



THE MESSENGER

BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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CHOIR OPPORTUNITIES

I don't know about you, but the summer has flown by for me. They do say that as you get older time passes more quickly so perhaps that's it. I certainly have missed having the choir in the loft. I have a difficult time trying to lead congregational singing with my alto/tenor voice range!

Summer does present a unique opportunity for our members to share their musical gifts with the congregation in worship. And we do have an abundance of folks who have graciously participated in worship. I appreciate each one who willingly took part in the worship through vocal solos, groups, or instrumental solos or groups.

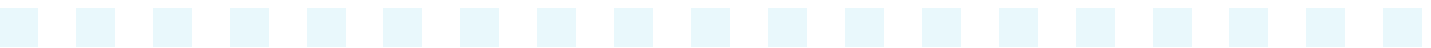
Thanks to Leah McCulley, James Scott, Anna Grace Wooten, Giff Jordon, Brenda Medlin, Laura Ellen Pulley, Sandra Shepherd, Jan Davidson, Sharon Malloy, Melinda Fleming, Rachel Campbell, Renee and Jay McCulley, Julie and Mike Murphy, Ean Taylor, and Caleb Marsh. Many thanks, too, to Fred Ford and Chris Fleming who work tirelessly every Sunday, using their expertise in sound engineering to help our musicians sound their best.

This **Wednesday, August 16th, choir rehearsal will resume.** This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone and everyone who has an interest in singing in the church choir to join in. We will rehearse on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm until WNS resumes, at which time the rehearsals will be moved to 7:30 pm.

If you're not quite ready to jump into a total choir commitment at this time, perhaps you'd consider singing in the **Christmas Cantata.** Our Christmas Cantata, which is a worship service in song and word, will take place in the morning worship service on **Sunday, December 17th.** On **September 13th** we will **begin rehearsing** for the Christmas cantata. That portion of the rehearsal will be at the beginning of each Wednesday night rehearsal.

I hope that you will prayerfully consider being a part of this wonderful group.

Yours in Christ,



LET'S GET CONNECTED!

Join us on **Sunday, September 10th at 9:30 am** as we begin **Sunday Connections**—a six week time of class and collaboration. More information will be coming next week.

ELDER CLASS OF 2026

On **Sunday, August 27th**, we will ordain and install Brenthaven's Elder class of 2026. **Jeri Behan** will be ordained and installed with **Jan Davidson, Russ Deaton, and Joe Malloy** as the newest class of ruling elders.

Brenthaven is so blessed with the gifts of its members and their willingness to answer the call to serve. We appreciate these four and look forward to their leadership and ministry for the next three years.

AUGUST BLOOD DRIVE



Our next Blood Drive is coming up **Monday, August 28**, from 11:00 am to 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.

BRENTHAVEN WOMEN'S MINISTRY



For our **August meeting**, we are planning to take a meal to share with our friends at **Loads of Love** at St. Luke's CP church in Madison, which is part of **Sacred Sparks Ministry**. Instead of meeting on the usual fourth Tuesday, we will be meeting on the fifth Tuesday, which is **August 29th**. We will meet at the church at 10:00 am and carpool to St. Luke's.



LADIES SMALL GROUP LUNCHES

After a lovely garden party at the home of Anita Tilley, we felt the need to spend more time together and deepen our relationships. So we will begin to meet quarterly (starting the end of October to mid-November) in small groups of four with a hostess for each group. The hostess's job is to contact the other ladies in her group and decide the location and time to meet (her home, Dutch treat at a local restaurant, or a sack lunch at the church). Groups and hostesses will change with each gathering.

We now have 38 ladies interested in our next gathering, and we would like for you to join us. Please call **Jeri Behan** (615-604-8015) if you have any questions. And if you want to be added to the list, text your name and number. Hope to hear from you soon!

BookEnd Book Club



Dreaming of Flight by Catherine Ryan Hyde (Goodreads Author and New York Times bestselling author) is this month's selection for the BookEnd Book Club, meeting **Thursday, August 17th** at 9:30 am in the Adult Library.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...



We are planning a **church picnic** at Granny White Park on **September 6** at 5:30 pm. Watch for more details to come, and plan to join us!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL KICK OFF

WNS Pull out your favorite football jersey or T-shirt and save the evening of **Wednesday, September 13th** for our Wednesday Night Supper and Classes Kick Off. And kick off we will with tailgate-type food on the menu (did someone say chicken wings?!), and games, fun, and fellowship to follow. There are even rumors of a halftime show with Jay McCulley leading the band. No classes on our first night, just a chance to bring us all together, youth and KOK'ers included. Kick off is 5:45 pm. **Save the date!**



WHERE ARE YOU CALLED?

Brenthaven Church is blessed with so many gifted and giving people. But there are many roles that need to be filled each week.

As we schedule for these roles, you are asked to consider where God is calling you to serve. The traditional roles have been: Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Nursery Workers, Communion Stewards, Letter Writers, and the list goes on. We also have a need for someone who might be willing to transport someone to church, or help do some things during the week. There are lots of things that go on between Sundays!

During your prayer time, you are encouraged to listen as to where God is calling you. One never knows what God has in store. And be assured, God is calling, no matter your age!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Tommy Hennesy
Johnny Murray (*son of Betty Murray*)
Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*)
Judy Smith (*friend of Janiece Redmon*)

Members

Joan Bledsoe, Phyllis Burkhalter, Corina Crowe, Ben Davis, Jane Dowden, Marilyn Elliott, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Jack C. Phillips, Jodi Rush, 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*), Nelly Corbit (*friend of Julie Travis*), Steve Crawford (*friend of Carol Perryman*), Mac Crome (*cousin of Miab Faircloth*), Johnny Cunningham (*friend of Ford family*), Christi Dale (*friend of Jonelle Summitt*), Jackie Dial (*daughter-in-law of Barbara Dial*), Ann Ghianni (*sister-in-law of Tim Ghianni*), Shirley Jansma, Patti Jobe (*sister-in-law of Renee McCulley*), Doug Johnson (*friend of Shali & Frank Scott*), David Katz (*brother of Dan MacDonald*), Sandy Keene (*sister-in-law of Joyce Burch*), Sue McClelland (*mother of Rachel Campbell*), Bettie Mason (*friend of Barbara Dial*), Joe Moore (*neighbor of Becky & Ronny Jones*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miab Faircloth*), Bill Rolman (*father of Deborah Rolman*), Raymond Roman (*friend of Amity Marsh*), Johnny Rush (*father of Kip Rush*), Rev. Teresa Shauf (*CP Minister*), Brittany Spradling, Jim Summitt (*uncle of Blair Summitt*), James Talley, Bill Turner (*brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor*), Hayden White (*friend of Becky Jones*), Danny Williams (*brother of Linda Pulley*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of John McArthur (*brother-in-law of Larry Davidson*)
Family of Beba Mullins (*friend of Renee McCulley*)

HONORARIUM

In Honor of Bart King

Joan Bledsoe

DEAR FRIENDS AT BRENTHAVEN...

What a blessing it was to be with you recently. Thank you for the opportunity to share some stories from Haiti, and thank you for your support of the mission work there. I know you are my partners in the gospel in every way, and I am grateful for your prayers. God bless you all!

Reverend Kim Moore

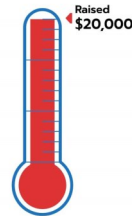


(Please remember Kim in prayer for her safety, as well.)



Van Fundraiser **WE MADE OUR GOAL!**

\$20,000



Thanks to everyone who helped **Sacred Sparks Ministry** reach our goal of \$20,000.00 towards our new van. We couldn't have done it without you!



A DAY IN THE PARK

Join us for a day of worship, fellowship, food, and fun as we gather at the Birthplace Shrine in **Montgomery Bell State Park on Tuesday, October 10, from 9:30 am–noon.**

Rev. Sandra Shepherd will lead us in worship this year. Also, **Rev. Anna Brockman** will be preaching as Louisa Woosely, and we are encouraging people to come dressed in their Pioneer Best!

We are expanding the festivities this year, including some games and crafts that were popular in the early 1800s. Croquet, anyone? Have you ever made a yarn doll?

Worship will start around 11:00 am. The restaurant at Montgomery Bell State Park is closed during the week, so after worship, we will gather at the Dickson Cumberland Presbyterian Church for lunch. Lunch will be \$10 per person and includes Hotdogs, Hamburgers, chips, drinks, and dessert.

If you are interested, see Rev. Sandra, or call the church office.

PRAY MORE
WORRY LESS
MATTHEW 6:34

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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

- Aug. 17** 9:30 AM BookEnd Book Club *(Adult Library)*
11:00 AM Creative Crafts *(Adult Library)*
- Aug. 20** 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship
12:00 PM Stewardship Meeting
5:00 PM Youth Planning Meeting
- Aug. 21** 10:00 AM Young @ Heart *(Adult Library)*
- Aug. 23** 6:30 PM Choir Practice *(Choir Room)*
- Aug. 24** 11:00 AM Creative Crafts *(Adult Library)*
- Aug. 27** 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship
5:00 PM Youth Parent Meeting (Silvus Home)

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR AUGUST 20

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (green)

Genesis 45:1-15;
Psalm 133; Psalm 67;
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32;
Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR AUGUST 13

OPERATING BUDGET

Dedicated Giving	\$3,302.52
Donations towards Budgeted Expense	7,003.44
Weekly Need	10,120.00
Received Year-to-Date	331,721.41
Actual Spend Year-to-Date	344,819.22
Difference	-13,097.81

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Kip J. Rush, 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

<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>
Deborah Deaton	Ben Gross	Fred Ford, Jr.
Melinda Fleming	Bart King	Suzanne Ghianni
Jay McCulley	Julie Murphy	Mark Humphrey
Christi Peppers	Jonelle Summitt	Gwen Keiser