

MARCH 8, 2026

9:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader
Todd Miller

To God Be the Glory

Behold Our God

How Deep the Father's Love

Scripture & Prayer
William Griffeth

Faithful Love

Worthy is the Lamb

Communion & Contribution
Jake Jenkins

Had It Not Been the Lord

There's Not a Friend
Children's Worship Dismissed

More Than Conquerors

**"Romans: Just-As-If-I'd-
Never-Sinned"**
Jordan Guy

Is It For Me?

Announcements
Darren Mathews

Shepherd's Prayer
Byron Howell

THE CONNECTION.

INTENTIONALLY CONNECTED TO GOD,
HIS WORD, HIS WORLD AND EACH OTHER.

FOUR YEARS LATER: GOD ABIDES

Molly and Annabelle Dawidow have worked for decades with the Sopot, Poland, congregation and Bible Institute. The College Church has a long affiliation with them, serving as hub for donations to their ministry, including vital funding to help Ukrainian refugees.

Four years ago we woke to news of the invasion of Ukraine, and our world turned upside down. As missionaries, we have felt the weight of these years not only in physical and logistical challenges but also in the reshaping of our hearts, faith, and calling.

In the early days of the war, uncertainty surrounded us, but we were reminded of a truth we had known yet now experienced viscerally: The Lord provides. He knows our needs before we ask. Time and again, brothers and sisters generously donated funds and supplies as needs arose. Never once did a lack of resources limit our help. The more we reached out, the more God provided, teaching us to rely on His provision without worrying about the means.

We also realized that loving your neighbor is not abstract. It means showing mercy to those the Lord places before you. Jesus' words—"Love your neighbor as yourself"—are practical and immediate. We cannot control global events. We can bring hope and comfort by turning our small sphere into a place where God's kingdom shines through merciful action here and now.

As we distributed aid, opened our church as a shelter, served meals to the displaced, and simply listened to those whose worlds had collapsed, we felt the responsibility of faithful stewardship, not always measured by visible success but by obedience in small, hard things. Even when exhaustion set in and effects seemed meager, the call remained: be faithful with what is in your hand, trusting God to give the increase. And indeed, He has multiplied opportunities, means, and blessings.

Perhaps the most poignant lesson involves comforting those who grieve, for grief lingers long after immediate physical needs are met. Early months focused on survival, but with time, deeper wounds emerged: women mourning lost or endangered sons and husbands, children traumatized by explosions, families separated indefinitely. Logistics can be addressed with resources, but wounded hearts require gentle, persistent ministry and the hope of the Gospel.

These four years have brought moments of doubt, weariness, frustration, and sorrow, yet they have also provided immense encouragement and action. Bolstered by your prayers and support, the church here has shone as a beacon of light in darkness, showing what it means to be Christ's hands and feet amid suffering.

Thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement, and partnership. May the God-of-all-comfort strengthen us until the day He wipes away every tear.

Molly and Annabelle Dawidow



SHEPHERDING GROUPS

Charles Ganus and **John Stone's** Shepherding Groups will meet in Room 121 for a potluck THIS Sunday, March 8, following Bible class.

Darren Mathews and **Charles Underwood's** Shepherding Group will meet in Room 100 for a potluck on Sunday, March 15, following Bible class.

David Burks and **Jim Gowen's** Shepherding Group will meet in Room 121 for a potluck on Sunday, March 15, following Bible class.

Tom Alexander and **John Reese's** Shepherding Group will meet for lunch on Sunday, March 15, at the home of John & Beth Reese, 11 Harding Drive, following Bible class. All food provided.

DISCIPLESHIP PRACTICE

Jim Adams and **Alan Hardison** will be offering follow-up practice sessions for everyone who attended the Saturday Discipleship Seminar. These sessions will take place in Room 100 every Thursday in March, from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

THANK YOU

From **Retta Altmiller**

Thank you so much for sending the beautiful plant in memory of Brian. I will enjoy it. I also wish to express my thanks and appreciation to **Noel, Harry Riggs, Jim Gurchiek** and **Eddie Cloer** for coming to Pangburn to help with the service and honor Brian. I so appreciate the cards and calls I have received. I appreciate you all so very much.

PRAYERS & PRAISE

Janice Blankenship; Cleve Brooks, The Springs; **Gary Smith**, South Campus 420; Georgia Rice, sister of **Bob Allen**.

We rejoice at the good news of two new Christians!

Mason Lowe, son of **Brandon & Jennifer Lowe**, was baptized Wednesday, March 4, by his father. Address: 307 Carriage Drive.

Student member **Gracen White** was baptized Sunday, March 1, by **Grant Fitzhugh**. Address: HU Box 13472, 72149.

Bryan & Laura Burks wish to announce the birth of a granddaughter, Gentry Blair Burks, born Tuesday, March 3, to Carter & Kelsey Burks, and big brother Jack, of Germantown, TN. Gentry weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. Great-grandparents are **David Burks** and **Herman & Carol Hendon**.

SUPPORTING KINGDOM GROWTH

At College Church, our mission is to make disciples who make disciples. As God continues to grow our congregation, we want our facilities to support that mission for generations. The Supporting-Kingdom-Growth campaign helps remove barriers to disciple-making by expanding worship capacity, strengthening our College Ministry, and improving safety and accessibility. Rooted in our vision of Discipling 3,000, this effort prepares our church for future Kingdom impact.

Learn more about the campaign [here](#).

Please prayerfully consider if and how you might support this Kingdom effort financially.

FOREIGN MISSIONS MEETING

There will be a Foreign Missions meeting Sunday, March 15, at 1:30 p.m., in Room 233.

FAITHBUILDERS BIBLE CLASS

In March, **Milo Hadwin** will present a series of Sunday morning lessons in Room 100 for the Faithbuilders Class. Its title: "The Origin and Object of Our Faith."

FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood: **Ellen Brown** 104; Providence: **Harold Norwood** 316
Providence Memory Care: **Beverly Blickenstaff**; Maydean Jones, mother of **Rhonda Landis**

The Crossing: **Rick Boutell** 308; **Eloise Muncy** 103A

The House of Three: **Alice Bell**

The Springs: **Louise Jackson**

Ongoing Prayer Requests: **Fannie Amy; Laveda Perdue; Gary Smith;** Amy Qualls, daughter of **Cheryl Riggs**; David Mathews, grandson of **Darren & Kim Mathews**; Molly, great-granddaughter of **Cecil & Laura Tilley**; Jason Roberson, son of **Shauna Vodehnal**

ELDERS MEETING SUMMARY FEB 2026

This month the elders

- Prayed with
 - ◇ The **Giboney** family (Eric, Rachel, Edwyn, Enoch, and Wallie) during a Zoom session to their home in Asia
- Prayed for
 - ◇ Specific needs in the church family, including those dealing with grief and difficult health issues;
 - ◇ The spiritual strength of College Church members and our commitment to serving and loving others and leading them to Christ;
 - ◇ New member **Preston Tarkington** and for **Grant Fitzhugh** and his family, who announced to the elders their move this summer to Hawaii, where Grant will be serving as the preacher at the Pearl Harbor Church of Christ;
- Approved
 - ◇ Advancing with the recommendations for Phase I of the building project, including replacing the Rock House, updating the auditorium with chairs, paint, and carpeting, and reworking the stairwells and the front lobby/foyer of the building and adding restrooms;
 - ◇ The building committee to move forward with a feasibility study for an update in Room 100;
 - ◇ An announcement on February 22 to inform the entire congregation about the plans for the building project;
 - ◇ Donating the shower trailer to the Gulf Shores Church of Christ, where it can be used more effectively while still being available for our use if needed;
- Were updated on
 - ◇ Pledges for the building project, including \$1,449,600 from the elders and ministry staff and an overall total to date of \$1,809,600;
 - ◇ The search for a new part-time administrative assistant to replace Carisse Randolph, who will be leaving on March 31;
 - ◇ His House serving 1,082 individuals during January;
 - ◇ The College Ministry developing a class on preparation for life after college for the projected 60 May graduates;
 - ◇ Upcoming key dates, including June 14-17 for VBS, May 3 for Senior Sunday, and April 17-18 for a Strengthening-Families workshop;
- Commended
 - ◇ **Eddie Cloer, Tom Ritchie, Dan Newsom**, and many others for preparing the online worship service that was streamed during the ice storm;
 - ◇ **Nick McNabb** for handling so many tasks while dealing with his surgery and recovery;
 - ◇ **Jordan Guy** and the entire staff for their leadership of the highly successful third Ministry Fair;
 - ◇ **Theo Westbrook** for his diligent work on the launching of the refreshed College Church website and making the Audio Bible project available on the College Church app.

NEW CORE LESSON 7

"The Sin I Avoid" is now available: [Click here](#). Everything you need for one of your March adult Bible classes, small groups, family studies, and individual studies is included. We will be learning how to avoid sin (what is evil) and pursue holiness (what is good). For additional materials, consult the original Lesson 7 content on our website under "[CORE](#)."

NEW SONG

We will be singing the new song "The Jesus Way" on Sunday, March 15. [Click here](#) to listen to it ahead of time and learn it.

VAN DRIVERS

If you would like to volunteer to drive a van for the Monday night Caring & Sharing, please contact **Alan Hardison** at 605-892-5796.

BRIDAL SHOWERS

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Lydia Fleener**, bride-elect of Noah Traynham, THIS Sunday, March 8, 2:00-3:30 p.m., at the Lightle House, 605 Race Ave. Lydia is the daughter of **Lora Fleener**. They are registered at Amazon, theknot.com, and Walmart. Early gifts can be delivered to The Lightle House, **Cassie Goode** or **Sherry Pollard's** home.

You are invited to a wedding shower honoring student member **Isabella Harrington**, bride-elect of student member **Drew Mickey**, THIS Sunday, March 8, 1:00-2:30 p.m., at The Rock House. They are registered at theknot.com.

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Caroline Citty**, bride-elect of Dylan Western, on Sunday, March 15, 1:30-3:00 p.m., at the home of **Sheena Swindle**, 178 Triple M Road. Caroline is the daughter of **Kyle & Camie Citty** and the granddaughter of **Maralyn Citty**. They are registered at Doorframes, Amazon, and theknot.com.

You are invited to a wedding shower honoring Ella Wheeler, bride-elect of **Andrew Miller**, on Sunday March 15, 1:00-2:30 p.m., at the home of **Kem Thomas**, 9 Silver Oak Drive. Andrew is the son of **Todd & Marcie Miller**. They are registered at Doorframes and theknot.com.

AREA SHOWER

You are invited to a baby shower celebrating Makayela Davis, Sunday, March 15, 12:30-2:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall at Searcy Church of Christ. Makayela is the daughter of **Demario & Heather Rollins** and the great-granddaughter of **Bettye Finley**. She is registered at Amazon and Sassy Stitch. It's a boy!

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader
Will Fitzhugh

Welcome
Dan Newsom

I Will Call Upon The Lord
I Know That My Redeemer Lives
I Love My Savior, Too

Prayer
John Reese

As The Deer
We Bow Down
Light the Fire

"There is One Spirit" (Part 2)
Noel Whitlock

A New Creature
When We All Get to Heaven
Lord's Supper in Room 100

Closing Prayer
Tom Tuggle



HIS HOUSE

Donation Requests:

Size small men's underwear
Full/queen blankets
Pots in sizes 3-5 quarts
Toilet paper



COLLEGE
CHURCH of CHRIST

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Morning

8:15 AM | Chinese Church in Heritage Room 210
9:00 AM Worship
10:30 AM Bible Class

Sunday Evening

5:00 PM Worship

Tuesday

9:30 AM Ladies Class

Midweek

4:00 PM Early-Bird Bible Class in Room 100
5:00 PM Women's Intergenerational Study | 8 Franklin Circle
6:30 PM Women's Bible Class Room 234
6:30 PM "What Happened to the Church?" Paul Pollard | Room 236
6:30 PM Textual Bible Class in The Family Room
6:30 PM Singing & Prayer Class | Room 100
6:30 PM 23:6ers | Room 102
6:30 PM Study on Prayer | Eddie Cloer | Room 226
6:30 PM SH and JH Meeting
6:30 PM Study of David | Harry Riggs | Harding Place
7:15 PM Chinese Church in Heritage | Room 210

FINANCES FOR 3/1/26

Budget for 3/1/2026 - \$52,194.00
Giving for 3/1/2026 - \$60,383.62
Budget - Week 26 - \$1,391,847.02
Giving - Week 26 - \$1,396,472.70

ATTENDANCE 3/1/26

9:00 AM Worship - 966
Bible Class - 762
Children's Worship - 53
5:00 PM Worship - 236
Sunday Small Groups - 166

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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