

Order of Worship

Call to Worship

Song: #238 You Are the Song That I Sing

Song: #76 How Great Thou Art

Song: #349 Ten Thousand Angels

The Lord's Supper

Song: #578 We Will Glorify

Offering

Song: #574 O How I Love Jesus

Song: #18 Faithful Love

Scripture Reading
John 19:28-30

Sermon
“Before The Piercing ”

Song: #902 Nothing But the Blood

Family Time

Song #83 God Is So Good

Closing Prayer

Please join us for a lite brunch in the fellowship hall immediately after our worship service this morning.

“Are you visiting for the first time today?”

Welcome guest! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this morning. Please help us to get to know you better by filling out the green guest card on the back of the seat in front of you and dropping it in the collection basket. Or, for your convenience, you may scan the QR code and complete the guest card digitally. Thank you for taking the time to attend our service today. We hope to see you again soon!



Scan for Guest Card

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For The Record

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| Sunday Morning Worship | 114 | Sunday Morning Bible Study | 93 |
| Sunday Afternoon Service | 22 | Wed. Morning Bible Study | 16 |
| Wed. Evening Bible Study | 40 | Contribution Average 2025 | N/A |

Schedule Of Services

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| Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m. | Sunday Bible Class—11:00 a.m. |
| Sunday Afternoon Service—1:30 p.m. | Wed. Morning Bible Study—10 a.m. |
| Wednesday Dinner—6:00 p.m. | Wed. Evening Bible Study—7:00 p.m. |

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We Welcome You!

We are honored that you chose to visit with us today. We hope that you will stay around a few minutes after our service to become better acquainted. We are eager to know you! We hope you will come to see us as we see ourselves, a group of people who desire to live and love like Jesus.

If you seek meaning and purpose in your life, we invite you to come and join us as we study God's word, the Bible, and find the true joy and fulfillment that can only be found in Him. Our doors and hearts are open. So, if you've been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

"Before the Piercing"

The trial of Jesus yielded a mix of anticipated and unanticipated outcomes. From Scripture, God had previously stated how His Son would meet His earthly end. The Prophetic Word spoke, **“So it was broken on that day. Thus the poor of the flock, who were watching me, knew that it was the word of the Lord. Then I said to them, “If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain.” So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver”** (Zechariah 11:12-13, NKJV). Let's notice how God clearly premeditated the coming of betrayal by one of Christ's own in the “wages” of sinful hope (Matthew 27:5). Additionally, the Jews would have noted the necessity of the Blood in sacrifice (Leviticus 17:11). Moreover, they could have coveted the fact that the Sacrificial Lamb would cry out to God in His last few statements (Psalm 22). Jesus Himself drew a “plumbline” of hope, reminding His people of their deliverance through Moses in the wilderness by faith (Exodus 21:9). Furthermore, who of us has not heard Isaiah intimate the efficacy found in complete adoration which comes from swooning in the wake of actions committed by the “Suffering Servant” as He groaned upon the Cross? He states, **“Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed”** (Isaiah 53:4-5). Oh, what a treasure trove of occurrences orchestrated to save our souls commissioned before the piercing! Why, might one ask? Because it could have saved those who were in unbelief. Paul stated it as this, “For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: **“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.”** The supreme understanding God delivered unto mankind was that His Son would HAVE to go to the cross to set mankind free (Romans 1:16). Similarly, we still “Stand before the Cross” today. No, we do not physically see Him. Nor can we hear the harsh words, nor false accusation adhering Him to the Cross, but we can BELIEVE these things happened, so that we MIGHT believe, and have life eternal (John 20:30-31). Judas could have saved his silver and his life by being obedient to those things delivered to him before the piercing. What about you? Are you convinced? Are you convinced by the message of the Cross? What would it take to be saved by the Gospel message? The message after the Cross is eternal, but the one leading up to it matters just as much! Think about these things, and God Bless,

- Archie R. Green

COMPASSION CARDS– GROUP I

Please drop by room 7A/B to sign compassion cards.

Church Family News

Weekly Focus on Prayer Zoom Meeting

On Monday September 8th join us for a weekly focus on prayer. We will discuss everything surrounding our prayer life and giving everything to God in prayer. The Zoom Meeting will begin promptly at 7pm. Zoom Meeting ID: 851 3564 6753 Passcode: 77031

RAP

Our “RAP” Reading Assistance Program for school age children will resume on Wednesday September 10th. Volunteers are needed! For more information or to volunteer please see Beth Broxton.

Save the Date and Registry Information—A wedding shower for Randy and Faye Harris is scheduled for September 13th at 1 pm. Randy and Faye are registered on Amazon's Wedding Registry at <https://www.amazon.com/wedding/registry/3D4EXNIS3V53R> For more information, see Cindy Harris, Patty Harris, Caitlin Upton, or Melissa Jones.

Annual Church Picnic—Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 21st at 12 noon and enjoy the food, fellowship, and fun at our Annual Church Picnic at Waller Mill Park. Please plan to bring a side dish or dessert to share. A sign-up sheet is posted on the fellowship bulletin board.

HTHSOE Refresher Training with Keno Shrum

Schedule: Friday September 19th 6:30- 7pm Light Refreshments
7-9:pm HTH Training, Saturday September 20th 8:30-9am Breakfast, Snacks 9-12pm HTH Training 12-12:30pm Lunch brought in 12:30-3pm HTH Training

William & Mary College Tribe for Christ

Tribe for Christ is meeting on campus Thursday nights from 7-8:30pm in Tucker Hall room 123 this Fall semester. The class subject is an overview of the Bible. If any members of the congregation are interested in visiting, please see Johnny

Happy Birthday

Michael Rojas-Johnson 9/4, Tom Little 9/5, Mary Balthaser 9/8, Sherrie Fetterman 9/8, India Johnson 9/9, Miley Walker 9/11, Jerry Munn 9/17, Janie Bishop 9/18, Madison Gary 9/19, Betty Benson 9/19, Jim Bishop 9/19, Rita Seely 9/24, Michael Boisseau 9/27, Penny Bucknam 9/28, Cathy Bishop 9/30

Wedding Anniversaries

Jerry & Mary Ann Fields 9/6, Frank & Sabrina Logan 9/30

Prayer Request

Immediate Concerns:

Joan Harris - surgery 8/27 & 8/28
Lena Stone - West Point Rehabilitation Center
Pat Little - home - please call before visiting and refrain from visiting if feeling unwell
Nancy Gilliam - surgery, 8/25
Catalina Laverde - health
Adassa Duncan - hospice (at home)
Margaret Rose - undergoing chemo
Isaiah Hicks - undergoing treatment

Long Term Concerns:

Levi Abbott - health
Betty Benson - health
The Boisseau Family - health
M.C. & Juanita Bailey - health
Doug Smith - health
Regina Clark - health
Abbott Family - strength & support
Anthony Ricks - health
Ken Moran - health
Jerry & Camelia Munn - health

Shut-ins

Regina Clark

Family & Friends:

Peggy Boarman's brothers, **Homer & Doug Hanna** - health
Archie Green's mother, **Inez Green** - health
Rita Seely's mother, **Louise Weir** - stroke
Eddie Logan - difficult situation
Peggy Boarman's son-in-law, **Jim Bristow** - liver cancer
Rene Kassing's grandson, **Justin** – cancer
Our Missionaries