## This Week At FCC

Sunday	9:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Youth Group
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Co-ed Volleyball
Wednesday	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Bible Study (Tom Frisbie) Youth Group
Thursday	6:00 pm	Co-ed Volleyball
Saturday	10:00 am	Sonshiners Valentines Day Brunch

# Sonshiners Valentine's Day Brunch- February 17th

Adults 50+ are are invited to the Sonshiners Valentine's Day Brunch on Saturday, February 17th, at 10:00 am, in the Family Life Center (Gym). Please bring a brunch food dish to share (i.e. donuts, breakfast casserole, fruit, orange juice, etc.) and a wrapped baked good for bingo prizes. Please sign up at the Information Table. If you have any questions please contact Sue Anne Smith. Call: 931-432-2306 or Text: 931-979-4879.

# **NEXT Steps: QT Class**

On February 25th at 9:00 am, Pastor Brad will offer the QT class in the 4th-6th grade classroom. In this class you will be equipped with skills to help you spend daily quiet time with Jesus. If you would like to attend please let us know in the "Leave a message for the staff" section of the yellow Connection Card or through the YouVersion online Connection Card.

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

Looking for a way to be more involved? Volunteer! There are many areas in the church that would benefit from what you have to offer. Your experience, your desire, your heart to serve, your special talents, etc.; the list goes on and on. You are vital and important to your church. Please see the bulletin insert for a list of all current volunteer opportunities.

# February 11, 2024

# **OUR VISION AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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



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#### **Current Sermon Series:**

This series will explore eight timeless questions from God that speak powerfully to our lives today. These messages will inspire you to reflect upon your life and to live more boldly for our Lord!

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## TO LEARN MORE ABOUT US AND WHAT WE BELIEVE VISIT US AT

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#### Message Notes 2/11/2024

God Questions: Part 1 - "Where are you?"

Brad Windlan First Christian Church

Learn more: fcc-cookeville.org

Genesis 3:8-12 (NIV) "Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, 'Where are you?' He answered, 'I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.' And he said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?' The man said, 'The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and Late it '"

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Why was Adam hiding from God?
In a word:
<b>Genesis 3:6-7 (NIV)</b> "When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves."
We Hide in a Myriad of Ways:

**Matthew 13:14-15 (NIV)** "You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving. For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would heal them."

We hide & God
Luke 19:10 (NIV) "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."
<b>John 3:16 (NIV)</b> "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
<b>Hebrews 3:15 (NIV)</b> "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion."
Uncle Morrie, "The only way out is through."

#### **TALK IT OVER**

- **1.** Read Genesis 3:8-12. Why did God ask Adam, "Where are you?" and what might He have wanted Adam to acknowledge or confess?
- **2.** Share about a time when God asked you a question (either through circumstances or inner promptings). How did you respond to God's inquiry?
- **3.** When have you felt the urge to hide from God due to shame or conviction? Can you share a personal experience related to avoiding spiritual practices because of these feelings?
- **4.** Which of the mentioned ways of hiding (rationalizations, excuses, blame, busyness, skepticism) do you find yourself most prone to? How does this impact your relationship with God?
- **5.** How does the idea that God actively seeks us, from Genesis to Jesus and beyond, shape your perspective on your relationship with Him? How can this truth affect the way you approach God in prayer and worship?

# GET PLUGGED-IN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

# Children's Ministry - Josh Hale

Our purpose is to introduce children to a relationship with Jesus, disciple them in the Word of God, help them develop Christ-centered relationships, and equip them to share the Gospel. If you would like to be part of raising up a generation of students who love and live for Jesus please talk with Josh Hale or let us know of the Connection Card.

# **Current Volunteer Openings:**

- -Second Sunday: Nursery/Toddler Room (10am)
- -Fifth Sunday: Nursery/Toddler Room (10am)
- -Fifth Sunday: Preschool Room (10am)
- -Nursery/Toddler Room Sunday School (9am)
- -Preschool Room Sunday School Assistant (9am)

# Hospitality

#### Front Door Greeters - Brad Windlan

We need happy smiling faces to help us welcome people as they come to worship at FCC. If you would like to be a part of this vital ministry, please contact Pastor Brad.

## **Sunday Morning Coffee** - Kelly Windlan

This team is responsible for making coffee on Sunday mornings before Sunday School and cleaning up the Coffee Corner after service.

# **Meal Ministry** - Kelly Windlan

This team will bless people in times of need with meals (homemade or purchased). If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Kelly Windlan.

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

# Worship ministries - Jared Wilson

#### Tech/Sound/Online

#### Sound

Responsible for running the soundboard during service and overseeing house lighting.

#### Projector operator

Run ProPresenter to display lyrics, sermon slides, and other media in coordination with sound.

# Live stream producer

Responsible for starting and stopping the live stream service, mixing the live stream sound, and interacting with online participants.

# Worship Band

#### Instrumentalist

Drums, Piano, Bass, Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar

## Singer

Someone comfortable leading the congregation vocally from the platform (stage), helping to facilitate an atmosphere of praise.

## Above all, we do these things to bring God glory.

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Colossians 3:17 (NIV)