

Last Week's Statistics

AM Bible Study	48
AM Worship	117
PM Worship	49
Wed. Bible Study	41
Contribution	\$2,848.00
2018 Budget	\$3,700.00
2018 Average	\$3,469.56
Building Fund	\$374,363.65

Today's Sermons

AM: "Save Yourself!"
(Luke 23:35-39)

PM: The How Is a Who
(Romans 8:9-11)

Vision 20:20 for 2018



Order of Worship and Those Serving

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

AM WORSHIP	April 1	April 8
WELCOME	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly
SONG LEADER	David Willbanks	David Willbanks
FIRST PRAYER	Larry Coe	Tom Montgomery
LORD'S SUPPER	Jeff Maxwell	Jeff Maxwell
	Wayne Lilly	Wayne Lilly
PRESIDING	Mike Sobiech	Mike Sobiech
PRESIDING	Van Frasher	Van Frasher
	Jim Glenn	Jim Glenn
	Kenneth Ross	Kenneth Ross
BIBLE READING	Jeff Whitaker	Bill Rouse
SERMON	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly
CLOSING PRAYER	Bob Bobo	Jim Dempster
NURSERY	Martha Ross	Cindy Bullock
NURSERY	Melissa Thompson	Becky Hawkins
USHERS	Mark Coe	Mark Coe
	Jim Ross	Jim Ross
SECURITY	Jeff Whitaker	Bob Bobo
INVITATION ELDER	Tom Montgomery	John Dean
PM WORSHIP	April 1	April 8
SONG LEADER	Russ Mitchell	Tim Thompson
FIRST PRAYER	Ben Shafer	Mark Coe
BIBLE READING	Jim Ross	Jeff Maxwell
SERMON	Blaine Kelly	Blaine Kelly
CLOSING PRAYER	Mike Sobiech	John Dean
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rich Hawkins	Rich Hawkins
LORD'S SUPPER	Tom Montgomery	Tom Montgomery
USHER	Josh Frey	Josh Frey
INVITATION ELDER	David Willbanks	Jim Dempster
WEDNESDAY	April 4	April 11
SONG LEADER	Jerry Barrett	Kenneth Ross
CLOSING PRAYER	Van Frasher	Rich Hawkins



MORRISTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Weekly Newsletter - April 1, 2018

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

Nancy Capshaw is currently in the hospital in Louisville. Please remember her in your prayers.

It was wonderful to see **Elizabeth Ewing** back in worship last Sunday! Congratulations to **Devon Farley** on his recent graduation! It is good to have him back with us.

Nina Barrett is doing some better after have a setback last week from her recent knee surgery.

Tina Montgomery (Tom's mother) is recovering after having a pacemaker procedure on Wednesday.

We're happy to report that **Melody Forman** (Cheri Miles's mother) has completed her radiation treatments.

Let's all be praying as we consider the work of a deacon and those who could serve alongside our existing deacons.

WIFI PASSWORD: If you wish to use the church's Wifi today, you can connect to MCOC_Guest with password go2church.

Past Requests: Jamie Capshaw, Greg Blevins, Allen Swearingin, Lynn Ross, Barry Lawson, Kathryn Willbanks, Rowen Glenn, Phoebe Mitchell, Glenna Clark, Dolores Lupo, Lillian Ladd, Bob Breetz, Gordon Graham

Battling Cancer: Nancy Capshaw, Wells Sommer, Sara Hosman, Melody Forman, Pamela Beasley, Mistie Hale, Julie Browning, Glenna Clark, Bill Baker, Ann Long, Lisa Vicks, Danny Herren, Joe Clusky, Mary Springer, Angie Dean Cureton, Virginia Hopkins, Dina Faust, Susan Howlett, Vanessa McMillan, Brenda Dillman, Joe Loveless, Mary Nolen Bond, Greg Dexter, Mary Ramsey, Tonya Bennett, Jamin Hymel, Nancy Gallagher, William Austin, Angie Corder, Marqueta Cook, Phil Mitchell, Krista Lovejoy, Susan Jones, Dean Palmo, Caleb Hickman, Wyatt Crippin, Rick Stoffer, Chuck Smith, Jerry Ladd

Shut-In: Mignon Adkins, Rick Blair, Jean Brown, Pam Capshaw, Eleanor Creech, Doyle Helton, Kathy Johnson, 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

Contact Us!

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Back to Life

Another baseball season is underway, and the Chicago White Sox have a special person taking the field for them. He will not be playing for the team, however. After all, he is 49-years-old and has spent the last 23 years in prison.

Nevest Coleman was convicted in 1994 for two heinous crimes to which he initially confessed but later recanted. The victim's body was even found in the basement of Coleman's home. But DNA evidence last year revealed that Coleman was innocent of the crimes and that they had been committed by a serial offender. Coleman was released from prison in November and recently received a certificate of innocence by an Illinois judge, completely clearing his name.

Upon gaining his freedom, Nevest Coleman wanted two things: a hamburger and the job he held at the time of his arrest, groundskeeper for the White Sox. The team gladly welcomed him back this past week, and he quickly "took the field."

While there is much to celebrate about this story, I can't help but consider what it must feel like to have twenty-three years of my life unjustly taken from me. Neither can I imagine the taunts hurled, the abuse received, and the friendships Coleman lost due to his undeserved identity as a criminal.

To begin to appreciate the injustices Nevest Coleman suffered is to begin to appreciate the weight of Christ's sacrifice. Jesus was one innocent of all wrongdoing and "yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted" (Isaiah 53:4). Nevest Coleman's imprisonment saved one guilty man, but in the Crucifixion, "the Lord has laid on [Christ] the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:6).

The good news for Nevest Coleman is that he gets to begin his life again this week. We come together to worship today and every week because of the Good News that Jesus came back to life and provides new life to us. Because of the Resurrection, we all get a second chance at life — a new, abundant life in the present and the hope of life to the full forever. I have a feeling that Nevest Coleman now lives as one who has come back to life. May we do the same. — Blaine

New Bible Classes

The Mustard Seeds class returns today as Mark Coe begins a study called "One Another." In this series, we will explore the Bible's teaching of how Christians are to relate to each other, what we should be doing for one another, and how the church is to function in a relational atmosphere.

Next Sunday, April 8, the Teen class also begins a study of "One Another" with John Dean. We hope you can join us for our various Bible classes each week!

Family News & Notes



DEACON SELECTION PROCESS:

Deacon Nomination Forms can be found in the hallway. Please complete one for EACH person you wish to nominate and leave your signed forms in the box on the hallway table.

Sunday, April 8th – Deadline for submitting deacon nomination forms

Sunday, April 22nd – Presentation of names of possible deacons

Wednesday, May 2nd – Deadline for submitting feedback to the elders

Sunday, May 6th – Presentation of new deacons

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

4/1 Kenneth & Sara Ross

Upcoming Events

APRIL CALENDARS can now be found on the hallway tables.

FACEBOOK BIBLE STUDY: Ben Shafer hosts a Bible study tomorrow night at 8pm on Facebook Live.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY meets this Thursday, April 5, at 10am as we continue our study of James.

WOMEN OF THE WORD will next meet at Caroline Kelly's on Tuesday, April 10, at 7pm. If you have any questions or need more info, please see her.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

4/2 Cheri Miles
4/6 Mike Sobiech
4/7 Kinsley Wilson

This Week at a Glance

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30am Bible Class 10:30am Worship 5:00pm Worship	2 Facebook Bible Study 8 PM	3 Prayer Group 10 AM 21 cards sent out last week.	4 Bible Classes 7 PM	5 Ladies Bible Study 10 AM	6	7