UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- > No Children's Church this morning. K-5th grades will go into the Sanctuary to worship with their families.
- Our Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 22, **2025 at 7:00 pm** in the sanctuary.
- In preparation for the 2025 Annual Congregational Meeting, please see below the following Board Members up for reelection:

Elders Tom LaBarbera

Deacons Eugene Hyde Mark Scott Bill Staton

- Please see the insert for instructions for absentee ballots if needed
- > ECU Basketball game, February 23rd (2 PM); group tickets are \$10. The deadline to sign up and purchase tickets is **February. 2nd.** Sign up in the foyer or use the *QR* code. (*QR* code attached)



SERVING SCHEDULES

Sunday School & Worship Services- Nursery

1/19 SS/Church: Trudy Garris, Sherry Stancill & Ty Woolard 1/26 SS/Church: Wendy Stancill, Allison Swart & Abby Gaskins

Preparing Communion Communion Table Jan: Sheri/Helaina Black Jan: A.J. Stancill & Tom LaBarbera Feb: Mary & Tom LaBarbera Feb: Greg Spain & Dan Black

Unlock & Secure the Building

January: Bill Staton February: Greg Spain

Opening **Prayer Request Communion Med** 1/26 A.J. Stancill 1/26 Robert Pinner 1/26 Brandon Jenkins 2/02 Tom LaBarbera 2/02 Eugene Hyde 2/02 Dan Black

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Music Director/Pianist: Jewell Whitehurst

Organist: Mary Coburn

Sound System: Dewayne Woolard, Mark Scott, David Tucker,

Eric Briley & Ian Garris

Cancer Care Ministry: mtpleasantcancercare@gmail.com

For updates for the bulletin, contact Debra Staton at statondp53@gmail.com or call/text 252-717-3297 (Please begin using my Gmail address)

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

Winter Jam 2025 deadline today – event date February 14th.

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

CCYC – February 14-16 Be in prayer for our young people

Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let it Snow (5)



ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME TO OUR CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

"I've Got Joy"

WL

WELCOME **PRAISE & WORSHIP**

"Battle Belongs"

Screen

"There Is Freedom"

Screen

Communion Meditation

Tom LaBarbera

Communion Music "What He's Done"

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

Dan Black

Musical Offering

"You've Already Won"

Worship Leaders

Morning Message

John Ormond

"Lize Is A Battlefield" | Corinthians 14:7-8

Hymn of Decision

"My Jesus"

Screen

*Closing Prayer

*Closing Hymn

"Ain't Nobody"

(ch)

Screen

Depart to Serve

* Please Stand

SERMON

Sermon: Life Is A Battlefield Text: I Corinthians 14:7 & 8 Thesis: May The Trumpet Sound Clearly.

I. No One Prepares For A Battle Which He Is Unaware.

- A. The prince of this world is having a hay day.
- B. Satan is called a roaring lion with just cause.

II. No One Wins A Battle Which He Doesn't Prepare.

A. Jesus sounded the alarm.

B. Peter called the church to be prepared for the battle.

III. Life Is Not A Playground; It's A Battlefield.

A. You cannot play with a lion and Satan is not your friend.

B. Somethings are never to be played with.

Conclusion: Now is the time to make all preparations. I think the words of Peter say it better than I can. He wrote, "Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." (I Peter 1:13 – 16) I urge you to prepare and begin preparing as many others as possible.

Sermon Notes

Pate: Speaker: Message Tille: Passage:	Notes:
Main Points: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	
Verses Used:	

PRAYER CONCERNS 1/19/25

- 1 Lois Hurley blood vessel burst in eye
- 2 Lavern Mills skin cancer
- 3 Stacy Latham lung cancer
- 4 Vickie Barnett blood clot which needs surgery to remove
- 5 Rachel Collier allergic reaction from c-section
- 6 Donnie Letchworth MRI revealed no brain tumor; awaiting scans on kidney
- 7 Les Owens lung cancer
- 8 Jackie Liebrandt stage three colon cancer
- 9 Staci & Kendall Hardee lost baby boy @ 21 wks pregnant
- 10 Mike Beach cataract surgery 1/27
- 11 Russell Tyson pneumonia
- 12 Ricky Woolard-surgery-remove basilar artery blockage
- 13 Tracy Skinner surgery
- 14 Tom & Mary LaBarbera recovering from the flu
- 15 Jordan Schile home; low platelets
- 16 Dawn Smith recovering from surgery
- 17 Jewell Whitehurst rescheduled surgery tbd
- 18 Jody Harman surgery
- 19 Greg Rhue eye sight issues
- 20 Patti Columbe in a study to cure her type 1 diabetes
- 21 Heather Folsom undergoing treatments for breast cancer & just found out it has spread to her bones
- 22 Jim Swart back in the hospital
- 23 Eli Cook had heart surgery 1/09; doing well
- 24 Wanda Harrington liver cancer
- 25 Ethan Stone needs double hip replacement at UNC
- 26 Ernie Deal surgery for cancer in the ear
- 27 Terry Reel lung cancer
- 28 Clint Collins Durden NB breathing issues/PT/still tests
- 29 Tommy Stuart moved to long term rehab facility
- 30 Daniel Vincek brain tumor; surgery on 2/02
- 31 Oliver Sweazy eye surgery 1/09
- 32 Laura Jones home recuperating
- 33 Amy Moore recovering from gall bladder surgery

PRAYER CONCERNS continued 1/19/25

- 36 Richard Quinn lung cancer
- 37 Tina Scott improving; to see urologist 1/15
- 38 Mary LaBarbera follow up appt 1/15 for eyes
- 39 Sue Ellen Mosley cancer has returned
- 40 Mission Team to Nicaragua in Feb (Renee Spain)
- 41 Rita Mahaffey ICU having trouble breathing
- 42 Shelby Brown palliative care
- 43 Doug Weber cancer; had stroke; undergoing inpatient rehab
- 44 Darline Cole experiencing early dementia
- 45 Leslie Jordan awaiting results from MRI

LOVE & SUPPORT			
l	Jayne Mayhew	Carrie Elmore	Myrna Rogerson
I	Guy Smith	Andy McKinney	Dawn Johnson
I	Sarah Glasgow	Glynn Bright	Savanna Grace Bailey
I	Tina Nobles	Neal Carson	Owen Robinson
I	Caleb Kittrell	Peggy Hoyst	Mike Hoyst
I	Terry Peaden	Riley Koontz	Bob Barbour
	Michael Hyde	Raymond McKinzey	

On-Going Prayers For

Our Church Leaders O
Our Music Ministry

Our Church Family Our Country Our Youth Ministry Our Military Forces

If there are any updates for the existing prayer concerns, please let us know so we can make sure we have the most accurate updates on each person listed. You can email or text Debra Staton - statondp53@gmail.com or 252-717-3297 - with any updates or additions to our prayer concerns. Thank you!

"Tell Everyone about God's power. His majesty shines

down...his strength is mighty in the heavens."

Psalm 68:34 NLT

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 today - 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.jamtourcom. (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 Hats
Lotion Scarves
Coffee Gloves
Creamer Socks
30 gallon totes

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.