

**9:00 AM Service**  
Welcome

Song Leading  
Jeffrey Howell

Opening Prayer  
Les Self

Scripture Reading  
Kyle Windham

Sermon

Lord's Supper/ Contribution  
Craig Huffstutler

Lord's Supper Trays  
Rusty Allen, Eddie Birdyshaw, Dee  
Brakefield, Mike Cagle, Alan England,  
Steve Putnam, Kerry Tanner, Jim  
Timmerman, Austin Todd

Closing Prayer  
Elder

**5:00 PM Service**  
Welcome

Song Leading  
Ryan Cobb

Opening Prayer  
David Gilmore

Lord's Supper/Contribution  
Steve Foshee

Closing Prayer  
Elder

**Deacons of the Month**  
Randy Wilson  
Ryan Cobb  
Steve Maynard



**July 13, 2025**

**CHURCH INFORMATION**  
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**SERVICE TIMES**  
**Sundays:**

**Worship 9:00 AM**  
**Bible Class 10:15 AM**  
**Sunday Evening 5:00 PM**

**Wednesdays:**  
**6:30 PM**

**SHEPHERDS**

<b>Michael Dykes</b>	<b>Stan Mann</b>
<b>John Gallagher</b>	<b>Skip McCurry</b>
<b>Rick Glass</b>	<b>Darnell Self</b>
<b>Sol Godwin</b>	<b>Phillip VanHorn</b>
<b>Merrill Mann</b>	<b>Steve Wilkerson</b>

**DEACONS**

<b>Michael Cagle</b>	<b>Steve Maynard</b>
<b>Ryan Cobb</b>	<b>Mike McGill</b>
<b>Gary Cosby</b>	<b>Mike Neal</b>
<b>David Gilmore</b>	<b>Patrick Neither</b>
<b>Bobby Gunn</b>	<b>Steve Putnam</b>
<b>Craig Huffstutler</b>	<b>Chuck Spitzley</b>
<b>Johnathan Johnson</b>	<b>Yoshio Sugita</b>
<b>Terry Malone</b>	<b>Randy Wilson</b>

**MINISTERS**  
**Richard Harp**  
**Jeffrey Howell**  
**Johnathan Johnson**

**What is Essential? by Jeffrey Howell**

When it comes to car maintenance, I'm what you might call a minimalist. Every time I go and get a checkup on my car, I receive a list of various things that I can pay for to "improve" my vehicle's health. But as we all know, automobile shops always offer extra "improvement" expenditures for car maintenance in hope getting more of your money. However, I – and not doubt many others – only opt for what is essential. I don't care about the extras. Unlike me, some people prefer the extras and don't mind spending more for those. But whether one is a minimalist or a maximalist when it comes to car maintenance, everyone can agree that the parts that are essential to a car's function are the most important.

Similarly, when it comes to commandments from the Bible, what is essential? I've seen Mat. 22:37-40 being used as the answer to this question. Here Jesus points out the 1st and 2nd greatest commandments of the Old Law. It was then argued that since "Love the Lord" and "Love your neighbor" are the two greatest commandments according to Jesus, all the other commandments of the Bible are lesser. The following point was made that commandments like getting baptized, growing the fruit of the Spirit, and giving generously were lesser commandments. This thinking, however, is mistaken. The idea that these two greatest commandments of the Old Law are the two greatest commandments for Christians is simply incorrect. As Jesus stated Himself, these are the two greatest of the Law and the Prophets – not of the New Covenant or Testament. Although these two commandments are still to be followed by Christians under Jesus' authority, having faith in Jesus Christ is undoubtedly the most essential command for people – if one is pressed to rank and compare. But is it even Biblical to think of some commandments as being more essential than others?

We do have pretty clear evidence that some commandments and doctrines can be considered more essential than others according to the Bible. Jesus considered some commandments greater than others (Mat. 22:37-40), and some commandments to be weightier than others (Mat. 23:23). Some commandments are called more essential than others in the New Testament (Acts 15:28-29; Rom. 2:18). While this concept is Biblical, one must be careful in what he considers essential. As a car engine may be more essential and have more value than a car battery, without both of these essential parts, you do not have a functioning car. So is true of many commandments in the New Testament. The command to believe in Jesus may be more essential than baptism, but both are considered essential to salvation. There is no salvation without belief (Mk. 16:16), and there is no salvation without baptism (John 3:5). Whether one is more essential than another, both are still essential. Eph. 4:4-6 outlines seven essential beliefs – including baptism, showing that the beliefs and commands that are essential cannot just be limited to two. But ultimately, anything that is tied to salvation in Scripture is certainly essential. And willful disobedience to any commandment of Christ is a sin that must be repented from to avoid condemnation and punishment (Heb. 10:26-29). So, while some commandments are more essential than others, all commandments of Jesus must be obeyed (Mat. 28:20). Christ is there to forgive and cleanse His people when they fall short (1 John 1:7-2:2), but no commandment of the New Testament is to be treated as extra or unessential. So, let us always strive to let God's Word alone define for us what is essential.

**July 13, 2025**  
**Sunday PM**

Devo in Auditorium followed by:

**July 13- Johnathan Johnson- in the auditorium**  
**Kids' Classes- in the children's hall**

July 20- Church History taught by Jeffrey Howell in the auditorium  
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

July 27- Church History taught by Jeffrey Howell in the auditorium  
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

August 3- Singing Night- everyone in the auditorium

**Sunday AM Classes**

- Acts taught by Rusty Allen in the auditorium.
- Acts a discussion class, taught by a rotation of men from the congregation in the Truth Seekers class, Rm. 242.
- The Upper Room is studying Hebrews taught by various men from the congregation in Rm. 246.
- The Young Adult class is studying Angels taught by Nolan Couch in the Young Adult Room, Rm. 251.

**Wednesday PM Classes**

Summer Series- Abounding in the Work of the Lord

- July 16- Lads to Leaders- Yoshi Sugita
- July 23- Of Such is the Kingdom of Heaven- Johnathan Johnson
- July 30- Deaf Ministry- Jonas Wooten and Ben Putnam



Tomorrow

Scripture Reading: Exodus 8:8-10

Choosing tomorrow comes from 4 places.

1. L \_\_\_\_\_ of D \_\_\_\_\_ and  
S \_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Acts \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

2. F \_\_\_\_\_ of F \_\_\_\_\_

Isaiah \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_

2 Timothy \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

3. P \_\_\_\_\_

Ecclesiastes \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_

2 Corinthians \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

4. M \_\_\_\_\_ P \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew \_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Upcoming Events

July 13- Deacons’ Meeting- 4pm

July 13- Missions Committee Meeting- 6pm

August 2- Back to School Bash- 11am-1pm

August 3- Promotion Sunday/ Back to School Service

August 3- Education Committee Meeting- 4pm

August 9- Dog Daze- 10am-5pm

August 10- Deacons’ Meeting- 4pm

August 10- Missions Committee Meeting- 6pm

Prayers

Sue Adams  
Michael Burkowski  
Kay Carver  
Nancy Clemens  
Audrey Gammage  
Mike Godwin  
Kim Green  
Randy Johnson  
Nancy Locklear  
Robert Mann  
Sandra Mann  
Ancel Norris  
Judy Roeder  
Darnell Self  
Judy Shrader  
Chuck & Robin Spitzley  
Bobby Tate (Deaf)  
Lynn Timmerman  
Johnny Tucker  
Alan VanHorn  
Mary Wells  
Billy White  
Don Young

Faye Bradford  
Anthony Carr (Deaf)  
Bobbie Clark  
Judy Crawford  
Marilyn Glass  
Sol and Ellen Godwin  
Gina Heaton  
Darlene Jones  
David Lybrand  
Jim & Jean Tuggle McDonald  
Larry & Rita Morgan  
Pam Rachal  
Doug Scruggs  
Donna Shoemaker  
Sandra Singer  
Nina Tarrance  
Durell Tyler  
Marilyn Torrice  
Becky Tuggle  
Gayle Varner  
Karen Whisenhunt  
Violet Whitman

Friends & Family

Sheryl Walker- aunt of Derek Smith- leg surgery  
Amy Vincent- friend of Rhonda Wagner- terminal cancer  
Johnny Mack Brown- friend of Bill & Freda Brown  
Virginia Mays- sister of Freda Brown  
Charlee McAnear- Debra Dominic’s grandnephew- hip surgery  
Vickie Bennett- Cathy Bennett’s mom- breast cancer  
Ruby Hamric- former member- cancer  
Ralph Harman- Kim Wilkerson’s father- cancer has spread  
Yvonne O’Brien- Connie Scrugg’s mother- struggling to heal after surgery  
Danni Freeman- Doug Scrugg’s nurse- breast cancer  
Matt Shelton- minister at Thomson CoChrist- lymphoma  
Ron Davis- friend of Alan & Janice VanHorn- Alzheimer’s  
Darlene Calfee- friend of Janice VanHorn- liver cancer  
Aileesha Thomas- mother of Isaiah Davis- has leukemia  
Natalyia Rutherford- cousin of Robin Spitzley- brain surgery  
Gloria Smedley- neighbor of Sandra Singer  
Betty Trull & Gary Burks- siblings of Sandra Singer  
Marty Glenn- Edith Glenn’s brother-in-law- received a kidney transplant  
Susan Glenn- Edith Glenn’s sister-in-law- bypass surgery  
Ron Mixon- brother-in-law of Mike McGill- serious health issues  
Mariana- member of the church in Cluj- needs surgery  
Joseph Kelly- great-nephew of Jean Tuggle McDonald- cancer  
Hailey Norris- sister-in-law of Amber Norris- having medical issues  
Ed & Shirley Busby- brother & sister-in-law of Sue Adams  
Lucas Adkinson- grandson of Mark & Billie Adkinson  
Stephanie McRoy- friend of Charlotte VanHorn  
Tal Barnett- husband of Judy Barnett- dialysis  
Billie Jo Vance- aunt of Stuart Couch- heart problems  
Louise Henderson- Mother of Lisa Harris- cancer  
Julia Lopez- cousin of Patricia Putnam  
Jerrie Paschal- sister of Alan VanHorn- kidney disease  
Peggy, Tim & Terry Hickerson- friends of Robin Spitzley

Summer Youth Calendar

July 15- Servant Tuesday 10-2  
July 22- Servant Tuesday 10-2  
July 25-26- Lock-in/ Newbie Mystery Day  
July 29- Servant Tuesday

Library Hours

The Library will begin having Summer hours.

July 15 10-2	July 17 10-2
July 22 10-2	July 24 10-2
July 29 10-2	July 31 10-2

Hospital / Sick List

Anthony Carr- St. Vincent’s ICU  
Ellen Godwin- recovering at home  
Joyce Henson- home on hospice  
Julie Kincaid- recovering from surgery

Attendance:

7-6-2025

AM 307 PM 101

Weekly Purpose:

\$21,140.48

Contribution:

\$21,995.00

Contribution YTD:

\$593,478.00

Purpose YTD:

\$570,780.00

Average Weekly YTD:

\$21,980.00

Mission Sunday:

\$131,068.00

Week 26

Nursery Attendants

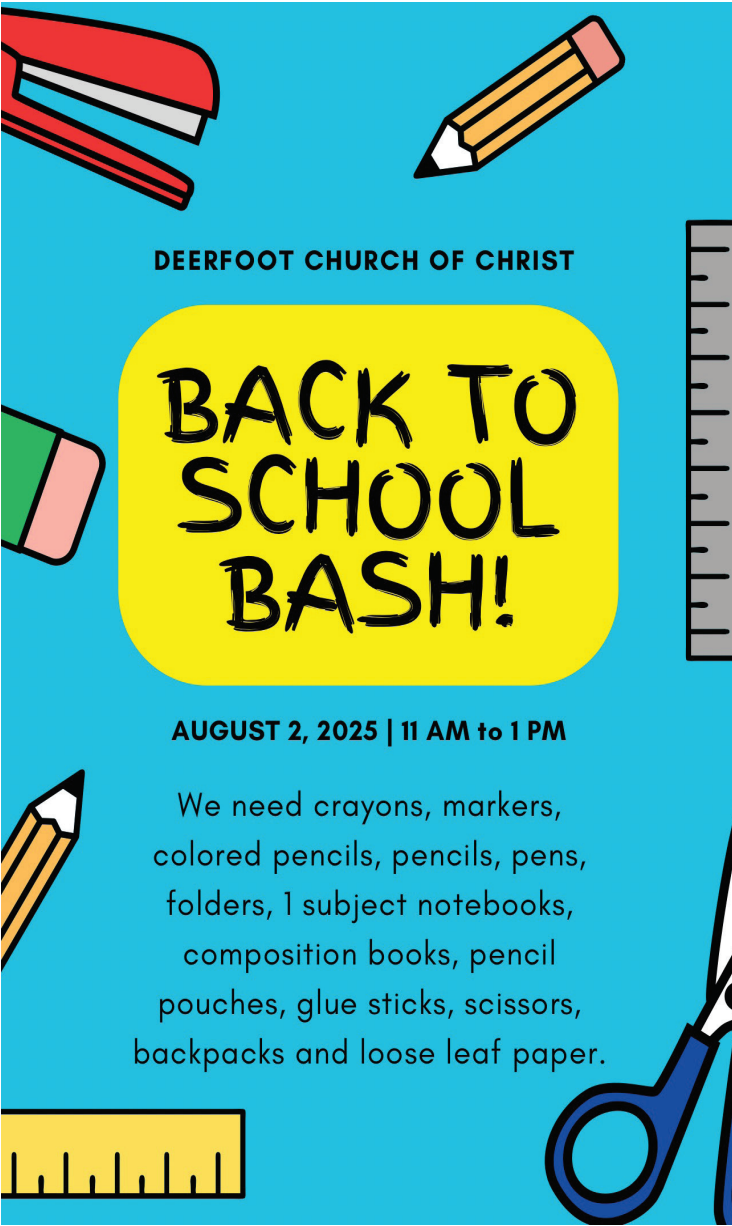
July 13- Cheryl Hannum, Shelby Hannum  
July 20- Lora Christian, Olivia Christian

Bus Drivers

July 20- Pat O’Rourke  
July 27- Mark Adkinson

Baptismal Garments for July

Martha Martin



Sunday Evening and Wednesday Evening Class Topics

The education committee would like your input on class topics for Sunday evening as well as Wednesday evening classes. Please scan the QR code below and submit your suggestions.

