

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Please remember, if you want your **poinsettias** you brought for Christmas, please take them today. They are in the side room on the right in the front of the church. If they are not taken today, they will be removed. Thank you
- **Our Annual Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 7:00 pm** in the sanctuary. In preparation for the meeting, packets have been made available in the vestibule for your review. If additional copies are needed, please let Debra know.
- In preparation for the 2025 Annual Congregational Meeting, please see below the following **Board Members up for re-election:**

<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
Tom LaBarbera	Eugene Hyde
	Mark Scott
	Bill Staton
- **Please see the insert for instructions for absentee ballots if needed**

SERVING SCHEDULES

Sunday School & Worship Services- Nursery
1/12 **SS/Church:** Ashdon Elks, Anna Alvarez & Gray Elks
1/19 **SS/Church:** Trudy Garris, Sherry Stancill & Ty Woolard

Communion Table
Jan: A.J. Stancill & Tom LaBarbera
Feb: Greg Spain & Dan Black

Preparing Communion
Jan: Sheri/Helaina Black
Feb: Mary & Tom LaBarbera

Unlock & Secure the Building
January: Bill Staton
February: Greg Spain

Opening	Prayer Request	Communion Med
1/19 WL	1/19 Dan Black	1/19 Tom LaBarbera
1/26 A.J. Stancill	1/26 Robert Pinner	1/26 Brandon Jenkins

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Organist: Mary Coburn

Sound System: Dewayne Woolard, Mark Scott, David Tucker,
Eric Briley & Ian Garris

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For updates for the bulletin, contact Debra Staton at
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For announcement videos, please call/text Stephanie Mayo at
919-427-1434 or contact Dewayne Woolard.



UPCOMING AT MPCC

SUNDAY
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Choir Practice
5:00 PM Children's Services
5:30 PM Evening Service

MONDAY
7:00 PM Ladies Aid Meeting
(2nd Monday of each month)

TUESDAY
10:00 AM Bible Study
7:00 PM Board Meeting
(2nd Tuesday of each month)

WEDNESDAY
4:30 PM Youth Group
6:00 PM Kid's Group
6:00 PM Worship Leader Practice
7:00 PM Bible Study

**Today - January 12th –
Youth Committee
Meeting 4 pm in the
Youth Hall**

**Men's Bible & Breakfast
– Saturday, January 18th,
8:00 am in the Fellowship
Hall**

**January 22nd – Annual
Congregational Meeting
@ 7 pm in Sanctuary**

ORDER OF SERVICE

SERMON

WELCOME TO OUR CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

"This Is My Song" WL

WELCOME PRAISE & WORSHIP

"Honey In The Rock" Screen
"Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus" Screen

Communion Meditation Jorge Bocanegra

Communion Music "No Other Fount" Screen

Communion

(if you wish to partake of the Lord's Supper, please hold emblems & take in unison)

Please place your offering in plates as you exit after the service

Prayer Requests Greg Spain

Musical Offering

"The Table" Worship Leaders

Morning Message John Ormond

"Make Your Choice Wisely" 1 Corinthians 10:3-5

Hymn of Decision "The Jesus Way" Screen

*Closing Prayer

*Closing Hymn

"My Feet Are On The Rock" (ch) Screen

Depart to Serve

* Please Stand

Sermon: Make Your Choice Wisely

Text: I Corinthians 10:3 - 5

Thesis: We Need To Dismantle Strongholds.

I. Strongholds Can Destroy Marriages.

- A. Marriages aren't meant to be like war.
B. Let God be the guardian of your marriage.

II. Strongholds Can Devastate Our Children.

- A. Paul addresses our thoughts here in this passage.
B. Our children are one of our greatest accomplishments.

III. Strongholds Can Lay Waste To Our Personal Lives.

- A. Our world is full of false reasoning or logic.
B. Another stronghold is anything which competes for God's place.

Conclusion: Sitting here today many of us may have fought some of the mentioned strongholds which Paul mentions here. Others of us may be in the middle of our war. And yet others, haven't seen them for what they are. But know this, Paul gives us the beginning of the cure. At the end of our passage and verse 5 he writes, "take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ." If we do this then Satan cannot make a stronghold in your life. Let's make this a priority in our lives.

Sermon Notes +

Date:
Speaker:
Message Title:
Passage:

Notes:

Main Points:

- 1.
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Verses Used:

PRAYER CONCERNS 1/12/25

- 1 Staci & Kendall Hardee – lost baby boy @ 21 wks pregnant
- 2 Mike Beach – cataract surgery 1/27
- 3 Russell Tyson – pneumonia
- 4 Ricky Woolard-surgery-remove basilar artery blockage
- 5 Tracy Skinner – surgery
- 6 Donna Gilmore – recovering from hip replacement
- 7 Tom LaBarbera – positive for flu type A
- 8 Jordan Schile – home; low platelets
- 9 Dawn Smith – recovering from surgery
- 10 Jewell Whitehurst – rescheduled surgery for 1/17
- 11 Jody Harman – surgery
- 12 Greg Rhue – eye sight issues
- 13 Patti Columbe – in a study to cure her type 1 diabetes
- 14 Heather Folsom – undergoing treatments for breast cancer & just found out it has spread to her bones
- 15 Jim Swart – in rehab facility
- 16 Eli Cook – had heart surgery 1/09; doing well
- 17 Wanda Harrington – liver cancer
- 18 Ethan Stone – needs double hip replacement at UNC
- 19 Ernie Deal – surgery for cancer in the ear
- 20 Terry Reel – lung cancer
- 21 Clint Collins Durden – NB breathing issues/PT/still tests
- 22 Tommy Stuart – moved to long term rehab facility
- 23 Daniel Vincek – brain tumor; surgery on 2/02
- 24 Oliver Sweazy – eye surgery 1/09
- 25 Laura Jones – starting chemo infusions
- 26 Amy Moore – recovering from gall bladder surgery
- 27 Richard Quinn – lung cancer
- 28 Tina Scott – taking chemo
- 29 Mary LaBarbera – follow up appt 1/15 for eyes
- 30 Raymond McKinzey – dementia
- 31 Sue Ellen Mosley – cancer has returned
- 32 Mission Team to Nicaragua in Feb (Renee Spain)
- 33 Rita Mahaffey –ICU having trouble breathing
- 34 Gretchen Beasley – double mastectomy
- 35 Shelby Brown – palliative care

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Winter Jam 2025 is Friday, February 14th. (starting @ 5 pm) Tickets are \$42. The deadline to sign up and turn in at least a \$21 deposit (per attendee) is Jan. 19. You can sign up in the foyer or by QR code. See Stephanie or Dewayne for questions. For more information, see the flyer in the education wing/foyer or go to www.jamtour.com. (Time of departure TBA)



- **CCYC is 2/14-2/16.** We have seven students plus adults attending this year. Please be in prayer for this Worship Event, the 2,000+ Middle and high Schoolers from across four states who will attend, and the team that puts it all together.
- Some of our own kids in 4H are taking up donations for Community Crossroads Center – if you are interested in donating, please see Monica Briley **“Every night, up to 98 of our neighbors find safety, shelter & a warm meal at the Community Crossroads Center. They are in need of the following items:**
 - Toothpaste**
 - Lotion**
 - Coffee**
 - Creamer**
 - 30 gallon totes**
 - Hats**
 - Scarves**
 - Gloves**
 - Socks**

Absentee Ballot Completion (To be given to person requesting absentee ballot)

1. **Complete ballot. Ballot can be completed and returned immediately after receiving it or it can be returned at a later date prior to deadline to the designated person only. Only one ballot per set of envelopes. Place completed ballot inside the small envelope and seal it.....DO NOT WRITE ANYTHING ON THE SMALL ENVELOPE!**
2. **Place small envelope (sealed) inside the large envelope which is considered the outside envelope.**
3. **Seal outside envelope and write your name on it.**
4. **Return envelope to designated person at least 6 hours prior to the voting.**

Please note: Once the absentee ballot is returned to the designated person, the absentee ballot will be the only vote for the eligible member. No absentee ballot will be accepted after the designated deadline.