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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Morning Worship
9:00 a.m.

Bible Classes
10:15 a.m.

Evening Worship
5:30 p.m.

1st & 3rd Monday

Monday Night For
The Master
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Ladies' Bible Class
10:00 a.m.
(Sept. - May)

Step It Up 3:15

Devotional
6:30 p.m.

Bible Classes
6:45 p.m.

2011 Theme
"Do all in the name
of the Lord"

How I See It. By: Brian Gregory

Last week the funeral for Marine Lance Cpl. Andrew Carpenter was held at the funeral home close to my house. That afternoon as I headed to pick up my children from school, I noticed several people lining the roadside holding flags. As I passed the funeral home the parking lot was filled beyond capacity with vehicles. I feared being caught in the traffic but was able to make it home in plenty of time. As soon as I arrived I grabbed the only flag we have and took my boys to the end of our neighborhood where we stood with many others proudly, silently waving our flags to pay respect and honor this young man who bravely gave his life defending our nation. This was by far the largest funeral procession I have ever seen with at least 150 vehicles involved. There was a full police escort and the procession was lead by several military veterans on their motorcycles with flags behind them. According to the local paper thousands turned out to line the streets along the 11 mile journey to his final resting place where he was honored with a 21-gun salute and his wife received an American flag.

Although I never knew this man, nor do I know any of his family, it was still very emotional to watch this scene. It was also difficult to explain to my children what happened to him and why. But I was thankful to involve them and be able to teach them a lesson on respect and patriotism. My heart swelled with pride to be able to pay respect to him and his family in a small way. It also made me proud to be an American and proud to be a part of this community with so many turning out to do the same thing.

It is so easy to take things in this life for granted. Hearing about the life of a 27 year old man with a family coming to an abrupt, unexpected end serves as a harsh reminder of the brevity and frailty of life. James fittingly compared our life to that of a vapor which quickly vanishes (Jm. 4:13-14). We always expect to have our health, our life, our possessions and even another day. The truth is nothing is guaranteed and it can all be easily taken away. With these thoughts in mind, let us always have the attitude of thanksgiving in our hearts and be mindful of our blessings each day.

March 13, 2011

A.M. "Who is the Lord" (Exodus 5:2) Brian Gregory, Speaker
P.M. "Suffered for you" (1 Peter 2:21-25) Brian Gregory, Speaker

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Recovering from surgeries/procedures: Retha Jett (knee replacement) NHC-Columbia 142-B; Larry Anderson; Richard Bell (back surgeries); Gail Baker (sister-in-law of Lorene Hickman); Donald White (knee replacement & skin cancer); Clyde Farris; Ned Pollard; Beverly Dawson; Willene & Herman Willis (sister and brother-in-law of Charlie and Cecelia); Bill Harris (Melissa Jones' dad) home; Sue Ayers (Linda Lasater's mom) Home

Various illnesses/health/personal problems:

Martha Wilson; Brenda Miller (vertigo); Midge Edge (Gregory's friend) (cancer) 109 Locust St. Hardinsburg, KY 40143; Johnnie Harvey (hospice); Charlotte Attkisson; Lucille Massey (June Wood's mother) NHC-Columbia Rm. 142-A; Alfred Pagel - Life Care -119; Buddy Hardison (Brother-in-law of Bill Jones) Signature with broken hip; Linda Hardy; James Ed Pollard; Opal Smothers, mother of Rick Lukens (wife Barbara Mayse) (friends of Donnie and Sharon Davis); Mike Kessler; Larry Derryberry (Libby Moss' brother & Lisa Kelley's uncle); Tracy Chappell (JoAnn Anderson's son); Margaret Johnson; Pauline Thurman (Wanda Jones' mother) NHC Hillview Rm. 200-A; Terry Dunn; Brenda Manz (brain tumor); Bob Dugger; Irene Stevenson (Martha Wilson's sister); Betty Allen (Mary Chumbley's daughter); Connie Blackburn (liver and kidney cancer); Cherry Bolles 221 Turnbrook Ln. Franklin, TN 37064; Allen Mercer (brain tumor); Mary Jo Anderson; Paul Burgin

In the Hospital:

Maury Regional Medical Center: Natalie Thomas Rm. 551 (blood clots in arm)

Williamson Medical Center: Peggy Wilson (back)

Vanderbilt Children's Hospital: Hannah Katherine Skelton (NICU)



Pray for our Servicemen and their families:

Kevin Mick (Afghanistan)

Brandon Hubbard, (Afghanistan)
grandson of Clayton & Myrna Jett

LCpl Brandon Hubbard, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines,
WPNS CO 81's, Unit 73245 FPO AE 09510-3245

Brad A. Morgan, Nell Hood's grandson

Maj Brad A. Morgan, HHC, 326 ENG.BN., A.P.O. AE 09391



Tennessee Children's Home Coin Can Drive is underway. Pick up a can and begin filling today. Turn in all cans May 15th.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

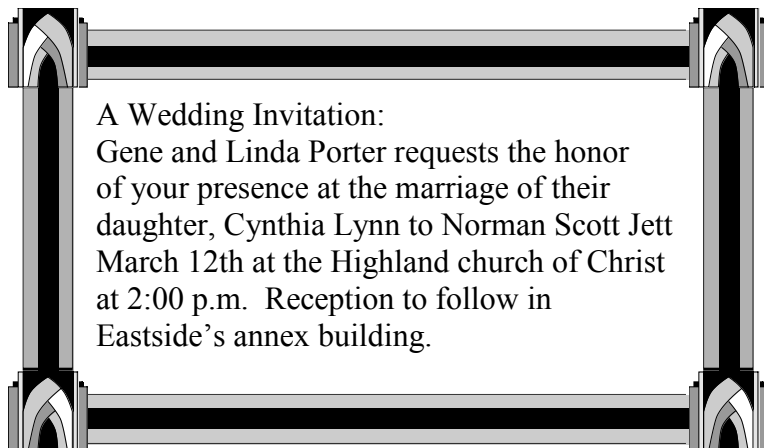


March 11 & 12, 2011- Ladies' Retreat at the Franklin Marriott. Theme: "Lord Move, or Move Me" Speaker: Sarah Hibbett.

March 13th - Daylight Savings Time Begins. Prayer Sister sign up sheets to be collected.



March 26th - Primetimers' Banquet in the annex building.



A Wedding Invitation:

Gene and Linda Porter requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Cynthia Lynn to Norman Scott Jett March 12th at the Highland church of Christ at 2:00 p.m. Reception to follow in Eastside's annex building.

THE RECORD SPEAKS

March 6, 2011

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| Morning Worship..... | 251 |
| Bible Classes..... | 188 |
| Evening Worship..... | 139 |
| Wednesday Evening..... | 144 |
| Budget..... | \$7,000.00 |
| Contribution..... | \$8,286.75 |



MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Monday, March 7, 2011

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| Total Attendance..... | 45 |
| Cards Written..... | 37 |
| Visits Made..... | 0 |
| Calls Made..... | 0 |
| Bags of Cookies Delivered..... | 27 |

Next meeting Monday, March 21st

*****Updates requested for Eastside's Bulletin Distribution*****

In an effort to save money on postage and printing costs, we are in the process of making changes to the way our bulletin is received. Currently the bulletins are available via, direct mailing, e-mail and our website (www.churchofchristateastside.com). If you wish to continue to have the bulletin mailed to your home or you would like to discontinue it and/ or receive it by email, you must contact the church office at 931-388-7334 or by email (office@escoc.us). Please enter the subject line, Remove or Continue Bulletin. Please realize it is **your** responsibility to inform the office of your wishes concerning the bulletin. Bulletin distribution to you will be **discontinued** if we **do not** hear from you by March 20, 2011, forms available - please fill out & place in the box in lobby. **The Elders**



Summits of the Psalms

By: Joe Macer

Psalm 61

61:2 From the ends of the earth I call to you, I call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

This Psalm is a cry to God and it concluded with a promise to praise God and to fulfill the vows made to God. The author is believed to be David. Some situation was greatly affecting his life. A prayer was offered that as the king of Israel that he would have a longer life. He desired for his throne to remain throughout generations and that he would ever more be in the presence of God. Our heart's desire should be to find ourselves in the presence of God. There is no better place to be found.

The reader is not told what is bothering the author. His heart had grown faint. Everything that could be done had been done and now the only thing was to wait upon God. God was his protector. God is referred to by the Psalmist as my refuge, a strong tower against the foe and as his rock. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. We sing this phrase often in songs but do we really put it into practice in our lives? There is only so much that we as people can do. We are weak and often we do not begin to accomplish what we wish to do. We are sinful and often chose the wrong path. Do we cry out to the rock that is higher than I? Lead me; guide me; show me the way! God the Creator of this universe has the power to act in our lives. Do we invite him in? David asks for God's protection, his love, his faithfulness and he believed he would see each of them. Let's promise just as David did that we will dwell in God's tent forever.



Happy Birthday

March 13th - Danny Lasater

March 16th - Gary Boyd

March 18th - Jesse Gilliam & Lorene Hickman

March 19th - John Massey

March Theme: Clothe ourselves in compassion, kindness, humility, and gentleness.

Goal: 31 days of Kindness. Each day do a random act of kindness.



Thanks you so much for the Valentine candy. I enjoyed it very much. I still enjoy the radio program each Sunday.
In Christian Love, Josie Cammuse

The family of Jim Hill acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. Dear members of the Eastside church of Christ, Thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent during the loss of our loved one. Your thoughtfulness and kindness was appreciated.

Love, The Family of Jim Hill
(Emma Jean Ragsdale's brother)

Thank you so much for your prayers, phone calls and get-well wishes following my accident.

In Christian love, Buddy (Bill) Hardison

Youth News by Jody Pritchett



April 15th - 17th - Teen's Spring Retreat at Deer Run. Applications can be downloaded at the youth web page at www.teenescape.org
Cost is \$45.00 per person.

Jody wants to be involved with **all** Eastside kids' activities. Please give him a copy of activities such as school and ball schedules. You can hand him a copy, email him at jodypritchett2002@hotmail.com, text it or call him @ 931-982-9109.

****Check out the new youth web page at www.churchofchristateastside.com****



Our deepest sympathy is extended to J.D. Davis and his family in the death of his great grandfather, Floyd "Cotton"

Davis, who passed away Saturday night. His funeral was Tuesday. Cards of sympathy can be mailed to J.D. at 1179 Canaan Rd. Columbia.

Sympathy is extended to James Ed and Ned Pollard and their families in the death of their aunt, Martha Pollard Moran, whose funeral was Thursday in Franklin, TN.

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| Jerry Wilson | 388-5285 |
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DEACONS

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|-----------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
| Gary Boyd | 446-3705 | Kevin Mick | 540-0157 |
| Edward Hargrove | 388-8418 | Sammy Patterson | 540-0980 |
| John Kodatt | 388-2569 | Jim Pollard | 840-8729 |
| Mike Lyle | 987-0234 | John Thomas | 490-1903 |
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WORSHIP LEADERS March 13, 2011

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome & Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson
 Prayer.....Jody Pritchett
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Randy Jones
 Serving:
 Jason Snyder Bill Jones
 J.W. Gilliam Zayne Parker
 Jason Kelley David Upchurch, Jr.
 Offering
 Read (Exodus 5:2).....Trent Thomason
 Sermon "Who is the Lord".....Brian Gregory
 Invitation
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jim Pollard

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Joe Macer
 Prayer.....Sammy Patterson
 Read (I Peter 2:21-25).....John Allen Thomas
 Speaker "Suffered for you".....Brian Gregory
 Invitation
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Tommy Hight
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Barry Cross

Ushers: Bill Carroll, Ed Hargrove, Ryan Massey
 Greeters: Tommy & Rita Skelley; Alice Williams
 Audio/Visual Room: Jonathan Macer

If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (379-5560) or Joe Williams (388-9183).

NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Diane Taylor
 Kimberly Upchurch
 P.M.....Melissa Jones
 Diane Upchurch

WEDNESDAY 03/16/2011

Song LeaderGreg Lusk
 Prayer.....Charlie Willis
 Announcements/Speaker.....Tom Miller