



A word from the pastor

As I write these thoughts, it occurs to me that we might be possibly at the halfway point of my time here. Wow! Who knows whether this is correct, but it does give me pause for a moment. If that's the case, then there are some things I need to get on the ball about, so here's what's coming:

- 11:00 worship leader participation: it's time to get some of you up front and get me sitting down a bit more. After all, my ancient legs ain't what they used to be, plus, I think some of you need to have your faces facing the rest of the church more! I hope by mid-January to have a sign-up sheet for those who would help do the first part of the service.
- 9:30 worship new ideas for what we do in that space. Our planning team has met a couple of times and has some ideas for shuffling things around and doing some newer, more participatory kinds of experiences. I'm open to suggestions and going to be putting a few things into practice, again by mid-January.
- Mission Trip for Adults, Mission Trip for Youth: we're discussing this as I write, and by the February newsletter, there should be dates and destinations set up!
- Youth stuff: lots of ideas needing hands and feet to make them happen. And it WILL happen! We just need to get started.
- Adjustments to the Constitution and By-Laws: whenever there is transition, there is a need to revisit our existing ways of doing things to make sure that how we do things matches how we say we do things. We also need to make sure that the language we use is understandable, non-ambiguous, and reflects who we are as a Christian body, not just a club or social group.
- Some physical adjustments: finishing construction in the children's area, putting up the AED in a suitable and public location, getting Fellowship Hall cleaned up a bit with hidden cables and such; and a few other things like that.
- Church Directory: one of the things I learned is that all of you haven't sat down in front of a camera. It's not fun not to know the names of everyone, and a new pastor absolutely needs to have all ALL your photos and information. So, watch the birdie and smile for the nice man or woman who is taking your photo! This won't be glossy and fancy, but it will be functional.

Our Mission

To grow and share our relationship with God through Christ Jesus

Our Vision

Reflecting the love of God in Christ Jesus through welcome, worship, and works

Our Core Values

Welcoming Accepting Caring Loving

Our Bedrock Beliefs

Loving God & Loving our Neighbor No Creed but Christ Communion Open to All

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Jamie—Monday to Wednesday, 9:00am—12:00pm Melinda—Monday: 8:30am-12pm Tuesday: 8:30am-11am Thursday: 8:30am-1:30pm Friday: 8:30am-12:30pm



Prayer List

The following people have been on our prayer list since the last newsletter:

Terry Baldwin, friend of Christi Trent; Nancy Cassidy; Reverend Stafford Compton, friend of Woodrow Mullins; Charlie Droog, Brenda Shrewbury's first cousin; Kim Falinski, daughter of Sis Marshall; Jimmy Farris; Linda Gogan; Joel Graham, son of Bill Graham and stepson of Teresa Graham: Dave McKinney, Keith Hudson's stepfather; Bev Maslow; Austin & Elizabeth Pankey; Christi Trent and Glen Shrewsbury and their families;

Our Sympathy is extended to the family

Collet Green, Kay & Jimmy Green's daughter in-law and her family upon the death of Collet's brother Kirk Fisher; Donna Hensley and family upon death of her father, Charlie Nichols; Carolyn and Stewart Savage upon the death of Carolyn's son and Stewart's stepson, Bobby Mason.

- Getting us into the 21st Century: watch out! Here come Twitter, Instagram, and online donations! Maybe even an online Church Directory (there's an APP for that!). We'll also be able to get Amazon to contribute to us through Amazon Smile, and other things are in the works!
- Timberlake Art Display: if you're an artisan of any type, look elsewhere in the newsletter for what this is about!

It's a tall order to get all these things going and finished. During a transition, some folks just sit back and wait, no need to bother the transitional minister with their presence. Quit that! We need all of us to be working to lay the groundwork for who's next! So, if you've been hiding out these last few months, or if you've been relaxing and saying, "No one will notice if I'm not around:" WRONG!!!!! Let's get everybody here, let's all get working together to get ourselves in spiritual shape for WHO'S NEXT!!!!!

And meanwhile, I'll still be here, and I need you, too! Happy New Year!

jamie

Congratulations to Karla and Lucas Jones, on the birth of a baby boy, Dayton Robert Jones, Sunday Dec. 8th

Delivering presents to Campbell County Social Services



Can you guess who this is?

Adult Mission Trip

Conversation has begun about a spring mission trip for all those who want to participate. More information will be announced in January, but keep your eyes open so you won't miss any important news. Let's plan on a big group doing this!



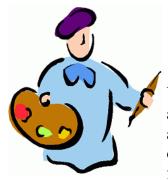
Save the Date
Saturday, January 25th, 4:30–6:30 pm
Annual Chili Cook Off

at

Timberlake Christian Church with

Live, Local Music
FURTHER INFORMATION COMING SOON!





Thank Yo

Calling all ARTISTS!!!

We have several folks at Timberlake who dabble in various arts and crafts. Actually, "dabbling" is probably an insult: they are artists in their own right!!! So, in February, we're going to focus on Art at Timberlake! If you are (or were!) an artist of any sort, from painting to sculpture to photography to various crafts, please

contact Jamie by January 24. Don't be shy! We'll get the display up and showing by mid-February. Things do not have to have a religious theme; all art is welcome as long as it's appropriate for viewing in a church. Also, writers, feel free to display poetry and short essays — we'll be set up for all of this. Be thinking about some kind of statement that you would write about yourself and your art, sort of an "Artist's Statement," like you'd see at any art show.

Contact Jamie or Melinda at church or send us an email. Don't be shy!!!! All ages are invited to be part of this, no matter how young or not-so-young you are!



Christmount, anyone?

From Jamie – I met several of you over the years as you traveled up the mountain to my last job, Christmount, the national retreat, camp, and conference center for the whole Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Anyone game for a trip up there for a few days in March? Maybe we could go to the Biltmore Estate, or see the Carl Sandburg farm or visit a winery or brewery, of just go rock ourselves in front of a fire or on the deck! If you're interested, let's talk – an email may be the best way to let me know if you want to go!

Thank you for the kind send off you threw for me in November. I truly have loved and appreciated being able to serve you and serve God with you.

> Love, Ann Shepherd

The church was buzzing with a number of people in December, as they joyfully worked to prepare for Christmas.



Youth Mission Trip, Summer 2020

So, I'm standing around yapping sometime in the past three weeks, and someone says to me, "Let's not forget that the youth always go on a mission trip in the summer." And I say, "Absolutely! Let's get that conversation started!" So, the conversation starts here (or, if truth be told, when whoever it was mentioned it to me in the first place!). This means deciding on a place

to go, figuring out how much it will cost, and doing some fundraising and planning. Another job for January, but something we need to be thinking about!

And for ALL the YOUTH!!!!

It's easy, during a transition time, to overlook children and youth. Let's try not to do this. We (some of the adults, that is) are beginning to discuss how to do some programing for children that happens at times OTHER than Sunday morning. So, keep watching for another gathering of children, parents/guardians/grandparents.

A little birdie told me that SOMETHING is COMING soon!

If you would like to be a Greeter and/or Scripture Reader at the 11:00 am Worship Service contact Melinda Floyd in the Church Office.

The 2019 Annual Giving Record will be distributed Sunday January 19th

Phone Book

We will be updating the phone book in January so please be sure to provide any address, email, or phone number corrections to Melinda in the church office.

The downstairs floors were stripped and waxed by Dale Maddox and they look great!

The piano in Fellowship Hall was tuned in December and sounds beautiful.

A generous gift of \$2,000.00 was received in December for the Adult Mission Trip.

Newsletter Deadline

If you have an article or information you would like to put in the Newsletter please submit the information to Melinda in the Church Office. The deadline for February Newsletter is Tuesday, January 28th.

Brief Notes

- Are you unable to come to worship regularly but would like to receive communion? The elders have a system in place to do so. If you are not on that list and would like to be, contact the church secretary, or elders' Chair Resa Payne.
- If you or someone you know would like to receive a copy of the newsletter by email or mail please notify the church office at tcc@tccdoc.org or 525-2167.
- Remember to update the church office with any changes to your email address, home address or phone number.
- Please remember that all gifts to the church other than monetary gifts need to be approved by the Memorials Committee. This year's Chair is Jackie Maddox.
- Are you CPR and/or AED trained? Would you like to be? If so, contact the church office.
- Have you made provision in your will for a gift to TCC? Or have you set up another planned gift to the church? If you have and are willing to have your name recorded in such a list, which will be kept in a special book, please notify Jackie or the church office.
- Jane Anderson is making phone calls to people who wish to be part of the prayer chain but do not do email. Let her know if you are currently not on her list and would like to be.

Need a ride to Church

If you do not have transportation to church we would like to offer you a ride . Please call the church office and let us know.

MEN'S MISSION GROUP



Monthly Breakfast January 11, 2019 8:00am Country Cookin' on Timberlake Road

All men are invited to attend and be part of future service projects for our church and the community.

Gateway

Monday, 20th Meat is Poultry

Jamie Brame contact information

jamiebrame@yahoo.com Jamie can also be found on Facebook at Jamie Brame

January 2020

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4	Kendall BeCraft	15	Justin Wade	31	Woodrow Mullins			
4	Jackie Maddox	21	Jennifer O'Brien					
5	Nancy Cassidy	21	Betty Mullins					
5	Joseph Cross	21	Matt Tiller					
8	Chandler Alec May	23	Renee Smith					
9	Alan Maddox	24	Lynn Maddox					
11	Nancy Kendrick	26	Louise Leech					
11	Geoffrey May	27	Casey Engledove					
11	Gary Payne	27	Morgan Staton Shelton					
13	Julie Everhart Hughes	27	Jack Hutcherson					
13	Robert (Pedro) Maslow	28	Sarah Page Jones					



- Mark & Merideth Maslow (2008)
- 24 Jimmy & Kay Green (1970)
- 30 JoAnne & Don Cole (1959)

Miracle Jars

The month of January the first two Sundays we will be collecting for Craig Springs Property, and third and fourth Sunday we will collect for Camp Kum-B-Ya.

Thru December 22 we raised \$338.00 for PCIO.

Capital Facilities Campaign balance as of December Pledged - \$ 116,085.37 Received- \$111,350.37

Lectionary Readings for January

- 5— Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:(1-9), 10-18
- 12— Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17
- 19— Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42
- 26- Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1,4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23

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