

**When We meet:**

*Sunday:*

Bible Study 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Small Groups 6pm

*Wednesday:*

Bible Study 6:30pm

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Welcome Guests! Please scan the QR code or fill out our Connection Card-**Red Folder** . Let us know how we can help.



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# UPCOMING Events

**Today!- No** Children’s Church

**Tonight!-** Singing at Oak Ridge Senior Living, 3 pm

- No Singing Class

**Tomorrow!-** Women’s Prayer Group, 10:00 am

**Mon & Wed-** Walking Group, 12:30 pm

**March 22–** PM Church Potluck

**March 29–** 5th Sunday Potluck & Meeting

-Moving Yard Sale Items afterwards

-Can Bring Large Items (Apr 6th-8th)

(all events happening at the building unless otherwise noted.)



**WKYC Registration Open!!**

**March 22–** Meet at Church

**Apr 5–** Easter Egg Hunt, 9:30 am

-All Ages Welcome

**Apr 12–** Activity in Bowling Green

Contact **Jon**—270-635-1029 or

**Jared**—270-841-8542 for more info.

**March 16–** Roger Matheny

**March 17–** Landon Duggin

Joann Scott

**March 20–** Cady Curry

Eric Seesengood

Glenda Shoulders

## Sermon Notes

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# Church of Christ

March 15, 2026

## Seeing Clearly

(I Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; John 9:1-41; Ephesians 5:1-4)

There are times when I get a little frustrated as I am trying to do something and the light is bad, or I have left my readers out of reach. It is hard to do something when things get out of focus, or we can’t see very well. This is usually easy to fix with better light or glasses.

I have also learned that it is impossible to respond to something we don’t see. This explains the wild differences in emotion between parents and children, or teachers and students, or coaches and players. When one person sees something clearly and the other isn’t even aware there is a problem, there will be a disconnect. A parent can see danger that a child does not know exists. A teacher can see opportunity when a student isn’t aware of what could be on offer. It is up to those who do see to help those who don’t. The help comes in the form of discipline and teaching. It comes in the form of training and example.

It is impossible to help another person that we never see. Sometimes the lack of seeing is intentional – we don’t want to see because we know it will require a response. Sometimes we simply can’t look because we can’t bear what we might see. It is defensive. Sometimes we don’t see other people because we have never learned to see them. There is a type of seeing that requires a retraining of our hearts and minds.

How we see the world is a direct result of the training we have taken in over our lives. We learn to see some people as “us” and others as “them.” We learn what to think about people who are different and attach all kinds of motives and morals to people we know nothing about. This is what happens when we decide not to “see” them.

The Bible, from beginning to end, offers us a way to see the world. It offers us a way to see and judge other people. It teaches us that we live in a beautiful, good, and sometimes dangerous world. It teaches us that God sees all people and wants all people to serve him. This is not tyranny, it is grace. The Bible tells us that God sees those who have been cast out. He sees those who are poor and oppressed. He also sees those who are in power and have wealth. None of those things determine the value of a person in God’s eyes. It is, has always been, and will always be – the heart.

Today we are going to look at two stories about seeing. One is the story of David being anointed as king. The other is a healing story in John 9 of a man that was born blind. They teach us that we do not always see as we ought to. They teach us something about how God sees. They teach us not to lean too much on what we think we know because it can affect our sight. Lord, teach us to see.

# Welcome



## Children's Song

Cong. Reading: Psalm 23

*Here I Am to Worship*

*The Lord My Shepherd Is*

Prayer—Steve Stoltz

*He Leadeth Me*

*Thomas Song*

Lord's Supper

Presiding LS: Kenneth Ashby

Serving: LS: Roger Matheny

Joshua Scott Bert Pressley

Darin Swaidner Buster Almon

*God Is So Good*

Contribution

**No Children's Church**

*Living By Faith*

Scripture: John 9: 1-7 Bryson S

Prayer— Terry Hampton

Lesson— Sean Niestrath

*Yet Not I by Through Christ In Me*

Benediction: Ephesians 5: 8-10

*The Grace*

## TODAY—

Call to Worship: David Stubblefield

Song Leader: Josh Lupo

Monitor: Larry Stone

Children's Church: None

Sound Booth: Zach P/ Micki, Carson, Colton Clark

## NEXT WEEK—

Call to Worship: Dan Rust

Song Leader: Ishmael Almon

Prayers: David Stubblefield/Jared Jones

Scripture: Chason Shoulders

Monitor: Terry Hampton

Children's Church: Webb/Bert/Em

Sound booth: Tim Teel

Presiding LS: Roger Matheny

Serving LS: Kenneth Ashby, Joshua Scott,  
Bert Pressley, Darin Swaidner, Buster Almon

**Alternates for March:**

Pete Shoulders, Larry Stone

**Communion Prep:** Almon

## For the Record

Last Sunday:

Bible Class— 54

Worship— 99

Contribution— \$4,173.00

Wednesday— 53

## Announcements:



WKYC & Uplift retreat flyers in the Lobby  
Directory Updates on Lobby table



## **Bulletin Board:**

- \* Door of Hope Flyer (Matching Grant), 2026 Civic Blood Drive (Mar 27th)
- \* Uplift at Harding University, Jun 20-26, Fairview COC Ladies Day (Jun 13th)

**Thank you to the Progressive Dinner hosts & all that participated!!**



**Lea Brown**, admitted to Baptist Health for therapy, Rm 528, following a stroke

**Todd Templeton & family** (Ken's friends), he has cancer and they have ongoing health issues

**Terri Brooks**, from Hopkinsville, (Bettye's friend), had heart procedure on Friday

**Callum Pruitt**, 2 yrs old, will be having surgery soon

**Donna Stephenson**, is recovering from a fall and head injury at home

**Kathy Killough**, (Keith Tapp's friend), requesting prayers

**Suzan Rouse**, (Danielle's aunt), recovering from wrist surgery, doing PT

**Sherry Logan**, (Don & Pat McCuiston's daughter), requesting prayers

**PRAYER**  
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## Ongoing Health Concerns and Prayer:

Diana Adams, Dexter & Kathy Black, Suzette Mooney, Sherry Rushing, Jim Miller, Sister Josephine, Jama Doc,  
Dennis & Carol Warszona, Barbara Lynch, Everett Beatty, Wyatt Brown, John Phillips, Linda Smith,  
Alberta Rust, Rebecca Niestrath, Karen Wilkerson, Benson Holmes, Lauren Turley, Alexis Coats, Mike Pedego,  
John Benham, Johnny Allen

## Praying For Our Military Members:

Ryan Hill, Tyler Malik, Christopher Goodale, Jason Rushing, Hans & Suraya Niestrath, Dalton Davis,  
Andrew Ashby, James Brahm, Christopher Brahm, Nathan Dees

**Sunday 6 pm, The 1000 Year Reign (Millennium), Rev 20: 1-3, Terry**