

The Encourager

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Worship: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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Associate Minister

P.J. Hicks 270.881.2100

We stand ready to assist you with any need you may have.

You may call the church office at 270.777.1828.

We would be honored to help if we can. May God bless you with a wonderful week.

Mark 10:45 "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

A Beautiful Place Called Heaven

What do you think of when you hear the word Heaven? I venture to say that while we all may have a common perception of Heaven, at the same time, our stage in life can affect what Heaven means to us.

In one stage of life, we may reflect more on the aesthetics of Heaven. As a youth, I know that was true, and that may be in part due to all the hymns we sing about Heaven. Songs such as "Pearly White City" and "Mansions Over the Hill Top" evoke imagery just by their name. The chorus of Mansions Over the Hill Top, written by Paul Overstreet, says, "I've got a mansion just over the hilltop, In that bright land where we'll never grow old, And someday yonder we'll never more wander, But walk on streets that are purest gold." These songs are our attempt to visualize the place that the Lord has prepared for us. (John 14:3) Yet, we will never understand Heaven until we are there. But the Bible says, "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man. The things which God has prepared for those who love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9)



It is a blessing to know that God has prepared a place for us. The benefit of having the hope of Heaven is often a great comfort to those dealing with illness. That comfort comes by knowing that if we have lived the life God has called us to live, there is something better after this life. There is a place with no pain, a place with no death, as we read in Revelation, "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." (21:4)

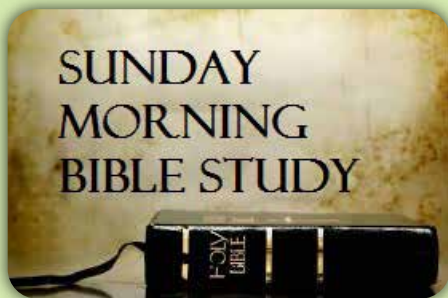
Life is challenging, and there is no way around that. 2020, in particular, presented obstacles that we could not have anticipated and that we pray will continue to wane. Despite the challenges we face, there is one thing that I think we often forget, and that is our citizenship is not here on this earth, but it is in Heaven. "But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it, we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform

our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself." (Philippians 3:20-21).

If our citizenship is in Heaven, then we must live every day to reach that great destination. A destination we will never have to leave (Matthew 25:46; 1 John 2:25). A place where our spirit will be enriched because of who will be there. A place where we can unite with the redeemed, including our loved ones who have "died in the Lord." (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Revelation 14:13). Most of all, God will be there.

Then to add on top of all this, the fact that Heaven is a beautiful place of perfect peace and unity that will never end, that's bereft of any pain, sorrow, sickness, or death. ~PJH

Sunday Morning Bible Classes to Resume TODAY!



Sunday morning Bible classes are scheduled to resume on Sunday, May 2, at 9:00 a.m. We look forward to seeing you in class!

Class Teacher

Babies:	Claire Young
Pre-K - Kindergarten:	Deborah Hicks
1st - 2nd Grade:	Donna Wheeler
3rd - 5th Grade:	Lenora Isenberg
6th - 8th Grade (Jr. High):	Josh T. Barrett
9th - 12th Grade (Sr. High):	Adam Warren
Young Adult (College Age):	P.J. Hicks
Adult (Auditorium):	Willard Raymar <i>How God Used Angels & Prophets</i>
Adult (Alternate):	Tom Hall <i>The BIG Picture of the Bible</i>

Bible Trivia

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God"



This Weeks Question

Where is the quote, "Man shall not live by bread alone" first mentioned in the Bible?

Please give your answer with scripture to Adam or Lil Warren by Wednesday Evening.

April 23 - Which book(s) of the Bible never mention God?

Answer: Esther and song of Solomon.

Great job Fred & Tommie Heath, Bobby and Darlene Pruitt, Matt & Kathy Williams, Shorty & Thelma Wurst, for answering correctly!

Pulpit Preview



Sunday - 10:00 a.m.
A Portrait Of God. Luke 15

Sunday - 6:00 p.m.
Attitude Makes a Difference. Luke 15



- May 2 9:00 a.m.** Sunday morning Bible classes resume
- May 2** Camp Sign-up following the morning worship service
- May 23** Senior Recognition following evening worship service
- June 2 - July 28** Summer Series
- July 4 - 9** Mt. Pleasant's week at Big Reedy
- July 18 - 21** Family Vacation Bible School

Prayer Requests

- Wilma Blankenship - Rehab
- Michelle Clemons - Medical Center
- Janice Cole - Is now home with oxygen
- John Crisp Sr. - coworker of Jeff Morrison & Shawn Hudson, has multiple ruptured disks in his back
- Billy Gross - Treatments for cancer
- Sam Haynes
- Janice Gross
- Wallace Jones - Heart surgery Monday (5/3)
- Jennifer Kelton
- Alma Martin - Good news, the tumor was successfully removed and there was no cancer in the lymph nodes.
- Bobby Pruett was in emergency room on Wednesday and had several test but does not have a diagnosis.
- Alexis Ogles - KCIW Alexis Ogles 312280, P.O. Box 337 Ridgeview, Pee Wee Valley, Ky 40056
- Roscoe Raymer - upcoming procedure (stents)
- Steve Stanley - friend of Greg Isenberg has an inoperable brain tumor
- Janice Stewart - Tommie Heath's sister
- Nancy Stewart - Elizabeth Kemp's mom has stage 4 breast cancer
- Andy Wagoner - more tests in the coming weeks
- Dickie White - Heart Issues



- Wilma Blankenship
- Charlene Ford
- Marvin Pruett
- Charles Wilson
- Johnnie Young



As a courtesy and in respect of worship of our Lord, please silence mobile devices.



If you are visiting with us, please take a moment and fill out a visitors' card and place it in the collection plate located in the foyer. We are delighted that you're here to share in our worship service and hope that you will please visit us again real soon!



Please wear a mask at all times, except when you are seated in the auditorium. (Auditorium is mask optional, once you are seated. Fellowship Hall Streamed Service - masks required.)

Have Questions? Let Us Know.

If you have any questions about what you see or hear during our services, please do not hesitate to ask us for more information. We would be more than happy to answer any questions you might have, or to provide a further individualized Bible study for you. Worshiping our God and knowing and understanding His Word is our passion and we want it to be yours too!

For The Record (Week of April 23, 2021)

AM Worship:	198	Wed. Bible Study:	101
PM Worship:	101	Contribution:	\$6,099

Sunday Morning Services		
	May 2	May 9
Announcements	Doug Depp	Zach Martin
Security 1	Matthue Harmon	Richard Eubanks
Security 2	Mark Young	Tommy Flora
Security 3	Willard Raymer	Shawn Hudson
Security 4	Scott Grimes	Eddie Windham
Security 5	Fred Heath	Travis Young
Audio Video Controls	Chris Robison	Brian Raymer
Song Leader	Brian Martin	Chris Robison
Opening Prayer	Chris Young	Ralph Young
Welcome	Richard Eubanks	Denver Young
Worship Service Prayer	P. J. Hicks	Joshua Barrett
Communion Prayer	Cody Basham	Doug Depp
Scripture Reading	Landon Miller	P.J. Hicks
Closing Prayer	Reagan Young	Mason Miller
Sunday Evening Services		
Security 1	Daryl Lowe	Matt Williams
Security 2	Michael Runner	Dillon Rager
Security 3	Gary Basham	Jeff Morrison
Song Leader	Zach Martin	P.J. Hicks
Opening Prayer	Adam Warren	Willard Raymer
Lord's Table	L.W. Jackson	Brian Martin
Closing Prayer	Denver Young	Jacob Williams
Wednesday Night Bible Study May 5		
Security 1	Perry Cole	Brian Raymer
Security 2	L.W. Jackson	Joshua Barrett
Security 3	Cody Basham	Zach Martin
Song Leader	Reagan Young	Adam Warren
Opening Prayer	Richard Eubanks	Jeff Morrison
Closing Prayer	Brian Martin	Kane Barrett
May		
Lock Building	Matt Williams	
Prepare Communion	Kathy Williams	
Baptismal Laundry	Deborah Hicks	
Assist with Men's Baptisms	Travis Young	
Assist with Women's Baptisms	Wanda Young	
Bread Distribution		
	Bake	Give Out
May 2, 2021	Loretta Simpson	Judy & Rita R.
May 9, 2021	Noemi Davis	Stefanie & Cooper

Daily Bible Reading Plan

May 2 - May 11

May 2 - Numbers 9; Psalms 45

May 3 - Numbers 10; Psalms 46-47

May 4 - Numbers 11; Psalms 48

May 5 - Numbers 12-13; Psalms 49

May 6 - Numbers 14; Psalms 50

May 7 - Numbers 15; Psalms 51

May 8 - Numbers 16; Psalms 52-54

May 9 - Numbers 17-18; Psalms 55

May 10 - Numbers 19; Psalms 56-57

May 11 - Numbers 20; Psalms 58-59



****If unable to serve, contact Michael Runner (270) 535-5906****

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