

9:00 AM Service
Welcome

Song Leading
Randy Wilson

Opening Prayer
Austin Todd

Scripture Reading
Corey Sellers

Sermon

Lord's Supper/ Contribution
Brandon Wagner

Lord's Supper Trays
Johnathan Johnson, Logan Denson, Corey Calvert,
Terry Malone, Kyle Windham, Kerry Tanner,
Easton Hood, Canaan Hood

Closing Prayer
Stan Mann

5:00 PM Service
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Song Leading
Randy Wilson

Opening Prayer
Michael Dykes

Lord's Supper/Contribution
Skip McCurry

Closing Prayer
Stan Mann

Deacons of the Month
Bobby Gunn
Craig Huffstutler
David Gilmore

Visitor QR Code



August 2, 2026

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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

Michael Dykes	Stan Mann
Rick Glass	Skip McCurry
Sol Godwin	Darnell Self
Merrill Mann	Phillip VanHorn
Steve Wilkerson	

DEACONS

Michael Cagle	Mike McGill
Gary Cosby	Mike Neal
David Gilmore	Patrick Neither
Bobby Gunn	Steve Putnam
Craig Huffstutler	Chuck Spitzley
Johnathan Johnson	Randy Wilson
Terry Malone	

MINISTERS

Richard Harp
Jeffrey Howell
Johnathan Johnson

Jesus in Context or Caricature

Artists are creators. Perhaps you've watched one at a fair or theme park quickly airbrush a couple's portrait. When the portrait is finished, you immediately recognize the couple, but they've been transformed into a cartoon.

A skilled caricature artist studies a person's face, identifies their most prominent features, and exaggerates them. The result is an entertaining distortion of reality. Though far removed from an actual likeness, the essence of the person remains recognizable.

Sometimes Christians approach Jesus the same way. We come to Scripture and emphasize the aspects of Jesus we prefer. We highlight the qualities that resonate most with us. Some focus on the gentle Savior: peaceful, gracious, merciful, faithful, prayerful, patient, loving, humble, obedient, generous, wise, and forgiving. Others emphasize the confrontational Christ: just, bold, uncompromising, truthful, demanding, zealous, and capable of righteous anger.

Neither list is wrong. The problem comes when we isolate one from the other. When we magnify only the characteristics we prefer, we stop being shaped by Christ and begin shaping Him. We become the creators rather than the created. We select the commands we like, emphasize the teachings that fit our preferences, and quietly ignore the rest. In doing so, we don't discover Jesus, we create a caricature of Him.

One caricature has an oversized smile, compassionate eyes, and a weak body. The other has fierce eyes, gritted teeth, and a weak body. In either case, Jesus' body, the Church, becomes weak because it reflects only part of its Head.

We place Jesus in caricature when we read part of the woman caught in adultery: "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you..." (John 8:10-11a) We place Jesus back into context when we finish the sentence: "...Go, and from now on sin no more" (John 8:11b)

We place Jesus in caricature when we quote John 3:16: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." We place Him in context when we continue reading, especially John 3:36: "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him." This shows us that belief and obedience are one and the same.

If we build our understanding of Jesus on only the characteristics, we find most appealing, we will inevitably neglect entire chapters, even whole books, of Scripture. The result is a church that no longer reflects the fullness of Christ, the One who purchased it with His own blood and remains its Head.

The question is simple: Are you the creator, or the created? Don't settle for a caricature of Christ. Place Jesus in context, not in caricature.

A Note From the Harp

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Sunday AM Classes

- Romans taught by Patrick Neither in the auditorium.
- Heart Issues: Guarding the Heart, taught by Randy Wilson in the Truth Seekers class, Rm. 242.
- The Upper Room is studying VBS Stories taught by various men from the congregation in Rm. 246.
- The Young Adult class is studying Twisted Scriptures taught by Richard Harp and Nolan Couch in Rm. 251.
- Revelation taught by Paul Windham in the Ladies' class, Rm. 229.
- Walking with Those Who Weep taught by Rick Glass in Rm 243.

Sunday PM

Devo in Auditorium followed by:

Pew Packers will meet at 4:50 on the right side of the auditorium.

August 2- Singing Night- everyone in the auditorium

August 9- Prayer taught by Skip McCurry in the fellowship hall
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

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Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

Summer Series- Mountains and Valleys

- August 5- The Valley of Elah- David Courington
- August 12- The Valley of Trouble- John McMath
- August 19- The Valley of Dry Bones- Drew Kizer

Scripture Reading: Acts 1:6–11

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1 Corinthians _____:_____ - _____

August 2- Education Committee Meeting- 4pm
 August 5- Summer Series- David Courington
 August 8- Game Night- 6pm
 August 9- Deacons' Meeting- 4pm
 August 12- Summer Series- John McMath
 August 15- CPR Training- 8:30am
 August 16- Missions Committee Meeting- 4pm
 August 19- Summer Series- Drew Kizer
 August 23- Impact Group 4 Fellowship and Basket
 Delivery- 11am

Sue Adams	Harold Biddie
Faye Bradford	Milton Chandler
James & Bobbie Clark	Nancy Clemens
Sherry Denson	Audrey & Christy Gammage
Mike Godwin	Sol & Ellen Godwin
Kim Green	Gina Heaton
Richard & Darlene Jones	Patsy Lentz
Nancy Locklear	Martha Lybrand
Robert Mann	Mike McGill
Margaret McGuire	Jim & Jean Tuggle McDonald
Frank Montgomery	Larry & Rita Morgan
Ancel Norris	David Ogden
Pam Rachal	Josh Reid
Doug Scruggs	Darnell Self
Donna Shoemaker	Judy Shrader
Sandra Singer	Chuck & Robin Spitzley
Nina Tarrance	Jim & Lynn Timmerman
Marilyn Torrice	Johnny Tucker
Becky Tuggle	Durrel Tyler
Alan VanHorn	Gayle Varner
Mary Wells	Jackie Werth
Karen Whisenhunt	Billy White
Violet Whitman	Charles Whittington
Don Young	

Ann Attison- Patsy Lentz's sister- in the hospital critically ill
Delina Stracuzzi- Debbie Krenz daughter-in-law- skin cancer
Jason Simon- Brian Simon's brother- cancer
Cameron Wills- Patt Wills' grandson-having heart surgery
Sherry Coyle- Kathleen Keith's friend- aggressive breast cancer
Cullen Lentz- Patsy Lentz's son-in-law- congestive heart failure
Ronnie Holt- Richard Harp's cousin- stage 4 cancer
Joyce Hyde- frequent visitor- recovering from a broken hip
Ann Holt- lung cancer
Robert Tidwell- Fran Chaney's son-in-law- severe kidney infection
Amy Calvin- Kasey Clayton's friend- stage 4 cervical cancer
Lisa Sullivan- Erin Sullivan's aunt- aggressive Alzheimers
Gary Smith- Dial Dangar's brother- cancer treatments
Donna Arnold- Dial Dangar's cousin- stage 4 lung cancer
Julie Davison- prayers for clean scans and good health
Matt P.- friend of Kerry Tanner- health issues
Sharon Hood- mother of Debbie Krenz- stage 4 cancer
Ed and Rhandra- neighbors of Chuck S.- leukemia
Dan Norris- father of Adam Norris- stage 4 prostate cancer
Chris & Bena Hethcox- Markie Jones parents- pancreatic cancer & caregiver
Marty Philips- father of Blake Philips- open heart surgery
Ben Oehlert- relative of Robin Spitzley- leukemia
Amy Vincent- friend of Rhonda Wagner- terminal cancer
Johnny Mack Brown- friend of Bill & Freda Brown
Ruby Hamric- former member- cancer
Ralph Harman- Kim Wilkerson's father- cancer has spread
Danni Freeman- Doug Scrugg's nurse- breast cancer
Matt Shelton- minister at Thomson CoChrist- lymphoma
Ron Davis- friend of Alan & Janice VanHorn- Alzheimer's
Aileesha Thomas- mother of Isaiah Davis- has leukemia
Gloria Smedley- neighbor of Sandra Singer
Betty Trull & Gary Burks- siblings of Sandra Singer
Mariana- member of the church in Cluj- needs surgery
Joseph Kelly- great-nephew of Jean Tuggle McDonald- cancer
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

We will have a CPR course on Saturday, August 15th from 8:30 to 10:30. Please sign the list at the Welcome Center if you plan to attend. Special certifications are available for health care professionals. Please see Bobby Gunn for any questions.

The Ladies' Workshop will not meet any more this summer. Meetings will begin again in the fall.

There will be a game night at the building on Saturday, August 8th at 6pm. Everyone is invited! Please bring your favorite game, snacks to share and be ready to have fun!!

Debbie Krenz- upcoming leg surgery
Chuck Spitzley- recovering at home

Nursery Attendants
August 2- Maison Moore, Dawn Tanner
August 9- Heather Dykes, Emily Wilson

August 9- Michael Martin
August 16- Pat O'Rourke

Baptismal Garments for August
Cheryl Hannum

LOOK What We've Been Doing This Summer

