presented orally, and the instruction John received in Revelation 1:19 reinforces this point (“**Write the things you have seen...**”). The images in apocalyptic writings are often fantastic, and many of them do not actually exist in the real world (although they may be composites of ordinary things, such as a beast with multiple heads). Apocalyptic books/tracts were intended as literature, so they follow a very formal and stylized format, which divides time and events into separate “packages,” and these often include a heavy symbolic use of **numbers**. The end result generally presents its visions/dreams in carefully-arranged, numbered groups.

John’s writing possesses all of these qualities except that its author is plainly named. What he wrote is clearly addressed to the church, and presents a message from God that spoke to the harsh circumstances Christians faced at the end of the first century. Its basic purpose was (and is) to comfort persecuted Christians.

Youth Calendar



July 9-13 — VBS Mission trip to Warrenton, GA



July 18 — Movie Night at the Firepit

July 20-23 — Legacy @ Faulkner

July 28 — Frog's Day



Calendar Events

July 9-13 - VBS at Warrenton, GA.

July 23 - 4th Sunday Covered Dish Meal, followed by our PM Song Service. Bring lunch for yourself and some to share with our visitors! There will be no 5:00 PM Service. Please consider this great opportunity to fellowship with one another and then lift our voices in praise to our God every 4th Sunday afternoon.

July 28, & Aug 25 - "Ladies' Night Light," a summer series for Women & Girls. Join us for fellowship, bible study, and a fun activity!



July 30, 3:30pm
Ian & Mallory (Chapman) Agnew
Baby "Girl" Shower



Join us as we celebrate with Mallory, Gail & Michele.

August 12 - Save the Date—Lithia Springs COC Ladies Day,
Speaker: Kristy Woodall



September 24 — Jon & Autumn Buckner's Baby "Boy" Shower

WELCOME, VISITORS!
We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us today. Please stay for a few minutes after worship so we can get acquainted with you, and you with us. Please complete an Attendance Card, located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available. Today's sermon can be viewed online by going to www.fcoc.com — click on "live broadcast."

Family Matters

Harris, Tom & Christie Belk

Keep in Prayer

Brenda Mitchell – Had surgery last week to remove a skin cancer near her eye.
Ed Hall (Charity Nash's father) – Had nasal surgery on Friday.
Jim O'Brien – Had a pain pump implanted last week, and is recovering at home from pneumonia.
Jim Pelfrey – Has begun immune-therapy.
Ray Russell – Is recovering at home after surgery on his ankle.
Sue Riley – Is much better after a brief hospitalization last week.

Our brethren on both sides of the war in Ukraine.

Continue Prayers for:

Jim & Sharon O'Brien – Jim has now begun immuno-therapy.
Burma Chapman – Hope Center Memory Care, 355 Brandywine Blvd, Sunny Suite #10, Fayetteville, GA 30214. Visitors are welcome.
Mary Lawrence – The Oak at Fayetteville,

Members With Health Issues:

Arnie & Maggie Miller, Ivan Gonzalez, David & Sue Riley, Ray & Tina Russell, Margie, Mike & David Fields, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Luann Rogers, Rick & Rupearl Sharpe, Jeanelle McNease, Doris Buckner, Brian

Shut-ins:

Dennis & Marlene Etheridge, Harry & Mattie Williams, Una Fortson, Ruby Fowler, and Estell Higginbotham
Missionaries and their families:
Graham & Beth McDonald; Victor & Esperanza González Geronimo; Scott & Rebecca Shanahan.

Others With Health Problems:

Mark & Kim Royal (Allene Scoma's stepson & daughter-in-law), Harry Smith, Vicki Huckaby (friend of Autumn Buckner), Anthony Ravenell, Patsy Gaffney (friend of Brenda Mitchell); Vernon Woodall (Sally Wallace's handyman); Aukse Harris (Linda Armstrong's adopted daughter); Earl Hopkins (David's father); Jerry Cauthen (Joan Poskevich's brother); Patricia Walker (Mattie Williams's sister); Catherine Burton (Jeanelle McNease's stepmother); Karen Gower (Holley Dalman's mother); Duane Esler (Steve's brother); Joyce Brown (Janine Esler's grandmother); Benson Smith (Harry's brother); Eyvonne King (Annette Butler's cousin); Chris Lee (Cathy Harris' cousin); Myrtie Robinson (Sue Riley's sister); Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband); Xernonia Fortson; Ruth King (Melanie Boelsterli's aunt); Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister); Lamar Elder; Carol Waites (Connie Kelly's sister); Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother); Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents); Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents); Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family); and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

Birthdays

July

9
Jodi Burdette
10
Kathleen Johnson
11
Austin Tittle

18
Greg Nash
23
Carla Sorrell