

Prestonsburg Church of Christ

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Attendance Record

9/7/2025

Sunday AM.....138
Sunday PM.....36
Wednesday....45

Men Serving Today: September 14, 2025

Announcements: Scott Thacker

Opening Prayer: Tim Blankenship

Scripture Reading: Hunter Wilcox

Lord’s Table:

Recite: Shannon Risner (Scott & Derek)

Usher & Count: Charles Hunt & Thomas Coleman

Evening Services:

Announcements: Don Wilcox

Lord’s Table:

Recite: Jeff Wells

Wednesday Invitation: Marshall Fugate

Prestonsburg Informer

A weekly bulletin for God’s family

at the Prestonsburg church of Christ

September 14, 2025

“Optimism”

Optimism is an essential ingredient for the growth and well-being of the body of Christ both individually and congregationally. Leroy Brownlow writes, “The world is not going to follow the man who has a gloomy outlook. We like the person who enjoys the donut rather than griping about the hole in it.”

Optimism is a by-product of hope. The Christian’s hope is not rooted in this world but is anchored in the next (Hebrews 6:19). It is a hope that “does not disappoint...” (Romans 5:5). When life grows dark and dreary, threatening to dampen our enthusiasm, we must set our “mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth” (Colossians 3:2). Easier said than done. An optimistic outlook requires a disciplined mind. Paul says, “Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if here is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things” (Philippians 4:8).

Output is determined by input. So long as we fill our minds with polluted, negative thoughts, we will enjoy little success maintaining a positive attitude. By contrast, when Paul sought to fill his heart with things lovely and noble, he was able to rise above physical hardships and proclaim, “I can do all things through Him who strengthens me” (Philippians 4:13).

Wouldn’t you rather look at life through the hopeful optimism of faith in Christ? We will not always be treated fairly in life. Hardships will come even into the lives of Christians. But, in Christ, we have the resources to deal with life at its worst and still maintain our hope for the future. Remember, “This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it” (Psalm 118:24). -Glenn Elliot



Prayer Requests & Update

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Annette Canada, Matthew Hays, Eddie Branham, Libby Collins, Jimmy Wilson, Mary Bailey, Trish Scott, Hedy Sexton, Nancy Scott, Pam Meek, James Rose, Ken & Sudie Allen, Patrick McKenzie, Amber Goble, Mary Lou Bailey, Randy Wilcox, Dinah Vanhooose, Sharon Chapman, Angela Mullins, Terri Salyers, 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 families of Johnny Honaker, Priscilla Fugate, Cleve Thacker, and James Hall.

Riverview Nursing Home: Debbie Porter and Donald Coleman

Today’s Sermon Topics/Scripture Readings
AM: “What is Discipleship? (Lk. 9:23-25)”
PM: “Young Men’s Service”

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Ladies’ Classes: Zoom on Monday @ 10 & In-Person on Tues. @ 11
Gospel Meeting: Sept. 14th-18th @ Paintsville CoC (Dale Jenkins)
Young Men’s Service: Sept. 14th @ 6 pm.
Riverview Nursing Home: Sept. 21st @ 2 pm
Area-Wide Singing: Sept. 26 @ 7 pm (Shelby Valley CoC)
Bowling (Youth Outing): Sept. 27th @ 5-8 pm.

Have You Obeyed the Gospel of Christ?

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