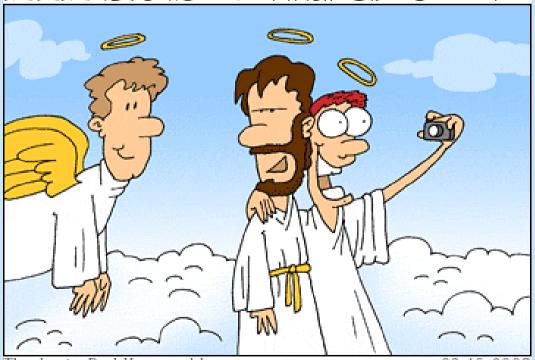
**MAY 2023** 

# RUSH CHAPEL NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MOMENT WITH PASTOR JARED WHAT'S UP ON WEDNESDAYS
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SUNDAYS AT RUSH CHAPEL MAY CALENDAR/VOLUNTEERS

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Thanks to Dad Hengeveld

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I'VE TRIED TO EXPLAIN THAT HE'S GOING TO BE WITH ME FOREVER, BUT HE JUST DOESN'T GET IT

### MONTHLY MOMENT WITH PASTOR JARED

One of the great hymns of the faith is "Surely Goodness and Mercy." In its verses, this hymn summarizes what is taught in Psalm 23. The chorus simply quotes verse 6.

"A pilgrim was I, and a wandring—In the cold night of sin I did roam When Jesus the kind Shepherd found me—And now I am on my way home. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days, all the days of my life; Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days, all the days of my life."

If you want to keep reading, then you'll have to look up the other verse online.

Of all the words that David could have used to describe the blessings of God, he chose "goodness and mercy." In our brief study of this Psalm, we have talked about our Shepherd providing for us, restoring our souls, leading us, comforting us, and we still have yet to talk about the Shepherd securing us, anointing us, and overflowing us with blessings. David sums all this up as "goodness and mercy."

Goodness supplies all of our needs, and mercy saves us from our sin. What wondrous blessings our Shepherd has for us!

Yet, the focus of this final verse is not on the blessings of goodness and mercy, but on their temporal extent—they will last forever! God's goodness and mercy will follow me "all the days of my life." This means that God is good and merciful when the days are bright and sunny, and when the days are dark and grey. God lavishes me with goodness and mercy in the days of feasting and in the days of fasting. God shows me goodness and mercy when I am in the prime of life, and when I walk through the valley of the shadow of death. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life!

But God's goodness and mercy are not limited to this life only! They will be shown to me "forever!" When I pass from this life to the next, "I will dwell in the house of the Lord." I will not be condemned to destruction. I will not be made to pay for my sins. I will not be isolated from my Lord. I will dwell in His house forever!

Surely goodness and mercy will follow me, all the days of my eternal life!

Who needs to hear this word today?

# MAY days

MAY IS HERE! WE'VE ALMOST MADE IT TO SUMMER!
HERE ARE THE MEETINGS AND EVENTS GOING ON IN MAY.
SEE FURTHER PAGES FOR MORE WAYS TO JOIN IN!



#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

FINANCE will meet via Zoom Tues., May 2 at 6 p.m.
TRUSTEES will meet Tues., May 9 at 6 p.m.
SPRC will meet Thurs., May 18 at 6 p.m.
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL will meet Sun., May 21 with covered dish lunch immediately following worship.



#### GRADUATE RECOGNITION AND RECEPTION

It's time to recognize and celebrate our graduates! Here they are:

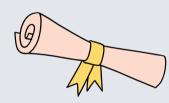
High School
Frank Curry
Hadley Johnson

<u>College</u> Rush Burnes Alex Liddle Graduate School
Tanner Oyler



These young people will be recognized for their accomplishment during 11 a.m. worship on Sunday, May 7 and celebrated immediately following with a reception.

Please join us in congratulating our graduates!



#### CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIR TO SING MAY 7

Speaking of May 7...

Our new children and youth choir will sing for the first time during 11 a.m. worship that day!

All young people are welcome to participate! They will gather at 10:30 in the sanctuary to practice.



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Welcome to our Confirmands and New Members!

Miriam Burnes Pearce Elkins Bryce Patty Amanda Swanson Heith Swanson Turner Swanson Lauren Stanley Caroline Stanley

## **SUNDAYS AT RUSH CHAPEL**

#### Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast is the first Sunday of each month. This month's will be Sunday, May 7 at 8 a.m. in the fellowship hall. All men of the church are

invited and welcome!

# Sunday School 10 a.m.

CHILDREN-2ND GRADE-MAIN BUILDING DOWNSTAIRS LUCY BURNES

CHILDREN/MIDDLE SCHOOL-MAIN BUILDING DOWNSTAIRS LUCY BURNES, SHELLEY ROBBINS

HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN BUILDING UPSTAIRS SMALL ROOM AMY OYLER

ADULT/UPPER ROOM CLASS-MAIN BUILDING UPSTAIRS TOMMY ARMSTRONG, JENNIFER LANEY, DARCY LIDDLE

ADULT/BILL PAYNE CLASS-FELLOWSHIP HALL JASON OYLER, VALERIE McFRY

# Worship 11 a.m.

Come join us for worship in our beautiful sanctuary or, if you are unable to attend, watch us on Facebook Live!

#### **Children/Youth Choir**

There's a new choir in town...and it's right here at Rush Chapel!
All children and youth are invited to come
to choir on Sundays from 4-5 for a fun time of singing and praise!

# Youth 5-7 p.m.

Our youth meet from 5-7 each Sunday night for fun, fellowship, and food.
All youth are invited to attend and bring a friend too!
Volunteers wanted to provide drinks, snacks, or meals.
If interested, please contact Jennifer Pilcher at 706-766-6966.

## Levee Church 7 a.m. Last Sunday of the Month

Come as we take an opportunity to serve others with food and fellowship

at the levee each last Sunday of the month.

Levee Church will be on Sunday, May 28 at 7 a.m.

Park at the boat ramp by Heritage Park.

Contact Kurt at 706-766-3492 for more info.





## WHAT'S UP ON WEDNESDAYS

# BREAKFAST CLUB AT LANDMARK DINER Wednesdays 9am

Get your Wednesday off to a great start at the Landmark Diner at 9 am for some great food and fellowship!







#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Bible study meets Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. Jared is leading an interesting new study on world religions.

This is a wonderful group of friends and believers, and YOU could be a part of it!

Jump in and join us anytime!





**ALL ARE WELCOME!** 

# **Prayer Concerns**

IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE HERE, ANNOUNCE THEM ON SUNDAY MORNINGS, WRITE THEM AND PUT THEM IN THE OFFERING PLATE, OR EMAIL THEM TO RUSHCHAPEL@GMAIL.COM.

# LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERNS/HOMEBOUND MEMBERS Waldo Dodd, Ann Jones, Glenda Pilcher

#### ONGOING/CURRENT PRAYER CONCERNS



Dempsey Carney; Asher Stinson; Donna Jane Murray; Joshua Kinnebrew, Logan Knight, and Cole, students at Model with cancer; Pat Bailey; Cathy Rhodes who was hit by a car; Elaine Robbins; Laura Getchell, Autumn Nash, and Quen Banks, all Floyd county educators who are battling cancer; Mike Williams, who is sick himself, lost his father; Rev. Dr. Gil Watson, a retired UMC pastor, who had emergency heart surgery; Marjorie Howard; members of South Broad as it closes its doors; unspoken prayer requested by Pat Adair; Eleanore Godfrey; Bob and Juanita Grissett; David Pilcher's brother Mitchell who had cancer surgery; Glenda Pilcher; Cathy Kerce's father James Hulsey passed away; Ken Ward; Jason Oyler's mother Julia; the folks of Levee Church



# **Birthdays**

**MAY** 

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**Jeff Patty** 

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Joe Rush

**12** 

**Rush Burnes** 

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Laura McFry

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**Amy Oyler** 

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**Sharon Armstrong** 

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**Donna Sizemore** 

**Kellie Curry** 

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**Darcy Liddle** 

Landon Liddle

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George Baab







#### **ANNIVERSARY**

**MAY 30** 

**Kurt and Shelley Robbins** 





# **MAY** 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Each Sunday 4-5 p.m.Children and Youth Choir 5-7 p.m. Youth (except May 14th)		6 p.m. Finance via zoom	3	4	Youth trip to Urban Air in Chattanooga	6
7 8 a.m. Men's B'fast 11 a.m. Graduate Recognition 12:15 Graduate Reception	8	6 p.m. Trustees	10 9 a.m. B'fast Club 6 p.m. Bible Study	11	12	13
Mother's Day No afternoon or evening activities	15	16	9 a.m. B'fast Club 6 p.m. Bible Study	6 p.m. SPRC	19	20
21 12:15 Lunch and Administrative Council	22	23	24 9 a.m. B'fast Club 6 p.m. Bible Study	25	26	27
7 a.m. Levee Church	29	30	31 9 a.m. B'fast Club 6 p.m. Bible Study			

	Lay Reader	Child. Church	Counter	Acolyte
May 7	Valerie McFry	Jacque Tanner, Luke Tanner	Jason Oyler	Claire Elkins
May 14	Lucy Burnes	Kellie Curry, Pearce Elkins	Joe Rush	Briggs Laney
May 21	Donna Sizemore	Kurt Robbins, Hannah Rush	Shelley Robbins	Bryce Patty
May 28	Jo Ann Patty	Shelley Robbins, Claire Elkins	Tommy Armstrong	James Matheny