

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 9:55 AM Worship Service
 4:30 PM Deacons' Meeting
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service
 7:15 PM Missions Committee

TUESDAY

6:00 AM Men's Morning Book Study
 9:30 AM Women's Ministry Project Group

WEDNESDAY

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School - Winter Quarter: Walt Herrington is teaching a study titled "The Christian and Finances". We'll discuss how we as Christians should approach how we earn, spend, donate, and save money.

Communion: Please prepare your heart to receive the Lord's Supper this morning.

No Choir Rehearsal: There will be no choir rehearsal today. The choir is on Christmas break and will not fill the choir loft today. Choir rehearsal will resume at 5:00 PM next Sunday, Jan. 12th.

Wednesday Night Fellowship: resumes this Wednesday. We will have weekly dinners from 5:30-6:30 PM followed by activities for all ages 6:30 -7:30 PM. Meals start at \$5 a person with a \$15 cap for families of three or more. The children and youth will be meeting after supper and there will also be an adult study led by Andrew Ouzts. Two nursery volunteers will be needed at 6:20 PM each Wednesday.

2025 Offering Envelopes: Your 2025 Offering Envelopes will be available for pickup on the bookshelf in the breezeway next Sunday.

Flower Calendar: The 2025 flower calendar has been posted on the bulletin board. If you have a date you prefer please sign up early to reserve that date. Thank you to all who provided flowers for church services last year.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6th grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.

Wednesday Night: The children (3 year olds - 6th) will be studying the catechism from January 8th - March 26. The 3, 4, & 5 year olds will study questions 1-13 of the Children's Catechism with Susan Inman and Sue Bohnen. The 1st - 3rd will be learning about and memorizing questions 1 - 54 of the Children's Catechism with Scotty and Nancilynn Dickey. The 4th - 6th will begin the Shorter Catechism and will study the first 16 questions with Nate Inman and Chris Groebe.

SERVING SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Sarah Costello **Next Week:** Steele Stanford
Nursery: John Thompson (SS), Rebecca Thompson (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:**
Wednesday: Tracity Shores, Rebecca Thompson
Next Sunday: Molly Eastland (SS), (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:**
Wednesday: Tracity Shores, Rebecca Thompson
January: Cecile Whitten **February:** Molly Eastland
Children's Church: Jim & Lisa Hellier **Next week:** Molly/Gracey Napier, Jeanne Monsour

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.
Youth Fellowship: Youth Group will resume meeting this Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10 AM/6 PM): Dec. 29 130/35
 Live Views: 5/8
 Total Online views: 39/27
 Sunday School: 77
 Last Week's Offering: \$ 28,371.00
 Online Giving : \$ 442.00
 Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$ 9,390.00
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$523,294.00 (+35,044.00)
 Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving: \$488,250.00

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OFFICERS

Elders - Scotty Dickey, Thomas Eastland, Brad Mills, Brian Smith, John Thompson, Jim Neill, Nat Whitten
Deacons - Richard Bohnen, Alex Dupree, Chris Groebe, Nate Inman, Ryan Lee, Eric Napier, Andrew Ouzts, Andrew Rush, Luther Stowers, Darrin Tolar, Matthew Warren

OFFICERS EMERITUS

Elders - Walt Herrington, Gary Morrison, Jackie Thompson
Deacons - John McInnis †, Richard Harrison

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Leadership Team - Nancilynn Dickey, Julie Huddleston, Becky Inman, Kerri Matthews, Carole Morrison, Jeanne Monsour, Melinda Neill, Elizabeth Pinkerton, Jo Stanford, Mary Thompson
Flower Coordinators - Deanna Rush & Gray Ouzts

To livestream the service go to:

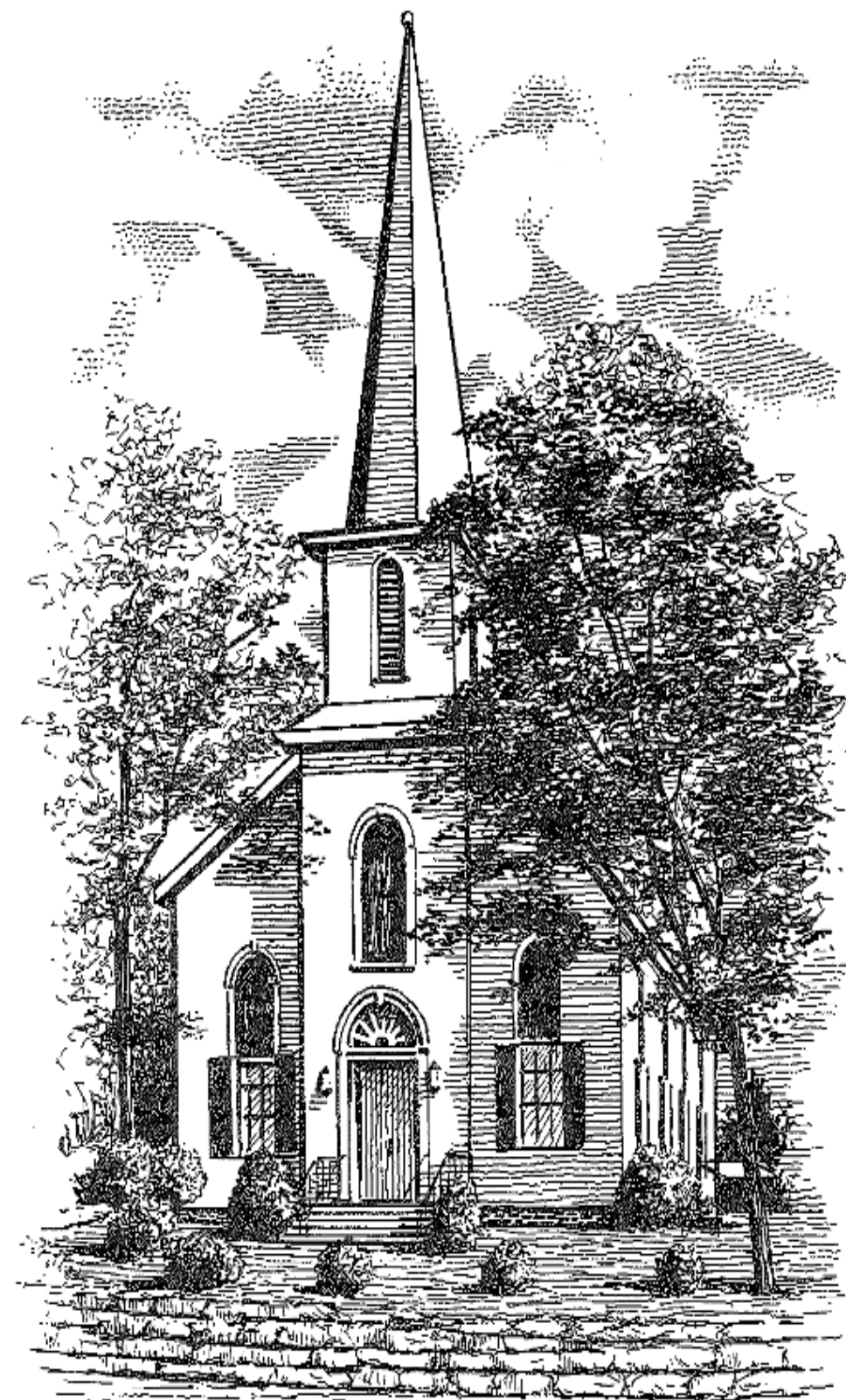
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To Our Visitors

We are pleased to have you worship with us.
 Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel:
"For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" Romans 10:13

Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Mills at the end of the service. Let an usher or Pastor Mills know if you have any questions.



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*"The Church's One Foundation
 Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."*

Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, January 5, 2025

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Meditation WALTER HANSEN
 Fear and trembling united with trust and love in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ and God the Father inspire us to work out our salvation.

Prelude “In Christ Alone” JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST

Call to Worship * PHILIPPIANS 2:9, 11; PSALM 118:22-23
 Pastor: God has highly exalted his Son and bestowed on him the name that is above every name. Come and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!
People: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Invocation * REV. JOSH REAGAN

Psalm of Praise * “O Worship the King” PSALM 104 N^o. 2

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church†; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* “descended into hell” = descended into the place of the dead, not of eternal punishment.
 † “catholic church”= the church exists universally, not just in one culture or denomination

Confession of Sin GALATIANS 3:10
 For as many as are of the works of the Law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who does not abide by all things written in the book of the law, to perform them.”

Assurance of Pardon ISAIAH 1:18
 “Come now, and let us reason together,” says the Lord, “Though your sins are as scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they will be like wool.”

Hymn of Praise * “The Light of the World is Jesus” N^o. 476

Pastoral Prayer THOMAS EASTLAND
 Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done; On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts; As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

God’s Tithes & Our Offerings ACTS 20:35B
 Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

Offertory MADELINE, LAUREN AND CAITLIN MILLS

Doxology *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving * THOMAS EASTLAND

Sermon REV JOSH REAGAN

“Lights in a Dark World” (Philippians 2:12-18) PAGE 981

Psalm of Preparation * N^o. 64 (STANZAS 1-2)
 “God, the Lord, a King Remaineth” PSALM 93

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper BRAD MILLS

Psalm of Response * N^o. 64 (STANZAS 3-5)
 “God, the Lord, a King Remaineth” PSALM 93

Benediction REV. JOSH REAGAN

Gloria Patri *
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.



Evening Worship

Meditation JOSHUA 1:8
 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

Prelude “The Power of the Cross” JOSH PEOPLES, PIANIST

Call to Worship * PSALM 99:1-3, 4
 The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he! Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

Invocation * PSALM 99:9

Psalm of Praise * NO. 76
 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” PSALM 103

Responsive Reading Psalm 1 PAGE 785

Pastoral Prayer RAY SHORES

Hymn of Praise * NO. 137
 “Holy Bible, Book Divine”

Sermon RAY SHORES
 “Back to the Bible” 1 Timothy 4:1-8 PAGE 992

Hymn of Response * NO. 94
 “How Firm a Foundation”

Benediction * HEBREWS 13:20-21
 Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gloria Patri * * Congregation Standing

IN PRAYER

- **Missionary of the Week:** Rodney & Jana Davila (El Salvador)
- **Ministries of the Week:** Covenant Seminary
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Scotty Dickey, Richard Bohnen
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Lawson, Keaton, & Hayes Hoge
- **College Student of the Week:** Will Tolar
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



- **BPC Children’s Ministry:** Please pray for our children to realize they are sinners that need Christ’s redemptive work. Pray that they seek after Christ, honor their parents and stay healthy and safe. Pray for our parents that they will lead our children to Christ by their words and example. Pray that God will provide Sunday School teachers.



- **Bill Glover:** will have surgery to insert a biventricular pacemaker. The present pacemaker is broken.
- **Mike Langley** (Claire Langley’s father-in-law): blood clots in his lungs originating from his leg; on oral blood thinners for three months will follow up with the pulmonologist.
- **Susan Costello** (Joe Costello’s mother): recovering from a broken hip.
- **Beeg Ford:** recovering from a fractured vertebra.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth’s son-in-law): being treated for a rare heart condition.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 21 yr. old nephew): at home in Meridian. Please pray for his recovery to continue.
- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with several chronic illnesses.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Jim Smith:** had another stable scan Dec. 26th; praising God for his blessings & mercies to us.
- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee’s son): leukemia; +279 days post transplant; taking prednisone; had follow up on Dec 16th; liver enzymes stable; started back on anti-rejection meds; signs of mild GVHD. Had a cardiology appointment on Friday & labs. Pray he stays healthy and free of infection, and liver enzymes start trending down. Thank you for your prayers!
- **Laura Smith** (Kerri Matthew’s friend): glioblastoma (brain cancer), stage 4. Had surgery Oct. 25; taking oral chemo and radiation.
- **Donna Smith** (Amelia Carpenter’s Aunt): received new cancer diagnosis. To discuss treatment options soon.
- **Nancy Collum** (Tina Tolar’s mother): early stage carcinoma; had surgery on Dec. 2nd.
- **Myles Hester** (Scott Word’s 8 yr. old cousin): diagnosed with leukemia; at St. Jude.
- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath’s 21 year old neighbor): brain cancer; is stable; continuing chemo pills. Will have another MRI in Feb.
- **Bill Inman:** finished radiation treatments; doctors will study all things, and he will have an appointment in Mid January to see if anything else needs to be done.
- **Bill Monsour** (Hays Monsour’s grandfather): continues chemo to control his cancer.



- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Jody Nelson, Lois Carman, Beeg Ford, Mary Ruth Ruffin, Dotsy Peel
- **Service members:** Baylor Griggs, Japan (Scott Word’s nephew); Matthew Hellier, CA; Glenn Stewart, Fort Campbell (Sam Heath’s nephew); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler’s nephew); Laurel and Aaron Arnold, (Jeff & Lisa Bynum’s daughter and son-in-law)

Weekday	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm
Monday	Genesis 4	Matthew 4	Psalm 3
Tuesday	Genesis 5	Matthew 5	Psalm 4
Wednesday	Genesis 6	Matthew 6	Psalm 5:1-6
Thursday	Genesis 7	Matthew 7	Psalm 5:7-12
Friday	Genesis 8	Matthew 8	Psalm 6
Saturday	Flex Day		
Sunday	Flex Day		