

PRAYER CONCERNS - MEMBERS

Bill and June Black - Bill received a liver transplant December 5th and left the ICU December 6th.

Colby Bolen - is in Park West Medical Center.

Sam Early - Passed away November 15th.

Geneva Empfield - fell and broke her femur.

Dotty Herron- Has been diagnosed with Hyper Parathyroid Disease.

She will also have cataract surgery in both eyes.

Thomas Qualls - recovering from knee surgery.

Tina Sansom - is scheduled for surgery December 18th.

Betty Schow - Passed away Tuesday, December 3rd.

Thom Smith - Stage 3 multiple myeloma. He is undergoing chemotherapy.

PRAYER CONCERNS - FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Caleb Boulware, 17-year-old relative of Mitzi Griffin, has bone and lung cancer. He is tolerating chemo treatments.

Frank Bullard, nephew of Becky Bullard, health issues.

Ed LaPan, Nephew of Betty Hitchcock, has lung cancer.

Kenneth Noeltner, Betty Hitchcock's brother-in-law, passed away Nov. 22.

Dick Schreiber, Brother of Meg Schreiber, serious health issues.

Suzette Stiles, Ollie Nolan's niece, is at Ft. Sanders Medical Center.

Bonnie Wills, great aunt of Alexandra Courtney, has been diagnosed with lung cancer and will begin treatment soon.

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December 9, 2024

UPCOMING SERMONS

December 15

Third Sunday of Advent

Children's Time: *Duncan Shelton*

Children's Special: *Shine*

Choir Special: *How Quietly* (Brady & Mackenzie Fay)

Sermon: *Mary's Dilemma: Believing the Impossible*

Scripture: *Luke 1:26-38*

December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Children's Time: *Pastor*

Solo: *Robert Terrell*

Choir Special: *Is There Room at the Manger for Me?*

Sermon: *The Shepherds: I Bring You Good News*

Scripture: *Luke 2:8-20*

Our Faithfulness

December 1st:

Sunday School: 23

Worship: 93

Offering: \$18,575.00

December 8th:

Sunday School: 26

Worship: 83

Offering: \$4,176.94

THE SESSION

Class of 2024

Margaret Harper

Theresa McKenrick

Barry Shelton

Class of 2025

Glenn Clemons

Linda Diggs

Jon Keck

Class of 2026

Pam Leckey

Thom Smith

Sidney Thurmer

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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The children will present "Just a Little Christmas" on Sunday, **December 15th** at 9:45 am.

A light brunch will be provided by the Christian Education Ministry. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall to share this very special time.



GIFT TO THE KING OFFERING

On **Sunday, December 15th** a Gift to the King offering will be taken.

This year, the offering will go toward completing the construction of a Cumberland church building in Nan Akou in rural Haiti. The funds donated will be used to complete the building project and any additional funds will support medical and nutritional programs in the area.



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

We will have a special worship service on **Christmas Eve at 6:00 pm.** It's a service of lessons, carols, candlelight and communion. There will be scripture reading, congregational singing, special music, and the sacrament that symbolizes our salvation. Let's gather together and celebrate the reason for the season!



Poinsettias Given

Ann Gentry
Barbara Spence
Betsy Ketron Spence
Bob Silva
Carlton & Margaret Harper
Jim Pease
Jon & Kim Keck
Joyce Daunt
Kay Terrell
Larry Blakeburn
Meg Schreiber

*In memory of her parents.
In memory of Huston Spence and Melissa Rogers.
In memory of Fred & Violet Ketron.
In memory of Jessica Hotchkiss.
In memory of their parents. In honor of their grandchildren.
In memory of Clifford & Feetia Pease and Sandy Pease Small.
In memory of Bill & Iona Wyatt and Jim Keck & Virginia Caldwell.
In memory of her parents, Lee F. & Winnie Hall.
In memory of Sam Early. In honor of June & Bill Black and Chad Early.
In memory of Roy & Mark Blakeburn. In honor of Willetta Blakeburn.
In memory of her parents, Paul & Matilda Schreiber and friends
Tom & Jane Karlson.*

Mike & Debbie Magill
Mitzi & Greg Griffin

*In memory of Joe Magill. In honor of Jan & Pete Ruyl and Mary Magill.
In memory of Wanda & Dallas Cooke and Bronce & Barbara Griffin.
In honor of Myles, Adelin, Milo, and Penelope.*

Pam Leckey

In memory of her parents, Herb & Gerry Mick and siblings Herb, Penny & Dan Mick. In honor of Ethan, Angela, & Landon Morton and John, Brian, & Chris Leckey.

Thomas & Carolyn Qualls

In memory of Irvin & Eva Qualls and John "Poss" & Ruby McCormick.



BIRTHDAYS

12/14 Patricia Pace
12/16 Amelia Shelton
12/19 Mary Hensley

ANNIVERSARIES

12/17 Richard & Amy Courtney
12/18 Kevin & Sarah Webber



& *Happy*
ANNIVERSARY

THANK YOU

While in the midst of the season of Thanksgiving, and entering the season of giving, I want to express my heartfelt thanks for a church family that is praying and supporting me and my family during my treatments. We have received so many beautiful cards and well wishes that arrive exactly at a time when spirits need boosting. God has given us a truly caring and loving church family. Your concern and loving support provide us with strength to endure and to face the next steps that have to be taken. Your love and kindness is an inspiration. Please keep us in your prayers as I continue to receive treatments and further medial care. We pray for our church family daily, and wish all of you a wonderful holiday season.

Warmest Regards,

Thom Smith

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE



If you plan to send Christmas cards to other church members, save a stamp and bring them to church. During the Advent season, the youth are providing a *Christmas Card Delivery Service*. For 25 cents per card, the youth will hand deliver your Christmas cards to other church members. There are plastic containers in the narthex to drop off your cards and donation.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor - Rev. Larry Blakeburn Treasurer - Blake Shelton
Secretary - Tracy Dunlap Organist - Barbara Spence
Pianist - Kim Keck Interim Music Dir. - Rev. Harper
Facebook Administrator - Harold Ketterer
Youth Leaders - Duncan & Amelia Shelton

PEACE
LOVE
Joy