

TUSCULUM CHURCH OF CHRIST



KNOWING CHRIST
GROWING TOGETHER
SERVING OTHERS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Questions God Asks ?



Heavens Road

Walking In Sunlight

Welcome & Come to Worship *Earl Santymire*

Genesis 3:8-11

Gary Shaffer

A Beautiful Life

Christ Our Glory

Psalm 34

Ancient Words

Prayer

Jonathan Terry

Oft We Come Together

Communion

Mike Dotson

KID'S PRAISE DISMISSAL

Shout to the Lord

As the Deer Thirst

Sermon

Harvey Hearn

Living by Faith

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me





THIS WEEK'S ARTICLE



Greetings and Gratitude

In 2013, in Venezuela, I experienced one of the most painful moments of my life. A difficult event left me devastated and depressed, with no desire for anything. My heart was filled with sadness, and I didn't know how to go on. Although I knew God existed and came from a Catholic background, that experience led me to seek Him differently.

During that difficult time, my neighbor Carmen and her daughter began talking to me about God and invited me to the church they attended. There, I began to feel a little peace in my soul and draw closer to Christ. I started to find comfort and strength to keep going.

When I think of Romans 16, I reflect on how the apostle Paul lovingly acknowledged the people who were important in his life. I, too, want to thank those God has placed in my life. Like the names in Romans 16, these are people you will never meet, but names matter.

I thank my coworkers Marilyn, Darling, Brook, Yajaira, and Ginnet, who helped me participate in a spiritual retreat. Dr. Betzaida, for whom I worked as an assistant in the nursing department, was present during that time in my life and is a part of my memories.

I also thank my children and siblings, who hold a very special place in my heart. They are immensely important in my life, and I keep them in my thoughts and prayers.

Over time, my faith grew. I learned to love Christ more, to trust in Him, and to seek His presence in difficult times. My journey has not been easy, but faith has helped me find hope and strength.

Although many years have passed, I always carry these people in my heart. I will never forget their support, their love, or the way they helped me when I needed it most. I thank God for their lives and ask Him to bless them always.

My story has pain, but also faith, hope, and gratitude.

Perhaps your story reflects part of my story, with different names but the same level of gratitude.

With love,
Arelis Madera, your sister in Christ from
Venezuela



Know the Sheep, Know the Shepherds

Jesus, the good shepherd, said, "I know my sheep, and they know me" (John 10:14b). His words have inspired an initiative we're calling *Know the Sheep, Know the Shepherds*.

As elders, we are committed to sitting down with every family at Tusculum for a friendly conversation in order to improve our communications with one another and to share our spiritual journeys.

We want to hear how you're doing, learn more about your family, and understand how we can serve you well. We also want you to know your shepherds and feel comfortable reaching out whenever you need someone to talk to, whether you have good news to share or are going through a difficult time.

We're inviting about 30 families at a time and hope to meet with each group over a two-month period of time. Earl Santymire will email you an invitation and instructions on how to sign up for a meeting. If you have already received an invitation and not signed up for an interview, you can still sign up.

UPCOMING EVENTS



FALL FESTIVAL

Join us for a fun evening of Trunk or Treat, food, games, activities, and fellowship for the whole family on Saturday, October 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. We need your help to make this happen. Scan the QR code to sign up to volunteer. RSVP through the app.



LATIN FOOD FESTIVAL

Date: Sunday, October 25

Time: 11:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Location: Great Hall

Come enjoy great food and fellowship!



SING FOR JOY

Crieve Hall Church of Christ will be hosting their Annual BIG Singing on Friday, October 23. Food and fellowship start at 6 p.m., with singing at 7 p.m.



LADIES' DAY

Join us on November 7th for a Ladies' Day. Our guest speaker is Laura Jenkins from the Thought Garden. Thought Garden is a Christ-centered mindfulness resource designed to help us identify difficult thoughts and replace them with God's truths. Lunch will be provided. We will have a 'Mindfulness Through Art' activity following lunch.

The cost is \$20 per person. Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 4.
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BREAKFAST BUDDIES

is **TOMORROW**, October 19, at 9:30 a.m. at Wendy's on Nolensville Road, between Concord and Burkitt. Please join us and bring a friend!

Also, note your calendars for **EVERY THIRD MONDAY** so you won't miss a single one!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- We want to wish a big "Happy Birthday" to Gwen Watson, who will celebrate her 96th birthday on Monday, October 26, and to Ruby Darks, who will celebrate her 93rd birthday on Wednesday, October 28.

TUSCULUM YOUTH MINISTRY

Sundays

We are studying a book, *Practicing the Way* by John Mark Comer! Join us! Reading plans and family devotionals will be sent out weekly.

Wednesday

Join us for a lesson and fellowship.

Fall Retreat

Youth Retreat – November 13–15 at Camp Sycamore Creek. Come for a weekend of worship, games, and growing in your faith. Cost will be \$75 students / \$35 for adults – including lodging, meals, T-shirts, and activities. Visitors are FREE, scholarships are available. Bring a friend! It won't cost them a thing!!!

Worship Night

Worship Night with Madison Church of Christ youth group will be November 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. Bring \$5 for food.

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KIDS PRAISE

Following communion, children ages 3–Kindergarten are invited to join us in the children's wing for Kids Praise.

Children's bulletins and color sheets are available in the racks on the left side of the Great Hall.

NURSERY WORKERS

October 11 -
Jamie Frankum and
Melanie Garrett

October 18 -
Debbie Neely and
Molly Marshall

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION

October 11, 2026

Attendance (includes online and Spanish)	236
Total Contribution	\$59,295
Regular Contribution	\$9,925
Weekly Budget	\$16,000
Average YTD Contribution	\$14,893

ELDERS

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Sam Peebles	615-969-8253
Greg Petree	615-891-9443
Earl Santymire	615-319-6988
Richard Thompson	615-916-0838

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Doris Chandler** on the death of her sister-in-law, Carolyn Isaacs, in South Carolina, and to **Bonnie Cole** on the death of her brother, Kenneth Moore.

We extend our sympathy to the family of our sister, **Betty Duke**. Betty passed away Monday night. Funeral services were held Friday,

We extend our sympathy to **James and Mary Jo Butts** on the passing of James' brother, **James Norman Jenkins**. Arrangements were not available at the time of printing the bulletin.



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