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FEBRUARY 2026



A Letter From the Pastor

One day Jesus took 3 of His disciples up on a mountain. On the mountain, Jesus is transfigured, and Moses and Elijah appear. This is a really big moment. To add to the magnitude, a voice from heaven speaks. Clearly this is the voice of the Father. What does God the Father say in this monumental moment? Does He say, "Look at my Son. Aren't you impressed?" Does He say, "My Son is going to take care of everything for you. Time to celebrate!"? In Luke 9:35, God the Father speaks from heaven these words: "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him."

At the Transfiguration of Jesus, the Father speaks from heaven an affirmation of the identity of Jesus and a command. He affirms Jesus as His Son. And based on that identity, the Father commands the disciples of Jesus to listen to Him. We are commanded to hear His teaching and apply His teaching to our lives. We are commanded to absorb His teaching into our lives so that our lives are aligned with His ways and our wills are aligned with His will. It is a call to walk with Jesus and sit at the feet of Jesus to devote ourselves to learning from Him. The command to listen to Jesus helps remind us that being a Christian is far more than accepting a belief. We are called to follow Jesus, which means adopting His ways as our own. It also means making His mission our mission.

For Lent this year to help us prepare for Easter we will journey from the mountain of transfiguration to the cross and the grave. We will journey with Jesus, hear His teachings, and apply them to our lives. This is an invitation to hear the words from the Father on Transfiguration Mountain and spend 40 days devoted to listening to Jesus with the intent to be formed by Jesus as His disciples. We will use a devotion book titled "Listen to Him: 40 Steps on the Road to Resurrection" as our guide through the Gospel of Luke.

As we journey with Jesus, consider what the topics are that Jesus chose to teach about. Take note of what Jesus was most interested in teaching us about. That should be what we are most interested in learning. Also, consider how well you know what Jesus taught and how well you live by His teaching. Consider this an invitation to open yourself up to the guiding of the Holy Spirit to make changes in your life and to your heart.

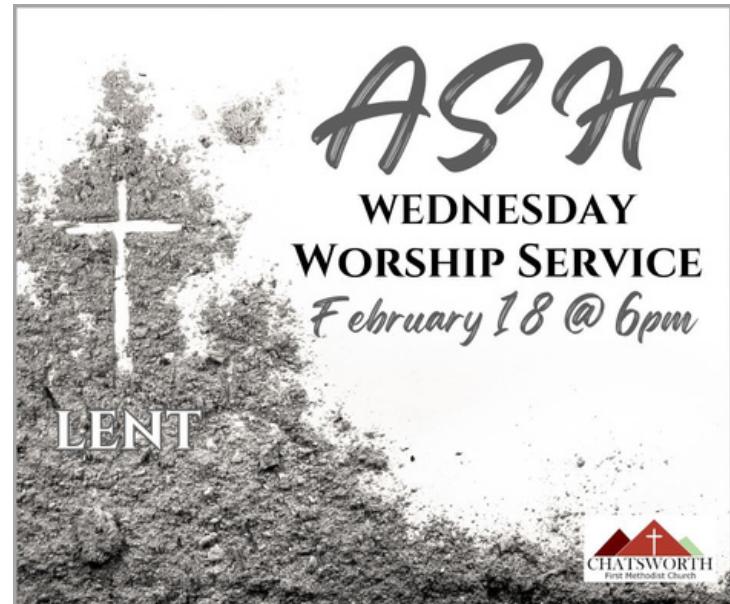
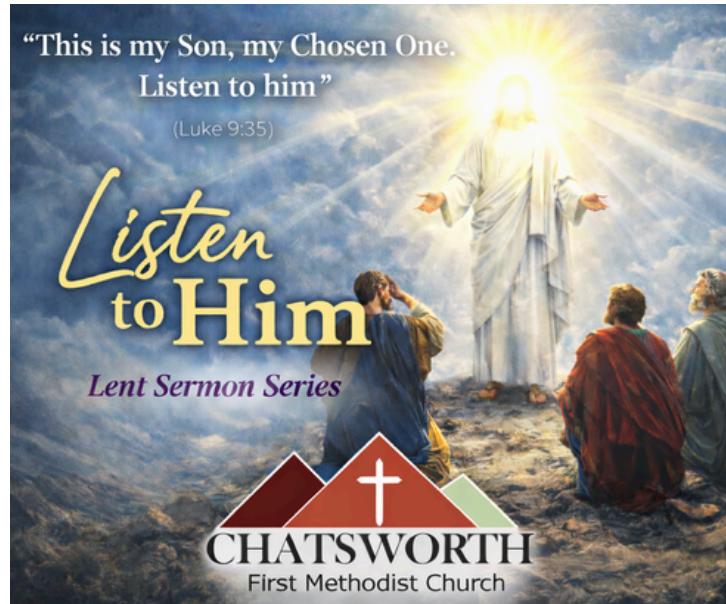
Blessings,
Pastor Graham



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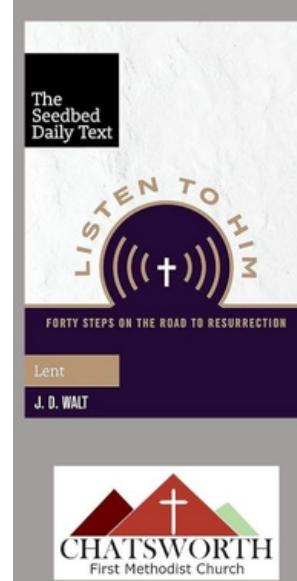
Upcoming Sermons

Date	Scripture	Sermon
February 1	1 Samuel 13	Establishing a Kingdom: Power and Pride
February 8	1 Samuel 15	Establishing a Kingdom: God Rejects the King
February 15	Luke 9:28-36	Listen to Him: Hear the Command to Follow Jesus
February 18	Luke 9:28-36	*Ash Wednesday* Listen to Him: Humbly Hear His Teaching
February 22	Luke 10:1-16	Listen to Him: Workers in the Field



UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 11 Midweek Kids Valentines Party
- February 15 Methodist Men Breakfast Meetin
- February 15 Valentine's Lunch Relay for Life Fundraiser
- February 16 Presidents Day
- February 16 Youth Ski Trip
- February 18 Ash Wednesday
- February 22 Scout Sunday
- February 24 Roadrunners Towing Museum
- February 25 Midweek Kids Glow in the Dark Party
- March 11 Midweek Kids Minute to Win It Games
- March 15 Preschool Sunday
- March 28 Easter Egg Hunt
- March 29 Palm Sunday/Easter Cantata
- April 3 Good Friday
- April 5 Easter Sunday



Lent Devotion Book

For Lent this year we will be journeying from the transfiguration to crucifixion and resurrection in the Gospel of Luke with this book as our guide: ["Listen to Him: Forty Steps on the Road to Resurrection"](#)



MINISTRIES

You are invited to an All-Church Book Discussion

Monday, February 9 at 6pm

“Exponential Visual Guide:
Fundamentals of Kingdom Multiplication”

We'll talk “Church Vision”



Request a copy of the book, or fast-order it for \$5 from Amazon. Please join the discussion even if you don't get to the book on time!

MIDWEEK KIDS

6:30 PM in the GYM for ages preschool - 5th grade

Contact Ms. Rachel: 404.433.0517

February 11th Valentines Party (Ruth 1:6-18)

February 25th Glow in the Dark Party (Daniel 3:16-28)

March 11th Minute to Win It (Lule 10:25-37)

March 25th Easter Bash (Luke 24)

April 15th Pajama Party (Luke 5:17-39)

April 29th Mad Science Night (Jonah 1-3)

YOUTH GROUP

SKITRIP

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Meet at 7AM • Return at 10PM

COST: \$125

CATALOOCHEE, NC

CHATSWORTH First Methodist Church

Valentine's Luncheon & Cake Auction Fundraiser for Relay for Life Team

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026

FOLLOWING THE 11AM SERVICE

WE WILL HAVE OUR ANNUAL DESSERT AUCTION TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM. WE NEED DONATIONS OF HOMEMADE CAKES, PIES, AND COOKIES FOR THE AUCTION.

MENU: PORK TENDERLOIN, TWICE BAKED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, ROLLS, BROWNIES, TEA, AND LEMONADE

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ADULT BIBLE STUDY

**TOPIC: Elijah
1 Kings 17-2 Kings 2**

Pastor Graham is leading a Bible Study on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm. The study will meet every other week.

Begins January 28

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EMPTY IS THE NEW FULL

Priscilla Shirer

JOIN US!

Breathe

Our plates are full yet we're empty in all the wrong ways—craving more peace, more joy, more opportunity to Breathe. Join us as we make room for Sabbath with Priscilla Shirer's 5-session study.

lifeway.com/breathe

Young Women's Bible Study
Every other Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.
Chatsworth First Methodist Church
Beginning Jan. 28th

LifWay Women

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SCOUT SUNDAY
FEB. 22

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A poster for Scout Sunday on February 22. It features a Boy Scout fleur-de-lis logo with an eagle and shield. The background is a dark blue wood-grain texture with a red, white, and blue star border at the top and bottom.



Methodist Women
February 10th
@ 11AM

Knitting Group will meet @ 10AM

A poster for the Methodist Women meeting on February 10th at 11AM. It features a floral border and a pink banner for the knitting group meeting at 10AM.



GriefShare
Grief Support Group

A safe space to heal together
You are not alone

Thursday, February 20 2pm

See Paula Catoe or contact the church office for more details

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A poster for GriefShare, a grief support group. It shows a group of people in a support group setting. Text includes: "A safe space to heal together", "You are not alone", "Thursday, February 20 2pm", "See Paula Catoe or contact the church office for more details", and the Chatsworth First Methodist Church logo.

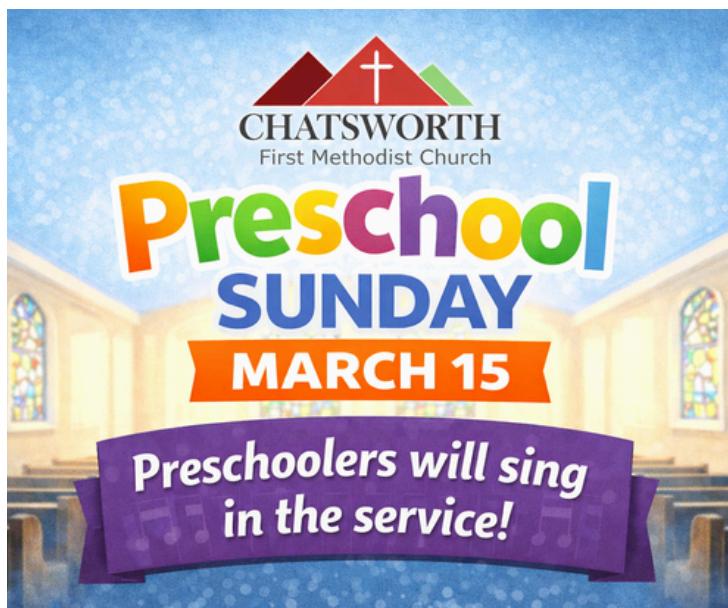


Methodist Men's Breakfast
Sunday, February 15 @ 8:00 AM



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A poster for the Methodist Men's Breakfast on Sunday, February 15th at 8:00 AM. It features an illustration of a breakfast spread including a sandwich, eggs, sausages, and juice. The Chatsworth First Methodist Church logo is at the bottom.



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Preschool SUNDAY
MARCH 15

Preschoolers will sing in the service!

A poster for Preschool Sunday on March 15th. It features the Chatsworth First Methodist Church logo and a banner stating "Preschoolers will sing in the service!"



Saturday, March 21
7:30-11 AM

Delivery to your car
@ the Fincher Family Life Center
or dine-in

\$8 per plate

Plate includes: Pancakes, sausage, butter, and syrup. Coffee, juice, & water

Tickets available Now!!!!



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A poster for the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, March 21st from 7:30-11 AM. It offers delivery to the Fincher Family Life Center or dine-in. The price is \$8 per plate, which includes pancakes, sausage, butter, and syrup, along with coffee, juice, and water. Tickets are available now. The Chatsworth First Methodist Church logo is at the bottom.



MINISTRIES



For our February Roadrunner's trip, we will leave the church at 10:30 am on Tuesday, February 24, with Chattanooga, Tennessee as our destination. We will stop first for lunch at Olive Garden on Walnut Avenue in Dalton. This restaurant features Italian favorites such as pastas, soups, and salads. After lunch we will continue our drive to Chattanooga for a visit to the International Towing and Recovery Museum. This is the world's only museum dedicated to the towing industry. The museum features over 24 restored antique wreckers, a large collection of toy tow trucks, vintage gas pumps, and related memorabilia telling the story of an industry that got its start in Chattanooga in 1916. We plan to return to the church around 4:00pm. Cost for this trip will be \$10.00 museum admission and the usual collection for gas to refill the bus and the driver's lunch. You will be responsible for your own lunch. Please text or call Deborah Yarbrough at 706-671-7169 by Sunday, February 22 if you plan to go. Remember, everyone is a Roadrunner and all are welcome to participate if there is room on the bus. To keep the trips as economical as possible, we will cancel any 2026 trip if there are less than 10 bus riders signed up by the reservation deadline.



MEMORIALS

Donor	Fund	In Memory
Bill & Mary Ann Black	The Academy	Emma Lou Grant
Bill & Mary Ann Black	The Academy	Virginia Caylor
Bill & Mary Ann Black	The Academy	Virginia Arp
Rhett & Sandy Griffin	The Academy	Virginia Arp
Tammie & Ronnie Henderson	The Academy	Virginia Arp



PRAYER REQUESTS

Milford Bennett- moved to Michigan to be closer to family.

Bill Black- recovering from RSV.

Lacey Burger- cancer treatment

Jarvis Bowne (Melissa Sneads)- upcoming back surgery

Ms. Irene Carter (Dave Robinson) - COPD

Michael Chaffe (Shannon and Hugh Eighmie's brother-in-law) - diagnosed with stage 4 rectal cancer.

Jace Chastain (Mary Ann Black)- cancer treatments

Joyce Craft (Mary Nathan Kendrick)- fell and fractured a vertebra. She is staying with her son in Watkinsville.

Jeff Davis (Shawn Davis)- going through tests and preparation for possible surgery to help with Parkinson's

Eloise Farmer (Rachel Jordan's fiancé's grandmother)- is doing well recovering from emergency colon surgery.

Ben Haefner (Melissa Sneads)- Melissa's cousin has an upcoming colon surgery due to a leak.

Gregory, Mari, and Asa Howard (Mary Margaret Howard)- are iced in at Hillsborough. Mari has the flu and covid. Asa is sick with the same. They are planning to move back to this area on Friday. Please pray for their recovery from sickness and that they are able to move as planned.

Noah Calhoun Huddleston (Nancy Long)- was born to Katie and Ben Huddleston. Congratulations to the parents and to grandparents Dan and Nancy Long.

Sandy LaRue (Rhonda Kilgore's sister)- **has been dealing with** back problems but a nerve block has helped relieve most of the pain.

Filbert Lewis- ongoing health issues.

Donna Liesenfeld (Lynn Lowman's step-sister)- has been battling breast cancer that has moved to other parts of her body. She has had bad reactions to several different chemo medications and radiation. She recently had surgery.

Pray for Christians who are persecuted, especially Christians in Nigeria where persecution is severe.

Joyce Niggle- had a lumpectomy on January 27 to remove breast cancer. Tests will determine whether she needs further treatment. It is expected she will have radiation.

Rachel Ridley- is still in rehab recovering from injuries from a fall.

Dave Robinson- had to have his dog Boscoe put down. Boscoe was a beloved companion

Sanford Family (Rhett and Sandy Griffin)- Chase and Morgan Sanford are expecting their third child due September 1.

David Sanford- is at Regency for rehab.

Eileen & Bob Simmons (Melissa Sneads) Eileen is home on Hospice. Please pray for God's peace.

Gage Southerland (Melissa Snead's great-nephew) - cancer treatment

Rich Sorge (Graham Arp)- Graham's step-dad has been diagnosed with cancer and will begin treatment soon.

Virginia Summey (Dave Robinson) - Hip Replacement, in a nursing home.

Donna Walden- has cirrhosis of the liver.

Tanis Watlington (David Robinson) - Bone Marrow Cancer

Jimmie Witherow (Melissa Sneads)- needs hip replacement surgery but has to gain some weight first.

Floyd Woods (Dave Robinson)- has ALS

Young Family (Mike & Judy Young)- Aaron and Brittany Young are expecting a baby boy in July.

Christian Sympathy is Extended to the Family of:

Virginia Arp- Graham aunt died on January 12 at the age of 79.

Kate Burford- Kate, 31 years old, was the niece of Debbie Adams. Please pray especially for her parents, Karen and Brian Burford.



Please remember all of our active military members.



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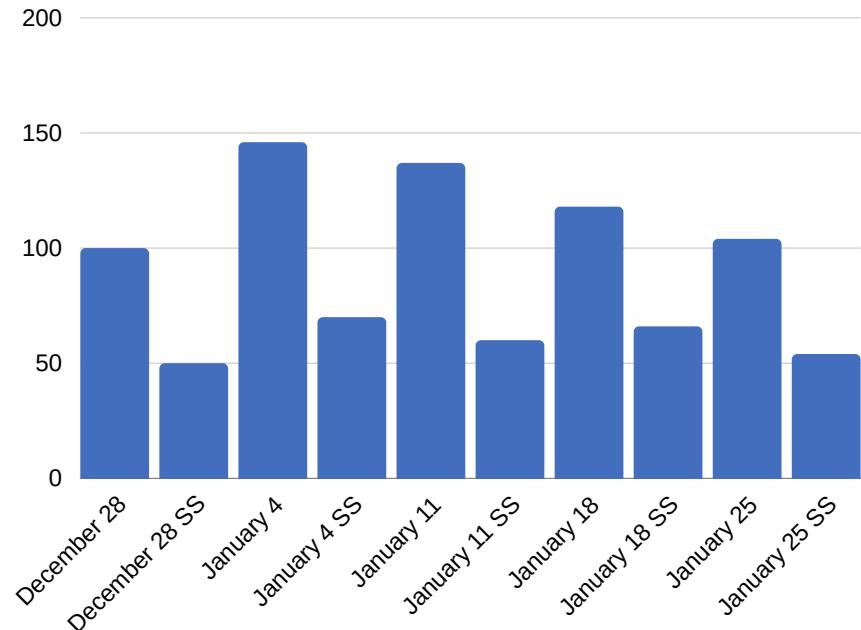
Flowers for the Sanctuary

February 1	France & Debbie Adams
February 8	James Adams
February 15	Linda Smith
February 22	Chad & Valeire Pannell

Nursery Schedule

Date	9AM	10AM	11AM
Feb. 1	Shawn Davis	Brenda Chapman	Anna Holcomb
Feb. 8	Help Needed	Lesley Herdon	Nancy Long
Feb. 15	Paula Catoe	Sandy Griffin	Mary Ann Black
Feb. 22	Laura Sparks	Kathy Balley	Jaimey Mohler

Attendance



Stewardship

Operations (As of 1/26/2026)

MTD - \$20,884.10

YTD - \$20,884.10

Giving Opportunities

Saturday Sacks

Murray County Next Step

Belize School Children Lunches

Good Samaritan Fund

BIRTHDAYS

February 1	Lisa Loughridge
February 1	Samantha Carroll
February 5	Cindy Weyman
February 10	Billy Childers
February 10	Daylen Dorries
February 11	Paula Catoe
February 11	Mandy Ledford
February 11	Kenny Pugh
February 12	Roger Rainey
February 19	Gage Hall
February 24	Wesley Herndon
February 25	David Bean
February 26	Quinley Herndon
February 29	Chad Pannell