



THE MESSENGER

BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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WHAT CAN WE SAY? WHAT CAN WE DO?

Have you been like me these last couple of days: numb, saddened, angry, confused, concerned, or any of the myriad of emotions that have been triggered? When I awoke to the news that over 50 people had been killed and over 500 injured in a senseless act of terror, I was overwhelmed with grief. When, O God, will it end? Over 50 surpasses the 49 murders in Orlando about a year ago. And all of this on the heels of all the other tragedy that has befallen families. It is very difficult some days to find hope in the midst of pain.

I remember the words of the prophecy when Isaiah proclaims, *“For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;...”* (Isaiah 65:17-18a). This passage, often read on Easter, is a reminder that hope abounds in the Resurrection of Christ. We head to the tomb with the women, full of sadness and confusion, with no expectation of what they are about to encounter – a risen Christ.

Today, that’s where we stand — in the midst of a broken world. We see the pain, hear the names of mothers, fathers, daughters, sons, husbands and wives whose lives have been cut short. Those families are left with an emptiness where life once lived and they seek wholeness and some sort of peace. What can we say? We understand that feeling, because though we may not know them, we hurt with them. They were one of us, a child of God. But the words we share cannot bring back those lives nor soothe the pain, not now.


What can we do? We listen to Isaiah and we pray for guidance. The prophet declares that God is doing something new—that in God’s new world order there would be no more meanness, no more senseless killing, but instead a new heaven and a new earth, where the lion and the lamb will lie together. But for that to happen, does it not begin with us who are called God’s people? Are we not the hands, the feet, the heart, the mouth of a loving and living God? If we are not changed, then neither will the world be changed.

I don’t know “everything” that we are supposed to do as God’s people. But I do know two things we are commanded to do. Jesus said,

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” -- Luke 10:27 (NRSV)

I happen to believe if we do these things, it is definitely the beginning to a change.

O God, we lift up to you the families of those whose lives have been taken from them. Comfort and give them strength and may you give us the courage to be instruments of peace in a world of hate. Amen.

Grace and peace,


TRUNK OR TREAT - CANDY NEEDED

Are you noticing all that Halloween candy at the stores? Well, *The Outreach & Church Growth Ministry* could use some donations of candy. They are preparing treat bags to hand out to our guests at our upcoming **Trunk or Treat Party on Sunday, October 29**. This year’s party will include local food trucks where you can purchase a meal. Of course, the church will provide drinks and popcorn.



The party begins at **5:00 pm**, just park your vehicle, open up your trunk and decorate if you choose, unfold the lawn chair and be ready to hand out candy. Trucks work well and we’ve even had a motorcycle decked out with a Christmas tree and lights! (Thank you Randy Elliott!).

So, if you cannot attend or set up a trunk but want to help, please bring candy to the church office. Thank you.

SAFE SANCTUARIES

Volunteer Training for **Safe Sanctuaries** will be held **Sunday, October 22, 12:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. This is the rescheduled training from August. Lunch will be served. Please **RSVP** to **Sandra Shepherd** so she can be prepared.

ALL ADULTS who help with Wee Worship, Sunday school, VBS, Children's Fest, Trunk-or-Treat, Children's Sunday, Children's Choir, the Christmas play, Live Nativity, or any other Brenthaven program involving children need annual training.

In addition, youth who still need this training and work with our children are invited and encouraged to come and participate and fulfill their requirements.

We are grateful for all who give of their time not only to serve, but to prepare with this and other training opportunities.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

All men are invited to the Men's Fellowship Breakfast on **Saturday, October 7, 8:30 am** in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great way to begin your Saturday. As always there will be good food and great fellowship.

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

The Stewardship Ministry will be meeting **Sunday, October 8**, in the Adult Library following worship.

ESPN

Men, **Sunday, October 8, 7:00 pm** you are invited to come out to ESPN at the Wild Wing Café in Cool Springs. All are welcome for fun, football and fellowship!

BRIDGE GROUP

The Bridge Group will meet to play on **Tuesday, October 10, 10:30 am** in the Senior High classroom. This is a good time to improve your game or to learn how to play. All skill levels are welcome. Bring your lunch and have a great time of fellowship. Call the church office to reserve your place at a table.

HELP US FILL THE BRENTHAVEN BOOTH

Brenthaven has a church booth at the Brenthaven Craft Bazaar. Please help us fill it with your handmade crafts. If you can make crafts contact **Linda Lipe** lindajlipe@gmail.com.

Please bring your completed craft items to the church before **Friday, October 27**. Proceeds benefit *Sacred Sparks Ministry*. Thank you for your help.

Check out our Facebook page:

[facebook.com/brenthavencraftbazaar](https://www.facebook.com/brenthavencraftbazaar)

KNITTING / CRAFT MINISTRY

The Knitting / Craft Ministry will hold their next meeting on **Thursday, October 12**, from **11:00 am to 1:00 pm**. If you enjoy making crafts or would like to learn to knit or crochet, this ministry is for you.

If you have any questions please contact **Barbara Dial** 615-371-0672 or **Linda Lipe** 615-714-3905.

COME CRAFT WITH US

Come Craft With Us is a crafting night open to all, members and non-members alike. It will be on **Friday, October 20** from **5:30-9:30 pm** and you can come and go as you please. Bring your project and supplies and be inspired by others. Dinner and snacks will be served for a \$5 per person. Babysitting is available upon request. This is open to the public, so the more the merrier! RSVP **Angela Beaton** at thebeatonpath@aol.com or call 615-403-8255.

ANNUAL BRENTHAVEN CRAFT BAZAAR

Original Handmade Crafts

October 28, 2017

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Check out our Facebook page:
[facebook.com/BrenthavenCraftBazaar](https://www.facebook.com/BrenthavenCraftBazaar)

CALLING ALL CARDS

The C.P. Women's Ministry is asking you to join them in collecting various kinds of new (unused) greeting cards to be donated to women in prison. These cards make it possible for the women to communicate with their families. *"Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them..." Hebrews 13:3a*

A basket has been provided on the table in front of the church office for your convenience. Stamps and stationary are also welcome. Please bring your gift of cards to the church by **Sunday, October 29**.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Ollie Faircloth



Homebound

Hester Allen, Forrest King

Members

Jackie Bryan, Evelyn Davenport, Ben & Mickey Davis, Allan Deckret, Randy Elliott, Carol Ford, Barbara Gentry, Em Ghianni, Carol Gonzales, Madge and Paul Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Mark Humphrey, Giff Jordon, Hardy Moyers, Betty Murray, Jean Overstreet, Larry Pulley, Sandra Shepherd, Scott Shepherd, Guy Sneed, Cheryl Tabor, Rev. Don Tabor

Family and Friends

Jim & Christine Alford (*co-workers of Diana Dzurisin*), Carney Allen (*father of Greg T. Allen*), Charles Douglas Ballard (*cousin of Joan Bledsoe*), Charles Bloom (*friend of Barry Campbell*), Jacob Boling (*nephew of Ann White*), Bowles Family (*friends of Angie Johnson*), Houston Brown (*friend of Rush family*), Penny Bucher (*sister-in-law of Carol Perryman*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Peggy Byrd, Jimmy Carson (*friend of Miab Faircloth*), Betty Collins (*friend of Rose O'Hara*), Sue Cook (*mother of Lisa Cook*), Marion Day (*father of Jim Day*), Glen DeWitt (*father of Suzanne Ghianni*), Rob Dollar (*friend of Tim Ghianni*), 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*), Tommy Graves (*son of Paul & Madge Graves*), Wendy Graves (*granddaughter of Paul & Madge Graves*), Brian Hartman (*friend of Jonelle Summitt*), Peggy Howell (*neighbor of Brenthaven Church*), Alyssa Huggins (*former member*), Deborah Irwin (*friend of Jonelle Summitt*), Lori Lindley (*friend of Mike & Julie Murphy*), Shirley Malborough (*grandmother of Angie Johnson*), Betty McCaskill (*friend of Ann White*), Sue McClelland (*mother of Rachel Campbell*), Marisa Morgan and Family (*friend of Heather and Ian MacDonald*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miab Faircloth*), Ben Osburn (*former member*), Judith Plucker (*friend of Nanette Ricker and Shali Scott*), Martha Pulley (*mother of Larry Pulley*), Brenda Reed, Pat Simpson (*mother of Sheryl Day*), Kevin Sisk (*brother of Kimberly Crowe*), Jon Stewart (*son of Brenthaven Consignor*), Debby Turner (*sister of Cheryl Tabor*), Cindy Underwood (*friend of Jan Davidson*), Cleo Underwood (*sister of Barbara Loyall*), Kelly Wallace (*daughter of Fred & Carol Ford*), Barbara Woodward (*mother of Sandra Moyers*), Judith Wright (*grandmother of Carolynn Hallbright*), those affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, those impacted by the shootings in Las Vegas, those serving our country

MEMORIALS

In Memory of David Medlin (*son of Ron & Brenda Medlin*)

Joan Bledsoe
Mac & Kaye Holland
Jan Marshall
Joyce Burch
Jane Dowden
Betty Murray
Janiece Redmon
Ame Satterwhite
Frank & Shali Scott

NEW ADDRESS

Jackie Bryan has a change of address. Please make a note of her new address.

Jackie Bryan
213 Cool Springs Blvd. Apt. 301
Aspen Arbor
Franklin, TN 37067-4696

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL MENU

Wednesday Night Special menu for Wednesday, October 11: *Pizza, Salad and Dessert*. Please make, cancel, or adjust your meal reservations by Monday, October 9 before 10:00 am.

BAKE SALE AT THE BAZAAR



It's time for you wonderful Brenthaven bakers to decide what you will bring to the Bake Sale happening on Saturday, October 28. The Bake sale is held in conjunction with the Brenthaven Craft Bazaar from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. We would like to have your delicious sweet treats and goodies brought to the church **by Friday, October 27**. Thank you for your help.

RECENT GUESTS

T. Eric Taylor
Kelley Rogers

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, October 1, 2017

Sunday School 91 Worship 162

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SUNDAY SCHOOL : 9:30 A.M.
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:45 A.M.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 6 - 7** CPWM Synodic Retreat
- Oct 7 8:30 am** Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- Oct 8 9:30 am** Sunday School
- 10:45 am** Worship
- 12:00 pm** Stewardship Ministry Meeting
- 12:00 pm** Step Up Lunch
- 3:45 pm** Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm** Children's Choir
- 5:00 pm** Youth ROCKS
- 7:00 pm** ESPN
- Oct 10 10:30 am** Bridge Group
- Oct 11 5:45 pm** Wednesday Night Special - Meal
- 6:30 pm** Wednesday Night Special - Classes
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WNY
- 7:30 pm** Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Oct 12 11:00 am** Knitting/Creative Craft Ministry
- Oct 15 9:30 am** Sunday School
- 10:45 am** Worship
- 3:45 pm** Handbell Cantata Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm** Children's Choir
- 5:00 pm** Youth ROCKS
- 7:00 pm** ESPN

SERVING WEEK OF OCTOBER 8

- Acolytes:* Sarah Beaton, Grady Deaton
 - Lector:* Diana Dzurisin
 - Greeters:* Angela Beaton, Rose O'Hara
 - Nursery:* Betsy Canupp (*Sunday School*)
Betsy Canupp, Anna Rutledge (*Worship*)
 - Usbers:* Ted Brothers, Andy Blake,
Billy Dial, John Edwards,
Otis Hallbright, Shelley Johnson,
Barbara Loyall, Stan Wooten
 - Wee Worship:* Gina Wattenbarger, Allie Ford
- Lectionary Readings for
Sunday, October 8 (Green)*
Exodus 16:1-18; John 6:51

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1

OPERATING & DEBT RETIREMENT BUDGET	
Dedicated Giving	\$ 1,400.00
Donations towards Budgeted Expense	11,328.69
Weekly Need	10,772.37
Received for Budget Year-to-Date	365,561.26
Need Year-to-Date	430,894.80
	(65,333.54)
Monthly Principal & Interest Payment	10,000.00
Mortgage Principal Balance	508,522.88

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 2018</i>	<i>Class of 2019</i>	<i>Class of 2020</i>
Barry Campbell	Russ Deaton	Otis Hallbright
Bill Dobbins	Chris Fleming	Angie Johnson
Jennie Ford	Renee McCulley	Joe Malloy
Julie Murphy	Julie Travis	Jan Marshall