Last Week's Statistics

AM Bible Study	81
AM Worship	140
PM Worship	47
Wed. Bible Study	50
Contribution	\$3,564.01
2019 Budget	\$3,900.00
2019 Average	\$4,114.69
Building Fund	\$355,774.04

Today's Sermons

AM: Just a Cup (Matthew 10:37-42)

PM: Discipling from the Mountaintop (Exodus 24:12-13)

Vision 20:20 for 2019: Come, Follow Me



Order of Worship and Those Serving

If you are unable to serve, please contact Jim Ross.							
AM WORSHIP	February 3	February 10					
WELCOME	Blaine Kelly	John Dean					
SONG LEADER	David Willbanks	Russ Mitchell					
FIRST PRAYER	Ben Shafer	Jim Dempster					
LORD'S SUPPER	Kyle Barnes	Kyle Barnes					
	Curtis Hawkins	Curtis Hawkins					
PRESIDING	Jerry Barrett	Jerry Barrett					
PRESIDING	Jim Glenn	Jim Glenn					
	Harold Royston	Harold Royston					
	Kenneth Ross	Kenneth Ross					
BIBLE READING	Bill Rouse	Terry Browning					
SERMON	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly					
CLOSING PRAYER	Rich Hawkins	Rich Hawkins					
NURSERY	Jennifer Maxwell	Melissa Thompson					
NURSERY	Janet Cose	Martha Ross					
USHERS	Tim Thompson	Tim Thompson					
	Jim Ross	Jim Ross					
SECURITY	Jeff Whitaker	Bob Bobo					
INVITATION ELDER	Jim Dempster	Tom Montgomery					
PM WORSHIP	February 3	February 10					
SONG LEADER	Jordan Holt	Jerry Barrett					
FIRST PRAYER	Russ Mitchell	Tom Montgomery					
BIBLE READING	Jim Ross	Jeff Maxwell					
SERMON	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly					
CLOSING PRAYER	John Dean	Wayne Lilly					
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rich Hawkins	Rich Hawkins					
LORD'S SUPPER	Larry Coe	Larry Coe					
USHER	Bob Bobo	Bob Bobo					

WEDNESDAY	February 6	February 13		
SONG LEADER	Tim Thompson	Jordan Holt		
CLOSING PRAYER	Larry Coe	Ben Shafer		

Service Times

Sunday Bible Classes: 9:30 am Office
Sunday AM Worship: 10:30 am Email:
Sunday PM Worship: 5:00 pm Websit
Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 pm Facebo

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Weekly Newsletter - February 3, 2019

Welcome!

Are you new?

Whether you're just visiting or looking for a church home, it is great to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our church family, feel free to speak with any member or take a brochure located in the hall.

What to Expect

All that we ask of you is to relax. We are people just like you. Please complete a 'Connection Card' from the pew in front of you. This is solely for our records — you won't get any surprise visits. Our worship order is listed on the back of this newsletter. As our guest, please don't feel obligated to give to the offering.

Thank you for being with us!

Our EldersJohn Dean581.4373Jim Dempster587.0535Tom Montgomery587.0743

David Willbanks 586.4747

Our Minister

Blaine Kelly 736.1505

Family Matters

We are thrilled to announce that **Melissa & Mandi Taylor** were baptized into Christ last Sunday afternoon! Please welcome them among us.

Jean Anderson is recovering after having foot surgery on Friday.

Mike McGuire will have more tests this week.

Nancy Capshaw should now be home from her recent hospital stay.

Rowen Glenn spent last weekend in the ER but is now home.

Janice Mitchell's son-in-law **Mike Skidmore** will soon need more surgery.

Tammy Sparkman requests prayers for her nephew **Jeremy Warren** who is battling cancer.

Alan Barrett (Jerry & Nina's son) has been dealing with health issues.

Prayers are requested for Jefferson County High student **Nic Ravnborg** who is battling cancer and consulting with doctors at Vanderbilt.

Mike Sobiech asks prayers for **Phil Mitchell** who is battling cancer.

<u>Past Requests:</u> Nelsie Hux, Jamie Capshaw, Jean & Allen Swearengin, Barry Lawson, Oscar Farley, Pat Kinder, Amanda Rose, Eddie Gilbert, Barry Snapp, Daniel Purkey, Greg Blevins, Lynn Ross, Kathryn Willbanks, Rowen Glenn, Dolores Lupo, Cole Kelley, Don Kinder

Battling Cancer: Nina Barrett, Helen Roberts, Nancy Capshaw, Mistie Hale, Wells Sommer, John Corn, Sara Hosman, Melody & Brian Forman, Pamela Beasley, Vickie Cruse, Nancy Booth, Julie Browning, Dina Faust, Danny Herren, Angie Dean Cureton, Vanessa McMillan, Mary Nolen Bond, Greg Dexter, Jamin Hymel, Jerry Ladd, Phil Mitchell, Krista Lovejoy, Ed Goins, Susan Jones, Dean Palmo, Chuck Smith, Caleb Hickman, Wyatt Cripplin, Rick Stoffer, Heather Coffey Andrews, Jerry Hickman, Jean Waddell, Russ Holden, Todd Turpen, Barb Halcomb, Lisa Wingfield, Emily Marshall, Jim Toombs, Amy Hoyle, Jimmy Biesiada, Douglas Hawkins, Tammy Keho, Pete Misuraca, Jude Vance, Doug Miles, Mitch Plumb, Dennis Cornett, Ashley Lindley, Jesse Smith

<u>Shut-In:</u> Gracie Arnott, Rick Blair, Jean Brown, Pam Capshaw, Eleanor Creech, Doyle Helton, Kathy Johnson, Keith Sparkman

<u>Military:</u> Cameron Dean, Devon Farley, Tristan Capshaw, Jacob Helton, Austin & Luke Whitelaw, Benjamin Wingfield

A Better Me Or More Like Him?

Well, it's already February. According to studies, most people gave up on their New Year's resolutions about two weeks ago.

There's nothing wrong with using the New Year as an opportunity to set goals and align priorities. The problem with many New Year's resolutions, however, is that they are inwardly focused. They are born out of a sense of being a better version of self. Certainly there are improvements and changes we all can make in life. As disciples of Jesus Christ, though, what motivates our desire for self-improvement? Are we trying to be a better version of ourselves just for the sake of self? Or are we seeking something — maybe even Someone — higher than self?

I recently came across this quote from author Bob Goff: "Our problem following Jesus is we're trying to be a better version of us, rather than a more accurate reflection of Him."

That about nails it, doesn't it?

Consider this: When Jesus walked among us, he desired to be a better version of himself. Some may think that such a thought borders on heresy. But the Bible tells us as much in Luke 2:52 — "And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man."

This tells us that there is nothing wrong with seeking to be better versions of ourselves. The question for us is this: Do I define a better version of myself based on who I want to be, on who the world wants me to be or on who God is? Jesus' sense of identity flowed out of the nature and character of God.

Some better versions of "me" often involve being more physically fit, having more money, being more organized and efficient, or taking up new hobbies. I can do all of those things, however, and never come close to looking like Jesus. If I am not a more accurate reflection of him, am I really a better version of myself?

Paul's sense of self took a dramatic turn away from himself when he decided to follow Jesus. As he said in Galatians 2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

Who are we trying to be? Is it just a new and improved version of self? Is it some image that the world has placed upon us? Or is it Jesus? Regardless of whether you have kept your New Year's resolutions, given up on them or never made them in the first place, we all can resolve each day to follow Jesus Christ. Let's all live with, live like and live for him. Only by becoming more like him will we be the best version of ourselves.

— Blaine

Family News & Notes



FEBRUARY CALENDARS are now available on the hallway tables. Please stay informed of all that is taking place among us!

FACEBOOK LIVE BIBLE STUDY with Ben Shafer is held on Monday nights at 8pm. Please see Ben if you would like more information.

FOLLOW THIS THIS WEEK: Look for someone who often goes overlooked or unappreciated. Do a simple act of kindness for them. It might be just a cup of water (Matthew 10:42). Use small things to show appreciation for others.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY concludes their study of Hebrews this Thursday.

MEN'S BREAKFAST will be at the building on Saturday, February 16 at 8am. Please sign-up in the hallway if you plan to attend.

A BABY SHOWER to welcome Nelsie Hux, daughter of Casey & Stephen, is scheduled for Sunday, February 17 at 3pm. For gift ideas, please see Cherie Dempster or Brenda Dean. They are also registered at Walmart and on Amazon.com.



2/4 Doug Hobbs

2/6 Jessica Zimmerman

This Week at a Glance

	Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	•	4	5	6	7	8	9
	:30am Bible Class 0:30am Worship		Prayer Group 10 AM	Bible Study 7 PM	Women's Bible Study 10 AM		
5:	:00pm Worship						