

### Last Week's Statistics

AM Bible Study	61
AM Worship	111
PM Worship	41
Wed. Bible Study	63
Contribution	\$2,857.40
2017 Budget	\$3,700.00
2017 Average	\$3,519.36
Building Fund	\$370,313.65

### Today's Sermons

AM: What Was God Thinking?  
(Jeremiah 1:4-6)

PM: Unashamed  
(Romans 1:16)

### Vision 20:20 for 2017



### Order of Worship and Those Serving

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

AM WORSHIP	November 5	November 12
WELCOME	Tom Montgomery	Blaine Kelly
SONG LEADER	David Willbanks	David Willbanks
FIRST PRAYER	Jerry Barrett	Mike Sobiech
LORD'S SUPPER	Jim Ross	Jim Ross
	Harold Royston	Harold Royston
PRESIDING	Russ Mitchell	Russ Mitchell
PRESIDING	Jim Dempster	Jim Dempster
	Jeff Whitaker	Jeff Whitaker
	Steve Hernandez	Steve Hernandez
BIBLE READING	Terry Browning	Rich Hawkins
SERMON	Tom Montgomery	Blaine Kelly
CLOSING PRAYER	Wayne Lilly	John Dean
NURSERY	Martha Ross	Sherrie Montgomery
NURSERY	Cherie Dempster	Cindy Bullock
USHERS	Curtis Hawkins	Curtis Hawkins
	Van Frasher	Van Frasher
SECURITY	Mark Coe	Bob Bobo
INVITATION ELDER	John Dean	Tom Montgomery
PM WORSHIP	November 5	November 12
SONG LEADER	Russ Mitchell	Jerry Barrett
FIRST PRAYER	Jim Dempster	Russ Mitchell
BIBLE READING	Jim Ross	Jeff Whitaker
SERMON	Curtis Hawkins	Ben Shafer
CLOSING PRAYER	Bob Bobo	Tim Thompson
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Wayne Lilly	Wayne Lilly
LORD'S SUPPER	David Willbanks	David Willbanks
USHER	Mark Coe	Mark Coe
NURSERY	LaDonna May	Melissa Thompson
INVITATION ELDER	Jim Dempster	David Willbanks
WEDNESDAY	November 8	November 15
SONG LEADER	Kenneth Ross	Steve Hernandez
CLOSING PRAYER	Ben Shafer	Wane Lilly



# MORRISTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST

*Faith · Family · Fruit*

Weekly Newsletter - November 5, 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

**Bill Ross** is in CCU at Morristown-Hamblen after having a heart attack.

**Larry & Jamie Capshaw** were in a car accident on Monday. Larry suffered a separated shoulder, but we're thankful their injuries were not greater.

**Pam Capshaw** was in the hospital last week due to pneumonia.

**Melody Roberts** has been transported to a facility in Sevier County.

Former member **Sara Hosman** will undergo cancer surgery in Nashville this Thursday. Larry Capshaw's nephew-in-law **Frankie Sisk** will have back surgery on Tuesday. **Mikayla May** (David & LaDonna's granddaughter) will have back surgery on November 15.

**Elizabeth Barns** (Farley's nieces baby) underwent surgery on Friday.

The Farley's are requesting prayers for **Janice Grubbs**, the kids grandmother. She is not doing well.

Elizabeth Hobbs's father **David Doan** underwent bypass surgery on Wednesday after suffering a heart attack.

As of this printing, **Rowen Glenn** remains in ICU at Vanderbilt hospital.

Tim Thompson is asking prayers for his mother **Betty Thompson** who suffered a stroke on Monday.

It is good to see **Jim Glenn** back with us! **Elizabeth Ewing** is some better and sends her love to all. We're also happy to report that **Emma Maxwell** (Jeff & Jennifer's 5-year-old niece) is doing well from her surgery.

We're sad to announce that local girl **Charlotte Sierocinski** passed away last week after battling cancer.

**Past Requests:** Erin Dean, Rich Hawkins, Gene Kinder, Greg Blevins, Barry Lawson, Lynn Ross, Kathryn Willbanks, Randy Barrett, Dolores Lupo

**Battling Cancer:** Wells Sommer, Melody Forman, Ken Polston, Mistie Hale, Julie Browning, Alyssa Gale-Mitchell, Regina Gauntt, Alida Priestner, Bill Baker, Mitch Plumb, Ann Long, Dean Palmo, Lisa Vicks, Danny Herren, Joe Clusky, Mary Springer, Angie Dean Cureton, Virginia Hopkins, Susan Howlett, Joe Loveless, Vanessa McMillan, Mary Nolen Bond, Greg Dexter, Mary Ramsey, Brenda Dillman, Tonya Bennett, Jamin Hymel, Nancy Gallagher, William Austin, Kallie Reece, Trish Byerly, Angie Corder, Marqueta Cook, Bill Joseph, Phil Mitchell, Dina Faust

**Shut-In:** Mignon Adkins, Rick Blair, Pam Capshaw, Eleanor Creech, Doyle Helton, Melody Roberts, Bill Ross, Keith Sparkman

**Military:** Cameron Dean, Austin Whitelaw, Tristan Capshaw, Cody Miller, Jacob Helton, 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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# Are These the “Last Days?”

When I’m talking with people in the community about spiritual matters, one of the more common comments or questions I receive pertains to current events and whether these are the “last days.” It is easy to read the headlines and believe that things are quickly spiraling towards Judgment Day. I have no way of knowing when that day will be. After all, Jesus didn’t even know the day while he walked this earth (Matthew 24:36). However, I do know that this world has witnessed countless other times of worry, war, and natural disasters. Regardless of troubling events in the world, our hope is placed beyond it.

In reference to the Bible’s use of the phrase “last days,” it is important to put those passages into context. In the New Testament, “the last days” first occurs at Peter’s Pentecost sermon in Acts 2:17. He quotes Joel 2 and tells his Jewish brethren that the things they are witnessing are “the last days” of which Joel prophesied. And those “last days” were nearly two thousand years ago!

Similarly, Hebrews 1:2 says that “in these last days [God] has spoken to us by his Son.” This is in contrast to times past when God spoke to man through prophets (Hebrews 1:1). The writer makes clear that “these” are the “last days” because Christ is the ultimate fulfillment of man and all of creation. Both the original recipients of Hebrews and all who read it are living in the last days — including us.

It is helpful to keep this in mind when reading passages like 2 Timothy 3:1-7 or 2 Peter 3:3-7 and their descriptions of “the last days.” In 2 Timothy 3, Paul says, “in the last days . . . people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power.” He next tells Timothy to “avoid such people.” That tells us that Timothy lived in the last days. So do we.

By living in the last days, we acknowledge that there will be a last day. Jesus said in John 12:48, “The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day.” He also said in John 6:40, “For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

For the one who lives in Christ, these last days and the last day are no cause for personal concern. They should, however, motivate us to live for the Lord and bring others to Him. Though we don’t know when, the last day is coming, so let’s encourage one another as we see it approaching (Hebrews 10:25). — Blaine

# Family News & Notes

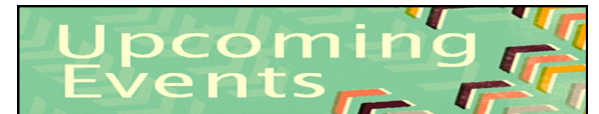


**THANK YOU** to the Shafers for last weekend’s Fall Festival party and to the Lillys for yesterday’s Seniors Breakfast!

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** Canned Meat, Canned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Box Meals, Soup, Macaroni & Cheese, Peanut Butter, Jelly. Please check expiry dates. Thanks!

**DIRECTORY UPDATE** pages for Larry & Lynnda Coe are now available.

**THANKS** to Jim Dempster on Wednesday and Tom Montgomery today for speaking in Blaine’s absence.



**VISITING SPEAKER:** Adult Bible classes will both meet in the auditorium next Sunday, November 12, as Tom Langley from World English Institute will speak to us about some possible evangelistic opportunities for our church. The elders request that everyone make a special effort to join us.

**NOVEMBER CALENDARS** are available on the hallway tables.

**DANDRIDGE BIBLE STUDY** at the Field of Dreams Center is tomorrow at 7 PM.

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** continues at the building this Thursday at 10am. For any questions, please see Caroline Kelly.

**BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY** starts tomorrow at 6:30 AM. It will take place in the dining area at the Ingles in west Morristown.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

11/5	Judy Royston
11/5	Jack Shafer
11/8	Oscar Farley
11/10	Gina Harris

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

11/9 Barry & Phyllis Lawson

## This Week at a Glance

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
9:30am Bible Class 10:30am Worship	Breakfast Study: 6:30 AM	Prayer Group 10 AM	“Good News” Bible Classes 7 PM	Women’s Study 10 AM		
5pm Worship	Dandridge Study: 7 PM	40 cards sent last week.				