



TRUE LIGHT

Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ~ Psalm 119:105

May 14, 2023

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Sunday School :

9:30 a.m.

Worship:

10:15 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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"This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalm 118:24

**We Welcome You
To All Of Our
Services**

Mothers Pray for Their Children

What is more powerful in shaping the heart and faith of a child than a mother who prays for her children?

Lord,

We pray for them late at night and early in the morning; when we stand face-to-face with our own failings as mothers.

We ask that You fill them with the knowledge of Your will.

Give them all spiritual wisdom and understanding to walk in ways that fully please You.

Let their lives bear fruit to every good work.

Let them increase in the knowledge of You:

Not just in empty words.

Not just in Christian culture.

Not just in religious appearance.

Work in them a nitty-gritty, real deal, connection with You. We pray for Your life to pulse through their veins, guiding their choices, shaping their character, and being their North Star in a dark world.

I can't give this to them. Only You can. And, I'm so grateful that You are pursuing them already.

As You set the stars in the sky, You also know each of our children intimately. You know the desires that You planted deep in their hearts. Fan the flame within them for You, and for good. Set our children on fire for You.

We, as mothers, pray this prayer for our children in the almighty name of Jesus, the Christ, Savior, and Lord. Amen.
Melissa Troyer, www.heartlight.com

Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness. She watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat of the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her. "Many daughters have done well, but you excel them all." Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates (Proverbs 31: 25-31).



May is for the Mamas

I think it's ironic how Mother's Day falls in a month where things tend to be extra-busy - there are the end of school events, sports seasons are overlapping, and the days seem to fly by!

The month of May is one where I look at the calendar and think to myself, "How will the logistics of this even be possible?"

But, somehow it always works out.

Mothers are amazing at multitasking and problem solving. If a mom had a brain like a computer, there would be at least 75 tabs open!

Moms are usually thinking of many things at any given time - after school events, work, weekend plans, bills, birthday parties, dinner, laundry, dishes, animals, cleaning, emails, and the list goes on and on.

It's quite impressive all that we handle!

Don't get me wrong, fathers are equally important, but their month is after May. Their month is after school is out and things are more calm and life is one big recess (kidding).

May is for the mamas.

God gave women a unique set of skills and most of the time where there is a school event, sporting event ... or really anything that requires children to show up dressed and on time ... there is a mom behind it all.

Mothers make the world go round. And now, I'm off to feed a baby while I make lunch, teach my preschoolers letters, do laundry, clean the house, respond to emails, go to a school event and plan dinner. Because that is what we do.

Moms are simply amazing.

Adapted from The Bradley Bunch blog post

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

May 15 - Brian McGowan
 May 16 - Rita Burch
 May 17 - Jerry McCoy
 May 21 - Justin Allen
 Trish Baldwin



CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Velveeta Cheese * Nuts * Disinfectant Spray (i.e. Lysol) * Bathroom Tissue Paper * Light Bulbs * Spaghetti Sauce

Pick up date: July 24, 2023

WILLING TO SERVE

May 14, 2023

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Cameron Traw
 Opening Prayer.....Jon Neely
 Scripture.....Jason Karnes
 Prayer.....Sam Garner
 Closing Prayer.....Jess Lecroy

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....Jacob Clayton
 Prayer.....David Carson
 Scripture.....Jeff Rodgers
 Dismissal.....Jerry McCoy

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Song Leader.....Jacob Clayton
 Prayer.....Ron Garner
 Dismissal.....Mike Duley

May 21, 2023

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Rodney Williams
 Opening Prayer.....David Carson
 Scripture.....BJ Thomason
 Prayer.....Zack Tanner
 Closing Prayer.....Justin Allen

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....David Carson
 Prayer.....Wayne Reams
 Scripture.....Jeff Rodgers
 Dismissal.....Rodney Williams

WALKING BY A BLESSING

In 1799, twelve-year-old Conrad Reed found a large, glittering rock in the stream that ran through his family's small farm in North Carolina. He carried it home to show his father, a poor immigrant farmer. His father didn't understand the rock's potential value and used it as a doorstep. The family walked by it for years.

Eventually Conrad's rock - actually a seventeen-pound gold nugget - caught the eye of a local jeweler. Soon the Reed family became wealthy, and their property became the site of the first major gold strike in the United States.

Sometimes we walk past a blessing, intent on our own plans and ways. After Israel was exiled to Babylon for disobeying God, He proclaimed freedom for them once again. But He also reminded them of what they'd missed. *I am the LORD your God, He told them, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go. If only you had paid attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river, your well-being like the waves of the sea.* God then encouraged them to follow Him away from old ways into a new life: *Leave Babylon ...! Announce this with shouts of joy* (Isaiah 48:17-18, 20).

Leaving Babylon, perhaps now as much as then, means leaving sinful ways and "coming home" to a God who longs to do us good - if only we'll obey and follow Him!

James Banks

Attendance for May 7: 117

Contribution for May 7: \$3676

* this bulletin was printed in advance. Please listen to announcements for updates and additional sick

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

June Mothersbaugh recovering from a fall * **Zander Northern** who recently fell and sustained a concussion * **Darlene McGowan** recently took a fall and is recovering slowly * **Jerel Jester** has five herniated discs in his back. At this time, pain control will be the only treatment * **Louella Akers** is not doing well * **Janet Wood** is home recovering from knee replacement surgery * **Karen Forkum and Gloria Moore** struggling with many health issues *

Continue praying for these members of our church family: Louella Akers * David Burleson * Scott and Judy Flannery * Sue Flowers * Patsy (Hardy) Gregg * Darlene McGowan * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Gloria Moore * Ida Roberts * Waynetta Rodgers * David Terrill * Bettie Thurston * Marty Watson * Woody Wood

Those dealing with cancer (non congregational) :

Melinda Akers * Chastity Beard * Cathy Bennett * Gina Bogle * Roxanne Carson * Sherry Chambers * Randy Cravens * Barbara Denson * Bill Fitzpatrick * Ronnie Goins * Patricia Greninger * Nolan Hollowell * LeAnn Jacques * Tommy Jacques * Pam Jeralds * Holly Johnson * Kristin Meadows * Connie Lemmons * Ponna Mahan * Linda Morgan * Paula Mason * Mike Napier * Betty Nicholson * Keagan Owens * Nikki Reif * Tammy Telker * Bobby Thornton * Paula Walls

Other health issues (non-congregational):

Dixie Billingsley * DeeDee Burch * Mary Burke * Jodi Claeys * Ruth Dauck * Jerry Grimes * Katie Hicks * Grant Howard * Clyde Jacques * Lola Johnson * Beckie King * Eva Latham * Nikki Lawrence * Tim Lecroy * Shug Lee * Jerry Don McGowan * Mary Provance * Brenda Robinson * Kevin Steed * Traci Suiter * Paige Tanner * Heather Whitehead *

Our Shut Ins

Louella Akers * Travis Cooper * Sue Flowers * Don Jackson * Bettie Thurston * Marty Watson *

Looking Ahead

Wednesday night fellowship meal will be breakfast for supper. Desserts will be needed.

There will be a free marriage seminar May 20 at Central church of Christ in Paducah. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

Our Summer Speaker Series begins June 7. Our first speaker will be Kason Lawrence from the congregation at Piggott. There is a list of speakers on the table in the foyer.

First Sunday potluck and early evening service will be June 4. We encourage everyone to stay for the potluck and the 1 p.m. evening service following.

CRC Day at Crowley's Ridge College is June 11. We will have a donation box in the foyer for contributions to their scholarship fund for Bible majors.

In Sympathy:

Sympathy is extended to the family of our brother Don Jackson who passed away May 7. Don's funeral was held Friday at Mathis in Dexter.