

For PRAYER . . .

CHURCH FAMILY:
Family of Kathy Melton Jackson; family of Don Hudson; Dolores Pruitt; Connie Fletcher; Dorothy Wright; Julia Butler; Doris Branam. *Heritage Hall:* Betty Kelly.
OTHERS:
Kendrick Carter; Gary Casey; Pam Taylor; Mitchell and Meghan Cooper; Kim McGraw’s mother.
Active Military Service: Jon Wright.
TO PASS ALONG A PRAYER REQUEST:
Contact Eunice Jones at (276.988.4412) *jnseun@aol.com*); or 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

Today: January 1, 2023		
Worship Service	9:30 A.M.	Black’s Chapel
Worship Service	11 A.M.	Sanctuary
Monday, January 2		
Boy Scouts	6 P.M.	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, January 3		
Administration Committee	7 P.M.	Parlor/Zoom
Wednesday, January 4		
Worship Committee	1 P.M.	TPC Parlor
Adventure Time	3:30 P.M.	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, January 8		
Worship Service	9:30 A.M.	Black’s Chapel
Worship Service	11 A.M.	Sanctuary
Christian Ed Committee	3 P.M.	TPC Parlor

Attendance:

Dec 24	Christmas Eve	TPC	35
Dec 25	Christmas Day	TPC	27

Health Precaution: The chapel is available if you want to sit in a ventilated area. Masks and hand-sanitizers are available at the exits.

Tazewell Presbyterian Church
& Black’s Chapel

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Dr. Sikes

We welcome Scott Sikes who lives in Meadowview, Virginia in Washington County where he is the pastor at Rock Spring Presbyterian Church and where he is also a professor at Emory & Henry College and Director of the Appalachian Center for Civic Life. His wife, Felicia, was born and grew up in Tazewell and is a public school teacher. They have a daughter, Madeline, who is a college student in New York.

Food Pantry Needs for January

The Food Pantry’s special emphasis for January is “soup and Crackers.” Donations may be placed in the basket in the church narthex (front entry).

Note: All church doors will be locked during weekdays. If you need in and the staff is here, and you don’t have a key, just call the church number (276-988-4724).

SUNDAY WORSHIP

January 1, 2023
First Sunday of Christmas



TAZEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Black’s Presbyterian Chapel

The Gathering

Chiming of the Hour and Prelude

Joyful Tidings
Moffatt

Welcome

*Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

One: In a darkened world, we find hope.

All: God’s light has come to us!

One: The brightness of a star shining in the east leads us.

All: We come to celebrate God’s abiding love.

One: Glory be to God in the highest!

**All: And on earth, peace forever. Let us
worship together!**

Hymn 744

Arise, Your Light is Come

Prayer of Confession

Most holy and loving God,
we confess to You and before one another,
that we are creatures who often
choose darkness instead of light.
Here and now we surrender to you our fears,
our pride, our lack of care and mercy for our neighbors,
all those things that keep us in the dark.
Help us seek the light the leads us to your kingdom.
Trusting your grace, we pray together,
create in us a clean heart,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Through Christ Jesus our Savior, Amen.
(Silent prayer)

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of God’s Grace

One: Friends, the light of a star guides us to good news. The
Messiah enters this world to restore and renew us.

All: Hosanna in the highest!
By the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace

*Response of Praise

refrain, We Three Kings

O star of wonder, star of night,
star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.

The Word of God

Children’s Message (11:00) Pam Irvin

Scripture Isaiah 60: 1-6 (Pew Bible, pg. 602)
Matthew 2: 1-12 (Pew Bible, pg. 783)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dr. Scott Sikes
Your Light Has Come

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and
earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was
conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again
from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall
come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy
Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the
life everlasting.
Amen.

*Hymn 145 *What Child Is This*

*Invitation to Offering

Offertory *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*
Nicolai/Bach

*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

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come.
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending and Service

*Hymn 151 (vss. 1, and 5) *We Three Kings*

*Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity and Postlude