

# Prestonsburg Church of Christ

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### Elders

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### Attendance Record

12/7/25

Sunday AM.....137

Sunday PM.....50

Wednesday....45

**Men Serving Today: December 14, 2025**

**Announcements: Jeff Wells**

**Opening Prayer: Don Wilcox**

**Scripture Reading: Jaxton Thacker**

**Lord’s Table:**

**Recite: Shannon Risner (Scott & Derek)**

**Usher & Count: Charles Hunt & Thomas Coleman**

**Evening Services:**

**Announcements: Don Wilcox**

**Lord’s Table:**

**Recite: Mike Hall**

**Wednesday Invitation: Brett McKenzie**

# Prestonsburg Informer

*A weekly bulletin for God’s family*

*at the Prestonsburg church of Christ*

**December 14, 2025**

### “The Blessing in Giving”

In Acts 20:35, Paul reminds the elders at Ephesus of a statement from Jesus that appears nowhere else in Scripture: “*It is more blessed to give than to receive.*” Those simple words capture a powerful truth about the heart of Christian living.

We all know the joy of receiving something meaningful—an unexpected encouragement, a needed gift, a helping hand during a difficult time. But Jesus teaches that a greater joy is found on the other side of the exchange. Giving lifts our hearts because it reflects the character of God Himself.

Giving is not limited to money. It includes time, compassion, hospitality, patience, forgiveness, and the willingness to share someone’s burden. Some of the most life-changing gifts are the ones that cannot be wrapped or deposited.

The blessings of giving are many:

- **Giving frees us from selfishness.** It redirects our hearts toward others rather than inward.
- **Giving strengthens our spiritual vision.** We begin to see needs instead of just our own plans.
- **Giving stores up treasure in heaven.** Jesus promised that acts of generosity are noticed by God (Matthew 6:20).
- **Giving encourages the body of Christ.** A church filled with givers becomes a place of warmth, strength, and unity.

As we enter each week, we will meet people who need a word, a prayer, a visit, a listening ear, or a helping hand. We don’t have to wait for a perfect moment or a special occasion. Every day God places opportunities before us to experience the blessing of giving.

May we take Jesus’ words to heart—and discover the joy that comes from a life poured out for others. After all, **it truly is more blessed to give than to receive.**



# Prayer Requests & Update

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Joe Snyder, Amber Miller, Brittany Richardson, Nadine May, Margaret Boyd, Mona Mitchell, Greg Morrison, Arlo Shepherd, Don Hicks, Rexton Blanton, Ava Gipson, Melinda McAllister, Saul Newsome, Wilma Campbell, Mary Lou Bailey, Jennifer Hunt, Teddy & Gloria Powers, Drexel Springer, Bill Ousley, Gary Stiltner, David Scott, Nancy Scott, Steven Crum, Kooper Jewel, Alonzo & Shirley Conley, Annie Poston, Ricky Tackett, Paul Collins, Nathaniel Robinson, Cortney Friend, Matthew Hays, Libby Collins, Mary Bailey, Trish Scott, Hedy Sexton, Pam Meek, James Rose, Sudie Allen, Patrick McKenzie, Amber Goble, Randy Wilcox, Ailene Kent Kidd, Avery Bailey, Linda Reed, Brenda Hylton, Paula Layne, Jeff Kidd, Evelyn Chaffins, Danny Risner, Betty Dutton, Michelle Hagy, Dean Hunt, Joey Samons, Mary Joseph, Paul Hill, Anna Ottis, Pam Whitaker, Matthew Goble, Pat Dye, Barb Lykens, Loretta McCray, Brian Stapleton, Millie Parsons, Sherry Slone, Elizabeth Mulkey, Leland Ousley, Barb Crouse, Roy Hall, Fronie McKinney, Marcie Tomlison, Wesley Hyden, Denise Slone, Lou Hall, Betty Lazenick, Thelma Goble, George Goble, Denver Goble, Peggy Boyd

Our members:

Bud Wireman, Joan Ousley, Bulavene Hall, Judy Adams, Marshall & Jackie Fugate, Rose Young, Rosie Daniels, Veda Fields, Connie Deskins, Ryan Johnson, Merle Marshall, Sparkel Conn, David Mosely, Larry Hall, Dean Cooley, Danielle McKenzie, Eula Stiltner, Charlotte Hall, Curt Jarvis, Leonard & Ethel Sturgill, Glennis Slone-Smith, Geraldine Jennings, Henrietta Orsborn, Katelyn SESCO, John Hall, Jackie Fugate, Roberta Sturgill, Brett McKenzie; Sharon Marshall, Marcie Hays, Velvia Hall, Lora Dingess, Vernon Hall, Judy Hall, Lynn Hill, Jackie Tackett, Candace Tackett, Raymond Daniels, Bethel Click

Friends/Family:

Jimmy Fish, Axel Combs, Nicole Samons, Karson Roop, Wanda Prince, Jerry Kinzer, Terry McCutcheon, Janice Feltner, Danny Patrick, Bonnie Reed, Debbie Samons, Kathy Thomas, Verlie Compton, Irene Ramey, Bucky Ellis, Gilbert Marcum, Wilma Moore, Kevin Hays, Ruth SESCO, Vicky Moore, Rod Sturgill, Donna Boyd, Johnny & Sissy Mosley, Margaret Tackett, Leighanne Hastie, Corbin Harris, Hope Thacker, Gene Ramey, Luke Martindale; Liam Moore, Almas Shepherd

Sympathy:

Please remember the families of Fred Hall, Monroe Compton, Hobert Keathley, Rick Newsome, Velva Newsome, Ken Allen, Gary Lawson, Lori Swiger, and Charlotte Turner.

Riverview Nursing Home: Debbie Porter and Donald Coleman

**Today’s Sermon Topics/Scripture Readings**  
**AM: “Jesus: Hope to the Hopeless (Mk. 5:40,41)”**  
**PM: “Under the Juniper Tree”**

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

VBS/Teachers Meeting: Today @ 4:45 pm  
WINGS: Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm.  
End of Year Fellowship: Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm

**Have You Obeyed the Gospel of Christ?**

<b>Hear the Word</b>	Rom.10:17
<b>Believe in Christ</b>	John 8:24
<b>Repent of your Sin</b>	Acts 2:38
<b>Confess Jesus is God’s Son</b>	Acts 8:37
<b>Baptized into Jesus</b>	Mk. 16:16
<b>Live a godly Life</b>	Titus 2:11-14

Schedule of Services

Sun. Bible Study – 10:00 am  
Sun. Worship – 11:00 am  
Sun. PM Worship –  
Wed. Bible Study – 7:00 pm  
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**Greeters next week**

Main Doors:  
Auditorium: **Karen Daniels & Brenda Crider**

If you haven’t already, please fill out a visitors’ card. We would love to have a record of your visit with us today!