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A welcoming community of Christian disciples seeking to love and serve God and neighbor

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WE ARE ALL A PART OF THE CHOIR

As we stood singing Christmas carols together at last Sunday's worship service I was reminded of a wise and thoughtful music minister, Tom Trenney, who taught at the Music and Worship Conference held in Montreat, NC. Six years ago I attended his class which explored the roles of church music directors and the importance of music in worship. He emphasized that your congregation is your largest and most important choir.

When we come to worship and we sing hymns together, we all become members of the church's choir, the congregation. There are no rehearsals, no prerequisites, yet this choir sings for the holiest of all audiences. When it comes time to sing a hymn together, our individual voices become part of a most beautiful communal offering of prayer and praise. We offer back to God whatever voice He has given us. We return our every breath- we return the very gift of life itself- through our song. And our offering in music is always unique and special, one that has never been heard before and can never be heard again.

God has created each of us to be an instrument - to love, serve, and give in a way that no one else ever has and no one else ever will. When we make music in worship, we are offering back to God the very breath of life, breathed out in song. Singing is literally a gift of the Spirit that we may return as a spiritual gift.

May we sing every hymn as an offering to God in thanks and praise for the extraordinary gifts He has given us.

Blessings,

Linda

IT'S BACK!

It's time once again to register for Wednesday Night Special. This semester, in addition to our regular opportunities for children and youth, we'll have three options for adults.

Pastor Kip will lead a **2-part Bible Study**. The first five weeks will be *Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say*. In this study, the class will look at five well known statements that are frequently attributed to scripture but aren't actually scriptural. For the remaining 5 weeks, the class will study a few chapters in the book of *Genesis*.

Ron Medlin will lead **Welty's World**. Eudora Welty (1909-2001) lived her entire long life in Jackson, Mississippi, but her short stories transcend Southern regionalism. With "originality and ease," Welty blends "the wistful, the monstrous, and the comic" to portray the "concrete quality of life." (LHUS)

Sandra Shepherd will coordinate **On the Move!** The class—open to adults of any age, size, and shape—will explore different types and methods of physical movement. Yoga, walking, tap dance, and liturgical dance are just a few of the kinds of movement the class will sample with the various guest leaders/teachers.

Look for registration forms in your bulletins and at the Welcome Center. And if you haven't been a regular participant in Wednesday Night Special, consider trying it this time!! We need YOU to help this be the best WNS possible!

ZILLIONS OF BOTTLE CAPS!

You've been faithfully saving and delivering plastic bottle caps for many months. Now, please save one more thing: the afternoon of Sunday, February 7 (a.k.a. Super Bowl Sunday). Not only will we gather a sizable group to watch the game in the Fellowship Hall, but before the game it's all hands on deck to help with the church-wide art project. Most of the details will remain a mystery until that date, but if you want a clue, just check out "bottle cap mosaics" on Pinterest. We'll start at 3:00 pm. There will be several different jobs--some with power tools, some with basic assembly, others with teamwork--so we need LOTS of folks. Please reserve that afternoon and evening for a great time with your church family and watch for more event details.

Sandra



Our congratulations to Brenthaven member **Kathy Wood-Dobbins** who was recently honored by the Tennessee Primary Care Association (TPCA) with the *Kathy Wood-Dobbins Executive Leadership Award*. The award, named in her honor, will be presented annually to a leader in community health for showing extraordinary leadership in the support and recognition of Tennessee's health centers. Kathy recently retired from TPCA expressed her thanks, saying she was "humbled and grateful."



Adopt-a-Grad

Do you love our college students? Would you be interested in praying for one of them and sending "care packages" and letters of encouragement? Then get ready! With our new "Adopt-A-Grad" program, we will do exactly that. Every college student will be "adopted" by a family of Brenthaven Church, and their new family will send them love, prayers, and encouragement each month.

For more information, or if you or your family would be interested in "adopting" one of our college students see Ean outside of the sanctuary after worship or reach him by email brenthavenyouth@gmail.com.

YOUTH ROCKS MLK WEEKEND RETREAT

For the MLK Weekend Retreat, final **forms and money** are due by **Sunday, January 13** for those who are registered. Brenthaven's Youth ROCKS will be venturing to Louisville, Kentucky, Friday, January 18 - Monday, January 21.



Please be in prayer for the leaders and participants as they prepare to fully engage in the weekend event.

BOOKEND BOOKCLUB

The **BookEnd BookClub** January selection is *The Great Alone* by Kristen Hannah. This novel takes place in Alaska in 1974. It's unpredictable, unforgiving, and untamed. For a family in crisis the ultimate text of survival. You are invited to read along and join in the discussion **Thursday, January 17, 9:30 am** in the Adult Library.



BRENTHAVEN WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The Brenthaven Women's Ministry will meet on **Tuesday, January 22** in the Adult Library at **10:30 am**.

Jan Marshall will serve as hostess. Please bring a sandwich. Drink and dessert will be provided. In both January and February, we will be working on a project for young women in third world countries. We need your help. In the next few weeks, please bring used terry cloth towels for this project. When you come, also please bring a pair of sharp scissors. See ya' here!

YOUNG @ HEART TRIP

The Young @ Heart Trip scheduled for March 11 to New Orleans has been postponed. We will try and reschedule for a later date.

2019 CHILI COOK-OFF — JANUARY 23

Attention all Chili Cooks! The Brenthaven Chili Cook-Off will be held **Wednesday, January 23** at **5:45 pm**. Bring on the heat, the taste, the best you have to offer, and see if you can beat the rest. Those planning to come and partake, please bring cornbread, tortilla or corn chips, shredded cheese, other toppings and/or dessert.



SUNDAY SCHOOL SCENE

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

Matthew 5:3-4

We had fun celebrating Christmas's Around the World last month. Our travels took us to Italy, Mexico, Germany, Sweden and back to the USA. Now we turn our attention back to Bible stories as we begin our study of *The Beatitudes* in the *Workshop Rotation Sunday School Classes*. A funny movie called "How to get Blessed without Sneezing," introduced us to all 8 Beatitudes. Now the children will start testing their knowledge in the *Fun & Games Workshop* as they work their way around the giant gameboard answering questions and matching verses with each Beatitude. In another workshop, a little acting and modeling will come into play as they recreate each Beatitude and take a picture of their work. We'll be sure to post the pictures. Then it will be time for the KOK version of the Super Bowl as we review our last 6 months of lessons to see if our answers can march our team down the field to score. It's all coming up for children in Kindergarten through 6th grade every Sunday morning at 9:30 am.

Next month: Elijah. We would love to have you join us to help teach or just watch. Let Cheryl know.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Lee Roy Satterwhite, Kimberly Roe (*cousin of Scott Felts*),
Jackie Kennedy (*Camp Gladiator*)

Homebound

Hester Allen, Mickey Davis, Forrest King

Members

Ben Davis, Barbara Dial, Bob Dozier, Ollie Faircloth,
Barbara Gentry, Em Ghianni, Paul Gonzales, Madge &
Paul Graves, Doris Gray, Tommy Hennesy, Robert Lipe,
Barbara Loyall, Betty Murray, Jean Overstreet, Jack
Phillips, Larry Pulley, Anna Rutledge, Guy Sneed

Family and Friends

Misty Aird (*Bethel Univ. soccer coach*), Carney Allen (*father of Greg T. Allen*), Abbey Bailey and Family (*friend of Jane Dowden*), Charles Douglas Ballard (*cousin of Joan Bledsoe*), Wanda Blair and family (*friend of Scott Felts*), Jacob Boling (*nephew of Ann White*), Dorothy Bucher (*mother of Carol Perryman*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Peggy Byrd, Fahlin Chapman (*friend of Jenny and Anna Grace Wooten*), Betty Sue Cook (*mother of Lisa Cook*), LeeAnn Dawkins (*niece of Hardy Moyers*), Harry Dexheimer (*age 7, son of Brenthaven Consignor*), Don Dowden (*brother-in law of Jane Dowden*), Kathy Dozier (*daughter-in-law of Bob Dozier*), Meg Fugatt (*daughter of Ron & Ann White*), Bill Garrett (*son of Beverly Garrett Shaw*), Frank Gillespie (*step-father of Russ Deaton*), Bob Hallquist (*grandfather of Carolyn Hallbright*), Brian Hartman (*friend of Jonelle Summitt*), Sue Hearn (*aunt of Jodi Rush*), Kelly Jo Hicks (*friend of D'ann Ricketts*), Deborah Irwin (*friend of Jonelle Summitt*), Shirley Jansma, David Katz (*brother of Dan MacDonald*), David Kirby (*husband of Donna Kirby*), John Kirkland (*son-in-law Joyce Burch*), Betty McCaskill (*friend of Ann White*), Marisa Morgan and Family (*friend of Heather and Ian MacDonald*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miab Faircloth*), Doug Powers, Martha Pulley (*mother of Larry Pulley*), Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*), Bill Reitmeyer (*husband of Penni Reitmeyer*), Vicki Scott (*sister of Stan Wooten*), Jimmy Sharpe (*director of Junior Camp*), Patty Short (*friend of Myra Agee*), Meredith Simmons (*friend of Jack Keiser*), Pat Simpson (*mother of Sheryl Day*), Super Sophie, age 10 (*granddaughter of friends of Marty & Cheryl Morris*), Brett Swain (*friend of the Beatons*), Cindy Underwood (*friend of Jan Davidson*), Cleo Underwood (*sister of Barbara Loyall*), Melissa Waddey (*co-worker of Lori Wooten*), Kelly Wallace (*daughter of Fred & Carol Ford*), Barbara Woodward (*mother of Sandra Moyers*), Judith Wright (*grandmother of Carolyn Hallbright*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of Mary Helen Alexander
Family of Dorothy Couden (*mother of Vince Couden*)
Family of Jimmy Greer (*brother-in-law of Mac Holland*)
Family of Bart Leathers (*friend of Scott Strickland*)
Family of Duane Wamsley (*cousin of Joan Bledsoe*)



MEMORIALS

In Memory of Mary Helen Alexander

Joyce Burch
Billy & Barbara Dial
Bart King

In Memory of Jerry Chesnut

Ronny & Becky Jones

In Memory of Judy Hamlett

Wylene Nix
Young @ Heart

In Memory of Hardy Moyers

Dorothy P. Rogers
Austin Funeral & Cremation Services

In Memory of Margaret Norman

Billy & Barbara Dial
Bart King

In Memory of Jim Robinson

Sandra Moyers

In Memory of Rev. Fred Schott

Bart King

THANK YOU

Dear Friends of Brenthaven Church,

Thank you for the two boxes you sent to us, they came a week before Christmas. Thank you for your spirit of giving and the Christmas gifts for the people out here.

I retired as pastor of our church due to illness and now a grandson Alex Bad Bear III and his wife Laura are the ministers.

After the illness and not being able to walk or drive, I received a new preacher's license. So I asked God what He wanted me to do. He reminded me about the jail ministry. Now I can walk and drive myself to the jail at Pine Ridge on Mondays, read the Bible, and pray with the inmates. I feel alive again.

We wish each one a Blessed and Happy New Year.

Cecilia Spotted Bear

Alex & Laura Bad Bear III ministers
Lakota Memorial Church of the Nazarene
Wounded Knee, SD

RECENT GUESTS

Randy Huffaker

Quintin Turner

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*SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:45 A.M.*PHONE: (615) 373-4826
FAX: (615) 373-4869
www.brenthaven.org**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Jan 13** **9:30 am** Sunday School
10:45 am Worship
12:00 pm Discipleship Ministry Team Mtg.
5:00 pm Children's Music
5:00 pm Youth ROCKS
- Jan 16** **6:00 pm** Handbell Rehearsal
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Jan 17** **9:30 am** BookEnd BookClub
11:00 am Creative Craft Ministry
- Jan 18** **5:30 pm** Depart for Youth Retreat
6:00 pm Safe Haven
- Jan 18 – 21** Youth Retreat
- Jan 20** **9:30 am** Sunday School
10:45 am Worship
5:00 pm Children's Music

ATTENDANCE*Sunday, January 6, 2018*

Sunday School 43 Worship 137

SERVING WEEK OF JANUARY 13

- Acolytes:* Leah McCulley, Lilly Van Allen
Greeters: Sherry Kelly, Loretta Sneed
Lector: Nancy Humphrey
Nursery: Betsy Canupp (*Sunday School*)
Betsy Canupp, Jennie Ford (*Worship*)
Ushers: Larry Davidson, Angela Beaton, Barbara Dial,
Jane Dowden, Lee Johnson, Elwyn Pierce,
Joe Shoemake, Blaze Wattenbarger
Wee Worship: Rhonda Mossbarger, Anna Ford
Sunday, January 13 (white)
Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29:
Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR JANUARY 6

	OPERATING & DEBT RETIREMENT BUDGET
Dedicated Giving	\$ 71.00
Donations towards Budgeted Expense	17,049.19
Weekly Need	10,202.13
Received Year-to-Date	17,120.19
Actual Spend Year-to-Date	8,280.83
Difference	8,839.36
Monthly Principal & Interest Payment	9,579.73
Mortgage Principal Balance	379,275.20

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Kip J. Rush, Pastor
Sandra Shepherd, Associate Pastor of Christian Discipleship
Cheryl Morris, Children's Ministry
Ean Taylor, Youth Director
Linda Pulley, Director of Music
Amity Marsh, Organist
Penni Reitmeyer, Office Administrator

Session - The Elders

<i>Class of 2019</i>	<i>Class of 2020</i>	<i>Class of 2021</i>
Russ Deaton	Otis Hallbright	Greg Allen
Chris Fleming	Angie Johnson	Jan Davidson
Renee McCulley	Joe Malloy	Fred Ford, Jr.
Julie Travis	Jan Marshall	Liz Strickland