5:00 P.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Harold Valentine
Welcome – Howard Norton
Song – In Heavenly Love Abiding
Song – Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart
Prayer – Brett Watson
Scripture Reading – Psalm 1– David Cole
Song – There Is a Sea
"The Dead Sea" – Dale Manor
Song – There's a Fountain Free
Lord's Supper in Room 100
Song – Day is Dying in the West
Closing Prayer – Milo Hadwin

FINANCES 7/4/2021

Budget for 7/4/2021.....$45,352.00
Giving for 7/4/2021.....$40,058.40
Budget through Week 43.....$1,966,274.00
Giving through Week 43.....$1,968,579.17

ATTENDANCE 7/4/2021

9:00 a.m. Worship — 825
Bible Classes — 597 / Children's Worship — 36
5:00 p.m. Worship — 228 / 7:15 p.m. Worship — dismissed
Livestream Worshippers — 95

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July 11, 2021

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Intentionally connected to God, His Word, His world, and to each other.

Intentionally Connected to God

In the late 19th century, Mark Twain was fascinated by the new phenomenon of using a person's unique fingerprints to identify that person. He even featured it in one of his novels. In a violent world, fingerprints offered the hope of incontrovertible solutions to crime and therefore more dependable justice.

Behind Twain's enthusiasm for this forensic tool was the larger need of all seekers to feel connected to something absolute, unmovable, and unchanging. Sadly, they often overlook or reject God as a possibility.

We might even say they fail to see His fingerprints all over our natural and spiritual existence.

As our mission statement suggests, we should feel connected to God. After all, He created us (breathed into us the breath of life), sustains us physically and spiritually (provides our daily bread and His in-dwelling Spirit), loves us (enough that He gave His Son to die on the cross for humankind), and redeems us (offering hope of eternal life).

In the next four weeks, Noel's sermons will reflect upon this connection. Beginning on July 18, Noel will first explore how God connects to His children through a providence that works behind the scenes to bless them.

The second sermon on July 25 will deal with how God often does the unexpected, working in "mysterious ways"—His ways, not ours—to show His loving care.

On August 1, the sermon will center on how God gives us what we need, not necessarily what we want.

The final sermon, August 8, will address how worship of a God worthy of praise shapes our hearts and destinies.

Each week during the series the "front page" bulletin article will tell a story detailing how God has worked "for the good of those who love Him" in one of our College Church ministries. We hope these "Tales of Providence" will both inform and encourage us about God's presence in our lives.

Twain's enthusiasm for forensic evidence focused on its power to detect the criminal. It's too bad he remained blind to evidence of the Creator: "[W]hat may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain . . . . For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen . . ." (Rom. 1:19-20).

Let's be intentionally connected to that God.

Larry Long

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE 2021

It is time to begin planning our school supply distribution for the 2021-22 school year. Please mark Wednesday, August 4, 5:00-7:30 p.m. on your calendars and be at the church building to welcome and interact with our guests, unless unforeseen circumstances dictate we do otherwise.

This year we have a vendor who will put the supplies together in pre-sorted packages, so we will be collecting only monetary donations to cover the cost of the backpacks and supply packs. We will take check and cash donations marked "School Supply Drive." If you want to give online, please choose "Children's Outreach" under the fund tab and then complete your donation.

Finally, pray that our efforts may plant seeds of the Gospel in the hearts of our guests, that their hearts will be receptive, and that God will provide the increase to His kingdom.

If you have questions, you may contact the church office or **Doug Langston** at 501-230-3164.



HOPE COTTAGE

The women's ministry is helping collect items for Hope Cottage. Please consider donating one or more of these items: women's undergarments & ankle socks (all sizes), hair styling products, children's toothbrushes, baby shampoo and lotion, toilet tissue and paper towels. A collection box is located in the Welcome Center. All items must be new and in unopened packaging .

SERVICE TIMES

Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. | Worship

10:15 a.m. | Bible Class

5:00 p.m. | Worship

HIS HOUSE NEEDS

His House is currently in need of towels and sauce pans.



9:00 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Steven Yeakley

Welcome – Glen Metheny

Scripture – Romans 8:35-39 – Chris Reynolds

Song Medley – The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Firm Foundation

Faithful Love

Song – Anywhere with Jesus

Song Medley – Just For Today

I Need thee Every Hour

Prayer – Tim Hacker

Song – Had It Not Been the Lord

Communion & Offering – Brett Watson

Song – How Great Is Our God

Children's Worship Dismissed

"Reflections on the Pandemic"– Dan Newsom

Song – There's Power in the Blood

Shepherd's Prayer – Kenneth Mills

SPARROW'S PROMISE CARNIVAL

Sparrow's Promise will close out their summer children's program with a carnival on Sunday, July 25, 4:30-7:30 p.m., in the parking lot next to their building. Anyone who is currently fostering, seeking to know more about fostering, wanting to know more about Sparrow's Promise, or wanting to help the fostering community is invited to this event.

You will enjoy games, colorful carnival booths, and a wonderful dinner at this family-friendly event—as you share conversations about fostering and learn more about the mission of Sparrow's Promise. Please click below for more information.

Summer Carnival!



CARPENTER'S KIDS

Carpenter's Kids preschool is currently accepting students for the 2021-22 school year on a first-come, first-serve basis. Carpenter's Kids has classes for two-year-old through pre-k age and meets T/TH from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Please visit **collegechurchofchrist.org/registration** for a printable form. Drop off the completed form and registration fee at the church office, or mail them to College Church Office, 712 E. Race, Searcy, 72143.

FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood Nursing & Rehab: **Ellen Brown** 104.
Hickory Heights: LR: **Larry Heusel.**
Oakdale: **Rick Boutell** 117.
Providence: **Laura Smith** 308.
The House of Three: LR: **Bill Diles**.
The Crossing at Riverside: **Mable Carpenter** 309; **Louise Ganus**; **Eloise Muncy** 115B; **Joe Hurd's** mother, Patsy Hurd 216A; **Sharon Manor's** mother, Opal Reynolds 114.

NEW MEMBERS

Alan & Carol Isom: Alan & Carol have lived in Searcy for many years. Alan taught in the Bible department at Harding for 32 years and preached at area churches during that time. Carol taught first grade at Harding Academy for 18 years. Alan & Carol have four children, including member **Jeanne Burks**. If given a chance, they will tell you all about their nine grandchildren! Working in the yard is a passion for both of them. If you happen to drive by their house at 101 River Oaks Blvd, you might see them sitting in lawn chairs, admiring the roses they planted. What they love the most, though, is traveling to see their kids and grandchildren.

SUMMER WEDNESDAY NIGHTS | JULY

July 14: Summer Wednesday Nights | Engage Groups
July 21: Summer Wednesday Nights | Engage Groups
July 28: Summer Wednesday Nights | All-Church "Night at the Movies"

For more information about Summer Wednesday Nights, please click below or contact **Nick McNabb.**

Summer Wednesday Nights!



PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayer: Carolyn Kenney; Mike James.

Sympathy: We are saddened at the sudden passing of April Frazier, wife of Bryan Frazier and sister-in-law of **Al Frazier**. Visitation will be Saturday, July 10, 10:00 a.m., at Powell Funeral Home, with a memorial service following at 11:00 a.m.

We express our sympathy to **Katherine Dillion** at the passing of her ex-husband, Roger Dillion, who died on Tuesday, July 6. He is the father of Jacqueline, Grant, and David Dillion, all of whom have many friends at College Church. Visitation will be at West Side Church of Christ, 1:00 p.m., Thursday, July 15. Funeral service immediately following at West Side, 2:00 p.m.

Jim Winner, who has attended College church the last few years, passed away Thursday, July 8. Arrangements are pending at this time.

GREAT COMMISSION SUNDAY

GCS 2021 is upon us and officially launched Thursday, July 1, with applications due by August 1. Our special offering will take place on Sunday, October 17.

Your GCS committee would like to make a special plea for help in securing a larger number of domestic applicants. We need you to spread the word and encourage those who dream of serving or who have recently begun serving, especially in the domestic mission field.

Applications are available in the Welcome Center and **online**.

BRIDAL SHOWER



Please join us for a bridal shower honoring Avery Smith, bride-elect of J Paul Fullerton, Sunday, July 25, 2:00-3:30 p.m., at the home of **Jeanne Burks**, 913 Golf View Drive. J Paul is the son of Shane & Jama Fullerton and the grandson of **Russ & Paulette Fullerton**. Selections: registries available online at **theknot.com/us/averyandjpaul** Gifts early, please.

GIBONEY BABY SHOWER/GOING AWAY PARTY

The Giboney family will be honored in a combination going-away party/baby-shower on Sunday, July 11, after evening services in Room 121. All members are invited to get to know **Eric & Rachel** and their two sons, Edwyn and Wallie, before they leave us. They are expecting a third son the last week of July, and they expect to move in August or September. Support and prayers would be appreciated for them during this time. A money tree will be available.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The women's ministry is expanding their mentoring program. We will now be offering both group and one-on-one mentoring programs. One-on-One Connection will continue to be developed by **Jan Milner**. Heartfelt Groups will be led by **Liz Howell**. Be on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks!



THANK YOU

I am so thankful to all of you who have expressed concern in many different ways regarding my recent health issues. It warms my heart to know our family of believers are seeking ways to help fellow members feel better, whether it be physically, psychologically or in any way. Please continue to pray for me.

Carolyn Kenney

YOUTH MINISTER POSITION UPDATE

After reviewing the youth program, the Family Ministry elders have determined that the needs of our youth and families would best be served with the following staff structure. Each of the following positions would be a full-time appointment.

1. A youth minister who would oversee the full youth and family program (grades 7-12) while having the specific responsibility of planning and directing activities and functions for all youth, grades 10-12.

2. An assistant youth minister (male) who would be under the direct supervision of the youth minister and whose primary responsibility would be for planning and directing activities and functions for all youth, grades 7-9.

3. An assistant youth minister (female) who would be under the direct supervision of the youth minister and whose primary responsibility would be for planning and directing activities and functions for female youth, grades 7-12.

The Family Ministry elders would welcome names from the congregation of anyone who might be interested in these positions. You may contact **Jim Gurchiek**, chairman of the elders, or **Nick McNabb** via email at nick.collegechurch@gmail.com.

Check out our webpage **Youth Ministry Search** for more information.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

All are invited to the celebration of **Eldon & Lanell England's** 50th wedding anniversary. It will take place on Saturday, July 17, 3:00 p.m., at Cone Chapel on Harding campus. No gifts please! Cards welcome.