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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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TOGETHER: MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT 2024

I desperately want to describe this retreat to you all; it was so wonderful and fulfilling. However, I don't think I could put this one into words, no matter how hard I try. Youth made new, life-long friends from across Middle Tennessee, and the spirit of God could be felt moving among us. But I fear my words would not do it justice. Perhaps this is one of those "you had to be there" moments. And if so, that is pretty fitting. The theme for this weekend's retreat was "Together," and we talked about how our unity around Christ is more important than the ways we are different.

Instead of forcing you to read more of my feeble attempt at describing the beautiful connections, unity, and togetherness experienced at this retreat, I want to show you. Below you will see photos, taken by middle schoolers during the retreat. My hope is that as you see all of these different people represented, you will pray alongside me that all of the world would learn to value what brings us together instead of what tears us apart.

Love ya,

Evan



OPEN HOUSE THIS SUNDAY

This is a reminder that the manse is ready to be rented and we will have an Open House for the congregation immediately following worship this **Sunday, April 14**. We are encouraging the congregation to come and see what improvements have been made.

The manse is being managed by Liz Sauer of Rise & Roost Properties. She is a property manager and will handle the daily oversight of the property.

The work was done by Joshe Gutierrez, owner of AGS Gutierrez Remodeling. He has done work for members of the congregation. Both Liz and Joshe came highly recommended.

CPWM



Our next **Women's Ministry meeting** is coming up **Tuesday, April 23** at 10:30 am. We will be visiting **Thistle Farms** for lunch. If you are interested in going, we need for you to RSVP by contacting the church office by either calling and leaving a message (615-373-4826) or emailing (secretary@brenthaven.org) no later than Sunday, April 21.

CREATIVE CRAFTS



Do you like to knit, crochet, or do other crafts? Do you enjoy being with other people who also like to be creative? Or are you simply interested in learning a craft? Well, now is your chance! Our **Creative Craft** group meets **every Thursday at 11:00 am** in the **Adult**

Library. You may bring your own art supplies and work on your own craft while fellowshiping with others doing the same. Or, if you would like to learn how to knit or crochet, we can provide all you need to learn, so just bring yourself and enjoy the day!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our **2024 Vacation Bible School** is **June 24–27**. This year's theme is the Olympics. We need volunteers to serve in all areas, including assisting teachers, shepherding the children, decorating, administering first aid, helping in the kitchen, and cleaning up afterwards.

Please contact Ms. Cheryl or the church office if you would like to help.



APRIL BLOOD DRIVE



Our next Blood Drive is coming up **April 18** from 12:00–4:00 pm in the church fellowship hall. To schedule an appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter the code: **cityofbrentwood**. Streamline your experience by completing preliminary questions the day of your appointment. Go to RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass.

BOOKEND BOOK CLUB

The Guncle by Steven Rowley is April's selection for the **BookEnd Book Club**, meeting **Thursday, April 18** at 9:30 am in the Adult Library.



MAH JONGG GROUP

We have a new **Mah Jongg** group meeting at Brenthaven. We will meet the first and third Fridays at 1:00 pm in the Youth Room. Our next meeting is **Friday, April 19**. Those wanting to learn to play are always welcome. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

GROWING TOGETHER

LADIES BRUNCH

Saturday, May 11
10:30 am–12:30 pm



Where?

Brenthaven Fellowship Hall

RSVP by April 20. Bring a guest!

Check your mailboxes! Invitations have been sent and responses can be made by dropping your card in the offering or calling the church office. We look forward to gathering to share faith, food, and fellowship.

Besides enjoying each others' company, we have a few surprises. We are blessed with some talented gardeners who will present a short program about our beautiful entry garden, share some plants that have worked for them, and show us how to put together a beautiful garden pot for our homes. We Look forward to seeing you, and we hope you will bring a friend along.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Judy Baggett (*friend of Bob Dozier*)

Katie, Dylan, & Booker Platz (*family of Gina Wattenbarger*)

Members

Gladys & Charles Belew, Joan Bledsoe, Bill Blewett, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, Billy Dial, Jane Dowden, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Linda Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Syble Mitchell, Cheryl Morris, Jack C. Phillips, Jodi Rush, Guy Sneed, Cheryl Tabor, Don Tabor, Julie Travis

Family and Friends

Pat Allen (*mother of Greg T. Allen*), Abby Bailey and Family (*friend of Jane Dowden*), Merritt Brakebill (*brother-in-law of Joe Malloy*), Becky Brown (*friend of Becky Jones*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Mary Ruth Campbell (*step-mother of Barry & Darryl Campbell*), Betty Canupp (*mother of Betsy Canupp*), John Copeland (*nephew of Martha Stewart*), Steve Crawford (*friend of Carol Perryman*), Mac Crome (*cousin of Miah Faircloth*), Johnny Cunningham (*friend of Ford family*), Kevin Floyd (*son of Treva Floyd*), Seth Genes (*friend of the McCulleys*), Ann Ghianni (*sister-in-law of Tim Ghianni*), Helen James (*friend of Julie Travis*), Doug Johnson (*friend of Shali & Frank Scott*), Rex Lineberry (*brother of Pat Chesnut*), Walter McBee, Jr. (*son of Walter McBee, Sr.*), Sue McClelland (*mother of Rachel Campbell*), Martha Malloy (*mother of Joe Malloy*), Jackie Nash (*friend of Julie Travis*), Sherry Norton (*friend of Deborah Deaton*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miah Faircloth*), Heather Perillo (*daughter of Dawn and Walter McBee*), Melissa Pyne (*granddaughter of Doris Cantagallo*), Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*), Raymond Roman (*friend of Amity Marsh*), Rev. Teresa Shauf (*CP Minister*), Brittany Spradling, Judy Smith (*friend of Janiece Redmon*), Jim Summitt (*uncle of Blair Summitt*), Forrest Sutton (*brother-in-law of Ean Taylor*), James Talley, Garry Todd (*friend of Barbara Dial and others*), Bill Turner (*brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor*), Wilma Wade (*sister of Kaye Holland*), Philip & Isabel Ward (*parents of Heather McDonald*), Hayden White (*friend of Becky Jones*), Iza Wojcik family and father John Kavouklis (*friends of Liz Strickland*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of Jean King (*cousin of Bart King*)

Family of James Tony Patterson (*brother-in-law of Gina Wattenbarger*)

PRAYER LIST

Please take a look at the current prayer list, and if there is someone on this list ready to be removed, contact the church office. This would allow us space to add others in the future. Thank you!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL TONIGHT

Catered dinner from 5:45–6:25

Trivia Night from 6:30–7:30

Tonight's Dinner: Deli Deliciousness



BABY ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to **Katie and Dylan Platz** on the birth of their son,

Booker Alexander Platz

7lbs, 2oz, 20 in

Proud grandparents are **Blaze and Gina Wattenbarger** and proud aunt is **Kristin Wattenbarger Dufresne**.



MEMORIALS

In Memory of Eric Ghianni

Joyce Burch

Becky & Ronny Jones

In Memory of Giff Jordan

Barbara & Ron Lyne

In Memory of Wylene Nix

Jane Dowden

IMPORTANT DATES

Summer Activities

Jun. 2–7: Senior Synodic Camp

Jun. 8–15: Youth Mission Trip

Jun. 17–20: General Assembly

Jun. 24–27: Vacation Bible School

June 30: Children's Sunday

Jul. 7–12: CPYC

Jul. 7–12: Junior Camp

Jul. 14–19: Middle School Camp

Aug. 4: Backpack Blessing/Promotion

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

SUNDAY SCHOOL : 9:30 A.M.

SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:45 A.M.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr. 11** 11:00 AM Creative Crafts *(Adult Library)*
- Apr. 14** 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship
12:00 PM Open House at the Manse
12:00 PM Step-UP (Montgomery Bell Park)
5:00 PM Youth ROCKS
- Apr. 15** 10:00 AM Young @ Heart *(Adult Library)*
6:00 PM VBS Planning Meeting *(Adult Library)*
- Apr. 17** 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal *(Choir Room)*
- Apr. 18** 9:30 AM BookEnd Book Club *(Adult Library)*
11:00 AM Creative Crafts *(Adult Library)*
12-4 PM Blood Drive *(Fellowship Hall)*
- Apr. 19** 1:00 PM Mah Jongg *(Youth Classroom)*
- Apr. 21** 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship
5:00 PM Youth ROCKS

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR APRIL 14

Third Sunday of Easter (white)

Acts 3:12-19;
Psalm 4;
1 John 3:1-7;
Luke 24:36b-48

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR APRIL 7

OPERATING BUDGET

Dedicated Giving	\$120.00
Donations for Roof Repair to date	32,270.00
Donations towards Budgeted Expense	15,754.00
Weekly Need	10,822.00
Received Year-to-Date	175,458.49
Actual Spend Year-to-Date	188,193.64
Difference	-12,735.15

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Kip J. Rush, Senior Pastor
Sandra Shepherd, Assoc. Pastor of Christian Discipleship
Cheryl Morris, Children's Ministry
Ean Taylor, Assoc. Pastor for Youth/Young Adult Ministry
Linda Pulley, Director of Music
Amity Marsh, Organist
Karen Benefield, Office Admin (secretary@brenthaven.org)

Session – The Elders

Class of 2024

Ben Gross
Bart King
Julie Murphy
Jonelle Summitt

Class of 2025

Fred Ford, Jr.
Suzanne Ghianni
Mark Humphrey
Gwen Keiser

Class of 2026

Jeri Behan
Jan Davidson
Russ Deaton
Joe Malloy