

# Cumberland *connection*

CUMBERLAND CHURCH OF CHRIST  
FEBRUARY 2, 2025

## TODAY'S ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome - Stark Davis

Opening Prayer - Scott Francis

Singing - Josh Harris (Song Leader)

### Communion

Presiding - Don Moss

Serving - Tom Bradshaw, Charles Kahlert,  
Rod McAninch, Wayne Myer

Singing

Scripture Reading - Bill Antrim

Message - "A Tale of Two Sinners" - Alan Blackwell

Singing

Offering / Announcements - Stark Davis

Singing

Closing Prayer - Leo Kislán

## SCRIPTURE READING - ROMANS 5:6-9

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

## CHURCH EVENTS

- LifeGroup Sign-Up - Located in the main lobby.
- Sundays - 9:30 A.M. - Sunday School - There are classes for all ages from children, to teens, to adults.
- Sundays - During Worship After Communion - Children's church is available for ages 3-year-old thru 3rd grade. There will be an announcement each week to inform parents when it is time for children's church. Children will be brought back to the main lobby for the parents after worship concludes.
- Wednesday - January 29<sup>th</sup> - Mid-Week Bible Study - Adults - Genesis Chapter 3 - Classes for other ages also available.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Tuesday 2/18

Lorenzo Grimball

Wednesday 2/19

Mitch Compton

Sunday 2/23

Tom Bradshaw

Monday 2/24

Ben Eldridge

Tuesday 2/25

Martha McDonald

Wednesday 2/26

Kaitlyn Ford

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Members:

- Wally Asher - Health Issues
- Shelva Burton - Health Issues
- Ray Carman - Rehab from fractured pelvic bone
- Gracie Fortenberry - Health Issues
- Pauline Kahlert - Leukemia Treatments
- Charles Kahlert - Colon Cancer
- June Osborne - Health Issues
- Fonda VanHook - Rehab from broken hip

### Family & Friends:

- Della Asher - Losing Sight (mother of Wally Asher)
- Donny Ayers - Health Issues
- Braxton Ballou - Kidney Issues from infection (grandson of Ben & Ruby Eldridge)
- Johnny Bradford - Colon Cancer (brother of Kim Asher)
- Helen Colwell - Health Issues (cousin of Pauline Kahlert)
- Jesse Hammock - Health and Spiritual Healing (brother-in-law of Scott Francis)
- Ron Howes, Sr. - Physical & Spiritual Healing (brother of Darlene Myers)
- Lena Miniard - Health Issues (cousin of Pauline Kahlert)
- Brittany Moss - Physical & Spiritual Healing
- Harbor Moss - Health Issues
- Rhonda Saylor - Cancer (mother of Justin Napier)
- Kelsey Sullivan - (daughter of Margaret Sullivan)
- Ronnie Wilson - Health Issues - (uncle of Donna Kislán)





Quite often children are motivated to draw pictures, pick flowers or even give rocks to their parents as an expression of their love. Children don't have any resources themselves and usually the flowers they pick are from their parents' garden, the pictures are drawn on their parents' stationery and gifts are purchased with their parents' money. However, good parents don't dwell on these things. They are aware that their child is trying to show appreciation in their own unique way. A good parent sees the motivation behind a simple gift and proudly displays such little trophies so all who enter their home may see their child's expressions of love.

God has told us to be childlike and there is no better way to be childlike than by giving. When we are focused on God, like a loving child is focused on their parent, we will be motivated to give as an expression of our love.

We should be delighted to give flowers and draw pictures for our Divine Parent (our spiritual giving and service). But if we do it begrudgingly (because we feel we have to, or out of guilt), this simply shows we are not properly motivated. Forced gifts bring no glory to God. We should give with delight and cheer or not at all. God always sees (and rewards) the motive behind the gift – never the gift itself. For God, like all of us, loves a gracious giver.

*You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."*

*- 2 Corinthians 9:7*



## Welcome

Welcome to Cumberland, and thanks for joining our church family today!

We are thrilled you have chosen to spend a part of your Sunday with us, sharing time together as we worship, learn, and grow in our faith. As you walked through our doors, we hope you felt the warmth and love that connects our church family together.

As you join with us in worship today we want you to know that we believe everyone, regardless of where they are on their spiritual journey is valued as a part of our worship together.

We would encourage you to consider making Cumberland your spiritual family home. We would also like to encourage you to fill out one of our Connect Cards and drop it in the collection basket so that we may have a record of your time here.

We look forward to seeing you again soon and often. If there is anything we can assist you with while you are with us please do not hesitate to ask someone.

