



Graymere church of Christ

serving God & Columbia since April 1, 1956

Our mission is to know Him, to share Him, to live with Him in heaven.



Serving the Church:

ELDERS

Ron Bishop • 388-3870
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MINISTERS

Kirk Brothers
Pulpit/Radio
Wendell Robinson
Education/Involvement
Rusty Pettus
Youth
John R. Vaughan
Outreach/TV
Gary Dodd
Sr. Adults/Evangelism

DEACONS

Bobby Bishop
James Bryant
Keith Daugherty
Jason Golden
Tim Gordon
Vance Hendrickson
Ralph Judd
Virgil Lewis
Jack Love
Harvey McKay
Mark McMeen
Laray Rector
Roger Riddle
Ed Self
Charles Smith
Steve Thomason
Rick Whitley
Doug Wilburn
Doug Williams
Ken Young

Kirk's Komments...

Fantasy Christianity: With the baseball season just a few weeks away, many people across the country are joining fantasy baseball teams. I am in a league with several friends and fellow Christians. Each of us is ranking the players in professional baseball in anticipation of our league draft. We hope that we will get the best players on our teams. These teams will accumulate points based on how the players actually perform in real games on the baseball field. I found myself thinking about these things in terms of Christianity. What if someone were putting together a Fantasy Christianity team? Would they put us on their team? If they looked at what our lives produced for Christ would they want us? Would we be placed on the Christian waiver wire with the other players who are not producing well enough to be on a team? I also found myself wondering how many of us are playing Christianity "fantasy style." We don't actually get involved and participate. We just pretend. We sit in the pews and watch everyone else as they participate. God wants all of us on His team. He wants all of us to produce results for His team. Are we bearing fruit for Him? Is our Christianity real or is it just fantasy? Real Christianity makes a difference. You are making a difference!

Sunday Sermons Preview:

AM - The Greatest Gift

PM - The Lament

Shelbyville Youth Rally

Sunday 2:45PM - 9:00PM

We will leave at exactly 2:45 PM on Sunday so do not be late. We will be following the Highland group to Shelbyville. This is a unique youth rally because all the lessons and singing will be done in both Spanish and English. I hope that several will make plans to attend, especially all the ones who plan to go on the City of Children mission trip. There is no cost for this event.

7th-9th Grade Mission Trip

Natural Bridge, AL

We will be hosting a VBS for the Natural Bridge church of Christ on this year's mission trip. This is the home congregation of Dana Pettus and they are excited about us coming. The dates for the trip are July 21-26. We need everyone who plans on attending to let Rusty know as soon as possible.

Thank You

We want to thank everyone who helped with the youth ministers retreat. We had about 45 youth ministers and 12 wives attend this year. Several of you brought cokes and water for the girls youth rally and this event. We want to give a special thanks to: Starlene Buie for helping us with drinks and snacks and Peggy Rector for organizing our food for the event. Ron Bishop, Gary Dodd, Billy and Mary Martin, John Markham, Peggy Rector, and Jean Sherrill cooked our breakfast.



Senior Adult Ministry

FEEDBACK QUESTIONNAIRE

If you are a senior adult member, we ask that you complete a "Feedback Questionnaire" for those who are coordinating the activities and trips. We desire that every member have the opportunity to provide his or her input. We want to involve as many members as possible in service and events.

The questionnaires are available at the Information Center. Please return the completed questionnaires to the Church Office.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

I am learning that we have some *speeders* at Graymere. We appear to have a lot of folks that are "going over 60" (and going strong). God is pouring out the blessings as I become acquainted with our senior adults.

The Pancake Breakfast on March 20 was delicious. Those present shared ideas and preferences about the future direction for this group. Ron Bishop, Billy & Mary Martin, Peggy Rector and Jean Sherrill treated all of us to a wonderful morning.



Pathways to Courage

A Support Group for the Widowed

When a mate dies, the spouse who is left behind experiences multiples losses. A widow or widower embarks upon a journey that is not easy (a gross understatement). I cannot say, "I understand how you feel." Even if my wife had died, I still cannot completely feel what another person is going through because their relationship with their spouse is unique. There may be points of identification and also be different levels of emotional or physical responses.

What others and I can do is be available to walk beside another once a new journey starts. *Pathways to Courage* is a proposed support group for widows and widowers. It is an opportunity for those who have experienced the death of a mate to get together, to listen to others, to pray, and to show compassion. It also is a time for discovering that the process of grieving is shared by many, though the pathways may differ.

If you would like more information about this proposed support group, please call the Church Office and add your name to the list of interested persons. Lord willing, we will invite you to an introductory meeting in the near future.

OUR SICK:

MRH: **Willie Mae Harper**, room 106
DISMISSED: **Virginia Smithson, Nita Loveless** (Life Care), **Jack Lawrence, Leon Whitlatch** (Life Care)

Congratulations to **Allen and Christina Aldridge** on the birth of a baby boy, named **Samuel Dean Aldridge**, born March 16. Proud grandparents are Ed & Sandra Aldridge.



COMING EVENTS:

- **Visitation Teams meeting Sunday:**

Team 9: Rick Barker

Team 10: Carl Martin

- **Meals Program:**

March 26: Dottie Baker

March 28: Billie Jean Stephen

March 30: Dianna Bray

- Ladies of the congregation are invited to a **Bridal Tea** honoring **Leigh Kelley**, bride elect of **Scott Lindsey**, March 25, 2:00-3:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

- Ladies of the congregation are invited to a **Baby Tea** honoring **Jessica Love Williams**, April 1, 2:00-3:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

- **Pantry Items Needed:** cereal

- **Kids Rally at Sandy Hook church of Christ:** March 24, K-6th Grades, 9:00-12:30, lunch provided. Sign up at the Information Center.

- **Mission Committee Meeting:** April 1, 4:30 PM, church library.

- Ladies who work with the Jail Ministry will meet this Sunday at 5:00 PM in the church library.

- Some gift cards were recently found in the church parking lot. Call the church office for more information.

New Address: Ken & Debbie Wiles
914 West 6th St.
Columbia, TN 38401



We extend our sympathy to the family of **Tillman Ledford**. The funeral was Wednesday. For many years, Tillman served the Graymere congregation as a deacon.

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Kathryn Bryant**, mother of James Bryant. The funeral will be Saturday, 11:00 AM at Oakes & Nichols. Visitation with the family is Friday, 4:00-8:00 PM.

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Wesley Notgrass**, former longtime Graymere member. The funeral was Wednesday.

Thank You!

“Thanks to you all for the many acts of kindness shown to us following my surgery and the passing of my sister. Thanks for the cards, visits, flowers and especially your prayers. Joe and I look forward to being able to resume regular attendance.”

Margaret Talley



Please make sure the names of all Graymere students going to Horizons are on the list at the Information Center.

L2LL Spring Break Puppet Practice Schedule:

3/25:	4:00 PM
3/28:	6:00 PM
4/1:	4:30 PM
4/4:	6:00 PM

On Our Prayer List...

Joan Murphy, Frankie Fuson, Thomas Hann, Fran Ferrell, JoAnn Yates, Lynn Chadwick, Wynell Call, Pattye McGrew, Rick Whitley, Deason & Nita Loveless, John Alden, Leon Billingsley, Buddy Rogers, Buddy & Laverne Martin, Ruth Morrison, Dot Morgan, Josephine Troope, K. B. & Tricia Cothran, Monte Crews, Richard Jewell, Virgil & Shawn Hunter, Elizabeth Mae Chapman, Myrtle McNeese, Brenda Spencer, Vicky McDuffey, Bertie Pate McAlister, Marvel Lippert, Ruby Jewell Garner, Dovie Garner, Amanda Dillard, Sarah Frances Beasley, Bob Brewer, Elton Graves, Linda Luna, Angie Osmon, Jolene Thurman, Eva Roden, Tori Elias, Miguel & Esperanza Castillo, Robert Scott, Juanita Sandlin, Marguerite Porter, Kathy Edwards, Jennifer Hancock, Kim Hart, Lois Williams, Opal Smith, Mary Brooks, Gottfried Reichtel, James Quillen, Sally Kittrell, Dorothy Biggs & Kathleen Davis, John & Felicia Jenkins, Rudy Staggs (husband of Donna Staggs), Sammy Baugus Sr., Sherry Wine, Allen Layne, Mary L. Walker, Roy Cochran, Helen Kinzer, Brittany Dawson, Derrick Muncy, Philip Warren, Steve Wright, Gene Johnson, Ian Wood, Roy Gallaher (brother-in-law of Katherine Rogers), Barry Davis

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RETURNSERVICEREQUESTED

OFFICE HOURS

8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Monday – Friday

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TIMES OF WORSHIP:

Sunday A.M.: 9:00

Sunday A.M. Bible Study: 10:15

Sunday P.M.: 6:00

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00

TELEVISION:

Stepping Stones from God's Word

<i>Charter Channel 6</i> Wednesdays: 7:00 PM Sundays: 5:00 PM	<i>CPWS Channel 13</i> Sundays: 5:00 PM
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Know Your Bible

<i>Charter Channel 6</i> Saturdays: 11:00 AM	<i>CPWS Channel 13</i> Saturdays: 11:00 AM
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RADIO:

A Word for the Way

Daily WMCP/WKOM

NEWSLINE:

931-381-8478

COUNSELING CENTER:

Mondays 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM

931-540-0174

OUR RECORD

Week Ending	3-24-07
Sunday A.M.	667
Bible Study	505
Sunday P.M.	419
Contribution	\$22,663.11
Wed. PM	484
Budget	\$22,500.00

2007 Graymere Summer Series

Theme:

***Minor Characters
with Major Influence***

June 6 Ken Forrest
June 13 Mike Kinnard
June 20 Mark Jamieson
June 27 VBS

July 4 Roy Markham
July 11 Gary Knuckles
July 18 Steve Lusk
July 25 Mike Tucker