



THE MESSENGER

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Service Times

10:00 am

10:00 am (Online)



Sermon Series - ATONEMENT

Join us this July for "ATONEMENT", a sermon series exploring how God's justice and mercy meet through the sacrifice of Christ. From the Old Testament sacrifices to Jesus' once-for-all offering, we'll see how the atonement brings true forgiveness, peace, and transformation. Discover how this powerful truth calls us to live in worship, service, and surrender to the One who gave it all.



MAGNIFIED!

VBS - July 13th-16th

6:00pm to 8:30pm



MAGNIFIED will encourage kids (3 years through entering 6th grade) to look closely at the details of God's amazing world and magnify, or proclaim, the greatness of God. We will talk about how God made us, cares about us, loves us, forgives us, and is faithful to keep all His promises to us. We can praise God together! Each night will consist of worship, teaching, snacks, games and crafts all centered around God's truth found in the Bible.



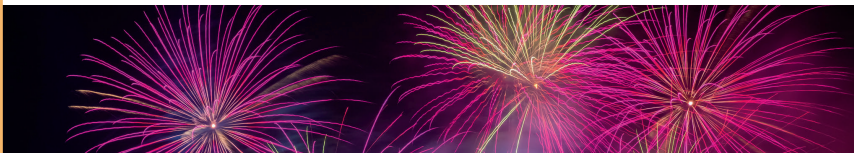
VBS Volunteer Snacks:

If you would like to provide a snack for our VBS volunteers during the week of July 13-16, please contact Rhonda Shinn (615-478-1868).



4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS

Cookeville's Red White & BOOM fireworks display is Friday night, July 4th, beginning at 9:10 pm, at the Fairgrounds. You and your family are welcome to come enjoy the show from the front lawn at First Christian Church.



Church Picnic

July 30th, 6:00 pm

Please join us for a church picnic in the Pavilion. Hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Children and Youth

Saltshaker Youth Ministry (Grades 7-12)

In Christ:

Bible Memory Project's focus for July - Trust In Christ

Learning about Jesus is more than just gaining knowledge; it's about deciding who you're going to trust. Think about it like this: Jeremiah 17:5-8 talks about two different paths:

- Trusting in yourself (or other people): Even if good things happen, you might miss the bigger picture or feel empty inside. It's like building on shaky ground.
- Trusting in Jesus: Even when tough times hit and life feels like a drought, you'll still be strong and productive. You'll be like a tree planted by a river, continuing to grow and bear fruit no matter what.

This idea of flourishing isn't just about knowing facts; it's about having a deep inner strength that helps you through challenges. It's about drawing from a constant source of support so you can keep growing, even when things are hard.

Little Lights Sunday School (Newborn - 6th Grade)

Sunday School: 9am

This summer we will dive into the genres of history, prophecy, and gospels. Stories from 1 & 2 Kings and 2 Chronicles will help us understand how God's people continually disobeyed His direction and the consequences their sin brought. Minor Prophet stories help us see that God is in control, and He can always be trusted. John's Gospel highlights Jesus' earthly ministry and confirms that Jesus is the Messiah sent from God.

Children's Church: 10 am

King David: After protecting his family's flock of sheep, David was called into a role of shepherding God's people. He showed his trust in God through defeating Goliath, his heart for mercy in sparing Saul, and his willingness to put God's plan first. But King David was still a broken human who was sinful. Yet, God showed His love and grace by forgiving and restoring David upon his repentance.

Big Picture Question of the month:

Q: Is anything or anyone greater than God?

A: No, God is greater than everything and everyone.