5:00 P.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Clay Pennington
Welcome – Harry Riggs
Song – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah
Song – Just As I Am-I Come Broken
Prayer – Steve Baber
Song – There Is Power in the Blood
Song – We're Marching to Zion
"Things to Always Remember" – Noel Whitlock
Song – Listen to Our Hearts
Lord's Supper in Room 100
Song – God's Family
Closing Prayer – Danny Crow

FINANCES 8/22/2021

Budget for 8/22/2021…..,$45,352.00
Giving for 8/22/2021…..$37,987.23
Budget through Week 50…..$2,386,738.00
Giving through Week 50…..$2,414,851.77

ATTENDANCE 8/22/2021

8:45 a.m. Worship — 607 | 11:00 a.m. Worship — 235
Bible Classes — 573 | Children's Worship — 30
5:00 p.m. Worship — 209
Livestream Worshippers — 163

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August 29, 2021

COLLEGE CHURCH of CHRIST

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

Taking Christ Into the Classroom

"I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me" (Gal. 2:20).

"The Church exists for nothing else but to draw men into Christ, to make them little Christs…"
C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

With the end of August and the return of students of all ages to school, cries of anguish fill the sultry air—from teachers, as they scramble to turn all those dry-as-dust educational objectives, ever-changing guidelines, and always out-of-date syllabi into a meaningful learning experience for their students.

Recurring nightmares about bureaucracy aside, teachers do begin each school year with a heavy responsibility. They are entrusted almost daily with the present and future well-being of other people's children.

It is sobering but not at all depressing. Maybe this remark by a fictional teacher at an all-male school describes the feelings of those charged with educating our children: "It is a teacher's burden always to hope that with learning, a boy's character might be changed. And so, the destiny of a man."

For Christians who teach, that burden and hope must involve Jesus Christ.

The quotations above speak of the centrality of Christ for individual Christians and the mission of the church. Both passages suggest that no other goal for humans is as important as letting Christ live in us.

Regardless of the school setting, age-level or subject matter, Christian teachers carry the sum-total of their identity as followers of Jesus into their interaction with students. Though they honor the beliefs and rights of their students and obey all school regulations, they are still witnesses for their Lord and Savior.

We have asked three Christian teachers from our congregation, each at a different level—kindergarten, junior high, and college—to talk about what they do to take Christ into the classroom. Specifically, we wanted them to focus on one Christ-like attribute they try to instill in their students, and how they go about it.

This series begins September 12 and features **Leah Barber, Trey Reely**, and **Kim Laing**.

God told the captive Israelites through Jeremiah that He had "plans to give [them] hope and a future" (Jer. 29:11). He reiterates those plans in the person of Jesus, who, alive in Christian teachers, can change the character of so many children and thus the destinies of so many adults.

John Williams

NOEL'S NOTES

Another school year is well underway, and it was wonderful to have our university students back in our assemblies again! We wish every student, teacher, and school administrator God's richest blessings throughout this academic year. They all continue to face many difficult challenges and demands amidst Covid. Please keep everyone involved in our school systems in your daily prayers.

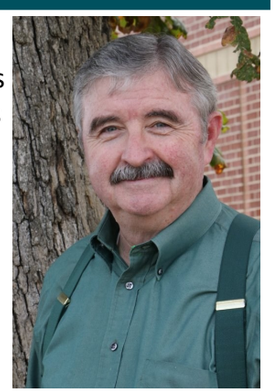
I hope you will join me this afternoon for **Rick Watson's** retirement reception in the Family Room at 3:00 p.m. Rick & **Susan** came to College Church 23 years ago, and ever since he has faithfully served as our Prison Minister. I have personally grown to love and appreciate Rick for his devotion to God's Word and commitment to spreading the gospel throughout the Arkansas penal system. Rick & Susan are moving to Glasgow, KY. Come by the reception to give them your love.

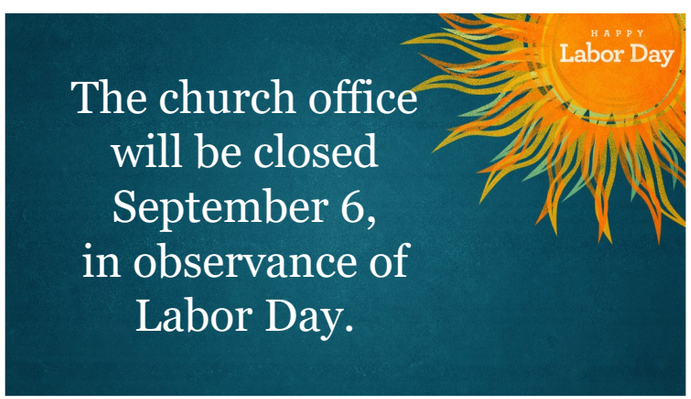
Lord willing, next Sunday morning I will begin a new sermon series entitled, "The Devil's Favorite Lies." I hope you can join us online or in person for each lesson.

- Sept 5 "Heaven & Hell Aren't Real"
- Sept 12 "You Can't Trust the Bible"
- Sept 19 "I Just Want You to be Happy"
- Sept 26 "My Way is the Best Way"
- Oct 3 "There is No Good News"

PRISON MINISTER RICK WATSON

The Prison Missions Committee would like to invite everyone to a going-away reception honoring our retiring Prison Minister **Rick Watson** and his wife **Susan** on Sunday, August 29, 3:00 p.m., in the Family Room. Rick has been a minister with College Church for 23 years. We will have a money tree for those who wish to help with their upcoming moving expenses.





8:45 | 11:00 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Glen Metheny
Song – Here In This Place
Welcome – Nick McNabb
Special Announcement – Bob Reely
Song Medley:
To God Be the Glory
We Will Glorify
There Is a Redeemer
Prayer – Brian Maddox | Warren Casey
Scripture –Matthew 16:24-27– Mike Ellis|Caden Burks
Song – Worthy Is the Lamb
Communion & Offering – Roy Barnes
Song – Magnificat
Children's Worship Dismissed
"Habitat for Divinity" – Noel Whitlock
Song – Holy Spirit, Dwell in Me
Shepherd's Prayer – Kenneth Mills | Byron Howell

ONE-ON-ONE CONNECTION



All ladies are welcome to register for our One-on-One Connection ministry. The intention of this ministry is to develop a personal relationship between two ladies. Our godly, mature Christian women mentor our younger ladies by calling, texting, emailing or, if comfortable doing so during these Covid times, having socially distanced time together. Registration is now open at **collegechurchofchrist.org/oneononeconnection**. Deadline to register is September 12.

CREATIVE CONNECTIONS | DATE CHANGE

A Creative Connections event is coming your way Sunday, September 19, 2:00 p.m., in the Family Room. **Kay Gowen** will instruct, encourage and inspire any of you who would benefit from being more equipped to worship God in song. No supplies or fees are needed. If you don't need help, please consider joining us to lend support to others as we "sing and make melody in our hearts to the Lord."



HEARTFELT MINISTRIES

Heartfelt is a unique women's ministry. Its mission is to build and deepen the friendships of women of God and their relationship with Jesus. We give encouragement, guidance and support in small groups who meet in one another's homes. Mentored by older women, Heart Moms and Sisters follow the principles of Titus 2:3-5. This is a great blessing for older and younger women. Sign-up to be a Heart Mom or Sister online or pick up a flyer in the Welcome Center.

Click here to sign up online.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

The following options are available for your mid-week Bible study and fellowship.

- Early Bird Class for Anyone: College Church Building, Room 100 - 4:00 p.m.
- Bible Class on Campus for Anyone: HU Campus, Mabee 101 - 5:30 p.m.
- Classes for children: Cradle Roll - 6th grade: College Church Building - 7:00 p.m.
- Classes for Jr. High Students: College Church Building - 7:00 p.m.
- Sr. High Students: Class at the Building (August 18-September 1) - 7:00 p.m.
- Huddle Groups for Sr. High Students: Leaders' Homes, Starting September 8 - 7:00 p.m.
- The Gospel of John taught by **Paul Pollard**: College Church Building, Room 232 - 7:00 p.m.
- Convicted: A Christian's Response to a Cultural Shift: College Church Building, Family Room & other classrooms - 7:00 p.m.
- Home Bible Studies for University Students: Leaders' Homes



PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayer: Bob Evans had surgery on his leg Friday, August 20. He is home now and welcomes visitors. Please call first; **Dana Hanna** is in UAMS-Little Rock.

Services Scheduled: James Hearn, husband of 65 years to **Johnice Hearn**, father of **Jeff Hearn** and **Scott Hearn**, grandfather of **Jonathan** and **Andrew Hearn** and great-grandfather of **Nathan Hearn,** passed away Monday, August 16. There will be a visitation Saturday, September 11, 2:00 p.m., in the College Church auditorium. A memorial service will follow the visitation.

Sympathy: Tim Westbrook's uncle, Leo Westbrook of The Woodlands, TX, passed away Monday, August 23. There will be no formal memorial service.

CONVICTED: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

This Wednesday, College Church member **Todd Patten** will speak about dealing with anxiety in our lives. Todd is chair of the Department of Mental Health & Wellness and professor of education at Harding University.

For more information, including a full schedule for this series, please visit the website below:
https://www.collegechurchofchrist.org/convicted



JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH | WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIES

Each Wednesday night beginning September 8, our Jr. High ministry will break down into small groups led by ministry volunteers. These small groups will take place in the College Church building beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Our 10th – 12th grade students will gather in homes to worship, share in God's word, and fellowship with one another. They have the opportunity to learn godly characteristics enabling them to develop a deeper commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sophomores:	**Alan & Rachel Hewett** 204 Red Oak Lane
Juniors:	**Ty & Sheena Swindle** 178 Triple M Road
Seniors:	**Jeff & Christy Morgan** 709 Pin Oak Drive



BABY BOY SHOWER

You are invited to a gift-drop shower celebrating **Elizabeth Thomason**, daughter of **Arthur & Sheri Shearin**, from now until Sunday, September 5. Due to Covid, there will not be a traditional shower. Help us honor this precious baby boy by dropping off your gifts on the table set up in the Family Room. The family is registered at Amazon and Target.



AREA WEDDING SHOWER

You are invited to a wedding shower celebrating Sarah Phillips, bride-elect of Ross Eichhorn, son of Downtown church members Rick & Dezra Eichhorn, on Sunday, September 12, 2:00-4:00 p.m., at the home of Jeanette Eichhorn, 186 Deer Trail. The couple is registered at Bed Bath & Beyond, Dillard's, Target, Amazon and the-knot.com. Gifts early, please.



FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood Nursing & Rehab: **Ellen Brown** 104.
Hickory Heights: LR: **Larry Heusel.**
Oakdale: **Rick Boutell** 117.
The House of Three: LR: **Bill Diles**.
The Crossing at Riverside: **Mable Carpenter** 309; **Louise Ganus**; **Jean Minor** 213; **Eloise Muncy** 115B; **Joe Hurd's** mother, Patsy Hurd 208A; **Sharon Manor's** mother, Opal Reynolds 114.