

For PRAYER . . .

CHURCH FAMILY:

Family of Steve Melton; Sue Keene; Rick Campbell (son of Connie Fletcher); Charlie Irvin; Stanley Stevenson; Matthew Kincer; Jim Thompson; Dolores Pruitt; Connie Fletcher; Julia Butler

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)

Michael Thomas, Kristie Hancock Clifton, Barbara Kincer, Josh Thompson, Davina Larimer Perkins, Howie Mitchell, and Peggy Riley.

OTHERS:

Greg Neel; Nate Thomas; Jo Jones; 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

Sunday, December 29, 2024

Worship Service-Black's Chapel 9:30 A.M.

Worship Service-TPC Sanctuary 11:00 A.M.

Monday, December 30, 2024

Boy Scouts-Fellowship Hall 6:00 P.M.

Sunday, January 5, 2025

Joint Worship Service-BC & TPC in TPC Chapel 11:00 A.M.

Attendance:

December 22 TPC 35 Livestream 10 BC 12 Total 47

Pulpit Schedule for January 2025

January 5 *Rev. Manny Elswick*
January 12 *Rev. Grace Kim*
January 19 *Rev. Grace Kim*
January 26 *Rev. Dr. Samuel Weddington*

& Black's Chapel

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We welcome all who join our Sunday worship service. If you are not able to be present in our sanctuary you can join us live on [YouTube by searching Tazewell Presbyterian Church](#). All of our live-streamed services are available for replay. Through our worship, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and celebrate the community of faith. We are happy that you are here!

Special Service January 5

In our worship service on January 5, Rev. Manny Elswick of Main Street UMC will be sharing his Kenya mission trip experience with us. So that he may share pictures, we will meet for worship on that date in our chapel (to the side of the sanctuary) in order to use the screen that is there. The chapel has a piano, so there will be music and hymns, a regular worship service, with Manny as our guest speaker. This service will be a joint worship service with Black's Chapel. Please note that there will be no livestream for this service.

Annual Congregational Meeting: January 19th

We will have the Annual Congregational Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, January 19, 2025. The purpose of this meeting is to elect new session members and 2025 nominating committee members. We will also receive and review the Annual Report from various committees and the 2025 budget approved by the Session. We will have a communal lunch on this day as well.

Special Emphasis Food Pantry Needs

Special Emphasis for the month of January is soup. This is for Souper Bowl Sunday to enable us to give out extra soup during the winter months.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

December 29, 2024

1st Sunday after Christmas



TAZEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Black's Presbyterian Chapel

The Gathering

Chiming of the Hour & Prelude:

Joyful Tidings

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: We have welcomed the Christ child and declared the glory of God's salvation that comes to live among us. Yet still, we wait.

All: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

One: We prepare to welcome a new year, thankful for how God has brought us through the past year and anxious to discover what the new year might bring.

All: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

One: Come, let us worship God, whose love endures from generation to generation, guiding us from one year to the next.

All: Come, let us worship as we live in anticipation of God's kingdom on earth as it is heaven. Amen.

***Hymn 140, verses 1, 2, & 4** *Once in Royal David's City*

Prayer of Confession

One: The act of confessing our sin is not simply a recitation of our faults and wrong, but also an opportunity to receive God's mercy and share in that abundant grace. Confident of God's love for us, let us pray together.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Response:

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray.
Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great, glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

***Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(Please share the peace with those around you).

***Response of Praise**

Glo-ri-a in excelsis Deo
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The Word

Children's Message Barbara Kinser

Scriptures: Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3 (Pew Bible, p. 604)
 Psalm 147: 12-20 (Pew Bible, p. 507)
 Galatians 3:23-25 (Pew Bible, p. 947)
 John 1:1-18 (Pew Bible, p. 862)

Sermon Father Russell Hatfield

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.

Invitation to Offering

Offertory: *The Holly and the Ivy* traditional English carol

***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 and 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 136** *Go Tell It in the Mountain*

***Benediction**

***Chiming of the Trinity**

**Please rise in body and/ or spirit.*