



West Seventh Church of Christ

Striving to be
completely committed
followers of Jesus
Discipling
Equipping
Serving
Loving

November 16, 2025

Elders

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| Bill Alsup | 505-2282 |
| Tom Anderson | 615-351-6239 |
| Steve Cofer | 615-519-1228 |
| John Corn | 540-230-8713 |
| Marty DeJarnette | 797-2387 |
| Mike Kesler | 797-3555 |
| John Law | 698-2236 |
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| John M. Smith | 388-5841 |
| Jeff White | 615-828-3509 |

HOLIDAY HOPE

Pick up a card in the Family Center beginning November 23.

Gifts are due Sunday, December 14, or bring them to the church office anytime before.

Donations for gifts and/or food may be given to any elder or minister or place your donation in the mail slot in the office door. (Envelopes are provided for you to note that your donation is for Holiday Hope.) See Bill or Andrea Stevens with questions.

Staff

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| Barry England | Marriage/Family |
| Randy Owens | Preaching |
| Suzi Parrett | Children |

Office 931-388-6514

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| Laurel Burton | Ministry Assistant |
| Lauren Kennedy | Ministry Assistant |
| David Ward | Facilities |

Spanish Speaking

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| Elyar Sanchez | 615-853-4627 |
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Welcome Guests! We are honored that you joined us and hope that you will be blessed by your time with us.

PLEASE REGISTER ON THE ATTENDANCE PADS IN EACH PEW.

The Information Center has more details and is in the hallway as you exit the door to the left of the pulpit.

Gluten Free Communion is available in the foyer.

Hearing Assistance is available; see an usher for assistance.

TO ASSIST FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN:

Attended Nursery The 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 This space in the Foyer is reserved for parents with young children only.

Nursing Rooms The Cry Room has a private room for nursing and an additional private room is just past the Nursery.
Diaper Changes Are available in the Cry Room, the men's & women's restrooms in the Family Center and the men's restroom adjacent to the Nursery.

Prayer Room Parents wishing to rock a sleeping baby during worship may use this room to the right of the pulpit.
Quiet Bags These bags have helpful items for children and are available at the rear of the Auditorium.

Today

- 9:00 Worship
10:10 Coffee Fellowship
10:30 Bible Classes
11:30 Worship in Spanish

Small Group Bible Studies meet at various times. See Jon Bennett or Max Morrison to join a group. Anyone is welcome to join the group meeting in the Chapel at 4:00 today.

Tuesday, November 18

Ladies' Bible Class will meet at 10 a.m. Childcare will be provided.

Wednesday, November 19

Sewing Ministry will meet at 9 a.m. in the Outreach Center.
Bible classes will meet at 6:30 p.m..

Monday, December 8

Ladies' Holiday Party at 6:00 p.m. in the OC - Tennessee Room. No cost. Bring one gift \$25 or under for a fun gift exchange. There will also be an optional ornament exchange. Sign up at the Information Center to attend and to bring a dish for the potluck meal or use the QR code. Contact Amy Sanchez (615-853-4626) with any questions.



Thursday, December 11

The Primetimers will have a Holiday Potluck Dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the OC - Tennessee Room.

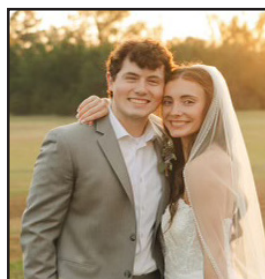
Congratulations

To Bill and Sharon Alsup on the birth of a great-grandson, Hudson Thomas Alsup. Hudson was born November 10 to William and Grace Alsup of Columbia, TN.



Congratulations

To Dylan Bennett and Cailynn Clayton who were married November 7. Their address is 300 N Royal Oaks Blvd. Apt. 3604, Franklin, TN 37067.



Congratulations

To Shannon and Katrina McMurtry on the birth of a grandson, Ealin Ray McClendon. Ealin was born November 9 to Pearson and Hannah McClendon of Cookeville, TN.



People's Table

We will be the hosting church for the People's Table on December 2 and December 9. Volunteers are needed to serve the meal and should arrive at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m. To help offset the cost of the meal, please make your donation to West 7th and note People's Table in the memo line or donate online. If you have any questions, please contact Rickey or Julie Savage.

Warming Station

There is a sign up sheet at the Information Center for those who would like to volunteer to help with the Warming Station this winter.

Medicare

Medicare Part D open enrollment for those over 65 began October 15. Shirley Oakley is volunteering to assist any members who need help. Her phone number is 931-446-0002.

Service Station

The annual Christmas Store is a special tradition where Cox Middle School students have a chance to 'shop' for gifts for their loved one at no cost to them. We are seeking donations of new or gently used items that students can gift to family members of all ages - grandparents, guardians, siblings, cousins, and more! See the list on the Service Station bulletin board at the Information Center for suggestions. Items may be placed in the bins at the Information Center or back of the Auditorium and are due before December 1.

Wrapped



\$150 PER PERSON
SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE
PAY ON CHURCH WEBSITE
SELECT LADIES RETREAT

REGISTER BY
DECEMBER 23
LATE REGISTRATION DOES NOT
INSURE TSHIRT

WEST 7TH LADIES RETREAT 2026
JANUARY 23-25
THE VISION - HUNTSVILLE AL

SPEAKERS - CELIA OWENS - HALEY SCHMIDT - LAUREN PINKSTON

Pray without ceasing

Sympathy

Is extended to Lori Rubert and family on the death of her grandfather, Charles Jackson, who passed away November 9. The funeral was November 14.

Is extended to James Richey and family on the death of his sister-in-law, Euleen Richey of Missouri. She passed away November 10, and the funeral was November 15. She was also the aunt of Melissa Bryant.

Reported sick this week:

Betty Carrigan is in NHC-Maury, room 1505, recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Sue Jones is home recovering from pneumonia.

Annelle Tubb is scheduled for aortic valve replacement surgery on November 17 at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville.

Carnice White has been moved to Woodcrest at Blakeford Assisted Living, room 225. No visitors are requested at this time.

Marynelle Criswell's son, Mike Criswell, was hit by a car and suffered a broken leg.

Jenny Johnson's father, Tom Childers is under hospice care.

Vickie Cofer's father, Ralph Roach, is in the hospital in Louisiana with pneumonia.

Continue to Pray...

Recovering | Extended Illness | Homebound

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| Wayne Alderson | Jan Glover | Perry Pugh |
| Harold Allen | Conor Harris | Bob & Kerma Parrett |
| Faye Bell | Jane Hawkins | Sammy Salters |
| Xiomara Berland | David & Nancy Heffington | Glen Stone |
| Diane Campbell | Lenora Hunter | Lottie Umstead |
| Jim & Betty Carrigan | Ken & Faye Jackson | Melinda Watts |
| Ramona Cherry | Janice Jernigan | Molly Watts |
| Ruby Dunn | Winnie Love | Jacob Williams |
| Carroll Duvall | Olivia Howell | |
| George & Shirley Freeland | Margaret Parsons | |

Friends and Family

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| Anna Ault's father - | Bobby Bishop |
| Kathleen Cox's friend - | Trina Sottek |
| AJ DeJarnette's mother - | Deborah Grimes |
| Lyndell Fox's sister - | Connie Howell |
| Sue Fox's friend - | Gina Robinson |
| Rob Johnson's friend - | Tammy Bradley |
| Shelby Johnson's mother - | Barbara Massey |
| Lexington, VA Church preacher - | Page Barnes |
| David Mann's sister - | Mary Jo Bertie |
| Mark Marchal's mother-in-law - | Sandy Casey |
| Carrie McCullough's niece - | Hattie Fields |
| Sheila McDonald's mother - | Frances Byrd |
| Steve McEwen's friend - | Tim Rountree |
| Cindy Netherland's mother - | Marlene Smesler |
| Andrea Stevens' brother - | Derek Orban |
| Glen & Shirley Stone's daughter - | Tracy Bolton |
| Shirley Stone's friend - | Max Hill |
| The Tribbles' friend - | Phyllis Neely |
| Kelly Williams' brother-in-law - | Bill Ford |

Preparing to Marry

Todd Beasley & Megan Easterday



Suzi Parrett
615-693-9427

Today Tween Movie Night
(2997 Evans Lane, Columbia)
4:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Bring \$5 for pizza.

December 14 Pictures with Santa followed by
Cocoa and Carols
Teen Center
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.



Jacob Love 931-797-1399
Jacob Hunnicutt 615-517-4761
Eric Nash 615-351-8384
Ben Jones 931-698-1206

Today Bonfire and devo with area
congregations at the Bishops.
(3740 Neeley Hollow Rd.,
Columbia)
4:00 p.m.

November 19 Grade Groups & Friendsgiving
Plus One (Scan QR code to
sign up to bring a dish to
share!)
6:00 p.m.



November 30 Area-wide at Spring Hill Church
of Christ
5:00 p.m.

Church Record

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| Sunday a.m. Worship | 434 |
| Auditorium | 396 |
| Spanish Speaking | 20 |
| The Bridge | 18 |
| Wednesday Classes | 140 |
| Contribution | \$49,484 |

Online Giving

QR Code



wifi password: WESTSEVENTH

931-388-6514

office@w7church.org

w7church.org

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West Seventh Street Church of Christ

405 West 7th Street Columbia, TN 38401

Techhelp@w7church.org or 931-225-HELP (4357)



Text: Romans 8:1-8

Introduction: Paul shares five gifts for those who are in Christ Jesus.

The context of Romans 8:

Without Jesus, we are _____

Without Jesus, we are _____

Without Jesus, we are _____

In Christ, we have been _____

Conclusion:

"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."
John 8:36 ESV

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| Order of Worship | |
| Song Leader..... | Marty DeJarnette |
| <i>Listen to Our Hearts</i> | |
| Scripture Reading | Cooper Estep |
| Psalm 23 | |
| <i>He Gave Me A Song - 213</i> | |
| <i>He Knows Just What I Need - 209</i> | |
| <i>He Leadeth Me - 216</i> | |
| Prayer..... | Jim Wilson |
| <i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple - 685</i> | |
| <i>Come Share the Lord - 916</i> | |
| Communion..... | Jacob Williams |
| Offering | |
| <i>The Lord My Shepherd Is - 643</i> | |
| <i>O Lord Our Lord - 486</i> | |
| Message..... | Randy Owens |
| <i>Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen - 392</i> | |
| Announcements and | |
| Shepherd's Blessing..... | |
| Bill Alsup | |

Nursery - Jade Anderson & Dawn Liggett

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| Sunday Adult Classes | |
| College/Young Pro | Marty DeJarnette |
| "Unexplainable Jesus" | Room 306 |
| What Made Jesus Appealing | |
| Young Marrieds | David Hendrixson |
| The Wisdom of Proverbs | Room 307 |
| Young Families | Barry England |
| The Chosen | Tyler Sells |
| | OC - Tennessee Room |
| Homebuilders | Jon Bennett |
| Great Chapters of the Bible | David Esslinger |
| | Rush Holladay |
| | T.V. Studio |
| Adults | Joel Oswalt |
| Genesis | Chapel |
| Adults | Tom Anderson |
| God is Light | Auditorium |
| Adults | Bill Alsup |
| Galatians | Room 214 |
| Ephesians | |
| Spanish Speaking | Elyar Sanchez |
| | Room 212 |

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| Wednesday Adult Classes | |
| Adult Class | Chapel |
| Genesis | Lee Lantzer |
| Ladies' Class | T.V. Studio |
| Mama Bear Apologetics | Leah Shrader |
| | Katie Davidson |
| Men's Class | Room 214 |
| God Has A Name | Zach Pharr |
| (A study of the background of God's name and what it should mean to us) | |
| Precepts | OC - Maury Room |
| Study of 1 Kings | Randy Owens |



Open

- Ready or not, Christmas is six weeks away! What is something you like about the holidays? What do you dislike?
- Can you think of the most useful (and appreciated) gift you have ever received? Did you request it? Was it immediately valued or did that come later?

Scripture, Discussion and Application

For the weeks leading up to Christmas, we will be studying five concepts covered in Romans chapter 8. This will include several Sundays with Small Group Bible Studies. Aren't we thankful that the Holy Spirit inspired Paul to write the letter to the Romans and that we have a copy to read and study today? Let's consider these five gifts that we really need listed in this chapter. This opening lesson also serves as an introduction to the series, so let's take a few minutes to understand the context.

Without Jesus, we are guilty.

Romans 6:23 says bluntly, "For the wages of sin is death." This is not a New Testament revelation, as it has been true since the beginning of mankind. We see example after example in the Torah: the flood in Genesis 6, Sodom and Gomorrah in Genesis 19, etc. Again and again, Scripture tells of the people of God making sacrifices - taking the life of an animal to make restitution for their sin. Even the pagan religions held parallel beliefs and practices about sin and sacrifices requiring the death of animals, or even humans.

Read Romans 3:20 and discuss the purpose of the law. Why do we vainly attempt to justify ourselves by our own obedience of the law?

Without Jesus, we are condemned.

Take a moment and consider Paul's blunt explanation about the problem of sin - especially in Romans 7:15-19. How have you experienced this to be true? Meaning, you repeatedly made a pledge to yourself (and perhaps to God) to stop doing something wrong or to begin doing something right, but no matter how hard you tried, you failed to keep your pledge. Discuss.

Without Jesus, we are frustrated.

The opening chapters of Romans explain the universal sin problem of man. We are all sinners, and we all deserve to be punished. And as we discussed from Romans 7, we cannot be good enough to be justified in God's sight. Paul expresses the frustration well in Romans 7:25, "Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?" Yet, we live in a day when sin is overlooked, downplayed, and even tolerated. In a culture dominated by "I'm okay, you're okay," it is common to balk at the idea of calling out sin for what it is. However, you will not find that view of sin from God or His word. Why is it not only correct but best for us to admit our sin problem?

Now with that very brief overview of the context, read Romans 8:1-8.

In Christ Jesus, we have been freed!

Discuss what it means that there is no condemnation in Christ.

According to verses 2-3, what does Jesus do for us that the law could not do? Discuss what it means to be "in Christ."

Earlier we discussed the need to admit our sin problem and not be dismissive about it. If there is no sin problem to deal with, there is no need for a savior to set us free. (Remember Jesus saying in Luke 7:47 that "He who is forgiven little, loves little.") Discuss why this is true.

The One who set us free said it like this, "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." Discuss what that means for mankind's sin problem. What does this mean to you?

Close with prayer telling God how much you appreciate the gift of being set free through Jesus.

HOLIDAY HOPE

Holiday Hope is intended to glorify our God by showing His love to our neighbors by brightening the holiday season. Our focus is on children aged 17 and younger who are associated with our work at West Seventh and would not have much of a Christmas without outside help.

The schedule for this year is as follows:

Nov. 23 Select a child/children to sponsor and begin shopping for the items listed on their cards. Cards will be available in the Family Center.

Nov.23 - Dec.13 Shop for gifts and wrap.

Dec. 14 Bring gifts to the Family Center. You may also bring your gifts to the church office before this deadline, if needed.

If you would prefer to donate money for gifts and let others shop, please give your donation to Bill or Andrea Stevens or the church office. Please note 'Holiday Hope' in the memo section.