

Prayer Requests

Recently Added or Updated:

Students and Teachers (back to school)
Cindy Buell (Lois Smith's daughter, health concerns)
Scott Logan (John's friend, salvation, cancer)
Raymond Moody (health concerns, home dialysis)
Keith Roberts (recovering from surgery)
Jennifer Taylor and Family (loss of daughter)

Emily Baldwin (Henderson's daughter, health concerns)
Phyllis Campbell (health concerns)
Josie Dale (Kidney issues)
Sue Davis (health concerns, released from hospital)
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)
Tonja Hunter (Health Concerns)
Jimmy Jacobs (cancer)
Mary Kay Johnston (Jane Osman's sister, health concerns)
Beverly Jones (Betty's sister in law, heart condition)
Jan Langford (friend of Jane Osman, multiple health concerns)
Charlie Miracle (health concerns)
Karen Mitchell (Jocie's aunt, 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)
Stephanie (friend of Jackie's, health concerns)
Scott Ramsey (Tonja Hunter's son, health concerns)
George Roberts (health concerns)
Gloria Sanner (Mike Sanner's mom)
Lisa Sidler (cancer)
Holly Taylor (cancer)
Joanna Weaver (health concerns)
Burton Wright (Steve Brown's friend, cancer in hospice care)

Stewardship Update

Week of August 2, 2026

Worship Attendance:	65
Offering:	\$3,005.00
Giving YTD:	\$90,213.33
Weekly Budget:	\$2,816.00
2026 Budget YTD:	\$87,296.00
Building Fund:	\$11,788.68
Dollar Club Balance:	\$293.00

Think On This...

Is AI becoming a Spiritual Authority among practicing Christians? Let's look at some of the data:

AI at a glance:

Practicing Christians express majority level trust in AI across most domains of personal flourishing and nearly half (48%) say they would trust AI with their spiritual growth. Pastors by contrast, express far lower trust across all the same domains. Trust has a ceiling: 83% of practicing Christians worry about AI misinterpreting scripture and 72% worry about AI replacing the role of pastors or spiritual leaders.

Even so, one in three U.S. adults say AI's spiritual guidance is as trustworthy as a pastor's; a share of that percentage climbs among younger adults. Two in five among Gen Z: 1997-2012 (39%) and nearly half among Millennials: 1981-1996 (44%).

Practicing Christians are willing to trust AI with their spiritual growth. They are also deeply worried about what happens when AI starts acting like a spiritual authority. New research from Barna finds that the Christians most open to AI are often the same ones most unsettled by it. That certainly is a mixed bag. Do we utilize AI for research and fact check it? Do we allow AI to give us spiritual advice? Or do we study the scriptures daily to see what they say with no AI assistance? Where do you stand?

Pastor John



Athens
Christian Church
Love God
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Order of Service

August 9, 2026

Call To Worship:

Genesis 1:26-27

Worship With Praise:

Standing On The Promises
Isn't The Love Of Jesus Something Wonderful
Down To The River To Pray
All My Hope

Communion Hymn:

Sweetly Broken

Communion Meditation

Communion

Morning Message:

Modern Tower of Babel: AI

Invitation Hymn:

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Announcements & Closing Prayer

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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
College Age: Old Main
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
8/12
Salad Night: please bring your favorite salad to share.

Celebrations:
Birthdays:
Brett Byers 8/11

Sermon Series:
Our new message series continues today:
“You Asked For It”
Each week we will look at some of the topics you all asked for earlier this year.

ACC Pool Party
Today
Our annual pool party at Janet Peyton’s pool will be today, swim at 4 and eat at 6.
The church will provide hot dogs and drinks, please bring a side dish to share.
4880 Todds Road

Board Meeting
8/16

Youth Sunday
8/30

Dorcas Circle Meeting
8/31 at 7:00
Hostess: Lois Smith
240 Avawam Drive
Devotions: Lisa Kendrick

Serving Schedule

THIS WEEK: August 9, 2026

Communion Meditation: Chuck McLendon
Sunday School Nursery: Susie Brown
3yr– PreK SS: Leela Von Behren
K-5th SS: Susie Jocie Westerman
Middle School SS: Shelby Marletta and Julia Brown
High SS: Julia Brown, Lynn Young & Susan Warren
Worship Nursery: Lisa Kendrick
K - 5th Church: Phyllis Henderson & Melissa Blackburn
Middle School: Carroll Ruschman & Teresa McLendon
A/V Team: Todd Von Behren, Jake Slaughter, Wayne & Donald Hunter
Greeters: Wayne Hunter & Raymond Moody
Communion Preparation: Wayne Hunter

NEXT WEEK: August 16, 2026

Communion Meditation: Tom Henderson
Sunday School Nursery: Phyllis Henderson
3yr– PreK SS: Leela Von Behren
K-5th SS: Lynn Young & Sue Dulin
Middle School SS: Shelby Marletta and Julia Brown
High SS: Julia Brown, Lynn Young & Susan Warren
Worship Nursery: Julia Brown
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