

Order of Worship

Call to Worship

Song: #589 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Song: #176 Lamb of God

Song: 18 Faithful Love

The Lord’s Supper

Song: #478 Nearer Still Nearer

Offering

Song: #800 What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Song: #406 Just A Closer Walk With Thee

Scripture Reading  
John 17

Sermon

I Pray That You Should Keep Them From The Evil One

Song: #903 There Is Power In the Blood

Family Time

Song: #755 God Be With You

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!



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For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship	92	Sunday Morning Bible Study	66
Sunday Afternoon Service	19	Wed. Morning Bible Study	0
Wed. Evening Bible Study	0	Contribution Average 2025	N/A

Schedule Of Services

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!

“I Pray That You Should Keep Them from the Evil One”

Did you know that unity is the preeminent construct of the Bible, especially of the New Testament doctrine in Christ? Notice, the Scriptures teach, “**Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brethren to dwell together in unity!**” (Psalm 133:1, NKJV). There is more than a notion that those who claim to love God and hold a desire to gain Heaven be as one. Additionally, the Apostle Paul states that this is the personal responsibility of every Christian in Christianity. He records, “**endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace**” (Ephesians 4:3). So, as it pertains to the Christian lifestyle, it is a “constant” battling to be “together” in the love of Christ and with one another. Why? Because of the “evil one”! Who is Jesus referring to? Why Satan, of course! The Devil understands how unity undercuts his desire to reap souls away from Jesus. (Luke 22:31). Satan understands that those who enjoin themselves to the blood of Christ have washed away their sins, and now reside in Jesus, sanctified by His blood. (Galatians 3:26-27). After such actions, one no longer walks alone, but holds the precious place of proximity in Christ, God created before the Beginning of time. (Ephesians 3:10-11). Therefore, those who have obeyed the Lord’s Gospel may have a unified faith incorporated by the manifold wisdom of God, in Christ Jesus.

This understanding illuminates the urgency of the Lord’s Prayer in John 17. Jesus sets the stage for the eternal battle over sin for mankind through faith in Him. Thus, He asks the Father, “**I pray that You should keep them from the evil one**”. God has given us the victory over death and sin by Jesus’ precious blood, but that does not stop the attacks by Satan for our souls to come back to him. The Bible instructs us to be on constant watch for the devil’s onslaught (1 Peter 5:8). The Scriptures allude to the fact that we must understand how beguiling he can make himself to be, using disguised actions which may seem innocent (2 Corinthians 11:3). The devil’s efforts are singular in purpose...bring one out of safe keeping in Christ, to damnation with him in hell for an eternity (Matthew 25:41).

So, the prayer for unity was not only viable when Jesus was leading His disciples towards the culmination of salvation in Christ alone, but also truly relevant for us today as we walk “along the way”. Therefore, we see the immediacy of Paul’s words as he states, “**I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love**” (Ephesians 4:1-2). The Christian knows his enemy, the devil. They know he desires to keep them apart. Most importantly, the Brethren identify and desire to execute Jesus’ plan from His prayer in the Garden, to be one with Him. One with each other (Ephesians 4:13-16). On bended knee, Jesus prayed for our safekeeping through His blood; have you obeyed? Do you draw near to the communion of Christ in brotherly affection and love? I pray so, for your sake and mine. Think about these things, and God Bless,

Dr. Archie R. Green

Church Family News

**Fall Workday**  
Fall Workday planned– looking for volunteers that would like to assist in a workday at the church building on Saturday December 6th 8am until. Please see Howard Moffitt for details 757-912-4453.

**Weekly Focus on Prayer Zoom Meeting**  
Join in our next weekly focus on prayer meeting on Monday December 1, 2025. The Zoom Meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 pm. Please share with anyone that would like more insight on prayer.  
Zoom Meeting ID: 851 3564 6753 Passcode: 770316

**Congregational Meeting**  
Our congregational meeting will be held on Sunday December 7th. All members please plan to attend.

**Holiday Cookie Event**  
On December 6th at 10:00am, there will be a holiday cookie baking event at the building. All sisters are welcome to join and teach the children of the congregation how to bake and decorate cookies. The Please see Simona Mack or Melissa Jones if you plan to attend, have any questions, or would like to help.

**Cambridge Crossing Outreach**  
Join us on Saturday December 6th at 2PM as we minister to the residents of The Cambridge Crossing Assisted Living Facility. Please see Chris Gary for more information.

**Friendly Reminder**—For safety purposes, the exterior doors to the building are locked during services. If you leave the building after communion, please let someone know so you can gain re-entry. Also, please encourage your child not to leave the building during Bible classes unattended. Contact the safety

Happy Birthday

Isaiah Hicks 11/1, Scott Morrison 11/1, Faye Harris 11/3, Jacqueline Holmes 11/3, Peggy Sperduto 11/7, Mary Anne Sherrard 11/11, Joan Harris 11/13, Brian Seely 11/13, Regina Clark 11/14, Tina Banks 11/17, Jeremy King 11/18, Tony Marshall 11/18, Rickey Harrison 11/25, Kiaune Davis-Guerra 11/9, Keanna Davis-Guerra 11/9

Wedding Anniversaries

Keith & Penny Bucknam 11/24, Phil & Cindy Harris 11/29

Prayer Request

Immediate Concerns:

**Levi Abbott**– home  
**Pat Little** - health  
**Nancy Gilliam** - health  
**Margaret Rose** - health  
**Isaiah Hicks** - health  
**Regina Clark**-recovering from hip surgery

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  
**Jerry & Camelia Munn** - health  
**Lena Stone**-health

Shut-ins

Regina Clark

Family & Friends

Walker Knight cousin-cancer  
Doug Hanna-health  
Scott & Debbie Morrison’s-daughter  
Bristow-liver cancer  
Rene Kassing’s grandson-Justin-cancer