

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.



Today!— Children's Church, Fellowship Hall

Tonight!— Singing Class, 4:30 pm

Tomorrow!— **Women's Prayer Group, 10:00 am**

- Meeting at The Paragon, Contact Elizabeth

Sept 19— Men's Breakfast, 8:00 am, Fellowship Hall

- Signup Sheet in Lobby

Sept 20- Singing at 3 pm, Oak Ridge Senior Living

-Then going to The Paragon

- **PM Church Meal**

Sept 27— MAGI Boxes due

Sept 30— 5th Wednesday Night Singing

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



Sept 20— Meet at church

Sept 25-27— WKYC Retreat

Oct 11— Devo @ Hamptons

Oct 17— Hayride/Bonfire @ Pressleys
-5-7 pm

Contact **Jon**—270-635-1029 or
Jared—270-841-8542 for more info.



Today!— Bruce Unland

Sept 14— Katie Ferguson

Sept 15— Mark & Karen
Wilkerson

Sept 18— Butch Blanton
Elizabeth Webb

Elders: Barry Webb, Byron Pruitt, Dan Rust, Sean Niestrath

Deacons: Brock Shoulders, Buster Almon, Darin Swaidner,
David Stubblefield, Jeremy Duggin, Steve Stoltz, Tim Teel, Zach Pressley

Missionaries/Missions: Watata, Kenya

Paolo Mirabelli— Rome, mirabellipaolo1gmail.com

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Church of Christ

Sept 13, 2026

Ready but not Anxious

(Matthew 25:1-13)

For me, there are few things in the Bible that are more difficult to understand than God's timing. I can study it, teach it, preach it, and ponder it. But understand it? I do know that if I am waiting for someone that is running behind a few minutes that the minutes I am waiting are experienced very differently from those by the person frantically trying to get where they need to be. When we see each other, it is possible that we are both amped up a little but in very different ways. Waiting is not fun. Running late is not fun.

When it comes to the arrival of Jesus the first time, the waiting was excruciating. Things got truly awful in Jerusalem before the king arrived in Bethlehem. When he finally arrived, he did not receive a warm welcome. His life was endangered from the very beginning. So much so that his family settled in an out of the way town called Nazareth. He could not do his best work among those most familiar with him.

What he did do was gather a group of disciples who believed he was who he said he was. He left them with some work to do and told them to be ready when he returned. It is clear from the New Testament that some thought that it was going to be soon. Others understood that it may take a while. Then there is the whole idea of what it means "to return." The basic idea is that God is going to put things right. There will be a judgment, which involves a separation based on whether one has been living faithfully to the instruction left by Jesus.

For two thousand years now there have been those that have peddled in the anxiety of those who look around and see the state of the world and decide that the end is coming soon. There is a vast difference between being ready and being anxious. There is a difference in living in anticipation of the time when Jesus will return and things be put right and living in a frenzy because we think it might be tomorrow.

The parable we are reading this morning teaches us that Jesus knew that we would consider his return to be delayed. There is a great wedding on the horizon. The bridegroom is going to return to claim his bride. He is faithful and will do it. However, we are not aware of why he is delayed – although there is a hint that he is waiting for more to repent. What we experience as frustration he is providing as opportunity.

It is interesting that being watchful in this parable is not necessarily staying awake at all times. We see that in another place. The message here is that we do not know when the bridegroom will arrive. It is fine to go to sleep and rest, but first we need to be certain that we have prepared for his return. We need enough oil in the hopper to see our faith through to the end.

Welcome to Worship



Children's Song

Cong. Reading: Isaiah 61: 10-11

To Christ Be True

We Shall See The King Some Day

Prayer—Roger Dillingham

Days of Elijah

In Christ Alone

Lord's Supper

Presiding LS: Roger Matheny

Serving LS: Jon Stubblefield

Larry Stone Bert Pressley

Mark Wilkerson Zach Pressley

Light The Fire

Contribution

Dismiss Children's Church

Ancient Words

Scripture: Matthew 25: 1-8 David S

Prayer—Terry Hampton

Lesson—Sean Nistrath

There's a Great Day Coming

Benediction: 1 Thess. 5: 23-24

The Grace

TODAY—

Call to Worship: Dan Rust
Song Leader: Eric Seesengood

Monitor: Buster Almon

Children's Church: Jon/Kenna

Sound Booth: Daniel Davis

NEXT WEEK—

Call to Worship: Barry Webb

Song Leader: Josh Lupo

Prayers: Jared Jones/Terry Hampton

Scripture: Ezra Bridgman

Monitor: Landon Duggin

Children's Church: none

Sound booth: Carson Clark

Presiding LS: Jon Stubblefield

Serving LS: Roger Matheny

Larry Stone William Lupo

Mark Wilkerson Zach Pressley

Alternates for September:

Dan Rust Keith Tapp

Communion Prep: Mathenys

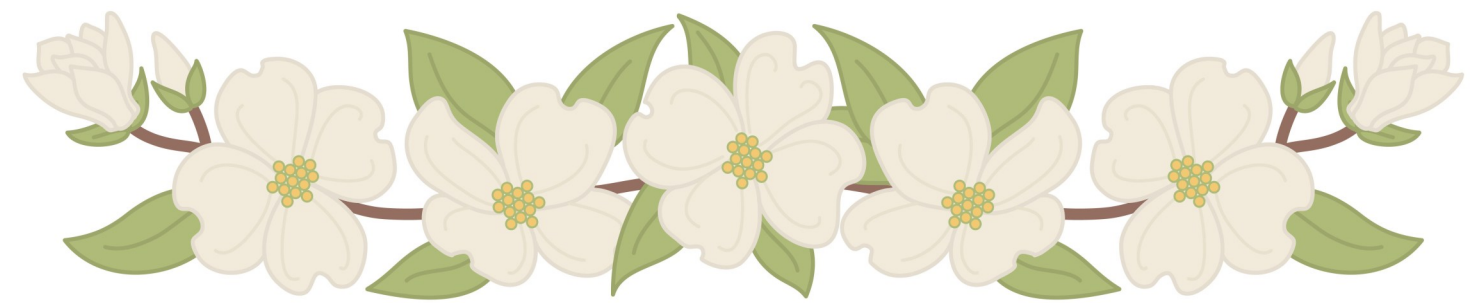
For the Record, Last Sunday:

Bible Class— 48

Worship— 93

Contribution— \$6,050.00

Wednesday— 44



Announcements:

Collecting Snacks for
Teacher's Lounge:

- ♦ Seebree Elementary School , 60 staff
- ♦ Box in office (collecting all month)

Super Senior Trip: Oct 16-18

- ♦ Chattanooga, TN, Flyer in Lobby

Expecting Parents:

Aaron & Mallory Ashby (Girl, Oct)

Kevin & Samantha Russell (March)

Bonfire & Hayride at Pressley's

Oct 17th— 5-7pm, Everyone Welcome!!

Sign-up Sheet in Lobby



Magi Boxes:

Due Sept 27th

Collecting under
coat rack

GOAL- 100 Boxes



Byron Pruitt, admitted to CCU, room 9, at Baptist Health

Darin Swaidner, admitted to room 377 at Baptist Health

Alec Crowder and family, he is having brain surgery on Monday to remove a mass and his wife is battling cancer

Brenda Boganwright, Shirley's friend, has pancreatic cancer, started chemo prior to surgery

Steve Stoltz, recovering from back surgery on Wednesday, August 26th

Paul McConnell, Rust's friend, will have a kidney removed because of a tumor in mid-September

Everett Beatty, having surgery mid-September

Loria Rust, has breast cancer, surgery scheduled Sept 29th

Dan Evans, doing radiation at this time (his wife worked with Randy)

Marsha Herndon, Mark's friend, surgery on her spleen scheduled Sept 16th

Fazenbaker & Crowell families, going through a difficult time



Ongoing Health Concerns and Prayer:

Diana Adams, Kathy & Dexter Black, Suzette Mooney, Sherry Rushing, Sister Josephine, Jama Doc, Lori Adkins, Dennis Warszona, Barbara Lynch, Wyatt Brown, John Phillips, Linda Smith, Alberta Rust, James Allen, Ronnie Hill, Rebecca Nistrath, Sherry Logan, Karen Wilkerson, Benson Holmes, Lauren Turley, John Benham, Donna Stephenson, Johnny Allen, Todd Templeton, Callie Adams, Kaci Rainwater Henry

Praying For Our Military Members:

Ryan Hill, Christopher Goodale, Hans & Suraya Nistrath, Dalton Davis, Andrew Ashby, James Brahm, Nathan Dees, Dalton Daves (deployed), Jason Rushing (deployed), Christopher Brahm

Sunday 6 pm, Introducing the Gospel of John, Barry