



West Seventh Church of Christ

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January 29, 2023

Welcome, Guests! We are honored that you joined us and hope that you will be blessed by your time with us.

Attended Nursery is provided for children younger than two years of age. It is in the hallway as you exit the door to the left of the pulpit.

Cry Room/Nursing Room is available in the foyer. Please reserve this room for those with young children.

Gluten Free Communion is available in the foyer.

Hearing Assistance is available; see an usher for assistance.

Information Center has details about ministries, classes, and more. It is in the hallway as you exit the door to the left of the pulpit.

Quiet Bags for children are available at the rear of the Auditorium.



Sunday Mornings

Worship	9:00
Coffee Fellowship	10:10
Bible Classes	10:30

Sunday Evenings

First & Third-	SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES
	Believe Class meets in Chapel @5
Second-	HOME DEVOTIONALS
	Believe class meets in Chapel @5
Fourth-	CONNECT
	Meets in Teen Center @5
	Believe class meets in Chapel @4

Wednesday Evenings

Bible Classes	6:30
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Spanish Speaking

Sunday Morning Bible Classes	10:30
Morning Worship	11:30

Staff

Barrett Bingham	Office - 388-6514
Barry England	Student
Randy Owens	Marriage/Family
Suzi Parrett	Preaching
Rachel Basham	Children
Laurel Burton	Ministry Assistant
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John M. Smith	388-5841
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COMING UP Today

9:00 a.m. Worship
10:10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Bible Classes
11:30 a.m. Worship in Spanish

Tonight

HOME DEVOTIONALS

Tuesday

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS - 11 a.m.

Wednesday

SEWING MINISTRY - 9 a.m.

BIBLE CLASSES - 6:30 p.m.

Next Sunday

N.T. WORLD CLASS @5
SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

LIBRARY REMINDER

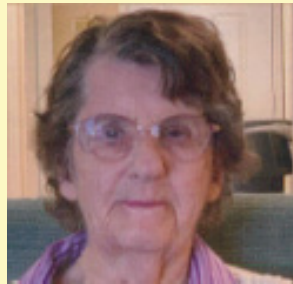
Our library has a great assortment of reference books, devotionals, and books on Christian living. Feel free to stop by and check out a book. If you have any library books that you are finished using, please return them.

Welcome



Marjorie Wrye
131 Hunters Glen Dr.
Columbia, TN 38401
931-982-6402

Welcome



Ailene Fann
Morning Point
2050 Union Place, room 208
Columbia, TN 38401

CONGRATULATIONS

To Christian and Leah Shrader on the birth of a daughter, Harper James Shrader. She was born January 21 and weighed 6 lb. 14 oz. Beau is the proud big brother. Chris and Michelle Shrader are the proud grandparents.



Hippity Hop Hooley



It's time to celebrate

Baby Blessing
Day

March 26, 2023 9 o'clock am



RSVP to Amy
(256) 468-5508



CHAPEL CLASSES CANCELED

Joel Oswalt's classes that meet in the Chapel this morning and this evening (January 29) are canceled.

SYMPATHY

To Mark Marchal and family on the death of his wife, Tesha Marchal. She passed away January 25. There will be no funeral at this time.

FREE CHAIR LIFT

There is a mounted wall chair lift for stairs available. If you are in need of this item, please contact Bill Alsup.

Church Record

Sunday a.m. Worship	470
9:00 service	445
Spanish speaking	13
The Bridge	12
Wednesday	198
Contribution	\$17,712

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT CLASSES

6:30 p.m.

The Christian's
Relationship with the Godhead

Ken Bray

Auditorium

1 Corinthians

Joel Oswalt

Chapel

Ladies: The Armor of God
Learn How to Prepare
for the Attacks from the Enemy

Lisa Bennett, Collette Estep,
Penny Hubbell

T.V. Studio

Men: Challengers

Taft Ayers

Room 214

Precepts Study of Hebrews

Randy Owens

Fireside Room



Barrett Bingham 615-785-2250
 Jon Bennett 931-797-2581
 Jamie Hubbell 931-698-9999
 Jacob Love 931-797-1399
 Jacob Hunnicutt
 Eric Nash
 Ben Jones

Pray without ceasing

Reported sick this week:

Olivia Howell's daughter, Allison Greer, will have surgery on February 13.

Josh Howell's father, Anthony Howell, has prostate cancer.

February 5: Area Wide at Highland Church of Christ.

If you signed up for retreat, be looking for an email from Barrett.



Suzi Parrett
 615-693-9427
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MITTEN TREE

Faith Farm is collecting children's hats, gloves and mittens this month for local children in need.

TWEENS AFTERNOON LUNCH & SERVICE

Today (January 29), the tweens will meet for a pizza lunch in the Teen Center after Bible class.

We will eat together and prepare bags to hand out at the local laundromat. We will then go on the church van to deliver the bags. We will be back at the Teen Center for pick up around 2:30. We will be happy to bring your child home if needed.

EVERYONE - bring one bag of laundry pods

GIRLS - bring a dessert

BOYS - bring chips

Pizza will be provided

Recovering | extended illnesses | homebound:

Faye Bell	Janice Jernigan	Carolyn Turnmyre
Xiomara Berland	Sue Jones	Lottie Umstead
Diane Campbell	Porter King	Sue Warrington
Ramona Cherry	Dolores Love	Melinda Watts
Ruby Dunn	Margaret Parsons	Molly Watts
Mary Frances Hancock	Bettie Pogue	Jean Worley
Madolyn Harper	Donna Rickman	Juanita Westmoreland
David & Nancy Heffington	Sammy Salters	
Mary Hunt	Jim Sexton	

Family & Friends:

Marynelle Criswell's brother -	Nelson Alsup
Betina Green's mother -	Barbara Thomas
Jamie & Penny Hubbell's friends -	Scott & Gina Turner
Ginger Jackson's sister -	Mary Alice George
C.T. Johnson's sister -	Lois Dugger
C.T. Johnson's sister -	Doris Fail
Shelby Johnson's mother -	Barbara Massey
Sonny & Sandy Lee's daughter-in-law	Tammy Lee
Mark Marchal's mother-in-law	Sandy Casey
Kathy Morrow's cousin -	Willene Barnett
Kent Pardon's sister -	Kim Helton
Lisa Pardon's aunt -	Judy Nicholson
Bettie Pogue's son-in-law	Michael Semore
Lori Rubert's great aunt -	Mildred Philpot
Emily Selbe's grandfather -	Marvin Rickett
Andrea Steven's brother -	Derek Orban
Cindy Stoltz's father -	Don Cox
Glenn & Shirley Stone's daughter -	Tracy Bolton
Suzanne Turner's niece -	Kristin Gwaltney
Jeff White's parents -	Paul & Carol White
Patrick Yerman's mother -	Mary Lou Yerman
Greg & Shannon Yokley's friend -	Bobby Fisher

Preparing to Marry:

Deon Mostiller & Zakiyah Johnson
 Andrew Fulks & Kelsey Bucknam
 Cassidy Shrader & Hunter Hodge
 Laurel Phillips & Kalum Jones
 Davis Cofer & Catherine Cox
 Molly Murphy & Blane Harris
 Parker Trulove & Tori Beard
 Sutherland Shrader & Tommy Archibald

Expectant Parents:

Jacob & Maria Williams	Ben & Emily Selbe
Hunter & Shelby Johnson	Andrew & Stacey Meadows
Billy & Alicia Murphy	



TEXT: Ruth

Three lessons to learn from the story of Ruth:

Stick _____

Stand _____

Trust _____

Jesus is more than ready to be your redeemer!

Order of Worship

Song Leader Rob Johnson
Praise The Lord - 531
We Praise Thee, O God - 732
 Scripture Reading Gabriel Cepicky
 Psalm 130:1-5
I Will Wait for You
 Prayer.....Chris Carroll
Holy, Holy, Holy - 238
To Canaan's Land - 694
Sing to Me of Heaven - 583
Mansion over the Hilltop - 829
I'll Fly Away - 824
Sweet by and By - 602
 Communion.....Ben Selbe
Sweet by and By - 602
 Prayer for Contribution
Our God, He is Alive - 532
 Message.....Randy Owens
The Greatest Command
 Shepherd's Blessing.....John Law

NurseryJade Anderson
 Vickie Cofer

Adult Classes

College/Young Pro Room 306	Prayer & God's Will
Young Marrieds Room 212	The Chosen
Young Families Room 214	The Chosen
Homebuilders TV Studio	1 Corinthians
Adults Chapel	Luke/Acts
Adults Auditorium	Foundations for Christians
Adults Fireside Room	Psalm 23
Spanish Speaking Class	Room 307



FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

The Fruit of the Spirit is not like an apple or a pear. It's not something you can touch with your hands. It is the character of God – attributes given to us by God's Holy Spirit. Like a light that leads the way, the Holy Spirit wants to guide us in ways that honor God. The Holy Spirit gives us this fruit by helping us live, love, and treat others the same way Jesus did.

Read Galatians 5:22.

Fill in the blank: "But the fruit of the Spirit is _____."

Read John 3:16.

The love John is talking about is agape love. It's sacrificial. It gives instead of taking.

Read Matthew 22:36-39.

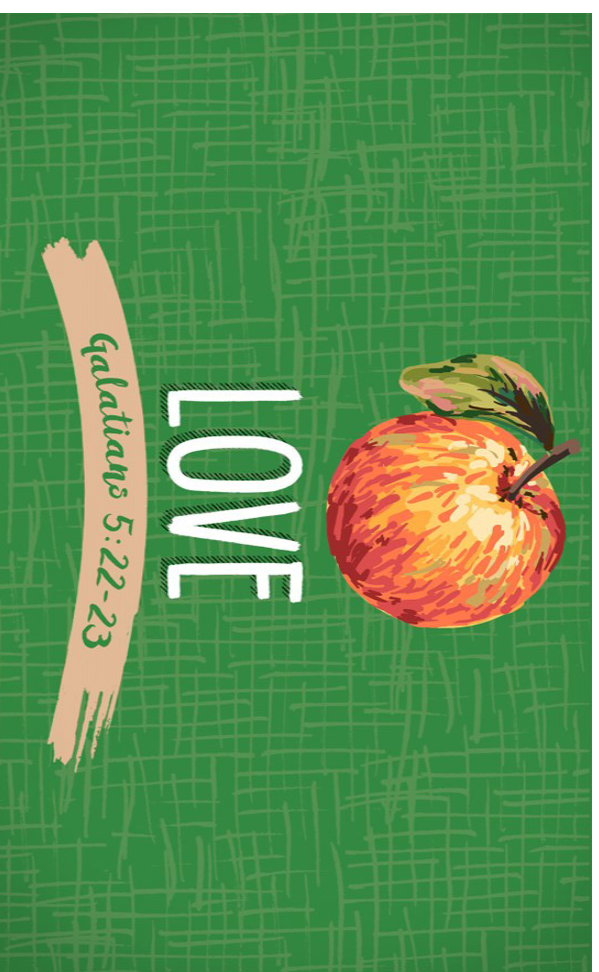
What is the greatest commandment? Do you love God with your whole body? With your thoughts? With your heart? How does this look in your life?

When we display the character of God, we show the world how wonderful He is. People should see God's love through us. The Bible tells us God loves us. He showed His love for us by sending Jesus to die on the cross for our sins.

Read Colossians 3:12-14.

Because God is love, we should devote ourselves to loving each other. This takes time and effort, but when we truly love God, we will want to show His love to all those around us. Sometimes we don't feel so loving, but we can always ask God to help us. When others see the love displayed in our lives, they will know that we belong to God. We are His children because His fruit (or character) shines in our lives.

Close in prayer thanking God for His unconditional love.



ADULTS

If we are truly being led by the Spirit, we should gradually be transformed more and more into the image of Jesus Christ. Paul's life illustrates how he was drastically transformed so it is not surprising that he often wrote about a new life in Christ.

The theme for the 2023 Home Devotionals is "Led by the Spirit" and each month will focus on one fruit of the Spirit from Galatians 5:22-23. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law."

The only way to master these qualities is with the Spirit of God. He is the power source, but we must have the desire to change. Being transformed more and more like Jesus doesn't happen without you submitting to His growing you, disciplining you, and stretching you.

- Why does love lead the list?
- Some suggest that the fruit of the spirit is love and all the other qualities are expressions of love. Agree?

1 Corinthians 13 is often called the great love chapter of the Bible, and the concluding verse reads, "And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love." Take a moment and read 1 Corinthians 13:1-13.

Close in prayer thanking God for His love for you and ask Him to help you to love Him more and to love others more. Then include the following in your prayer:

- Select at least one descriptive phrase of love from 1 Corinthians 13 that you do well and thank God for His transforming work in you.
- Select at least one phrase where you need to grow and ask God to help you.

FAMILIES WITH TEENS

How many songs can you name that have love in the title or lyrics?

What makes a song a good love song?

Unfortunately one of my favorite songs with "love" in the title is Haddaway's "What is Love" made popular by the SNL sketch featuring Will Ferrell, Chris Kattan, and Jim Carrey. I'm not sure it's worth your time to look that up, but it was peak comedy in the early 2000's.

The concept of love is tricky to define. We want to feel loved. We want to have someone to love. We know love when we see it. But how I experience or feel love may be different than your experience.

Read Galatians 5:16-26, John 13:34-35, 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

When Paul says that one of the fruits produced by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit is love, what kind of love is he talking about?

When the Spirit leads us to love others what will this look like?

What does it look like for you at school? Work? Church? Interacting with waiters/waitresses? Checking out at Wal-Mart? Running into homeless strangers?

Jesus says that love is a characteristic that defines us. It will be part of our identity. People can tell you're an athlete, cheer, are studious, or work outside based on what you wear. People should be able to tell we are followers of Jesus because of how we wear our love for others.

What are some ways your family can show love to others this week?

Are those sustainable for the rest of the year?

Spend some time meditating on when you felt the most in love with God and when you were truly showing love the most consistently.

Close in prayer asking God's Spirit to lead you into loving action every day.