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FARRAGUT family

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, SERVE ALL



Christmas is a celebration of God's greatest act of love—sending Jesus to serve, to save, and to shine His light in the darkest places. As followers of Christ, we have the beautiful opportunity to reflect that same love in tangible ways. This year, our **Full Service Sunday (Christmas Edition)** is dedicated to stepping outside our walls, being the hands and feet of Jesus, and bringing hope to our community.

Instead of gathering for an evening service, we will **be the service**. We will go *together*—families, friends, Small Groups, Sunday School Classes, and generations side-by-side—to love our neighbors in His name. Each outreach project partners with ministries and contacts already doing incredible work throughout Knoxville/Oak Ridge, and every heart can find a place to serve.

Here's where we're going together:

Riverwood

At Riverwood, we'll share Christmas love with individuals overcoming challenges and building new lives. Through simple presence, conversation, and encouragement, we will remind each resident that they are seen, valued, and loved by God. Participants will have the option to purchase Christmas gifts for two residents in need. On the service day, up to 25 people will wrap the donated Christmas gifts and head to Riverwood for an afternoon of cookie decorating, hot cocoa enjoying, game playing, Christmas carol singing, and making new best friends!

Restoration House

Families at Restoration House are courageously pursuing stability and a brighter future. Our donations will provide a family with a winter break kit to keep little hands busy and entertained during the long winter break. On the service day, up to 25 participants will organize and pack the kits and deliver, pray over, and meet a representative to learn more about Restoration House.

Isaiah 117 House

Isaiah 117 House cares for children entering foster care—children who desperately need comfort, dignity, and safety. By supporting their needs and blessing their staff, we will help share the tender love of Christ with some of the most vulnerable among us. Donations will go to create a travel busy bag for kids being transferred to places that require a longer travel time. On the day of service, up to 20 participants will pack and pray over the bags. Then, this group will head to Isaiah 117 house for a tour and to pray over the spaces. If children are present, the group will just pray over the accessible parts of the home and for the staff. (continued on page 2)

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday School (all ages) ~ 9:15am
Children Worship Service ~ 10:30am
Worship Service ~ 10:30am
Sunday Night: 5:00 ~ 6:15pm*
Children & Youth: 5:00 ~ 6:30pm*
*Fall and Spring semesters

Student News

Upcoming Dates

Nov 7-9 JU High School Pursue Retreat

Nov 21-23 High School ATL SICOM Retreat

Dec 22 Jumpin Jammie Christmas Party

Jan 9-11 TCTC

Get more information and sign up for events at our student page: farragutcc.com/youth

TCTC

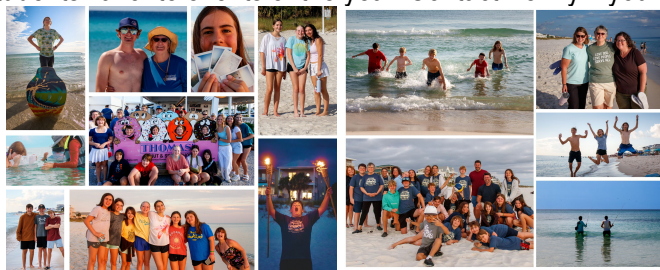
TCTC is around the corner! TCTC stands for Tennessee Christian Teen Convention. If you're new or have never attended this event, this is a weekend youth convention held annually in Gatlinburg, TN. Students will spend time in worship, hearing from speakers, and growing in community. It's definitely one of our students' favorite events of the year. Contact Kenny if you have any questions!

Cost: \$200* for the first 30 students

Deposit: \$50

Dates: January 9-11

*adjusted rate for families with multiple students



FULL Service Sunday (Christmas Edition) (continued from page 1)

Green Magnet School & Willow Brook Elementary

We would like to bless Green Magnet families and Willow Brook Elementary Teaching Assistants with a little encouragement. These schools serve many families experiencing hardship. Our useful donations with an encouraging note will brighten not just their homes, but their hearts.

Johnson University International Students

Many international students are far from home and family during the holidays. The gift card donations will allow these students to enjoy meal options outside of what they can microwave in the dorm. You will have the opportunity to drive out to Johnson to pray over the school. Let's send a message to these future missionaries and church leaders from around the world that we support them by meeting one need this season.

Caroling & Cookies

Finally, we'll spread Christmas joy the classic way—through song, smiles, and cookies! We'll visit familiar faces, neighborhoods, and senior communities, carrying with us the Good News of great joy for all people. And some goodies to share!

How to Get Involved

There is a place and opportunity for every person, every gift, every age, and every helping hand. Starting November 16th, donation trees and sign up sheets will be available in the main foyer. You can give and sign up to serve whatever best suits you and your family. A lunch will be served immediately following Worship on December 14th before we launch out into our Full Service Sunday ministries.

Pray. Sign up. Show up. Love God. Love Others. Serve All. And let's watch God move through His people as we share the true meaning of Christmas with our city.

November's Memory Verse: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. ~ Matthew 6:9-11

Children's Ministry

**Congratulations to our Farragut Kids
November Volunteers of the Month!**

**Nursery- Isabella Mollenhour
Preschool- Kate Roberts
Elementary- Lily Regan**



Until November 9th, families can pick up a Scripture Pumpkin Kit from the Kids/Youth Hallway. Each family can pick up a bag with everything you need to complete the month-long Scripture writing challenge. Don't forget to pick the perfect pumpkin for your family and enjoy the option to make yummy pumpkin treats, too! Add in coloring sheets and fun stickers for each kid and you'll have a recipe for a perfectly-pumpkin-y-thankfully season!

FARRAGUT KIDS Friendsgiving

Join us as we eat yummy food, watch A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving, decorate sugar cookies, make a craft, and celebrate being a friend of Jesus TOGETHER!!



**Preschool-Elementary
November 23rd
5:00p-6:30p**

Parents: Sign up to bring sides by using the QR code provided

Cookies & Cocoa

A Farragut Kids Christmas Family Event

December 12th 6:00p-7:30p

Sign Ups Begin November 9th



**PRAYER BUDDY BREAKFAST
Saturday, December 13th
9:00a-10:00a**



**Wednesday PM
KidMin Studies will
end for this semester
on November 19th
and pick back up
again on January 7th,
2026.**

Small Group & Ministry Announcements

Sower's Sewing Ministry Meeting

Saturday, November 8 10am - 1pm

Meet in the Conference Room at 9:30am for light breakfast & fellowship. We will work on projects for Cerebral Palsy and Senior Meals. RSVP to Sandy Bumbalough.



You Bring It, We Grill It Men's Event

Saturday, November 8 4-6pm

Bring your favorite meat and we will grill it on sight. Watch for a text message with more information.



55+ Thanksgiving Luncheon

Saturday, November 15 @ 1pm

Join us as we gather together to enjoy a wonderful feast. Meat and drinks are provided, volunteers needed for sides. Sign up to bring a side/dessert & to attend in the foyer.



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Charles Duhigg in his book, *The Power of a Habit*, tells the story of how Febreze almost flopped and then how it succeeded. At first the way Proctor and Gamble advertised the spray was that it covered up odors. The advertising was how it covered up smoke smell and also dog smells. The problem was that no one thought they needed it because they were “nose blind.” They didn’t know they needed the product.

Eventually they landed on an advertising strategy that worked with the product. Instead of telling people they smelled, they ran commercials of a person cleaning their house and after they had finished they did one last thing, they sprayed Febreze. It was not the product that you needed to cover up your bad smells, it was the product that you needed to signal you were done with your cleaning. It became the reward at the end of the cleaning process.

Within a month of that commercial product sales doubled and within a year they were selling \$230 million of the product.

It is interesting, when it was changed from a product that covers up smells to a product that was a reward it changed how people purchased it.

All year long we have looked at the idea of Living Life to the Full. In November we finish this year long series by looking at prayer, specifically the Lord’s Prayer in Matthew 6. We purposefully saved this to the end. We wanted to reframe prayer as not something you do just to pray over a prayer list or just to tell God what you want, but something that has a reward of a closer relationship with God. We want prayer to be something that leads to peace and comfort. The only way that will happen is if we understand prayer the way Jesus taught it. Join us as we look through Matthew 6 with a series we have entitled, A Long Obedience in the Same Direction. The title comes from a book by Eugene Peterson and I love the idea that in prayer we enter into obedience towards God. Yet even more than this long obedience, we find life to the full.

November 2 ~ Victorious - Romans 8:35-39 - Successful

LONG OBEDIENCE IN THE SAME DIRECTION

November 9 ~ Veterans Day - How To Pray - Matthew 6:9-15

November 16 ~ Admitting - Matthew 6:9-15

November 23 ~ Thy Will Be Done - Matthew 6:9-15

November 30 ~ Seeking The Kingdom - Matthew 6:25-34 - Randi

