

THE WAYPOINT



"a reference point along a course to reach a destination"

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South Trail Church of Christ

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Sunday 10:30 a.m.

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Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m..

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What's Happening—

FRIEND DAY IS COMING SOON!

Our annual Friend Day will be Sunday, February 18th at 10 a.m. We have focused this year on the "Open Door in 2024." Who in your life would you like to share the wonderful story of Jesus with this month? So look for the open door to introduce someone to God's family, and let God open their heart to learn more. One of the best tools for evangelism is hospitality. Bringing someone on the 18th and see whether they become hungry to know more about our Savior. You have connections. You have neighbors. You have family and friends. So who will you invite for this special opportunity? Pick up some flyers and spread them to all those you are praying to bring with you. As our custom has been, we will cancel class that day so you can bring your friends with you. After our worship that Lord's Day, we will have a catered meal to share and fellowship. As always, we will be in the presence of God to worship and serve Him!



"AN OPEN DOOR IN 2024!"



O.W.L.S — The Older Wiser Loving Servants will meet tomorrow, Monday, February 5, 2024 at 10 a.m. Why not give a "hoot," and come enjoy time in fellowship and service.

YOUTUBE SCHEDULE

Sunday Bible Class—
Gospel of John
Sunday Worship

Upcoming Events—

02/05— O.W.L.S 10 a.m.

02/08— Ladies Bible Class 10 a.m.

02/10 — Pearls & Ponytails 10:30 a.m.

02/18 — Friend Day 10 a.m.

2/23-25— YES Weekend

FAMILY LIFE MINISTER

EXCITING NEWS

Ladies, please join us for the 3rd annual Pearls and Ponytails. This was started by a former member, Erin Woodard, who had a vision of helping the young ladies participate in a day for women to come together to study the Bible, and form connections, and relationships. We decided to continue this because we need the younger ladies and they need us. It is hard to be a wife, mother, daughter, sister, student, employee, granddaughter, niece, and friend. The older and middle aged ladies need to show the younger ladies how to be submissive wives as we learn in Ephesians 5; how to choose a mate, and what marriages should look like in today's world. We **know** the world is trying to destroy the Christian family unit, and we need to mentor these young ladies about the good in marriages, but also the mistakes made in the past. Hopefully, we can keep them from making the same ones. We live in a feminist society where women are taught to be so independent of men, but that is not how God designed the Christian family. We can be examples to the young ladies, but they are examples and inspirations to us as well.

Take the opportunity to mentor and teach a young lady as Paul writes in Titus 2:1-5: "But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine: that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience; the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things — that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that word of God is not blasphemed."

Come February 10th from 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. to hear Bible reading, songs, and speeches related to the topic — "Create in me a clean heart, O God" from Psalm 51:10. The young ladies have worked hard and we can spend time forming connections in Christ. Lunch will be served. Wear your pearls, ponytails, and/or your red. We are looking forward to it.

Vanessa Embry

Brothers and Sisters, there are many great groups working to spread the gospel diligently at South Trail. On March 15th, Jason and I will be taking a few men up to Florida Bible Camp to work on some projects. We are meeting up with Michael Mackey (a former member at South Trail) with some of the men from his congregation. We should be able to get many things accomplished. One of our goals is to replace all the bleacher seating all around the camp. This will take an estimated \$1,200. We are asking for your generosity to help with this campaign. We must be good stewards of the funds and properties our Lord has blessed us to use. If you would like to help please see Craig, Jason, or Terry.

Craig Embry

PRAYER LIST

LOCAL - TREATMENT

Mike Hertel, Dr. appt.
Caroline Hellmer (Linda V. granddaughter) treatments/improving.

HOME -

Warren Embry, heart procedure 3/27.
Francie Martinez, heart in A-FIB.
Mark Hughes, knee improving.
Ron Doederlein, ill.
Johnny Maschino, cancer, dementia
Pam Herman, recovering.
Mike Allison, recovering.
Jerry Rogers, very ill.
Sue Fredenburg, shingles.
Charles Richardson, back at Brookdale Philippi Creek.
Noreen Anderson
Jim Lewis
John Walters
Donna Johnson, lung issues.
Victoria Steele, home.
Patrick & Marianne Owens
Gwen Chapman
Kristy Gleason, searching.
Sheryl Belair, pain.
Patricia Hawk

OUT OF TOWN -

Dean Hodges (TN) surgery 2/5.
Chris Keeseker (Bob K. Son) recovering.
Eric Woodard (TX) stroke, impaired vision.
Natalie Hood (Cowley's granddaughter) recovering.
Jensen (Cowley's granddaughter) recovering.
Jeff LeBlanc (MI Donna J. grandson) MRSA.
Darrel Ashby (MI) improving.
Johnny Crabb (Pensacola, Margaret's son) improving.
Pam Alcorn (Linda Hunnicutt's sister, TN) cancer is spreading.
Connie Vallion (AR) bladder tumor.
Leonel Santos (TX, Ricc Lopez's father) hospice.
David Doederlein (CA, Ron's son)
John Caldcleugh (TX, J. Cook's son-in-law)

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TRAIL MIX—Doug and Cindy Egerton are here from **PEARLS & PONYTAILS**— Mark your calendars for the Indiana. Doug is an elder at the congregation Pears & Ponytails Ladies' Day on February 10, where the Dalps' worship in Evansville. Wes and 2024 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Join us for a day of Joyce Cunningham are here for a month from Chi- scripture, reading, singing, prayer and lessons from cago, too. Mark Hughes was back last Sunday after the table. Lunch will be provided. Wear pearls, po- knee surgery. Chuck Richardson is back at nytails, and/or red. Brookdale Philippi Creek, and visitors are welcome. Several are ill at home, so check up on those miss- ing this week.

WEDNESDAY— We are studying "Come to Your Senses" in our adult Bible class as we seek to know God better. Come out and let's grow together in Bible study.

SAVE THE DATE — Friend Day February 18, 2024. We will meet at 10 a.m. and have a catered lunch following the worship together.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR— Calendar update Michelle Bassett's Birthday February 1.

Worship Assembly 2/04/24

Song "Holy Ground Medley" #100-101
Welcome/Song Leader Craig Ross

Song "I Want to Be Where You Are" #833
Song "I Need Thee Every Hour" #837
Song "Prayer Medley" #777-779

Prayer Jason Wohnhas

Song "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #800
Song "When My Love to Christ Grows Weak" #350

Lord's Supper & Contribution Preside— Mark Hughes

Song "Where No One Stands Alone" #801
Song "Lord, We Come Before Thee Now" #797

Scripture Daniel 6:6-17 Larry Binkoski
Sermon "Open Door for Prayer" Terry Chapman

Invitation Song "Unto Thee, O Lord" #794
Closing Song "Peace Medley" #477-480
Closing Prayer/Announcements Doug Tackett

Sound Room/Projection—Justin Seymour/ Caleb Betts
Communion Assist—Youth

Youth Programs
Florida Bible Camp
Vacation Bible School

Ladies' Projects
Rockin' Bobbins Sewing Group
Ladies' Bible Class

Seniors
OWLS (Older Wiser Loving Servants)

Edification
Equip (Orlando, July 2025)

Benevolence Ministries
Mt. Dora Children's Home
Churches of Christ Disaster Relief, Nashville

Mission Works
Upper Valley, Vermont
India
Florida Prison Ministry
In Search of the Lord's Way, WGN & WTOG Sun a.m.

1/28/23
Attendance Sunday AM — 212

Budget	\$10,424	Contribution	\$5,776
YTD Budget	\$41,696	YTD Contribution	\$55,726

Welcome to the church of Christ at South Trail! We are glad to have you with us, as we strive to present the love of Jesus to you. Our goal is to teach others about Jesus and His Word.

If anything is clear today, it is the gross religious confusion in the world. Why do people choose to seek God in so many ways? How can anyone know they are right?

These questions are very serious ones. No one should consider them trivial. A long time ago God said, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." (Proverbs 14:12) God has a prepared way. We are to find it through His Son. (Matthew 17:5) Jesus declared, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven." (Matthew 7:21) For this reason, we believe that the study of the Bible is to find answers to life's most important questions.

The church of Christ is not a denomination. It is neither Catholic nor Protestant, but strives to be the church Jesus founded nearly 2000 years ago. The gospel has not changed, so we urge obedience to the same conditions of salvation. When a person obeys the gospel, that person

becomes a Christian, nothing more or less. Undenominational Christianity is all that existed in the New Testament, so we teach that today. The basis is the Bible as our only creed. All doctrines, creeds, confessions and catechisms are written by uninspired men. Seeking to restore the church of the New Testament is our goal. Therefore, we speak where the Bible speaks; and we are silent where the Bible is silent.

In the New Testament the Lord has provided a complete pattern for His church: the names, doctrine, organization, worship and mission. Our desire is to please God by honoring His design for the church, to love and serve one another in our community. Caring and sharing is the Lord's way. The church is unified in its mission to reach out to the lost with the only hope of the world—Jesus! We pray that you may seek to please Him in the same way.

If you are looking for a local church, we would invite you to study with us and learn how we seek to bring glory to God as we worship God in spirit and truth; practice fellowship and service toward one another; teach God's word to both the lost and saved; reach out to our community in love; and look forward to the eternal blessings in heaven.

Terry Chapman

ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

LOCAL:

Bill McQuaide (Mark Ipe's step-father) leg circulation.
Kim and Clay Steere family (Ipe's friends) trying to make ends meet.
Kurt Harvey (Mary H. friend) keep his family in prayers, to comfort them in their loss.
Don Stuart(Susie J. friend) multiple seizures daily.
Gary (Dayna C. son in law) driving semi-truck in uncertain weather conditions.
Michelle (Debbie M. friend) pray she seeks help.
Lexi (Embry's friend) brain tumor, declining.
Tony Gibson (Steve G. friend)
Joy Yeager (Steve G. coworker) son Tom had a heart attack.
Women's Ministry at Sarasota County Jail.
Myrna Kilpatrick (Deb M. friend) test.
Shelly Cox (Mike S.'s friend) cancer treatments.
Don McManus (Donna J.'s friend) hospice.
Margaret Cadogan (Miralyn's friend) cancer.
Gordon Thompson (Miralyn's friend) cancer.
Jeanie Evans (Miralyn's sister) recovering, next surgery is February 27.

OUT OF TOWN:

Major Blake Allen (Lynnette Jamison son) recovering from brain surgery, having headaches and vision issues, lots of swelling.
Cathy, (Rosie Rogers sister) fell and broke her jaw.
Joyce Immonen (Mary R. friend) fighting cancer for years, pray for comfort.
Jaylee (Debbie M. friend) recovering.
Dan and Margy Patterson (MO, Hunnicutt's friends) hospice/struggling.
Greg Conner (SC, Roy and Pat's son) rehab for stroke.
Roy Conner (SC) dementia.
Lynleigh Price (MT, Lund's friend) 4yr-old recovering in Pennsylvania.
Rick Cole (TX, Bonnie T.'s brother) waiting for tests.
Tina Rogers (Roger's daughter-in-law) complications from surgery.
Marie Johnson (Karen Lund's sister) test in March.
Candice Clement (Cowley's granddaughter-in-law) surgery February 7.
Venia Jean Jordan (KY, Miralyn's friend) health issues.
Chuck Jordan (KY, Miralyn's friend) bladder complications/ surgery recovery.
Melissa Pierce (KY, Embry's friend)
Michael Monroe (IN, Dayna's cousin) lung cancer.
Rick McMahon (MI, Carole J.'s nephew) multiple myeloma/Guillain Barre Syndrome.
Brenda Herman (IN, Dayna's cousin) dialysis, transplant list.
Sandra Curtis (Linda Hunnicutt's friend, TN) chemo.

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS : Emma Lund (Western Tech) ; Abigail Lillibridge (FL Southern); Cameron Dunn (FGCU); Avery Boyette (Germana); Tayven Clark (FAU); Keira Jackson (UH); Andrew Miller (Medical Intern); Ashley Bess (UF); Emma Harting (FGCU) Levi and Sarah Ross.(ECU).

OUR FAMILY AT HOME OR ASSISTED LIVING: Jean Cook, Betty Herman, John & Peggy Bolotin, Charles Richardson, Patricia Hawk & caregiver Joe Austin. Ima June Veal (Sherry C.'s mother), Jim Lewis, Sue Fredenburg, Lois Gleason, Paul & Betty Gerber, Paul Miller, Margaret Earls.

OUR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS: Hunter Mangrum (Navy); Nick Hertel (Navy Reserve); Kiana Kirkland (Air Force); Mari-ah Sanders-Solis (Army National Guard); Aaron Boyette (Coast Guard); Tim Tramel (National Guard); Scott Bickel (Air Force); Brandon Hughes (Air Force); Kyle Zinsner (Marines); Michael Jackson (Sheriff Dept.); David Dunn (Sheriff Dept.); Evan Krause (Sheriff Dept.); Greg Irwin (Fire Dept.); Steve Rissler (Fire Dept.); Ben Carpenter (Fire Dept.); Ryan Hellmer (Fire Dept.); Amber Mangrum (Fire Dept.); Derek Kroll (Police Dept.); Terry Chollera (security) 2/1/24