



OUTLOOK

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"Different, but the same."
- From I Corinthians 12

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STOOP DOWN; RAISE UP

I am looking at lectionary texts for next Sunday. The reading from Psalm 113 caught my attention. From verses 5-7 comes these words: "who is like the Lord our God, who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth, and raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy . . ." The psalmist produces the image of God both stooping down to see our needs and raising us up from the depths of our despair. What a wondrous picture! I am reminded of the words from an old hymn, "stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art."

There are some things in life that we think are beneath us, we wouldn't stoop that low. Yet, our gracious God has and is and will not only bend to see us in our need, but also raise us up to new heights. If this is who our God is, are we not challenged to do likewise? To stoop down and raise up? I am not inclined to bend down to pick up a penny but would absolutely stoop to pick up a hundred dollar bill, because I know the value of the currency. God sees the value of all people and therefore is willing to reach them and raise them. What if you and I considered the value of those around us and began the practice of stooping down and raising up. Just a thought from Psalm 113.

Stoopingly, Thomas

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

(1) The session was led in devotion and prayer by Jason Long, (2) approved financial report noting \$99,6400.02 in the checking fund and \$210,017.95 in the special projects fund, (3) received letters from Bea Prater thanking session for Feed a Friend meal, and from a student at MTS thanking the church for support, (4) approved report of associate pastor noting the diversity of her responsibilities from committee work to the homebound and elderly, also noted the start of Fun Makers and need for elders to interact with new folks visiting our services, (5) approved report of associate pastor of youth with information about his interactions with persons of all ages in the church, (6) approved Mission & Outreach Committee report with second mile designations and information on the variety of ministry the church promotes, (7) approved report of Christian Education Committee with recommendations on Bible Study beginning October 13, planned activities for youth, and proposed youth mission trip for July 2020, (8) approved Worship Committee report with recommendation on establishing a Handbell Reserve Fund for the purpose of occasional special projects related to the handbell choir, (9) approved motion to appoint a task force to work with the Personnel Committee to establish standard procedures for employee matters, (10) approved hosting presbytery in the spring of 2020, (11) confirmed next meeting date of October 20 at 5:00 p.m., (15) closed in prayer.



FALL 2019 VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Remember to register for our co-ed volleyball league!!!. Ages high school and above and ALL skill levels are invited. Games will be played on Monday nights, from October 14 through November 18. September 29 is the registration deadline and the cost to play is \$10, which includes a league T-shirt. Starting September 16, the gym will be open on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:00 for pick-up games. If interested, see the sign up list outside the sanctuary or join the "BCCPC Volleyball League" group on Facebook.



COLLEGE AND CAREER CLASS FUNDRAISER MEAL

Next Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the College and Career Sunday School class will have a meal at the church from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 on Sunday, September 22. The menu for the meal is BBQ sandwiches, a variety of sides, dessert, and beverages. There will be no charge for the meal but donations are welcomed and encouraged. The meal is a fundraiser for their mission trip to Colombia, South

America in the spring of 2020.

CPWM'S BAKELESS BAKE SALE

This "bakeless bake sale" will run through the month of September to support CPWM's mission projects. Check out the display in the hall and pick up an envelope which lists all the projects they support.

OUR STEWARDSHIP PICTURE - SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

<u>9:00 A.M.</u> 108	<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> 145	<u>11:00 A.M.</u> 112	
<u>2019 BUDGET</u>	\$540,288.00	<u>SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	
Needed Weekly	10,390.15	CPWM Bake Sale	175.00
Given Sept. 15, 2019	7,668.29	Mission Trips	560.00
Given by Sept. 15, 2019	323,218.53	FLC Activities	450.00
Needed by Sept. 15, 2019	384,435.55	Helping Hands	95.00
Under budget	61,217.02	Music Wing	600.00
		Undesignated Memorials	40.00

VOLUNTEERS SERVING SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

- USHERS:** 9:00 A.M. Lynette Brown, Linda Flynn, Darlene Rickard, Gayle Smith
 11:00 A.M. Lagena Coomer, Jennifer Green, Janice Kivett, Cindy Scott
- NURSERY:** 9:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. Becky Shanton
- ACOLYTES:** 9:00 A.M. Emory & Leila Koontz 11:00 A.M. Alex Searcy
- TECHNOLOGIST:** 9:00 A.M. Jason Lowe 11:00 A.M. Mark Johnson
- VIDEOGRAPHER:** 9:00 A.M. Alan Davis 11:00 A.M. Paula Johnson
- ELDER GREETERS:** 9:00 A.M. Gwen Roddye 11:00 A.M. Sheena Beal
- LECTIONARY:** Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9 or Psalm 113; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13
- ALTAR FLOWERS:** Janie Pipkin
- HOSPITAL:** Gayle Smith, UT hospital # 761

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL SEPTEMBER 18: Baked spaghetti, salad, bread, desserts.

ALPHA CIRCLE CORRECTION FOR DATE OF MEETING

The Alpha Circle will not meet this Tuesday, September 17, but will instead meet next Tuesday, September 24, at the home of Linda Flynn.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Hannah and Nate Noll** upon the birth of their daughter **Kirsten Keith Noll** on Friday, September 13 weighing in at 8lbs 7oz. Proud grandparents are Keith and Dianna Thress.



LOVE AND SYMPATHY

The church family expresses love and sympathy to **Gwen Roddye and family** upon the death of her father, **Bennie Graves**, in Kentucky on Sunday.

FLU SHOTS AVAILABLE ON SEPTEMBER 29

Dr. Jamie Price will be at Beaver Creek to give flu shots on Sunday, September 29, before Sunday School starts and stay until after the 11:00 service starts. She will be in the fellowship hall.



YOUTH SECTION

Join us this Wednesday night as we continue our series on the parables of Jesus. Dinner is at 5 p. m, and Youth is at 6:00. I hope to see you there! **Billy**

September 16, 2019

FIRST CLASS MAIL

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