

March 16, 2025



# From Your Pastor

We are now over a week into Lent, the 40 days leading up to Easter. In the early church, Lent was a time when new converts prepared for baptism on Easter Sunday. Today, many believers recognize this time as a tenth of the year, so they adopt some form of discipline as a tithe of their time. If you have chosen to do this, it certainly will be worth your efforts. Making space for the Lord is always worth it.

The term "Lent" originates from an old English word meaning "lengthen." We are certainly beginning to appreciate the lengthening of the days. Yard projects are being re-booted. Flower beds are prepped for summer. Porch furniture is getting used again. The days are getting longer, bringing more sunshine and causing buds to start forming everywhere.

One of my favorite Spring sights is the blooming of the forsythia. This display is a full-color, in-your-face reminder that new life is on the loose after a long, cold winter.



Our family once lived on a street that was absolutely stunning during the Spring. One of my friends had family that had lived on our street. He said, "As a child, I always viewed Ridge Ave. as something like the Garden of Eden. Particularly in Spring."

So – what are you doing to embrace the lengthening of the days? What hopeful signs of Spring are you noticing?

Blessings,  
Ande

## Reading Luke *together*

### **This week's readings:**

Monday 3/17: Luke 6:1-36

Tuesday 3/18: Luke 6:37-7:10

Wednesday 3/19: Luke 7:11-50

Thursday 3/20: Luke 8:1-25

Friday 3/21: Luke 8:26-56

Saturday 3/22: Luke 9:1-27

## Online Connections

[www.cbfc.org](http://www.cbfc.org)

[www.Vimeo.com/cbfc](http://www.Vimeo.com/cbfc) for our online service

Upcoming events, conversation photos  
on Facebook and Instagram @cbcfountaincity

# Weekly Opportunities

## Sunday School

Sundays at 9:15 am

There are Bible study classes for all ages!

Visit [cbcfc.org/about/sunday-school/](http://cbcfc.org/about/sunday-school/) for a list of classes.

## Media Center

Come take advantage of the resources your church library

has to offer! Open Sundays 8:30am - 10:20am

Wednesday 9:30 am - 12pm

## Family Life Center

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday | 8am – 8pm

Wednesday | 8am – 2pm and Friday | 8am – noon

The fitness calendar can be found on our website at

[cbcfc.org/calendar/fitness/](http://cbcfc.org/calendar/fitness/)

## Sunday Night for College & Young Adults

Small Group . . . . . 7-8pm . . . . . [cturner@cbcfc.org](mailto:cturner@cbcfc.org) for info



## Wednesday Night LIFE

*No LIFE March 19, Resumes March 26*



## Wednesday Night for Adults

Adult Choir Rehearsal . . . . . 6:15-7:30pm . . . . . Music Suite

Devotion with Ande Myers. . . . . 7pm. . . . . Facebook

## Preschool Worship Workers

**March 16** Janna Gadd, Jackson Gadd, Josie Gadd,  
Blake Gadd, Logan Gadd

**March 23** Sheila Davis, Bethany Bates,  
Jonathan & Kristen Jackson



## Greeter Meeting

New greeters and anyone interested in greeting are invited to gather at the front of the sanctuary after the service on Sunday, March 23, for a brief meeting.





# Family Info

## In the hospital

Dan Wilson - Fort Sanders  
David DeBusk - Parkwest

## In hospice care

Judy Palmer  
Helen Shackelford

*Congratulations to Kinsey & Logan Herring on the birth of their daughter, Margot Reese, born on March 3. Proud grandparents are Bobby & Mary Nelle Glenn.*

## COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



The 2025-2026 application is now available. Those applying should email completed applications to: [scholarship@cbcfc.org](mailto:scholarship@cbcfc.org) by April 1. Scan the QR code to download the application.

Tennessee Baptist Foundation also provides scholarship assistance. Apply online at [tbfoundation.org](http://tbfoundation.org)

# Weekly Record

	<u>Required</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
3/9/25	\$31,038.46	\$42,917.85	\$31,025.93
YTD	\$713,884.62	\$746,946.00	\$647,902.79
Morning Worship. . . . .			307
Sunday School. . . . .			241



**Easter**  
MISSIONS OFFERING  
Goal: **\$20,000**

# Upcoming Events

Senior  
Adult

## Moon Over **BUFFALO**

A Comedy by Ken Ludwig

Wait list only, call Debbie in the office: 865-688-2421.

*Tuesday, March 25*  
Cumberland County Playhouse

## Love **ON YOUR CHURCH DAY**



**SATURDAY, MARCH 29**

Scan the QR code to sign up!

## YOUTH IN HOUSE 2025

APRIL 4-6

\$60

SIGN UP BY MARCH 21



COME SEE THE GREAT EXCHANGE THAT JESUS MADE FOR US

## Journey to the Cross

*A Self-Guided Worship Experience*

**Good Friday | 10am-2pm | Family Life Center**

All Ages Welcome!



# Sunday Morning Worship

March 16, 2025 10:30 a.m.

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<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Finale Jubilate</i>	Willan
<b>Welcome to Worshipers</b>		Rev. Ande Myers
<b>Hymn No. 326</b>	<i>How Majestic Is Your Name</i>	
<b>Hymn No. 319</b>	<i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i>	arr. Harlan
<b>Scripture Reading &amp; Prayer</b>	Luke 5:1-11	Caleb Turner
<b>Hymn No. 510</b>	<i>Lord, Here Am I</i>	
<b>Offertory Prayer</b>		Cathy Pittman
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Near the Cross</i>	arr. Hustad
<b>Choral Worship</b>	<i>Come Follow Me</i>	Williams/Martin
<b>Message</b>	<i>Reading Through Luke: Into the Deep</i>	Rev. Ande Myers
<b>Hymn No. 473</b>	<i>Will You Come and Follow Me</i>	
<b>Easter Missions Offering Emphasis</b>		Rev. Ron Mouser
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Rise Up, O Church of God</i>	Pethel

## Worship Service Feedback

We need your feedback on Worship Service  
Schedule, Locations, and Other Details!

Scan the QR code to complete the survey,  
or fill out one of the forms available at the  
tables outside the sanctuary.

Completed paper surveys can be placed in  
the offering plate.

Please submit your feedback by March 31st.

