WELCOME!

Greetings to everyone who is worshiping with us today! Whether you are a longtime member or a guest, we are blessed to have you with us. If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guest!

FOR PRAYER

CHURCH FAMILY:

Jerry and Leesa Peery; Delores Pruitt (David and family); Josh, Trang & Addie Gledhill; Jerry Cromer; Dorothy Wright; Debby Crews; Julia Butler; Dawn Olinger; Doris Branam; Connie Fletcher. Heritage Hall: Betty Kelly, Patricia Justice. Dogwood Crossing: Lois Angles; Marlene Buffalow; Dorothy Gess Jonas; English Meadows in Abingdon: Madeline Hurt; Homebound: Renia Hale Peery; Louise Smith.

OTHERS:

Gary McCann; Josie Pruett (parents Kelley and Ben); Lexi Harold; Jeannie Putnam; Charlene Hurt; Thaddeus Mitchell and Lauren Honeycutt; Joe Ball; Rev. Michael Weller; Dr. Darlene Litton; Ed Smith; Barbara Gillespie's niece Chelsea; Kathy Melton Jackson; Jack Sizemore.

ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL: Jon Wright; Jason Hacker.

To pass along a prayer request, contact Eunice Lester at (276.988.4412) inseun@aol.com); or by contacting the church office at (276.988.4724; sectazpresb12@yahoo.com). Names will remain on the Prayer List for 4 weeks, unless otherwise requested.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, September 12 (170 th Anniversary)				
Worship Service	9 A.M.	Black's Chapel		
Sunday Morning Bible Reflection	10 A.M.	Fellowship Hall/ Zoom		
Worship Service	11 A.M.	Sanctuary		
Monday, September 13				
Boy Scouts	7 P.M.	Fellowship Hall		
Tuesday, September 14				
Table Talk Book Group	11 A.M.	Zoom		
Sunday, Sept. 19				
Worship Service	9 A.M.	Black's Chapel		
Sunday Morning Bible Study	10 A.M.	Fellowship Hall/ Zoom		
Worship Service	11 A.M.	Sanctuary		
Sunday Night Live	5 P.M.	Fellowship Hall/ Zoom		

FINANCIAL AND ATTENDANCE SNAPSHOT

Donation Income (August) Total Expense (August) Net (August)	\$9,187.12 <u>\$10,394.57</u> - \$1,207.45	(includes staff s	alaries)
September 5: Giving September 5: Attendance:	\$2,665.00 Black's Chapel 8	TPC 20	Total 28

ANNOUNCEMENTS

170th Anniversary of the Church

Today we celebrate the 170th anniversary of Tazewell Presbyterian Church! On September 14, 1851 the church named "Jeffersonville" was organized with eleven members, the Rev. Isaac Newton Naff serving as pastor. We give God thanks for the church's witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ in Tazewell and beyond down through the years, and for its continuing witness in worship, fellowship, ministry and education.

Face Mask Requirement

Due to the high number of COVID cases locally, the Worship Committee has decided that mask-wearing is again a necessity in worship. Judicious physical distancing is also to be maintained. These requirements are not only for your own sense of comfort and protection, but for that of others as well. The chapel area provides additional space that is cordoned for those who may desire it.

Small Group Bible Study

Beginning this morning small group Bible study will be held on Sunday mornings in Fellowship Hall from 10:10 – 10:50 a.m. We will be using the new Presbyterian curriculum, "Follow Me," whose theme this quarter is "Welcome." Participant guides are available at no charge. You may attend the study in-person or by Zoom. The Zoom link is being emailed along with the Sunday bulletin to all for whom we have email addresses.

Sunday Night Live and Table Talk Book Group

The Christian Education Committee has decided in view of the number of COVID cases in the county to hold off on beginning Sunday Night Live at this time. It has also decided to defer the restart of the Table Talk Book Group. The committee will revisit the opening dates for SNL and Table Talk at its October 5th meeting. When it resumes meeting the Table Talk Book Group will discuss a book by best-selling author John Ortberg entitled, "Everybody's Normal Till You Get To Know Them." Copies of the book have been ordered. The cost is \$12.99 per copy.

How can we help Louisiana and Haiti?

The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance welcomes donations for relief efforts for both areas. Donate online by visiting https://pda.pcusa.org.

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 116:1-9 Mark 8:27-38 James 3:1-12

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TAZEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & BLACK'S PRESBYTERIAN CHAPEL



WORSHIP : FELLOWSHIP EDUCATION: MINISTRY

170TH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 12, 2021 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Livestream

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE & CHIMING OF THE HOUR

from "The Sacred Harp," 1844

"God Is My Strong Salvation"

WELCOME AND

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 127:1-2) Unless the Lord builds the house. those who build labor in vain. Unless the Lord guards the city, those who guard watch in vain.

*HYMN 396

Holy Manna "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

GATHERING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, whose mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all sin, receive us back to yourself like the bewildered children we often are. Forgive our folly and excess, our coldness to human sorrow not our own, our envy of those who prosper, our passion for things of the moment that perish in the grasping, and our indifference to those treasures of the Spirit which are life and peace. So change our hearts and turn our desires to You, that we may love and serve You and our neighbors faithfully, all to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

KYRIE 649

Amazing Grace

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 475**

Nettleton

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Isaiah 28:16-17; Ephesians 2:19-22; Matthew 7:24-25 (Pew Bible, pages 571; 950; 788)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

*LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

we give you thanks, O God.

SERMON

"Foundation"

THE RESPONSE

Eternal God, for this place in which we gather for praise and prayer,

witness and service, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord,

Kim McGraw

Rev. Gilbert

Come sing, O Church, in joy! Come join, O Church, in song! For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long. In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme, empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream. In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

*INVITATION TO OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

*Hymn 394

*BENEDICTION

***CHIMING OF THE TRINITY & POSTLUDE**

For your presence among us whenever your Word has been proclaimed, your sacramental gifts of bread and wine shared, we give you thanks, O God. For those who have been made your children in the waters of baptism, and raised to new and eternal life, we give you thanks, O God. For all who have come here asking your blessing in marriage, seeking to love with your love, we give you thanks, O God. For deacons, elders, and pastors who have led us and loved us, and by their offering of their gifts, equipped us for the work of ministry, we give you thanks, O God. For faithful stewards among us who lived for others, serving you by loving neighbors, we give you thanks, O God. For all the saints who have stood among us, whose memory still enlivens our faith and emboldens our witness, we give you thanks, O God.

For the ministries of worship and mission, nurture and fellowship, and for all whose lives have been touched by them, --- and continue to be, we give you thanks, O God.

*HYMN 305 (vss. 1, 2)

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

THE SENDING

Westminster Abbey

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"