

Last Week's Statistics

AM Bible Study	69
AM Worship	131
PM Worship	72
Wed. Bible Study	56
Contribution	\$3,393.00
2017 Budget	\$3,700.00
2017 Average	\$3,567.43
Building Fund	\$352,605.00

Today's Sermons

AM: Psalm 22
(Matthew 27:45-46)

PM: The Suffering Savior

Vision 20:20 for 2017



Order of Worship and Those Serving

If you are unable to serve, please contact Jim Ross.

AM WORSHIP	July 23	July 30
WELCOME	Tom Montgomery	Blaine Kelly
SONG LEADER	David Willbanks	David Willbanks
FIRST PRAYER	Mark Coe	Wayne Lilly
LORD'S SUPPER	Jim Ross	Jim Ross
	Harold Royston	Harold Royston
PRESIDING	Bob Bobo	Bob Bobo
PRESIDING	Ben Shafer	Ben Shafer
	Doug Hobbs	Doug Hobbs
	Dustin Blackmon	Dustin Blackmon
BIBLE READING	Jeff Maxwell	Terry Browning
SERMON	Mike Sobiech	Blaine Kelly
CLOSING PRAYER	Tom Montgomery	Bill Rouse
NURSERY	LaDonna May	Sherrie Montgomery
NURSERY	Rhoda Cooper	Janet Cose
USHERS	Ryan Whitelaw	Ryan Whitelaw
	Jim Glenn	Jim Glenn
SECURITY	Richard Hawkins	Bob Bobo
INVITATION ELDER	Jim Dempster	Tom Montgomery
PM WORSHIP	July 23	July 30
SONG LEADER	Russ Mitchell	Kenneth Ross
FIRST PRAYER	Bob Bobo	Mike Sobiech
BIBLE READING	Jim Dempster	Van Frasher
SERMON	David Willbanks	Singing Night
CLOSING PRAYER	Tim Thompson	Mark Coe
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Wayne Lilly	Wayne Lilly
LORD'S SUPPER	Jerry Barrett	Jerry Barrett
USHER	John Dean	John Dean
NURSERY	Karen Lilly	Melissa Thompson
INVITATION ELDER	John Dean	David Willbanks
WEDNESDAY	July 26	August 2
SONG LEADER	Steve Hernandez	Jerry Barrett
CLOSING PRAYER	Richard Hawkins	Bob Bobo



MORRISTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Weekly Newsletter - July 23, 2017

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 Elders

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

Our Minister

Blaine Kelly	736.1505
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Family Matters

Rowen Glenn will undergo surgery tomorrow at Vanderbilt.

Harold Royston undergoes surgery this Friday for kidney stones.

Gene Kinder has been dealing with walking pneumonia.

Brandon Farley's procedure on his finger went well on Monday.

We're happy to report that **Monica Rife** is feeling better and that **Brenda Hickey** is now home from her recent hospital stay.

The Lawsons request prayers for their nephew **Scott Williamson** who shattered his scapula in a fall last week.

Michael Edmunds (former student of Karen Hernandez) continues to need prayers. The Hernandezes also ask for our prayers as they look to God during their time of transition.

Our sympathy goes to former member **Jeff Smith & family** in the passing last week of his mother Martha Smith. Rhoda Cooper asks prayers for the family of **Karen Parr** who passed away on Tuesday.

Past Requests: Darvin Alvarez, Barry Lawson, Kathryn Willbanks, Eleanor Creech, Craig Thornburg, Ovell Alexander, Dolores Lupo

Battling Cancer: Wells Sommer, Allen Swearingin, Mistie Hale, Ken Polston, Julie Browning, Alyssa Gale-Mitchell, Charlotte Sierocinski, Regina Gauntt, Alida Priestner, Bill Baker, Mitch Plumb, Dean Palmo, , Lisa Vicks, Danny Herren, Joe Clusky, Mary Springer, Ann Long, Angie Dean Cureton, Virginia Hopkins, Susan Howlett, Joe Loveless, Vanessa McMillan, Mary Nolen Bond, Greg Dexter, Mike Joyner, Brenda Dillman, Tonya Bennett, Casey Beck, Mary Ramsey, Jamin Hymel, Nancy Gallagher, Herbert Browning, William Austin, Kallie Reece, Courtney Kramer, Angie Corder, Marqueta Cook

Shut-In: Mignon Adkins, Rick Blair, Pam Capshaw, Doyle Helton, Allene Powell, Melody Roberts, Bill Ross, Keith Sparkman

Military: Cameron Dean, Austin Whitelaw, Tristan Capshaw, Jacob Helton, Cody Miller, Benjamin Wingfield

Service Times

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

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The Waiting

Beginning Discussion: Is there ever a time when you like to wait on something? When is it most difficult to wait? Does waiting for something make it even more special when it finally happens?

Read Luke 23:44-56

When Jesus died on the cross, most people — including many of the disciples — believed that Jesus’ mission had failed. After all, he had just been killed.

Jesus died on a Friday. For the Jews, the next day was Sabbath, a day of rest. God designed this day for the people to get away from their busy lives, reflect on Him, and think about what He had done for His people. For Jesus’ followers, though, that Sabbath had to be the worst day of their lives. The One that they had hoped would bring good news and salvation to their people was now dead

The Bible doesn’t tell us much about what the Apostles and others who followed Jesus did on that Sabbath. But passages like Luke 24:17 make it clear that they were extremely sad and all of their thoughts were focused on what had happened to Jesus. They probably wondered things like, “How could this happen to someone like him?” They might have also discussed “What are we going to do now that our leader and teacher is gone?” Or they may have questioned “Will there ever be a Messiah who will come and save us?”

The day after Jesus’ Crucifixion had to have been the longest and most difficult day in the lives of his disciples. They never imagined what God had in store for them the next day — the first day of the week. Sometimes God uses our times of waiting to help us appreciate just how good and powerful He is. For the disciples, the worst day of their lives would be followed by the best day of all time!

DISCUSSION: Why might God sometimes make us wait, even for good things? What can we learn during our times of waiting?

PRAYER: Thank God for being with us, even in our times of waiting. Ask for strength and faith to believe that better things are still ahead for us!

Family News & Notes



SUMMER SUNDAY NIGHTS: Please join us at 5pm tonight for worship as David Willbanks speaks for us and then stay for food, fun, and an evening of fellowship.

- Tonight we will share in a potluck meal together. Please bring a dish or two to share with others.
- Next week Rich and Becky Hawkins will provide a pasta bar for everyone! They only ask that everyone else bring salad or dessert.

DISHES: If you have recently provided food for a church event, please make sure that you have picked up your dishes. Thanks!!



ELDERS/DEACONS meet today at 3:30pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Our annual Church Family Fall Retreat takes place in Baileyton on September 8-10. Make plans to join us for a great weekend together. Brochures will soon be available.

LADIES DAY: There will be a planning meeting on Sunday, July 30th @ 4pm. If you have any questions, please see Brenda Dean or Becky Hawkins. Our Ladies Day will take place on Saturday, October 7.

MOUNTAIN EMPIRE MEN’S DAY: Central Church of Christ in Johnson City will host its Men’s Day on Saturday, August 5. A carpool will leave our church building at 7:30 AM. Lunch will be provided at no cost. If you plan to attend, please sign-up in the hallway. If you have any questions, please see Blaine.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7/24 Jennifer Frey
7/26 Robert Breeding
7/29 Lindsey Talley

This Week at a Glance

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23 The Story 9:30am Bible Class 10:30am Worship 3:30pm Elders/ Deacons Meeting 5pm Worship & Summer Nights	24	25 Prayer Group 10 AM 41 Cards sent last week	26 “The Story” Bible Classes 7 PM	27	28	29 Be Ready for The Story, Chapter 27