

Cumberland *connection*

MARCH 23, 2025



TODAY'S ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome - Rod McAninch
Opening Prayer - Rod McAninch
Singing - Don Moss (Song Leader)
Scripture Reading - Troy Erp
Message - Alan Blackwell
"Out With the Old / In With the New"
Invitation Song
Song (Communion Prayer) - Josh Harris
Communion
Offering / Announcements
Singing
Closing Prayer - Bill Antrim

SCRIPTURE READING - 1 CORINTHIANS 5:7-8

⁷Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

CHURCH EVENTS

- Fish Fry Next Sunday! - Please join us immediately following our worship service next Sunday for a time of Fellowship. The elders would also like to address the congregation during this time.
- April 13th - Easter Egg Hunt and Potluck Honoring the Cherry Family. We need donations of candy to fill the eggs. These can be left in the fellowship hall.
- Children's Church & Nursery Available - Each Sunday ages 3-5th grade have a time together to learn immediately following Communion. Also, during our entire worship time we have a staffed nursery available for the younger kids.
- Wednesday - Mid-Week Bible Study - Adults - Study of Genesis - Classes for other ages also available.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 3/2

Pauline Kahlert

Friday 3/7

Mary Jo Eadens

Saturday 3/8

Truett McAninch

Sunday 3/9

Kimberly Asher

Wednesday 3/12

Lisa Caudill

Tuesday 3/18

Wally and Kimberly Asher

Friday 3/21

Steve and Janet Meyer

Saturday 3/22

David Stewart

Monday 3/24

Phyllis Hogston

Friday 3/28

Jason and Molly Johnson

Allan and Debra Grimball

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members:

- Wally Asher - Health Issues
- Bill Bryan - Cyst causing severe migraines
- Shelva Burton - Health Issues
- Ray Carman - Rehab from fractured pelvic bone
- Gracie Fortenberry - Health Issues
- Pauline Kahlert - Leukemia Treatments
- Charles Kahlert - Colon Cancer
- Loretta Morgan - Health Issues
- 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)
- Sean Bumgarner - Stroke at age 30 (friend of Lisa Gillum)
- Helen Colwell - Health Issues (cousin of Pauline Kahlert)
- Chris & Colton Green - Father and son who are friends of the Leung family. Chris has lung cancer and Colton is struggling with mental issues.
- Jesse Hammock - Health and Spiritual Healing (brother-in-law of Scott Francis)
- 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)
- Jeff VanHook - Sever Sinus / Blood Pressure
- Ronnie Wilson - Health Issues - (uncle of Donna Kislan)



Week of March 23rd - March 29th



Use the questions below to help extend the impact of the weekend message. They are not only useful in your LifeGroup, but try discussing with your family, friends, and co-workers for even greater understanding and spiritual growth.

Opening Prayer: Begin with a brief prayer, thanking God for His mercy and the gift of Jesus as our Savior. Invite the group to reflect on the significance of the Lord's Supper as you start.

Icebreaker: What's one meal you've shared with friends or family that felt especially meaningful to you? Why?

Scripture Reading: Luke 22:14-20

Discussion Questions

- **The Context of the Meal:** With the secrecy leading up to this meal and the somberness that must have been felt among the disciples how does this reflect their awareness of what was to come? How do you think you would have felt "reclining at table" with Jesus that night?
- **Passover and New Covenant:** The Passover celebrated God's deliverance of the Israelites from Egyptian bondage. Discuss how Jesus transforms this during this "Last Supper."
- **The Symbolism of the Bread and Cup:** God's Word shares with us how Jesus' body would not be and was not broken. How does this change or deepen your understanding of the sharing of the bread? Discuss how does the image of the bread (earthly, fragile) and the cup (new covenant, forgiveness) reflect both Jesus' humanity and divinity.
- **A Feast of Love not Shame:** How do you usually approach communion - do you usually feel more joy or sorrow? Why? How can we balance reflection on our sin with gratitude for God's mercy when we take the bread and cup?
- **Jesus the Lamb of God:** Jesus entered Jerusalem on Monday, went to the Temple, and was crucified on Friday between 3-6 PM - just like the Passover lambs. How does this parallel deepen your appreciation for His sacrifice? Unlike those other lambs, the Lamb of God overcame death and decay. How does this victory change the way we should view communion?
- **Personal Reflection:** Think about the last few times you have taken communion. Did you focus more on your sin or on God's grace? How might you approach it differently next time in order to embrace it as a "love feast"?

Group Challenge:

- This week, share a meal with someone (family, friend, or neighbor) and intentionally express gratitude for God's deliverance and protection?
- How can we as a community of believers encourage each other to see communion as a celebration of God's love and victory over sin and death.

Closing Prayer

Close by thanking God for His mercy and grace. Focus upon how He has delivered you from sin and death. Invite group members to share how they have been rescued by God.

SERMON NOTES:
"OUT WITH THE OLD/IN WITH THE NEW"



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CURRENT SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday—Bible Study ----- 9:30 a.m.
Sunday—Worship ----- 10:30 a.m.
LifeGroups ----- Various Times
Wednesday—Bible Study----- 7:00 p.m.

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