

Call to Worship | Philippians 1:6 ^{ESV}

And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Reading of The Law | Galatians 3:23-25 ^{ESV}

Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴ So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian,

Scriptural Assurance | John 6:60-64 ^{ESV}

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this?" ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.)

Those Serving

	COFFEE BREAK	PRAISE	SCRIPTURE READING	KIDS MESSAGE	CONFESS.	ASSURE.	THANKS. & REQ.
8/2	Allison	Larry	Proverbs 24:1-22 Amanda	Heidelberg 31 Gracie	Jeff	Maggie	John
8/9	Kelly	Jess	Proverbs 24:23-34 Larry	Heidelberg 32 Matt	Brayden	Lincoln	Matt
8/16	Emily	Harvey	Proverbs 25 Linda	Heidelberg 33 Emily	Johnny	Macie	Matt
8/23	Sherry	Adam	Proverbs 26 Lincoln	Heidelberg 34 Brayden	Franklin	Austin	John
8/30	Rebekah		Proverbs 27 Lincoln	Heidelberg 35		Lord's Supper	

Sermons

8/2	Matthew 5:21-26	"Anger"
8/9	Matthew 5:27-30	"Lust"
8/16	Matthew 5:31-32	"Divorce"
8/23	Matthew 5:33-37	"Oaths"
8/30	2 Peter 1:19-21	"Lively Preaching"

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2 AUGUST 2026  LORD'S DAY 31

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#71 - Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Come, People of the Risen King

Prayers of Praise ^{Larry}

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture Reading | Proverbs 24:1-22 ^{Amanda}

Special Music

Offering & Kids Message ^{Gracie}

Reading of The Law | Galatians 3:23-25

Ancient of Days

Prayers of Confession & Silence ^{Jeff}

Scriptural Assurance | John 6:60-64 ^{Maggie}

He Will Hold Me Fast

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Request ^{John}

Sermon Text | Matthew 5:21-26

Sermon | "Anger"

Turn Your Eyes

Benediction

THE GOSPEL IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS CHRIST SAVES SINNERS.

So then: Repent, Believe, and Follow the Lord Jesus Christ.

Announcements

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Mission gifts given in August will benefit: *Our Deacon's Fund*

The Calendar

July 20-Aug. 3	Pastor Matt on vacation
Fri. August 21	VBS Fundraiser Paint Party – 6:00pm
Sun. August 30	Anniversary Sunday – 196 years
Sun. August 30	The Lord's Supper
Sept. 18-20	EA National Gathering – New Philadelphia, OH
Sun. October 25	Reformation Sunday
November 20-22	Weekend To Remember – Williamsburg, VA
June 20-24, 2027	Spy University VBS (Save The Dates!)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/3 Cole Tasker
8/8 Nevin Hutzler
8/10 Mike Broadwater
8/11 Jess Carey
8/14 Hannah Hershberger
8/27 John Carey
8/31 Allison Broadwater



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

8/8 Jeff & Patty Rice

To begin the process of joining as a member, please contact an Elder.

John Carey 301-876-0342 jcarey6821@gmail.com
Matt Widder 717-496-3879 pastormatt@grantsvillechurch.com

Opportunities to Grow

SUNDAY MORNINGS (9:15-10:15am)

Adult / Teen Bible Study: 2 SAMUEL – DAVID'S HEART REVEALED

8/2	2 Samuel 15:1-37 – 8. Absalom's Rebellion	Larry
8/9	2 Samuel 18:1-19:15 – 9. Absalom's Defeat	John
8/16	2 Samuel 19:16-20:26 – 10. A Second Rebellion	Matt
8/23	2 Samuel 22:1-23:7 – 11. The Man After God's Heart	Jeff
8/30	2 Samuel – 12. Reviewing Key Principles	John

SUNDAY MORNINGS (9:15-10:15am)

Kids Bible Study: LITTLE PILGRIMS THEOLOGY – ABC THEOLOGY

8/2	O is for Original Sin – Ephesians 2:3	Sherry
8/9	P is for Perseverance – Romans 8:38-39	Emily
8/16	Q is for Quiet Time – Luke 5:16	Emily
8/23	R is for Repentance – Matthew 4:17	Sherry
8/30	S is for Salvation – Luke 5:16	Emily

"AMONG THEM WE TOO ALL FORMERLY LIVED IN THE LUSTS OF OUR FLESH, INDULGING
THE DESIRES OF THE FLESH AND OF THE MIND, AND WERE BY NATURE CHILDREN OF
WRATH, EVEN AS THE REST." **EPHESIANS 2:3**

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*The heart of man is exceedingly prone
to undue and sinful anger,
being naturally full of pride and selfishness.*

JONATHAN EDWARDS

This Week in Church History

WHY STUDY CHURCH HISTORY?

Church history is the story of how God has guarded, purified, chastised, and strengthened His undeserving people. God has unique purposes for His church.

2 August 1555

Martyrdom of James Abbes. The bishop of Norwich had tried to convince him to recant and give him money. When Abbes returns and throws down the money, saying he was wrong to have accepted it, the bishop hands him over to secular authorities to be burned alive at Bury.

3 August 1492

Friday at dawn the Santa María and its companion caravels commence the historic voyage which will bring Europeans to America. The expedition's leader, Christopher Columbus, has both missionary and trade ambitions.

4 August 1708

Death in Accomack, Virginia, of Francis Makemie, an Irish missionary who established the first Presbyterian church in America. His acquittal in New York for preaching without a license, obtained with the help of leading New England Congregationalists, is viewed as a landmark in freedom of religion in America.

5 August 1751

Rev. John Cuthbertson, America's first Scottish Covenanter pastor, arrives in America. His name appears frequently as a genealogical authority because he will keep a log of births and marriages. He records over five thousand family names, six hundred marriages, and almost two thousand baptisms.

6 August 1866

Death of John Mason Neale, hymnologist and hymnwriter. Two of his best known hymns are the Christmas carols "Good Christian Men, Rejoice" and "Good King Wenceslaus."

7 August 44

Death in Caesarea of Herod Agrippa, persecutor of the Apostles, who had executed James, the brother of John.

8 August 449

A church council entitled the "Council of Robbers" meets to consider the case of Eutyches and his views on the relationship of Christ's divinity to His humanity.

Heidelberg Catechism¹⁵⁶³ | Lord's Day 31

Question 83. *What is the office of the keys?*^a

Answer: The preaching of the holy gospel^b and church discipline;^c by which two things, the kingdom of heaven is opened to believers and shut against unbelievers.

- a. Matthew 16:19.
- b. John 20:23.
- c. Matthew 18:15-18.

Question 84. *How is the kingdom of heaven opened and shut by the preaching of the holy gospel?*

Answer: In this way: that according to the command of Christ,^a it is proclaimed and openly witnessed to believers, one and all, that as often as they accept with true faith the promise of the gospel, all their sins are really forgiven them of God for the sake of Christ's merits;^b and on the contrary, to all unbelievers and hypocrites, that the wrath of God and eternal condemnation abide on them,^c so long as they are not converted: according to which Witness of the gospel, will be the judgment of God both in this life and in that which is to come.^d

- a. Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:15-16.
- b. John 3:18, 36.
- c. 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9.
- d. John 20:21-23; Matthew 16:19; Romans 2:2-16.

Question 85. *How is the kingdom of heaven shut and opened by church discipline?*

Answer: In this way: that according to the command of Christ,^a if any under the Christian name show themselves unsound either in doctrine or life,^b and after repeated brotherly admonition refuse to turn from their errors or evil ways, they are complained of to the church^c or to its proper officers,^d and, if they neglect to hear them also, are by them excluded from the holy sacraments and the Christian communion, and by God Himself from the kingdom of Christ;^e and if they promise and show real amendment, they are again received as members of Christ and His church.^f

- a. Matthew 18:15.
- b. 1 Corinthians 5:12.
- c. Matthew 18:15-18.
- d. Romans 12:7-10; 1 Corinthians 12:28; 1 Timothy 5:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:14.
- e. Matthew 18:17; Luke 15:18; 1 Corinthians 5:3-5.
- f. 2 Corinthians 2:6-11.

Prayer List

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Memorize, Meditate, and Pray this week:

Philippians 1:6

And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Pray using prayers of the Puritans - Refuge:

Almighty God... guard me from: an undisciplined tongue, the snares of bad company, the perils of youth, and the arrogance of experience...

Pray using our Prayer Points for this week:

MONDAY

*for Mexico

*for Travis & Theresa Brenneman

TUESDAY

*for those battling depression

*for raising children.

WEDNESDAY

*for upcoming elections.

*for being thankful.

THURSDAY

*for killing sin.

*for exposing Socialism.

FRIDAY

*for fruit from VBS week.

*for guarding against pride.

SATURDAY

*for Matt & Emily.

*for Sinclair Ferguson

Pray for:

Those mourning the death of Janet Anderson.

Fruit from Vacation Bible School 2026. ^{Philippians 1:6}

EA National Minister-Elect Pastor Jason Ford.

Pray for our fallen world & global concerns:

The call & response of the lost. ^{Matthew 18}

The end of abortion practices & the close of the abortion mill. ^{Exodus 20:13}

The sins of sexual rebellion. ^{Genesis 1:27; Romans 1:18-23}

Peace and Justice in Israel, and in Nigeria. ^{Psalms 25:22}

Those battling addictions and those hurt by them. ^{Galatians 5:1}

Iran and protection for our soldiers. ^{Psalms 46:1}

Pray for those serving our country: ^{Isaiah 41:10}

Nathan Brenneman (and the family)

Pray for those in nursing homes: ^{1 Timothy 5:1-3}

Helen Bender

Shirley Bender

Pray for health/comfort for: ^{Psalms 121:1-2}

Allison Broadwater

Hannah Hershberger & baby

Steve Hershberger

Nevin & Wilma Hutzel

Jeff & Patty Rice

Butch Baker (friend of the Clevengers)

Fred Holiday (friend of the Broadwaters)

Becca Kilgus (friend of Linda Upole)

Stephanie McBride (mother of Michele Carey)

Sandy McKenzie (friend of the Broadwaters)

Ronnie Stanton (brother of Linda Upole)

Pray for those battling cancer: ^{John 14:27}

Cindy Widder (family of the Widders)

George Winkelvoss (father of Adam Winkelvoss)

Ruth Yoder

EA Nat. Minister Jim Barnes

Nick Brown (young local boy)

Linda Handwerk (daughter of the late Wanda Sheffield)

Shelbi Knauer (friend of Hannah Hershberger)

Daisy Murray (friend of John Carey)

Angie Rush (local teacher)

Gay Ziegler (friend of Linda Upole)
