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BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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WELCOME TO LENT?

Welcome to Lent! Yeah, I know, kind of a strange greeting. But hey, it is a unique season we have entered. This season brings us purple and black, a focus on darkness, our own shortcomings, and hopefully deep reflection. There is a study book (which I KNOW you have picked up) that will guide you in a time for study and even worship has been changed just a little for the season.

Every year, as we begin the season of Lent, we begin with Jesus hanging out in the wilderness. Can you believe that this is the first thing that happens to Jesus after being baptized? There's no party or joyous celebration. Nope. Instead, Jesus goes out to the desert for 40 days, fasts and gets tempted by the devil. I'm just not sure God has a great sense of humor sometimes.

Yet while I am taken aback by this turn of events, I am also amazed at the willingness of Jesus to take on this challenge. Remember, these are HIS challenges, HIS temptations. Yet, as we enter these 40 days, I believe he is offering us an example of how difficult life can be — that we have choices. And Jesus is showing us the right way to respond in faith to temptation and the trials of life.

Let's be honest, if given a choice, we are going to avoid any difficulty we can. Not Jesus. He walked into that wilderness willingly — hungry, tired, alone, tempted to make choices that would go against what he knew God expected of him.

Some would say that the season of Lent is an open invitation to be intentional as we walk into our own wilderness, looking at ourselves in light of our faith. We are called to follow the example of Jesus who was “led by the Spirit in the wilderness,” for forty days. So, during this season especially, we enter that wilderness and seek to grow closer to God.

What I think we forget, but need to remember, is that just as Jesus was led by the Spirit, so are we. And the Spirit didn't just drop Jesus off and say, “See you in 40.” No, the Spirit remained with him, guiding him, enabling him to grow. Likewise, the Spirit abides with us, guiding us and enabling us to grow more faithfully. May we remember that we aren't alone in the wilderness! May you feel the presence of God as we spend these 40 days (and 6 Sundays) together.

Welcome to Lent,

STORIES OF JESUS DURING LENT



Brenthaven's Discipleship Ministry Team invites you to spend time during the Lenten season reading stories about Jesus. A reading guide will be available for individuals and families to follow along and guide their reading throughout the season. The daily readings will be short and follow a weekly theme on different aspects of Jesus' life and ministry: Places Jesus Went, People Jesus Met, Times When Jesus Prayed...and more.

You may read the daily scripture from whatever version of the Bible you choose. For families with children, you may want to purchase *Growing in God's Love*. The reading guide you receive will list the coordinating story from this story Bible along with the scripture for the day. *Growing in God's Love* will be available to purchase at the church for \$15.00. It is a story Bible with beautiful illustrations and 150 stories from the Old and New Testaments and a wonderful resource for your home library.

As we take on the practice of reading a story a day about Jesus during the Lenten season, you are invited to stop by the “Stories of Jesus” display that will be in the Narthex. The display will change weekly and have ways to enhance your daily readings. More about this display in the coming weeks.



SPOTLIGHT

You can write State Champion next to **Anna Grace Wooten's**

name after her school Robotics Team took top honors at a recent competition. The Tennessee State Championship was actually the largest state championship this year with more than 100 Middle school, elementary, and high school teams qualifying to compete at the state level. Anna's team, representing Brentwood Academy, also won the overall Excellence Award, which is the highest award given in the middle school division. Her team now will advance to the World Robotics Championship in Louisville in April where they will compete against 190 other top ranked middle school teams that have qualified from 50 countries around the world. Anna Grace is in 7th grade and the daughter of **Stan and Lori Wooten**.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL MENU

Wednesday Night Special menu for March 20:

Baked Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Salad, and Cookies

Please make, cancel, or adjust your meal reservations by Monday, March 18 before 10:00 am.

BRENTHAVEN CHURCH ON FACEBOOK LIVE

Just a note to let you know that Brenthaven's Sunday services are being streamed live on Facebook each Sunday morning. So, if you're out of town, you can still worship with us from wherever you are. Go to the Brenthaven Church Facebook page. The services will remain on the page for a few days as well, just in case you can't join us at 10:45.

YOUR PICTURES NEEDED

In an attempt to keep an updated church directory, we are putting together one that will be available online, through a phone app, or can be printed. Please help us by adding your photo in one of three ways. Have a photo scanned or if already on your computer, email that photo to pastor@brenthaven.org or secretary@brenthaven.org. Bring your photo by the church and we will scan it for you. Or we will take your picture on a Sunday. Please let us know ahead of time. Thank you.

CONSIGNMENT SALE SEEKING DONATIONS

Spring Cleaning? Consider donating your gently used spring and summer clothing to the Brenthaven Consignment Sale. We are accepting adult business attire, maternity wear, and children's clothing from newborn to size 14/16. You may bring your donations to the church on Sunday, March 24.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE CONSIGNMENT SALE

Your help is needed to set up for Brenthaven Consignment Sale Sunday, March 24 following worship.

You are also invited to volunteer to work one of the shifts at the sale. When you volunteer to work a shift you get to shop first. If you are a consignor, each shift you work will increase your take home profit by 2% up to 10% total. We are glad to have well-behaved children present during volunteer shifts. Most volunteer shifts are between 3 and 4 hours in duration.

To sign up to volunteer go to

www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4fa9af22a64-2019

Your help is very much appreciated.



March 28 - 30

THURS.,	MAR. 28	NOON - 6:00PM
FRI.,	MAR. 29	10:00AM - 6:00PM
SAT.,	MAR. 30	8:00AM - 2:00PM 1/2 PRICE

YOU COULD SHOP ALL SEASON TO FIND GOOD DEALS OR
FIND THEM ALL RIGHT HERE.

CALLING ALL CONSIGNORS

Be a consignor at the Brenthaven Consignment Sale. Go to www.brenthaven.org and click on the Brenthaven Consignment Sale tab. The dates of the sale are **Thursday, March 28 - Saturday, March 30**. The Pre-Sale by invitation for consignors and volunteers is Wednesday, March 27. We are accepting gently used spring and summer clothing from newborn through size 14/16.

Check out our new tagging system! We think you will love it, plus you will get sales reports in REAL TIME! You will be able to enter and print all of your tags AND get instant sales report to see what has sold. Sign up now for a new consignor number and to select a drop off time. Consignor fees are \$7, plus 30% of your total sales (same 70/30 split). For trying this system, we will waive your consignor fee (\$7) for the Spring 2019 sale. If you are unable to use the new system for any reason, please make arrangements with us ASAP. So start cleaning out those closets and make some money!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Ollie Faircloth, Cindy Harris (*friend of Angela Beaton*),
Patsy & Noel Martin (*friends of Angela Beaton*),
Juanita Wooten (*mother of Stan Wooten*)



Homebound

Hester Allen, Mickey Davis, Forrest King

Members

Corina Crowe, Ben Davis, Barbara Dial, Melinda Fleming,
Charlie Floyd, Barbara Gentry, Em Ghianni, Paul
Gonzales, Madge & Paul Graves, Doris Gray, Tommy
Hennesy, Robert Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Rhonda
Mossbarger, Jean Overstreet, Jack Phillips, Larry Pulley,
Lee Roy Satterwhite, Guy Sneed, Jenny Wooten

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*), 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*), Brady Gardner (*friend of Angela Beaton*), Bill Garrett (*son of Beverly Garrett Shaw*), Frank Gillespie (*step-father of Russ Deaton*), 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*), John Kirkland (*son-in-law Joyce Burch*), Jessica Lam Lau (*friend of Rush family*), Betty McCaskill (*friend of Ann White*), Rev. Nathaniel Mathews (*formerly of Nashville Presbytery*), Tony Mines (*friend of Angela Beaton*), Marisa Morgan and Family (*friend of Heather and Ian MacDonald*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miab Faircloth*), Doug Powers, Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*), Mary Ellen Rimer (*former member*), Kimberly Roe (*cousin of Scott Felts*), Vicki Scott (*sister of Stan Wooten*), Jimmy Sharpe (*director of Junior Camp*), Patty Short (*friend of Myra Agee*), Pat Simpson (*mother of Sheryl Day*), Super Sophie, age 10 (*granddaughter of friends of Marty & Cheryl Morris*), Brett Swain (*friend of the Beaton's*), Cleo Underwood (*sister of Barbara Loyall*), Melissa Waddey (*co-worker of Lori Wooten*), Kelly Wallace (*daughter of Fred & Carol Ford*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of Don Crowe (*father of Charlie Crowe*)

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Don Crowe (father of Charlie Crowe)

Billy & Barbara Dial
Ronny & Becky Jones
Larry & Jan Davidson
Bart King
Gary & Josepha Morse
Guy & Loretta Sneed

In Memory of David Kirby (husband of Donna Kirby)

Billy & Barbara Dial
Ronny & Becky Jones
Larry & Jan Davidson
Bart King
Jan Marshall
Guy & Loretta Sneed

In Honor of Harvey Frances Crowe

Gary & Josepha Morse

NEW TO OUR ADULT LIBRARY

The Orphan's Tale by Pan Jenoff

Capital Gains by Chip Gaines

The Magnolia Story by Chip & Joanna Gaines

Final Words by Adam Hamilton

Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

Slightly South of Simple by Kristy Woodson Hawey

Including Book Club Selections:

The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware

Flora by Gail Godwin

Neverhome by Laird Hunt

When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi

RECENT GUESTS

Kathy, Terry and Mary Kate Brian
Grace Eley
Eric Taylor

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, March 10, 2019

Sunday School 78 Worship 135

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 SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:45 A.M.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 17** 9:30 am Sunday School
 10:45 am Worship
 3:00 pm Confirmation Class
 3:45 pm Handbell Rehearsal
 5:00 pm Children's Music
 5:00 pm Youth ROCKS
- Mar 18** 10:00 am Young @ Heart
- Mar 20** 5:45 pm Wednesday Night Special - Meal
 6:30 pm Wednesday Night Special - Classes
 Kids of the Kingdom
 WNY (Wednesday Night Youth)
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Mar 21** 10:00 am Lenten Bible Study
 11:00 am Creative Craft Ministry
- Mar 22 - 24** Denominational Young Adult Retreat
- Mar 24** 9:30 am Sunday School
 10:45 am Worship
 12:00 pm Missions Ministry Meeting
 12:00 pm Step Up goes to MBSP
 12:00 pm Consignment Sale Set-Up
 3:00 pm Confirmation Class
 3:45 pm Handbell Rehearsal
 5:00 pm Children's Music

SERVING WEEK OF MARCH 17

- Acolytes:* Grady Deaton, Luke Deaton
Greeters: Jodi Rush, Gina Wattenbarger
Lector: Julie Murphy
Nursery: Betsy Canupp (*Sunday School*)
 Betsy Canupp, Rose O'Hara (*Worship*)
Ushers: Ted Brothers, Greg Allen, John Edwards,
 Otis Hallbright, Trent Johnson, Sherry Kelly,
 Frank Scott, Lori Wooten
Wee Worship: Stuart Beaton III

Sunday, March 17 (purple)

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27;
 Philippians 3:27-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR MARCH 10**OPERATING & DEBT
 RETIREMENT BUDGET**

Dedicated Giving	\$	775.00
Donations towards Budgeted Expense		11,900.99
Weekly Need		10,202.13
Received Year-to-Date		109,470.11
Actual Spend Year-to-Date		119,302.25
Difference		(9,832.14)
Monthly Principal & Interest Payment		9,579.73
Mortgage Principal Balance		362,859.89

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