

This Week At FCC

Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service
Monday Church Office Closed
Tuesday Church Office Closed

Christmas Poinsettias

In Honor of:

Brad & Kelly Windlan
Alice Windlan

Rhonda & Charlie Shinn
Charles Shinn
Marion Clifton

In Memory of:

Glenda Adams
Ruth Ann Jones
Bea Ray

Bill & Joni Baker

Ronnie & Mary Baker
John & Agnes Sullivan
Lillian Powell

Kathy Barnes

Cec & Bark Klienfeldt

Ben & Denise Cross

ML & Irene Cross
Roy & Mary Adams

Sherry Delaney

Morine, Hulon,
& Terry Dyer

Bonnie Kirkland

Sheryl Kirkland

Vera May

Bob May

Steve & Brenda Owens

Ressie & James Parker
Ollie Owens
Minnie Orr
Sharon Gaither
Jack Compton

Cindy Rush

Billy & Mary (Dee) Graham

Tom & Lolita Sayman

Family that preceded us

Mary Jane & Randall Stoops & Richard Scott

Patty Lynn Scott

Jean Waite

Jack Anderson
George Waite

Sally White

Marshall Maynard

Cindy Yockers

Barb & Ed Phipps

If you purchased a poinsettia please remember
to take it home with you today after service.

December 24, 2023

OUR VISION AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Making Disciples in Cookeville, Putnam County, and to the ends of the earth.



Current Sermon Series:

'Unexpected Jesus'—a Christmas series revealing the beautiful surprises of Jesus' advent. Together we will discover afresh the wonder in God's mysterious plan and be inspired this Christmas season!

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UNEXPECTED JESUS 05 His Unexpected Mission
Brad Windlan First Christian Church
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#1: They Had a Misconception of _____.

Romans 8:5a (NIV) “Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires.”

Matthew 6:19-20 (NLT) “Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal.”

Luke 6:22-23a (NIV) “Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven.”

#2: They were Ignorant of Their Spiritual _____.

Matthew 5:3 (NIV) “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Mark 2:17 (NIV) “On hearing this, Jesus said to them, ‘It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.’”

Romans 3:23 & 6:23 (NIV) “...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God... the wages of sin is death.”

Romans 3:23-24 (NIV) “...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.”

Titus 2:11-14 (NIV) “For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.”

TALK IT OVER

1. How does the misconception of salvation, focusing on earthly blessings, impact our spiritual journey? (Romans 8:5a, Matthew 6:19-20)
2. How does our recognition of our own spiritual depravity influence our perspective on Jesus' mission? (Matthew 5:3, Mark 2:17)
3. How does our understanding of Romans 3:23-24 impact the way we celebrate Christmas?
4. How does the grace of God, as mentioned in Titus 2:11-14, guide us in living self-controlled, upright, and godly lives?
5. Reflect on the idea that Jesus came for sinners, not the “righteous” (self-righteous). How does this reality impact our understanding of His mission and our role in it? (Mark 2:17)