



We love sharing the truth of God's Word!

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Summit

Church of Christ

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*Christ Came, Died, was Buried,
Resurrected, & will Return*

Sunday 10am Bible Study

Sunday 11am Worship

Sun. 6pm Bible Study & Devotional

Wednesday 7pm Bible Study

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Mon-Thurs: 9-1:30pm

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PERFECT PEACE

Brad Herald

Do you ever feel like Neville is preaching directly to you? Well, it happened to me again as Neville preached about "anger" this past Sunday.

Proverbs 14:29-30 (NIV) ²⁹"A patient man has great understanding, but a quick-tempered man displays folly. ³⁰A heart at peace gives life to the body..."

A quick temper can be like a fire out of control, it can burn us and everyone else in its path. Anger divides people. It pushes us into saying things we don't really mean; it creates anxiety and causes bitterness in relationships.

Peace is defined as, "a state of calm; freedom from strife or discord; harmony in personal relationships".

As Kyle mentioned in his prayer, we can never totally avoid strife in the world around us, but with God we can know perfect peace even in chaos.

Isaiah 26:3 (NLT) "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in You, all whose thoughts are fixed on You!"

As Christians, when we are devoted to Him, our whole attitude should be of "peace, patience, kindness, gentleness and self-control", not quick temperedness and angeriness!

God's peace is different from the world's peace. True peace is not found in positive thinking, meditation, or in good feelings.

Philippians 4:7 (NLT) "Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."

It comes from knowing that God is in control. Supported by God's unchanging love and mercy, we are not shaken by the surrounding chaos. Do you want peace and patience? Keep your thoughts on and your trust in God.

2 Thessalonians 3:16 (NLT) "Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you His peace at all times and in every situation. The Lord be with you all."



From Neville's Desk...

BEACONS OF HOPE

Job was at his wits end. In very short succession he lost everything:

- He LOST HIS ABILITY TO PRODUCE WEALTH. He lost his livestock – around \$30 million.
- He LOST HIS LINEAGE AND LEGACY. All his children, 7 sons and 3 daughters, were reported dead.
- He LOST HIS HEALTH.
- He LOST the SUPPORT OF HIS WIFE.

But was it really all that bad? Did he not gain anything? Well, there were his friends – right? Relentlessly they set out to interrogate him with the tenacity of a pack of pit bulls. They gnawed at him with bad theology. You sinned so God is punishing you. Own up, confess up, come clean – that is all God requires.

Job's loss was our gain. Through his pain we learn that life is not fair, and suffering is inevitable. In the place of his loss, Job leaves beacons of hope that can lead to healing.

*1st beacon is an attitude. Job 1:21–22 (ESV) —
21 And he said, “Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.” 22 In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrong.

*2nd beacon is faith. Job 19:25–28 For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.

*3rd beacon is steadfastness. Job 13:15 (ESV) — 15 Though he slay me, I will hope in him.

Dear friend – your path is through your pain. But never alone.



MASTER OF PUPPETS

Robert Murphy

What we value controls us. If we value money, whoever gives us money controls us. If we love praise, the opinion of others is what we seek. If we are addicted to drugs, we will do whatever it takes to get those drugs. We are dogs willing to do tricks for a treat.

We all value food, clothing, shelter, and life itself. But the deeper question is how much power do these external things hold over us? Another way to phrase the question- is there something I value more than life itself? As Christians, I hope our answer is “yes.” We should not be willing to compromise our faith and our character for these external goods. We ought to value the opinion of God rather than that of men. Like Jesus and the martyrs, we should be willing to endure physical suffering and pain and death

In order to know if our answer is truly “yes,” we have to think about how our values practically play out in our lives? Have you ever sinned to get ahead in school, work, or life or to avoid consequences? Do you often prioritize your work or “self-care” time over assembling with your spiritual family? If you answered “yes” to these questions, what makes you think that you would take up a cross like Jesus and be crucified with him? You are simply a puppet controlled by your desires and external circumstances. You lack freedom and agency. Thankfully, you can cut loose from these strings and no longer be the world's marionette. You can choose to surrender your whole life to God one action at a time by choosing to value honor in God's eyes more than anything the world has to offer.

For encouragement, read Matt 5:10–11; 6:33; 16:24–26; 2 Cor 4:16–18; Hebrews, Philippians, James 1:2–4; 1 Pet 3:8–22.

Outside scripture, read 4 Maccabees and *Foxe's Book of Martyrs* (these should be on the public domain on the internet and at the library).

News, Notes & Announcements...



CHRISTMAS CARD FILE BOX

If you are planning to send out Christmas cards to other members, just place them in the hanging file labeled with the family name in the file box in the lobby— no postage necessary. Also, please remember to check your file for cards.

TEACHERS NEEDED FOR 1ST QUARTER

The new quarter begins Sunday, January 1st. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you are interested and/or have questions, please see Steve Proctor or one of the elders.

LADS TO LEADERS MENTORS

We are looking for a few mentors to help guide some of our students in different areas for lads to leaders. If you have any level of interest or expertise in the topics below, please consider! It makes a big difference for these kids to have adults outside of their parents in the church they know well and can relate to. The following areas are looking for mentors:

- *Songs of Praise (girls)
 - *Song Leading
 - *Mass Communication: Blogging, Podcast, Power Point
- Please let Cori Fuller know if you can help with any of the above.

2023 COMMUNION PREPARATION

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

BIBLES TO SIGN

Please stop by the table in the lobby to sign the Bibles of those recently baptized.

POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME CHANGE CANS

Please contact the office if you would like a can to fill.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

MEN'S 2023 PLANNING MEETING

Saturday, January 14.

CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, January 21. More details soon.

HOXWORTH BLOOD DRIVE

At the building on Tuesday, January 24th.

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

February 24-26, 2023 in Pigeon Forge. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Summit's Prayer List

Pray for these - Send a card - Make a call - Visit someone - Help with needs - Encourage someone today!

Charlie & Kim Litchford Both recovering from the flu
Colleen Menetrey (**Greg Sr's sister**) In the hospital with pneumonia, started chemo
Colton Brown High fever, needs his tonsils and adenoids removed plus tubes in his ears
Dale Turner (**Ann Young's brother**) Has cancer in both lungs, pacemaker surgery went well
Ethan Judy (friend of Fullers) Has decided to stop treatment for cancer and kidney failure
Evie Smith (**Sheryl's mom**) In Carmel Manor for rehab, hopes to go home this week
Jerry Gorman Surgery to remove blockages in neck on 12/15
Kaye Grider (**Sharon Hammer's friend**) Bruised up after recent fall
Phyllis Parks **Bill & Sheryl's daughter-in-law's** 98-year-old grandmother had a serious fall. She is now in hospice.
Sharon, Laura & Family Dave Hammer Jr. passed away
Cancer

- Edward (Mariville Dumlao's brother)
- Ethan Judy (Friend of Fullers)
- Jazairy (Friend of Rieras)
- Julie Harlow
- Kandi Horn (Friend of Candy Proctor)
- Marva Herald (Friend of Buchanans)
- Rob Feldman (friend of Heralds) Radiation and chemo
- Vielka Bonaga (Dalys' sister) Getting better

Long-term Needs

- Evon Herald— Onset of dementia
- Joey Adams- Needs a suitable group home
- Kerri Herald- Pray for her ability to be independent as an adult
- Lon Schindler (Hammer family friend) Second liver transplant
- Parker Webster— Juvenile diabetes, sugars finally stabilized
- Raye Arroyos (Melissa Denham's mom)
- Ruthann Taylor
- Stephanie Gilliam (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure

Shut-In Members

- Billie Rogers
- Dana Fuller
- Lloyd Eastham
- Peggy Holt
- Thelma Rachford— Carmel Manor, room 1015

Ongoing Requests

Ben Buchanan-Alaska mission

Neville Buchanan-counseling work

For our country and our leaders

For our members to grow in the Word

Our Community's lost souls

Summit's planning efforts for the future

Summit Family-greater love for one another

Summit's Deacons-encouragement in service

Summit's Elders-wisdom & love for the flock



~ Order of Worship ~

Song Leader: Chris Guin

Call to Worship #144 O Worship the King

Hymn #719 Love One Another

Opening Prayer: Jeff Schaefer

Hymn #808 Abide With Me

Hymn #366 By Christ Redeemed

Lord's Supper: Steve Proctor

Offering: Galatians 6:7

Hymn #517 Heaven Came Down

Scripture Reading: Eli Gray

Message: Neville Buchanan

Invitation Hymn #589 Leaning On the Everlasting Arms

Closing Prayer Billy Herald

SERMON NOTES:

CRUSHING COLD CLOUDY DAYS

PSALM 77:1-3 ESV

¹ I CRY ALOUD TO GOD, ALOUD TO GOD, AND HE
WILL HEAR ME. ² IN THE DAY OF MY TROUBLE I SEEK
THE LORD; IN THE NIGHT MY HAND IS STRETCHED
OUT WITHOUT WEARYING; MY SOUL REFUSES TO BE
COMFORTED. ³ WHEN I REMEMBER GOD, I MOAN;
WHEN I MEDITATE, MY SPIRIT FAINTS.

1.1. SUPERFICIALLY LIST: YOUR P_____

PSALM 77:1-3

1.2. SUPERFICIALLY LIST: YOUR PAST P_____

PSALM 77:4-6

2.1. DIG LIST: YOUR PRESENT P_____

PSALM 77:7-9

2.2. DIG LIST:

GOD'S P_____ PAST,

PSALM 77:10-20

~ For the Record ~

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 1

Monthly Fellowship Meal

Wednesday, Jan. 4

Seniors Lunch, 12:30pm

Saturday, January 14

2023 Planning Meeting

Saturday, January 21

Chili Cook-off

Tuesday, January 24

Hoxworth Blood Drive

Mark Your Calendars

February 24-26

CYC in Pigeon Forge

Attendance

Class

AM

Wed

Nov. 20, 2022

83

133

25

Nov. 27, 2022

89

131

40

Dec. 04, 2022

76

143

52

Dec. 11, 2022

80

160

39

YTD AVG Attendance

129

CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,876.00

YTD AVG - \$5,041.00

Over/Under: +\$8,253.00

Nov. 20, 2022-\$2,820.00

Nov. 27, 2022-\$5,539.00

Dec. 04, 2022-\$3,721.00

Dec. 11, 2022-\$7,952.00

Serving the Nursery

12/18—Stephanie and Aubri, Alexa Painter

12/25—Bettie Courtney and Deb Martin

01/01—Emma Guin and Emma Doerr

01/08—Laura and Lylah Doerr

Communion Preparation

December—Morgan and Vana

Do you have an item for **The Summit Bulletin**? Please email it to nkychurch@gmail.com by Thursday.

If you have announcement items for the website, or any questions/comments in general about the website, please submit them to nkychurch@gmail.com too.

~ Wed., Dec. 21st Service Leaders ~

Song Leader - Chris Guin

Opening Prayer - Robert Murphy

Speaker - Josiah Fuller