

Important Dates & General Info

Birthday Greetings to:

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| Sept. | 29 | Lee Henson |
| Oct. | 2 | Abby Taylor |
| | 3 | Lauren Sanders |
| | 3 | Mary Elizabeth Lipscomb |
| | 4 | Renee Senter Ewing |
| | 8 | Will Boyington |
| | 9 | Glenna Fennell |
| | 9 | Zach Tate |
| | 10 | Jeff Littlejohn |
| | 11 | Kate Bullock |

Weekly Stewardship Statistics

Sunday, September 15

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| General Fund | \$8,772.00 |
| Wednesday supper | 267.00 |
| <u>Youth Fund</u> | <u>200.00</u> |
| Total | \$9,239.00 |

Attendance: AM - 130 | PM - 42

Sunday, September 22

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| General Fund | \$5,531.00 |
| <u>Wednesday supper</u> | <u>253.00</u> |
| Total | \$5,784.00 |

Attendance: AM – 124 | PM – 53

Ushers for October

Bradley Littlejohn
Sam Roberts
Tim Ewing
Britt Jackson

Worship Attendants | Sept. 29

Elder at the Door: Mac Fennell
Nursery Attendants: Delo Campbell & Sheryl Aldridge
Flowers: John and Lea Taylor
Vestibule Flowers: James Curry

Worship Attendants | Oct. 6

Elder at the Door: Joe Fennell
Nursery Attendants: Lindsay Hall & Susan Henson
Flowers: Jerry and Vicki Harmon

The Pastor's Pen

Where is Jesus? On the surface, this may seem like a simple, straightforward question. But upon further reflection, I believe there are a few ways to answer it. On the one hand, Jesus is fully God, and whatever is true of God is true of Jesus. God is everywhere. He is omnipresent. Psalm 139:7,8 teaches this about God: "Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!" The divine nature of Jesus is not contained by His human nature. His divine nature remains limitless, unbounded, and everywhere present!

From another vantage point, this question can be answered in light of Christ's extended presence of Himself in the world by His Spirit. Jesus promised to be in the midst of us if two or more are gathered in His name (Matthew 18:20). He also promised to His church that He would be with us until the end of the age (Matthew 28:20). How is this the case? Is Jesus physically present with His Church? Do we see Him sneak in the back door of our sanctuary? What I think He means there is that He is present with His church Spiritually. The Holy Spirit, who is called in several places "the Spirit of Christ" (Romans 8:9, 1 Peter 1:11, cf. Galatians 4:6), abides with the Church of Christ and is present with them, especially when they gather together. So the question, "Where is Jesus?" could be answered by saying that Jesus Christ is with His Church by His Spirit, especially when they gather together in one accord.

However, in another sense, Jesus has a fixed, physical location. Jesus is not simply an immaterial, and ever spirit. Nor does He exist only through His Spiritual presence with His Church. Jesus from the time of His incarnation forward has been and always will be the God-man. He has and always will have a human nature, which includes a physical body. As one of my professors used to say, "The God-man has a ZIP code." Where is He? In Acts 1, we see Him ascend up into heaven (Acts 1:9-11). But we can be even more definite about His location. He is at the Father's right hand, seated in the place of honor and authority (Romans 8:34, Acts 2:32-35, Psalm 110:1,5). It is there where He, the resurrected God-man sits in power and majesty. It is there where He stands as King and Lord of all. It is there where He makes continual intercession on our behalf to the Father.

Imagine that! Jesus, who has a body, who has flesh and blood, who has a human mind, will, and emotions just like us, is glorified and exalted in heaven! This should provide a bedrock of assurance to us who are His by faith. Because Jesus, who is fully man, is present in the most holy place of heaven by His own blood (Hebrews 9:12), we know that we who believe in Him will dwell with Him because of the merits of His death and resurrection. Jesus has promised that He will come again and take us to be where He is (John 14:3). Where is He? He sits in the blessed presence of the Father, in the throne room of God, enjoying the unmitigated presence and love of His Father in that most holy place. And He has prepared a place for us there.

-J. Kyle Brent

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The Weeks of September 29 - October 12, 2019

Upcoming Events

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| Sun 9/29 | 9:30 | Sunday School |
| | 10:30 | Morning Worship |
| Wed 10/2 | 6:00p | Gospel Night |
| | 6:00p | Supper |
| | 6:30p | Prayer Meeting |
| Sun 10/6 | 7:00p | Adult Choir practice |
| | 9:30 | Sunday School |
| | 10:30 | Morning Worship |
| Wed 10/9 | 6:00p | Evening Worship |
| | 6:00p | Supper |
| | 6:30p | Prayer Meeting |
| | 7:00p | Adult Choir practice |

Memory Verse

You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him.
Romans 8:9

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Announcements & Events

Note of Thanks

There are not enough words to express our appreciation and gratitude for your kind words, prayers and offering of food. All of these have meant the world to us during our trials. Thank you also to everyone that came to visit, called, and kept a check on us. We are so honored and blessed to be part of such a loving church family. May God continue to bless you all.

--Julianne and Harry Briscoe

Special Thanks

We would like to thank Cindy Ballard for her hard work and dedication in preparing the food and providing the decorations for the Springdale Lakes Reunion that was held at our church. Her time and energy spent preparing for that day are very much appreciated! We also thank everyone else who helped to make it a special day.

Mississippi Valley Presbytery

The fall meeting of MVP will be held October 7th-8th at the New Geneva Community Church in Paducah, KY.

Circle Meetings

Circle #1-Thursday, October 3rd, at 7:00 P.M. with Mary Simmons as hostess; Circle #3-Tuesday, October 1st, at 9:30 A.M. with Jo Kathryn Prescott as hostess.

MegaLife

There will be no MegaLife on Monday, October 7th, but will resume on October 14th.

Officer Meetings

Elders - Tuesday, October 8th, at 6 P.M.
Deacons - Sunday, October 13th, at 5 P.M.

Sermon Texts

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| Sept. 29 Morning | Matthew 12:38-42 |
| Evening | God's Covenants |
| Oct. 6 Morning | TBD |
| Evening | God's Covenants |