

Last Week's Statistics

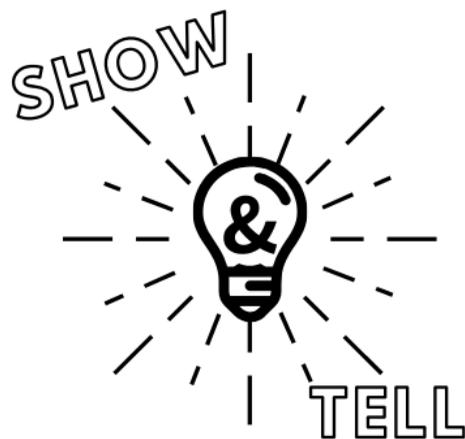
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| AM In-Person Worship | 49 |
| AM Online Worship | 93 |
| Contribution | \$3,160.00 |
| 2020 Budget | \$4,000.00 |
| 2020 Average | \$3,759.42 |
| Building Fund | \$369,676.91 |

Today's Sermon

Are You For Me Or Against Me?
(Joshua 5:13-14)

| Order of Worship and Those Serving | |
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| AM WORSHIP | |
| WELCOME | Blaine Kelly |
| SONG LEADER | Spencer Morris |
| SERMON | Blaine Kelly |
| LORD'S SUPPER | Jim Dempster |
| CLOSING PRAYER | Tom Montgomery |
| USHERS | Brandon Martin |
| | Pete Coggi |
| | Ron Ryan |
| | Jeff Maxwell |
| | Tom Montgomery |
| AUDIO/VIDEO | Josh Frey |
| | Rich Hawkins |

Acts 20:20 in 2020



Service Times

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| Sunday Bible Classes: | 9:30 am |
| Sunday AM Worship: | 10:30 am |
| Sunday PM Worship: | 5:00 pm |
| Wednesday Bible Classes: | 7:00 pm |

Contact Us

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Weekly Newsletter - July 5, 2020

Family Matters

Allyn Hosman had back surgery Tuesday and was diagnosed with pneumonia afterwards. He has tested negative for COVID-19.

The Parsleys ask prayers for Jimmy's brother & sister-in-law **Dallas & Nancy Parsley**. They both have COVID-19, and Dallas is in ICU.

Jackie Frasher's granddaughter **Whitney Williams** is improving from COVID-19, but her fiancé Jaden has not been feeling well.

Rosie Dillard is scheduled for surgery on July 6.

Florence Stubblefield asks prayers for her niece **Christy Hoover** who is in Hospice care with brain cancer.

David Willbanks's cousin **Jason Judd** is battling cancer.

Calvin & Kristie Cox ask prayers for 11-month-old **Lilly Jacob** who is recovering from surgery for a brain tumor.

Mike Sobiech asks prayers for a friend who is struggling right now.

Our sympathy goes out to Javi Serna in the passing of his uncle **Juan Jose Serna**. Juan Jose was baptized here many years ago.

Past Requests: Allen Swearingin, David Downey, Buck Roberts, Greg Blevins, Jerry Ivey, Oscar Farley, Barry Lawson, Diane Hawkins, Earl Yount, Rowen Glenn, Dolores Lupo, Candy Willbanks

Battling Cancer: Kathryn Willbanks, Nina Barrett, Helen Roberts, Ken Polston, Mistie Hale, Chuck Maurer, Vonda Zimmerman, Dan Crum, Charles Staton, Dina Faust, Julie Browning, Greg Dexter, Phil Mitchell, Angie Cureton, Krista Lovejoy, Jerry Hickman, Susan Jones, Rick Stoffer, Heather Andrews, Jean Waddell, Russ Holden, Ed Goins, Amy Hoyle, Todd Turpen, Barb Halcomb, Jim Toombs, Pete Misuraca, Tim Smith, Dennis Cornett, Brianne Langley, Larry Smith, Carole Roloff, Karen Hamrick, Jimmy Mooney, Becky Bunch, Dwayne Cole, Darlene Sentelle, Susan Crigger, Jamie Johnson, Sarah Wolfe, Richard McCollough, Jeremy Warren, Courtney Kramer, John Thompson

Shut-In: Gracie Arnott, Rick Blair, Jack & Wanda Dickson, Doyle Helton, Kathy Johnson, Keith Sparkman

Military: Cameron Dean, Austin & Luke Whitelaw

Our Purpose

**Live With the Lord
Live Like the Lord
Live For the Lord**

Welcome!

Whether you're passing through or looking for a church home, thank you for joining us! If you need more info about us or have a prayer request, please include the appropriate information on your Connection Card and leave it in the collection plate.

What to Expect

We seek to exalt the Lord while encouraging each other in our worship. We sing together as a congregation and welcome all voices to join us. As our guest, please don't feel obligated to give to our offering. Our worship order is listed on the back of this newsletter. May God be glorified and you be blessed today.

Thank you for being with us!

Our Elders

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| John Dean | 581.4373 |
| Jim Dempster | 587.0535 |
| Tom Montgomery | 587.0743 |
| David Willbanks | 586.4747 |

Our Minister

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| Blaine Kelly | 736.1505 |
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The Meaning of Freedom

What does it mean to be free? Psychologists may view freedom especially through the lens of an untroubled mind while political scientists are more likely to speak of freedom in terms of laws and rights. An inmate may think of freedom as no longer being imprisoned while a teenager may look forward to the day when he is free of his parents' oversight. Obviously how we define freedom depends on our situation in life and our perspective.

Since the founding of the United States, this country has wrestled with what it means to be free. That struggle continues today. A common approach to freedom defines it as the ability to do as one wishes. And yet we all have found that doing what we wish often lands us in trouble, hurts others and leaves all of us feeling anything but free.

When you read the New Testament, you discover that Christians have often misunderstood what it means to be free in Christ. We sometimes have used grace as a license for lawlessness and sin. We also have sometimes wanted spiritual freedom to mean that we can do whatever we wish, regardless of how it affects others.

But that is clearly not what spiritual freedom looks like. Consider Paul's commentary on freedom in Galatians 5:13-15:

13 For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 14 For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 15 But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

As Paul considered what it meant to be free in Christ, he clearly didn't interpret freedom as the ability to do whatever he wanted. Instead he saw his spiritual freedom as an opportunity to serve his fellow man and look out for the best interest of others. This is the ultimate freedom in Christ because it is not constrained by sin, selfishness or law. It is the unleashed freedom that comes when we love.

Brothers and sisters, true freedom and love go hand-in-hand. If I'm not doing the loving thing, I am not free. If in standing up for my rights, I fail to love you, I am not free. Paul could sit in prison and be free. He could sacrifice his rights and be free. He could die a martyr and be free. How? Because he knew the ultimate freedom found in Christ and lived out that freedom by loving others. In these divided and challenging times, may the church exhibit the freedom Christ provides and the sacrificial love that purchased that freedom for us all. — Blaine



RECORDING ONLINE ATTENDANCE: If you join us through the church's Facebook page, please take a moment each Sunday to "Like" or comment on the livestream. If you join us through the church's website, please email us or text Blaine to let us know you're with us. Thank you for your help with this!

CHILDREN'S LESSON: Weekly Bible lessons for kids can be found on our Facebook page.

BIBLE CLASS QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Whether based on your personal experience or observation, what makes for a healthy marriage?

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION: You can continue to give your contribution by mailing a check to
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 c/o Bob Bobo
 1408 E Andrew Johnson Hwy
 Morristown, TN 37814

ONLINE SERVICES: Join us every Sunday at 10:30 AM and Wednesdays at 7 PM at www.facebook.com/MorristownChurchofChrist
 Recordings of the services will be available on Facebook or the church's website at: morristownchurchofchrist.com/live-stream.html



This Week at a Glance

| Today | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 5 10:30am Worship | 6 | 7 | 8 Bible Study 7 PM (Livestreaming) | 9 | 10 | 11 |