

# KINGSPORT COMMUNITY CHURCH

## GOOD NEWS

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I enjoy every service we are together after announcing my retirement. I will continue to serve until the end of April. It has been my delight to preach the Gospel for so many years. I have especially felt privileged to do so here in this church. Your well wishes and comments have been uplifting. Let's enjoy the times we do have together by celebrating our faith in worship and the Word.

Prayer will be so important in the days ahead. Please don't overlook praying. I need it in the days and years ahead. I hope you will be praying that God will send the right pastor. The Transitional Team will need your prayers and encouragement. They will try to balance keeping you informed while keeping confidential much of their work for the sake of pastoral candidates. If you have questions, feel free to ask them and they will tell you where they are in their work.

During the search until a new pastor is called, do all you can to contribute to the health and support of the church. Give generously, visit the sick and those who have a hard time getting out, call those who might need an encouraging contact, and support one another.

Please note the reminders in this newsletter (see below) of the annual business meeting along with the names of those you are asked to ratify as Elders. Prior to the business meeting, there are 2 scheduled budget hearings where the budget you will vote on will be explained and your questions addressed.

February is a time of valuing people we love and friends who have enriched our lives. You have enriched our lives and Jo Ann and I are so grateful for you.

Sincerely,  
Pastor Ron



### 2018 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting for Kingsport Community Church is scheduled for **Sunday, February 11**, at 12 noon. (Immediately following morning worship service)

Discussions for 2018 Budget will take place **on Sunday, February 4, at 5 pm** and on **Wednesday, February 7, at 12 noon** during the Oasis Bible Study. (Bring your lunch and eat with us at 11:30.)

You must register each year in order to vote at the annual business meeting. Voting registration forms are available in the church office. Membership qualifications are listed in the registration form brochure.

Three new Board of Elders nominees are to be ratified at the Annual Meeting:

- Mike Odle and Chelsey Smith for their first 3-year term
- Jim Tucker to fulfill a one-year term

See bulletin boards in the Fellowship Hall and the Narthex for a sample ballot and proposed budget amount.

Questions about your giving records may be addressed to Debbie Aldeen. You may also request tithing envelopes through Debbie or the church office. Copies of the by-laws are available to members through the church office.



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## Music ReMarks



**EASTER** this year is on April 1 (no foolin')! That means Palm Sunday is March 25. This is when we normally do our Easter musical. Therefore, we will begin rehearsing Easter music on Wednesday, February 7, at 7:30 pm and on Sundays (beginning February 11) at 5 o'clock. The plan is to do the same music we did last year: **"HOPE Alive in Me."**

Please come and join us at these rehearsals. I would love to see the choir loft filled to overflowing! Also, we need more accompanists, band members, and technicians (training is available) involved so no one person would have to be over-worked in any ministry.

God bless you all!

His Singing Servant,  
*Mark*



### Adult Fellowship Fall Trip October 17-20, 2018

We will visit the Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum in Kentucky. We will be spending a day visiting each.

The trip is limited to 33 people: 25 people on the bus & 8 people on the van.

Everyone will be responsible for their own meals on the trip, with the exception of breakfast, which will be served at the hotel. (This trip is subject to making stops at flea markets.)

Trip includes:

- 3 nights stay at the Quality Inn & Suites in Florence, KY.
- Admission to the Ark Encounter
- Admission to the Creation Museum
- Gas for the bus and van

Cost:

- \$370.00 one person/room
- \$220.00/person two people/room
- \$170.00/person three people/room
- \$145.00/person four people/room

Cutoff date is 08/01/2018. All monies must be paid by this date.

*Larry & Doris Gaw*

### Crave: Student Gathering (aka Sunday School)

**(Sundays @ 9:30-10:30 am):** Crave is our Sunday Morning gathering, ("Sunday School") where we spend time "catching" up with each other and hang out with friends with a light breakfast, music, and games in The Loft. We also preview the coming week's scripture and pray as a group before we head to worship.

**Open Gym (Sundays @ 5 pm):** Open to all! Basketball, dodgeball, wall ball, octoball, wiffleball, lifesize hungry hippo, and more!

### Sr. High/Jr. High Girls Bible Study Small Groups

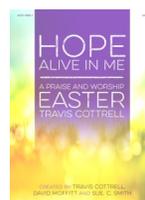
**(Sunday Evenings 6-7 pm):** Every Sunday evening at 6:00 pm, after Open Gym, we have split groups for middle school and high school groups. We strive to equip students to be all God calls them to be through games, food, bible study, and, most importantly, building relationships with God and each other! Our groups take place at KCC in the Family Life Center and The Loft.

### Young Adult/College Small Group (Thursday

**Evenings 7-9 pm):** 18-30 and looking for a casual, relaxed bible study? On Thursday evenings, we meet at the Smith House at 7:00 pm where we hang out, have great food together and dig into God's Word. Other times of the year, we participate in the Johns Island Mission Trip and go on several fun adventures including hiking and local trips and more!

There are other events which come up month-to-month. See the Student Ministry Newsletter, which is mailed out, or stay up to date at our website: [kingsportstudents.org](http://kingsportstudents.org). If you have any questions, please contact Michael or Chelsey Smith at [students@kingsportchurch.org](mailto:students@kingsportchurch.org)

*Michael*



**"Hope: Alive in Me"**  
**Easter Musical**  
**Sunday, March 25, 2018**



Director of  
Children's Ministry

February already! This month is going to be super. We will start the month with super bowl Sunday where we'll learn that God's Team is always the winner.

As many of you know, I am a big fan of the Olympics, and the winter games are my favorite. We will hold our own KCC Kids Olympics for the rest of the month. The Bible is full of strong men and women. Lessons and activities throughout February will focus on these Bible champions.

All kids and their families are invited to a Family Olympics picnic at the church on Saturday, February 24 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Come join us for an evening of food, fun and fellowship. We will meet in the FLC gym for our own unique version of the Olympic games.

This month our memory verse will be 2 Timothy 4:7 *"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."*

See you Sunday!  
Teresa



### LADIES' EVENING FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The ladies' dinner group will meet on Tuesday, February 20, at 6:30 pm, at Mr. Papa's Mexican Restaurant, 330 Broad St., Kingsport.

If you would like to attend, please call the church office, or Debbie Aldeen (423-956-1310). A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. All women in the church are invited to attend this get-together.



### SISTERS OF THE HEART

"Sisters of the Heart," ladies' group will meet at 11:30 for lunch on Tuesday, February 13 at Shoney's Restaurant in Kingsport. All women in the church are invited to attend.

**Monday, February 5 is the last day to sign up,** so we can make reservations.

Call the church office to sign up.

### PRAYERcize



This is a combination of a spiritual and physical/health discipline: Prayer and Exercise. The exercise is walking — 30 minutes' worth.

### PRAYERcize

During the 30 minutes, you pray as you walk. Prayer is not a physical position of the body (kneeling, eyes closed, etc.) but an attitude of the heart every moment of every day. That's why 1 Thessalonians 5:17 tells us to "pray without ceasing." Therefore, Mark Stayton is offering to those interested and able, and challenging those who may need help with these disciplines, to come to the church at 8 AM Mondays-Thursdays beginning February 5 to "Prayercize." Bring your own prayer list(s), or use the church's prayer list, and dress appropriately for walking, in the building or around the block, while praying for the needs on your list. There are different "courses/paths/laps/routes" to use in the building facilities as well as outside. Each can be adjusted to physical stamina and age-ability. If interested, see Mark for further details.



Love ever gives,  
forgives, outlives  
and ever stands  
with open hands.

And while it lives, it gives.  
For this is love's prerogative —  
to give, and give, and give.

—John Oxenham

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**Weekly Schedule:**

Sunday School 9:30 am  
Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm  
Oasis Bible Study  
Wednesdays 11:30 am  
Young Adult/College Small  
Group: Thursdays at home of  
Michael & Chelsey Smith 7:00 pm

Our Vision is "To Know Christ & To Make Him Known."

**ADULT FELLOWSHIP SOUP/SALAD  
LUNCH/GAME/FELLOWSHIP DAY**

Join us in the Oasis Cafe (Fellowship Hall) at 12 noon on Tuesday, February 6, for a Soup and Salad lunch.

If your last name starts with **A-H**, please bring soup; if your last name starts with **I-Q**, please bring a salad.; if your last name starts with **R-Z**, please bring a dessert.

*Larry & Doris Gaw*



Kingsport Community Church's policy is to follow the City School schedule during weekdays. If the schools are closed, or on a 2-hour delay, we will follow the same schedule. Please check local tv & radio stations for that information. If an event is scheduled for a weekday & the roads are icy, chances are our parking lot is icy and too dangerous, so the event will be cancelled.

If the weather is bad on Sundays, use good judgment regarding your own health and safety. Certainly, in extreme weather, do not come. Pray for one another & spend time at home in worship and the Word.

<p><b><u>Sunday, February 4</u></b> 5:00 pm - Budget discussion meeting</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday, February 6</u></b> 12:00 noon - Adult Fellowship Soup/Salad/ Game Day</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday, February 7</u></b> 12:00 pm - Budget discussion meeting</p> <p><b><u>Sunday, February 11:</u></b> 12:00 noon - Annual Business Meeting</p> <p><b><u>Monday, February 12</u></b> 7:00 pm - Board of Elders meeting</p>	<p><b><u>Tuesday, February 13</u></b> 11:30 am - "Sisters of the Heart" lunch at Shoney's Restaurant</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday, February 14</u></b> Valentine's Day</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday, February 20</u></b> 6:30 pm - Ladies' dinner meeting at Mr. Papa's Mexican Restaurant</p> <p><b><u>Saturday, February 24</u></b> 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Family Olympics picnic in the Family Life Center</p>
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