



TRUE LIGHT

May 31, 2026

GO OUTSIDE!

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."*

Psalms 118:24

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

Go outside.

That's it. That's the post.

We've all been on our screens too long already today. God gave us a whole Creation with which to form a relationship of enjoyments and cultivation. That relationship is far more real than anything we will find online.



The biblical writers were outside constantly and were intentional about fostering their connection with Creation, which is how we got all of those lovely metaphors about nature and the outdoors that we quote so often and experience for ourselves so rarely.

Before screens, the human mind was full of imagination, and that imagination was sparked and fueled largely by what could be found in the natural world. How much more vibrant and effective would your prayers be if you put your whole imagination into them? How much more vibrant and effective would your service to others be if you put your whole imagination into it? Neither will ever reach their full potential if you never give your imagination time to refuel using what it was originally built to ingest.

In the perfection of His first relationship with man, God walked through His Garden in the cool of the day. He is still longing for a relationship with you.

Go outside and find Him.

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat (Psalm 19:1-6).

Luke Tatum, via a Legacy of Faith blog post

JOY FROM JESUS

Nancy's cancer treatment caused so many ulcers in her mouth and throat that she couldn't even swallow a piece of bread. She had to rely on milk to fill her stomach for many painful days. The only thing that brought a smile to the sixty-year-old's face was the joy of knowing Jesus - and her grandsons. Being with them each week helped her to not dwell on her situation. "If not for the boys, I would have given up," she said.

The apostle Paul also found joy in Jesus and others despite his difficulties. His joy came from Jesus and living for Him. Despite being imprisoned (Philippians 1:13), he found strength to encourage others. He spoke of the joy that came from partnering in sharing the good news about Jesus, and from knowing what awaited him upon death (vv 3-5, 18, 20). That confidence enabled him to say, *To me, to live is Christ and to die is gain* (v 21).

Paul could rejoice because Jesus was his life. His sense of contentment and security didn't come from any possession or situation but from knowing he belonged to Christ. Thus, in a letter written in the worst of circumstances, he could say in Philippians 4:4, *Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!*

May we find joy in Jesus, who loves us, cares for us, and gives us strength to rejoice in any circumstance.

Leslie Koh

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

June 1 - David & Loretta Carson (A)
 Tim & Kim Flowers (A)
 June 4 - Julie Garner
 June 6 - Rodney Britt
 Luke Tanner



CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Country Gravy Mix * Brown Gravy
 Mix * BBQ Sauce * Diced Tomatoes *
 Black Olives * Pickles
 Pick up date: August 3rd



WILLING TO SERVE

May 31, 2026

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Chase Burch
 Opening Prayer.....Jon Neely
 Scripture.....Steve Jones
 Prayer.....Jason Karnes
 Closing Prayer.....Jess LeCroy

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....David Carson
 Prayer.....Ron Garner
 Scripture.....Darrin Shipman
 Dismissal.....Jerry Burleson

June 3, 2026

Song Leader.....Jacob Clayton
 Prayer.....Chase Burch
 Dismissal.....Jerry McCoy

June 7, 2026

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Rodney Williams
 Opening Prayer.....Jason Karnes
 Scripture.....Jordan Ross
 Prayer.....Zack Tanner
 Closing Prayer.....Matt Ward

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....David Carson
 Prayer.....Darrin Shipman
 Scripture.....Sam Garner
 Dismissal.....Justin Allen

Attendance for May 24: 94

Contribution for May 24: \$3168

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

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Larry Layton recovering from triple bypass surgery last week * Cindy Williams remains in Barnes Hospital following surgery and is scheduled to begin radiation in the next few weeks * David Burleson's scan results were unknown at press time. He is continuing with chemo treatments for his leukemia * Joseph Dauck (Stan's nephew) has been diagnosed with lung cancer * Pat Cooper remains at Annie's Garden skilled nursing facility in Sikeston for rehab *

Continue praying for these members of our church family: Cody Boyt * Jerry Burleson * David Burleson * David Carson * Faye Dockins * Mike Duley * Karen Forkum * Patsy (Hardy) Gregg * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Donna McQuin * Gloria Moore * June Mothersbaugh * Woody and Janet Wood

Those dealing with cancer/other illness (non congregational) :

Melinda Akers * Chastity Beard * Terry Bean family * Cathy Bennett * Rodney Britt * Jerry Bullock * Scott Burleson * Roxanne Carson * Sherry Chambers * Randy Cravens * Barbara Denson * Bill Fitzpatrick * Audrey Galloway * Emily Garner * Patricia Greninger * Stan Goodman * Renee Goodman * Christy Heskett * Nolan Hollowell * LeAnn Jacques * Tommy Jacques * Pam Jeralds * Kristin Meadows * Jerry Mickey * Connie Lemmons * Ponna Mahan * Cindy Miller * Betty Nicholson * Nikki Reif * Joe Richardson * Dewayne Stidham * Anthony Tate * Bobby Thornton * Mindy Tomah * Joyce Walker * Christina Whitaker * Alan Woodward

Our Shut Ins: Pat Cooper * Faye Dockins * David Terrill *

LOOKING AHEAD:

- June 3: Our Summer Speaker Series begins with Brent Newton. There is a schedule of speakers on the table in the foyer.
- June 7: Our first Sunday potluck and early evening service. We will have a potluck meal following morning worship and an evening service shortly thereafter. Everyone is encouraged to stay for both the potluck and the service following.
- June 9: Ladies Lunch Out at China Buffet/Mongolian Grill in Sikeston at 11:30. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the foyer if you'd like to attend.
- June 14: CRC Day. We will have a box in the foyer for donations to Crowley's Ridge College for their Bible major program.
- July 5: Session 3 of Bootheel Youth Camp begins. Applications are available online, or we can print one for you.
- July 19-22: Vacation Bible School! Our theme this year focuses on the fruits of the spirit. See Ginger Beaird for ways you can help make our VBS a success!



June is a door to sunshine, a step into joy, and a reminder that every day holds a little more light. Catherine Pulsifer

In Sympathy...

Sympathy is extended to the family of our sister DeeDee Burch, who passed away May 23. DeeDee's funeral was held Wednesday at the building.



ACTING WITH INTEGRITY

In a moment of distraction, Sarah unknowingly dropped her diamond engagement ring into a homeless man's cup. Billy Ray, the panhandler who was given the ring, had it appraised and considered selling it. But he chose honesty and returned it to Sarah when she came back a few days later. Sarah and her husband set up a fund so donations could be made to help Billy Ray, which led to an outpouring of generosity from others. Billy Ray received financial and legal counsel, and was eventually able to buy a home. He was also reunited with his long lost family.

When we practice integrity, we please God and inspire others. Solomon says God delighted in his integrity: *The LORD detests lying lips, but He delights in people who are trustworthy* (Proverbs 12:22). He uses strong language to describe God's view of dishonesty - He *detests* it. When God's people lie or *deceit is in their hearts* (v 20), it defies Him and goes against His character. In contrast, when His people have *truthful lips* (v 19) and deal faithfully, it brings Him joy. So treating others well is more than just telling the truth - it reflects God's own character. And in a world where deception can seem profitable, our integrity is something He *delights in* (v 22).

Let's commit to act with integrity as God helps us. Even if the world doesn't notice, He's delighted when we walk in His ways.

Marvin Williams