#### Mt. Summit Christian Church

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# The Summit Messenger



This month, we begin a new teaching series in *The Letter of James*, titled "Uncommon Sense." We'll spend five weeks exploring this timely word that God has prepared for us. As we dig into James, we'll consider how these words speak powerfully to us in practical ways.

What is our situation? We are bombarded by misinformation and forces (visible and invisible) that shape our hearts and minds. We are divided externally as groups and individuals. We are internally divided, with our beliefs and desires not lining up with our actions. We lack wholeness within and without. What happens, then, when we follow common sense and the pull of our desires? We deceive ourselves and are deceived. Our inner and outer lives lack harmony. We damage our Christian witness among each other and the world. We don't experience the life God created us for.

Into this moment, *James* tells us the place to begin to heal is God's word of truth, the perfect law that grants freedom and blessing. James points us to God's work and calls us to withstand the all encompassing tide of disorder and instead embrace the wholeness only God can give. James has a very specific Christian vision of what that means for us:

- •Heeding God's purpose for us instead of the siren call of the world and our desires.
- •Working towards unity between our hearts and minds.
- •Harmonizing our beliefs and actions to live with integrity.
- •Living the law of love together in community.
- •Aligning our words with God's design for speech.
- •Relating to God by humility instead of pride.
- And more.



Let's not be tossed to and fro by what's happening around and inside of us. Let's not lose our minds because of politics. Instead, let's seek healing by God's word in *The Letter of James* and begin journeying on the path of Christian maturity.

Grace & Peace,
Justin



## **Full Nesters Gathering**

September 8th—11:30 a.m.

We'll be having a cookout and swimming at the Cory's (2168 N.E. Raintree, New Castle). All families with Youth are invited to attend.



All Youth and members of the congregation are invited to join us in attending the Jazz for Jesus concert at Greenfield Christian Church on September 8th. We'll meet at MSCC at 5 p.m. (departing 5:15 p.m.). The event is from 6 to 8 p.m., and will include refreshments following the concert. Please let Pastor James know if you plan to come so that we can arrange to carpool.

# CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

September 22nd 6 to 8 p.m.



Mooreland First Christian Church

All middle & high school Youth in the congregation are invited to come



This fall we plan to publish our own in-house family photo directory!

Watch for future announcements about picture dates. We want you in the book!

# Serving Sundays in September

Elder: Don Kissick

**Deacons:** Stefanie Petty &

**Debbie Masters** 

Acolytes: 1st Rylee Powell

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15th Levi Powell 22nd Kyson Edington 29th Levi Powell

## **September Sermon Schedule**

9/1 Psalm 15 / James 1:16-27 "God's Plan For You"

9/8 Psalm 125 / James 2:1-17 "Growing Pains"

9/15 Psalm 116:1-9 /
James 1:19-20, 26; 3:1-12,
4:11-16
"Speech Therapy"

9/22 Psalm 1 / James 1:14-16; 3:13-4:10 "Don't Be Yourself"

9/29 Psalm 19:7-14 / James 1:2-12, 5:7-11, 13-20 "The Joy of the Gospel"

## **Hagar's Hope Donations**

Thank you for your monthly donations of paper products! The collection bin is in the Welcome Area for anyone wishing to join us in supporting this ministry.

### **Home Group Resuming in October**

The Yoakum's (Terry and Jere) will again host the *Soup & Bread* small group in their home starting on Sunday, October 6, at 6:00 p.m. They will provide a main dish, a salad, a bread, drinks and serving items each Sunday evening. Additional items brought in by guests are appreciated but not required. Everyone is welcome to

attend and you don't have to make a permanent commitment to enjoy these meetings. After dinner, interesting discussions are held on a wide variety of Christian topics and concerns (we do not get into politics). The Yoakums live at 104 Maple Street in Mt. Summit. Direct your questions to Terry at 765-686-2422 (texts are preferred).

#### **Euchre Nights Resume**









This month on the 28th at 6 p.m., and the last Saturday of each month through spring (except for holiday weekends). Come for the fun and bring a friend!

These folks gathered for lunch at 1000° Pizza after the Prayer Walk on August 25th. Thank you to everyone who participated!





## **2024 Reconciliation Offering**

The Reconciliation Ministry Special Offering will be received on September 29 and October 6. Your gifts help support pro-reconciliation / anti-racism programs through education, camp and conference, and relationship-building in ministries and congregations of the Christian Church. Your gifts strengthens our Church's witness to God's unending love for all of humanity. With your generosity, leaders, communities, and our congregations are being equipped to witness to God's love and justice in all times and in every season. The time is always ripe to stand up for justice to ensure that all of God's children are treated equitably.

You may give in person at worship, through Givelify, by dropping off your offering at the church office, or by mailing it to the

church. Please remember to write "Reconciliation Special Offering" in the memo line of your check. Please remember that your special offering is a sacrificial gift, separate from and over and above your offering that supports the regular ministry needs of the church.

For more information concerning this ministry, please visit <u>www.reconciliationministry.org</u>. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this special offering.



MS/HS Youth

(Admin Asst out

of office)

6-7:30 pm

Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship: 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service: 10 a.m.



FC: Family Center FH: Fellowship Hall WA: Welcome Area

			2027			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Office Closed	Chords of Friendship 1-3 pm WA	Christian Adult Fellowship 12-3 pm FH		Evening set-up for Saturday event	FC & FH in use 6 am-8 pm (event: 10 am- 5 pm)
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Elders Mtg 8 am	EMPRCS Mtg	Chords of	Christian Adult			
Full Nesters cookout &	6 pm	Friendship	Fellowship			
swimming at Cory's 11:30 am	Board Mtg 6:30 pm	1-3 pm WA	12-3 pm FH			
Youth/Congregation Outing: Jazz for Jesus Concert (meet here at			9/11			
5 pm)			PATRIOT DAY			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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Faith Fest following worship service						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Christian Comm Youth		Chords of	Christian Adult			Euchre 6 pm
Rally 6-8 pm @ Mooreland FCC		Friendship 1-3 pm WA	Fellowship 12-3 pm FH			REP.
First Day of Autumn				(Admin Asst out of office)		AAU
29	30	·				



# BIRTXDAYS

Katy Stevenson	6 <sup>th</sup>
Samuel Morton	8 <sup>th</sup>
Charlie Moon	10 <sup>th</sup>
Emily Whitenack	10 <sup>th</sup>
Don Kissick	13 <sup>th</sup>
Tom Shelton	19 <sup>th</sup>
Asher Hall	21 <sup>st</sup>
Lilyanna Stack	21 <sup>st</sup>
Zach Stack	22 <sup>nd</sup>



# Anniversaries

Tom & Lonna Shelton 18th



Give in person, by mail, auto pay via your bank, or on-line through Givelify

	Attenuance & Offering						
	7/28	46	\$1,330				
,	8/4	52	\$3,366				
	8/11	46	\$2,016				
	8/18	46	\$2,696				
	8/25	36	\$1,615				

## **Contacting Your Elders:**

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Terry Yoakum
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765-524-1101
765-686-2422



#### **HEALTH CONCERNS**

Kennedi Allen Gene Kaboski Lyssa Allen Mark Miltenberger Susan Brown Frank Myers Linda Clausen Justin Myers Steve Cloud Mark O'Brien **Brent Crockett** Susan Phoenix John Dillman Bill Pracht Elsie French Cary Pyke Barb Fye-Johnson Jenna Reynolds Jessica Hall Julie Reynolds Mary Hall Vern Snyder Shelby Hall Susan Waymire Don Hoopingarner Tom & Ruth Ann Kacie Houser Wimmer

#### IN HEALTH CAREFACILITIES

Mary Lou Dye (Forest Ridge)
Marilyn Fellers (Glen Oaks-Legacy Wing)
Bud Shelton (Glen Oaks-Room 511)
Diane Veritas (The Willows)
Ruth Ann Wimmer (Glen Oaks-Room 203)

Prayer requests remain on the list for one month. Let the office know if you'd like them to be on the list again after that time.



## **Handbell Choir For Christmas**

Pastor James is forming a handbell choir for this year's Christmas Eve service. If you are interested in participating, please let him know. He plans to start rehearsals in late October.