

# Prestonsburg Church of Christ

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### Attendance Record

9/28/2025

Sunday AM.....169

Sunday PM.....59

Wednesday....49

**Men Serving Today: October 5, 2025**

**Announcements: Scott Thacker**

**Opening Prayer: Brett McKenzie**

**Scripture Reading: Ryan Johnson**

**Lord’s Table:**

**Recite: Shannon Risner (Keith & Tim)**

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

**Evening Services:**

**Announcements: Don Wilcox**

**Lord’s Table:**

**Recite: Mike Hall**

**Wednesday Invitation: Jim Slone**

# Prestonsburg Informer

*A weekly bulletin for God’s family  
at the Prestonsburg church of Christ*

**October 5, 2025**

### “Love Must Be Greater than Hate”

When we look around at the world today, it is easy to see how powerful hate can be. Wars are fueled by it. Families are torn apart by it. Communities are divided because of it. Hate is destructive, blinds the heart, hardens the conscience, and separates people from one another.

But as Christians, we are called to live differently. Scripture teaches that love is greater than hate, because love comes from God Himself. *“He who does not love does not know God, for God is love”* (1 John 4:8). Love is not simply an emotion, it is a choice, a way of life that reflects the very character of our Lord.

Jesus demonstrated this truth on the cross. As He suffered at the hands of those who mocked Him, He prayed, *“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do”* (Luke 23:34). Where hate sought to destroy, His love brought salvation. That is the power of love, it overcomes the deepest darkness.

Paul echoed this when he wrote, *“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good”* (Romans 12:21). Hate can only breed more hate, but love breaks the cycle. Love doesn’t mean ignoring sin, but it means responding in a way that seeks restoration rather than revenge.

Every day, we face opportunities to choose love over hate—in our homes, at work, in the church, and in the community. It might be easier to react in anger, hold grudges, or cut others off, but Christ calls us to something greater. Jesus said, *“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another”* (John 13:35). Our love is not just for those who love us back—it must extend even to our enemies (Matthew 5:44).

Hate will always exist in the world, but it should never rule in the heart of a Christian. God’s love, poured into our lives through Christ, equips us to love when it is hard, to forgive when it is painful, and to show compassion when it seems undeserved. Let us be a people known not for hate, but for love. Let us prove by our words, our actions, and our attitudes that the love of Christ is greater than the hate of this world. Only then will others see Him living in us.



# Prayer Requests & Update

October 5, 2025

Gary Stiltner, David Scott, Nancy Scott, Steven Crum, Kooper Jewel, Alonzo & Shirley Conley, Annie Poston, Ricky Tackett, Paul Collins, Nathaniel Robinson, Cortney Friend, Annette Canada, Matthew Hays, Libby Collins, Mary Bailey, Trish Scott, Hedy Sexton, Nancy Scott, Pam Meek, James Rose, Ken & Sudie Allen, Patrick McKenzie, Amber Goble, Mary Lou Bailey, Randy Wilcox, Ailene Kent Kidd, Avery Bailey, Linda Reed, Brenda Hylton, Paula Layne, Jeff Kidd, Carlos Hoover, Evelyn Chaffins, Danny Risner, Larry Sexton, Betty Dutton, Michelle Hagy, Dean Hunt, Joey Samons, Bruce Bentley, Mary Joseph, Paul Hill, Anna Ottis, Pam Whitaker, Matthew Goble, Pat Dye, Barb Lykens, Loretta McCray, Mary Reffitt, 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, Ruthie Goebel, George Goble, Denver Goble, Peggy Boyd

Our members:

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, Priscilla Fugate, 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; Justine Kidd, Liam Moore, Almas Shepherd

Sympathy:

Please remember the family of Lois Leslie.

Riverview Nursing Home: Debbie Porter and Donald Coleman

**Today’s Sermon Topics/Scripture Readings**  
**AM: “Less of Me More of Him (2 Pet. 1:4)”**  
**PM: “Faithful: He’s Coming!”**

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Ladies’ Classes: Zoom on Monday @ 10 & In-Person on Tues. @ 11

Gospel Meeting: Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Harold CoC (Local Preachers)

Lothair CoC Lectureship: Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am (Shawn @ 10 am)

Gospel Meeting: Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> (Robbie Eversole) Fellowship Meal after AM Service

WINGS: Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6 pm

Men’s Business Meeting: Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 5 pm

Ladies Day: Main Street CoC @ Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 10 am (Heather Slone a speaker)

**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!