

Prayer Requests

Recently Added or Updated:

David Hawkins (starting chemotherapy, friend of Hunters)
Tonja Hunter (health concerns)
Beverly Jones (Betty's sister in law, heart condition)
Raymond Moody (released from hospital)
Keith Roberts (cyst on spine, doctor appt. on May 5)
Hadley Taylor (recovering from horse accident)

Della Baker (Wayne Hunter's niece, health concerns)
Emily Baldwin (Henderson's daughter, health concerns)
Phyllis Campbell (health concerns)
Josie Dale (Kidney issues)
Sue Davis (health concerns)
Brian Donaldson (Bypass Surgery, friend of Jane Osman)
Brent Gee (Hunter's friend, health concerns)
Harry & CH Graves (cancer diagnoses)
Phil Guynn (health concerns, Donald's uncle)
Victor Hess (Michelle Coome's dad, health concerns)
John Hubbard (Susie Brown's brother, health concerns)
Donald & James Hunter (Wayne Hunter's sons, health concerns)
Donna Hunter (recovering from heart attack, mother of Donald)
Jimmy Jacobs (cancer)
Jan Langford (friend of Jane Osman, multiple health concerns)
Charlie Miracle (health concerns)
Randall Osborne (Lois Smith's cousin, health concerns)
George Owens (Prostate cancer, Mary Anne's brother)
Gwynevere Faye Palmer (preemie, friends of Hunters)
Tonya Portwood (Heart surgery, friend of Lynn)
Scott Ramsey (Tonja Hunter's son, health concerns)
George Roberts (health concerns)
Braxton Russell (Janet Peyton's grandson, diabetes)
Gloria Sanner (Mike Sanner's mom)
Holly Taylor (cancer)
Joanna Weaver (health concerns)
Bill Witt (Friend of Henry and Jane Osman)
Burton Wright (Steve Brown's friend, cancer)

Stewardship Update

Week of April 26, 2026

Worship Attendance:	68
Offering:	\$2,485.00
Giving YTD:	\$51,784.84
Weekly Budget:	\$2,816.00
2026 Budget YTD:	\$47,872.00
Building Fund:	\$11,788.68
Dollar Club Balance:	\$619.00

Think On This...

Marathon runners describe a moment late in the race when the finish line is close enough to believe in but far enough to doubt. The body wants to stop. The only thing that keeps it moving is the certainty that the end exists even when it cannot be seen.

Brief and Beloved — “As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children.” (Psalm 103:15-17 ESV) Where does knowing your days are finite change what you pursue?

Hold on and receive — “For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. For, “Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay.” (Hebrews 10:36-37 ESV) Where do you need endurance to keep going?

Spiritual Move: Fixed-Hour Prayer — Try to structure your day around set times of prayer: morning, midday, and evening. Let the clock become a reminder that time belongs to God. Each pause is a small act of trust that the day doesn't depend entirely on you. “He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.” (Daniel 6:10 ESV)

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Athens
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Order of Service

May 3, 2026

Call To Worship:

2 Corinthians 11:12-15

Worship With Praise:

All My Fountains
Are You Washed In The Blood
Nothing But The Blood
Think About His Love

Communion Hymn:

Surely Goodness Surely Mercy

Communion Meditation

Communion

Morning Message:

John Piercy
A Season Of Compromise
Survival & Grace
Joshua 9

Invitation Song:

O Lord You're Beautiful

Announcements & Closing Prayer

Service Schedule

9:30 AM Coffee and Donut Time

Donuts, coffee, & fellowship: Ministry Building

10:00 AM Bible School

Nursery (Infants and Toddlers): Ministry Building Nursery

Preschool: Old Main Children's Sunday School Room

K-1st: Ministry Building

2nd-5th: Ministry Building

Middle School & High School: Old Main Youth Room

Young Adults: Ministry Building

Adults: Old Main Adult Sunday School Room

11:00 AM Morning Worship

Nursery (infant-3 years): Ministry Building Nursery

Junior Church: Old Main

6:00 PM Wednesday Fellowship

Meal at 6 PM, Meal and programs for children and adults.

Visitors:

Please fill out a visitor card found in the back of each seat and place in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary on your way out this morning.

Communion: Every believer in Jesus Christ is welcomed by Christ to partake of the Lord's Supper as the emblems are passed. You may partake as the emblems are passed or hold the emblems and partake after you meditate and pray.

Offering: Guests are not obligated to participate in the morning offering unless you are so moved and prepared. Every believer should "give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." Offering plate is beside exit door.

Invitation: If you desire to be baptized (immersed) into Christ, place your membership as previously immersed Christian, or have a special need for prayer, please come forward to be greeted by our ministry team.

Assisted Listening System: Available for those who have hearing disabilities. Please ask greeters for assistance.

Restrooms: located through the exit door to the right of the stage or in the fellowship hall.

Calendar of Events & Announcements

Wednesday Night

5/6

Team 4

Menu: Uncommonly good chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls and desserts.

Teacher Training

5/13

Following the potluck meal there will be a teacher training session for everyone involved in the children's ministry. See Julia for more information.

Board Meeting

5/17

Volunteer Opportunity

Blue Grass Christian Camp is hosting a volunteer work day on Sunday May 17th from 2:00-6:00

Dorcas Circle

5/18

(Date change due to holiday)
Hostess: Carroll Ruschman
Co-Hostess: Teresa McLendon
Devotions: Lisa Kendrick

New classes

Beginning in June we will have some new classes and new curriculum available for the kids and youth. Please see Julia for more information.

VBS

Camp ACC will be on June 6

Summer Yard Sale

The summer yard sale will be on June 12 & 13, please start gathering your donations and place them in the garage.

Serving Schedule

NEXT WEEK: May 3, 2026

Communion Meditation: Chuck McLendon

Sunday School Nursery: Jane Osman

3yr- PreK SS: Leela Von Behren

K-1st SS: Susie Brown & Jane Sanner

2nd-5th SS: Julia Brown

Middle/High SS: Julia Brown, Susan Warren & Lynn Young

Worship Nursery: Phyllis Henderson

1st-6th Church: Susie Brown & Jane Sanner

A/V Team: Todd Von Behren, Jake Slaughter, Wayne & Donald Hunter

Greeters: Wayne Hunter & Raymond Moody

Communion Preparation: Wayne Hunter

NEXT WEEK: May 10, 2026

Communion Meditation: Lee Warren

Sunday School Nursery: Susie Brown

3yr- PreK SS: Leela Von Behren

K-1st SS: Jocie Westerman

2nd-5th SS: Carroll Ruschman

Middle/High SS: Julia Brown, Susan Warren & Lynn Young

Worship Nursery: Lisa Kendrick

1st-6th Church: Phyllis Henderson & Lily

A/V Team: Todd Von Behren, Jake Slaughter, Wayne & Donald Hunter

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