

BEAVER CREEK CPC OUTLOOK

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TODAY I PRAY

Today, I find myself sitting at my computer, trying to get organized, and trying to prime and start the work week; yet I struggle.

You ever have those days where there is so much on your mind that you just feel bogged down? Like you are trying to walk through a field of deep sinking mud? That's how I feel today, but not because I am personally dealing with something but because there are so many people that I know who are dealing with things.

Often, what we experience when we are part of a community, like the Body of Christ, is that the burdens of others become our burdens. Just like the joys of others become our celebrations, we encompass the needs and emotions of others. So, today I pray. I pray for those who are struggling and maybe don't even have the words to pray for themselves this morning. I pray for patience, peace, comfort, compassion, different kinds of healings, for a break, for joy, and ultimately, for people to feel the presence of God not just on the mountain top but in the valley as well.

Will you join me in prayer for our brothers and sisters? For those that come to your mind even now as you read? And yes, for you enemies (You didn't think I wouldn't say something about that when we are in the middle of a sermon series on Loving Your Enemies, did you?)!

Pastor Patrick

BEAVER CREEK YOUTH

We'll meet in the Youth Room this **Wednesday** from 6–7:15 PM. The Youth Room and FLC doors will open at 5:45 PM. Please encourage your young folks to bring their Bibles. We can't wait to see everyone!

FALL RETREAT

Join us at Camp John Speer (Greeneville, TN) on **October 16–18!** The cost is \$30, paid in exact cash or by check made payable to BCCPC. This is open to grades 6-12. Please let BJ know by **September 27th** if you plan to attend.

Transportation and travel details will be shared closer to time. We also plan to provide transportation for anyone who needs to arrive late Friday because of band, cheer, or football. We hope you'll join us for a wonderful weekend together!

WEDNESDAYS AT THE CREEK

We're excited to welcome everyone back for Wednesdays at the Creek. Our Wonderful Wednesday Meal is served from 5:00–6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Menu this week: **Roast pork, mashed potatoes, fried apples, steamed cabbage, mac-n-cheese, salad and desserts (chicken nuggets for the kiddo's)!**

- **Adults & Youth:** \$7
- **Children:** \$5
- **Preschoolers:** FREE

BEAVER CREEK KIDS

Join us this week on Wednesday for Wonderful Wednesday! We will begin at 6 pm in the kid's choir room. Hope to see everyone on Wednesday.

SAVE THE DATE

Beaver Creek's **TRUNK or TREAT 2026** is set for **Wednesday, October 28th, 6:30-7:30P** following our Fellowship Meal. More details are coming soon!

SUNDAY MORNING EXPLORE EVENT

Sunday, September 27th | Beginning at 9:00 AM

This special morning is designed to be kid-friendly, but it is truly for the **whole church family- children, youth, and adults!** We'll begin in the fellowship hall with a free brunch at 9:00 AM, followed by engaging experiences for all ages that will lead us into a special worship service together at 10:30 AM.

We hope to see you there.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – WEDNESDAY

Join us at 6 pm following our Wednesday meal for our Bible study on finding peace through humility in the Fellowship Hall. If you are reading the book, read chapters 8 & 9 for this week.

SESSION MEETING NOTES

(1) Penny Blake gave the devotional and opening prayer; (2) approved Minutes of the September 20, 2026 meeting; (3) approved financial reports; (4) Rev. Wilkerson asked for prayers for the Mathis family; provided vacation information and addressed the process for nominating elders; approved motion that the two vacancies remain vacant in 2027; (5) received report from the Director of C.E., Youth, and Congregational Life; (6) granted transfer of Marilyn Dunn; (7) approved Christian Education report; (8) approved Family Life Center report to amend usage agreement to include cancellation fee and approved Facility Use Agreement; (9) Finance report received; (10) approved Kitchen Committee request to authorize the sale of the gas grill and stove; (11) approved Worship Committee report; (12) elected representatives to Presbytery; (13) set the next meeting for October 18, 2026 in the Challengers classroom; (14) meeting closed in prayer by Penny Blake.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC)

OCC has placed their Christmas Tree in the hallway outside of the Fellowship Hall! You will find donation cards hanging on the tree of items you may purchase for boxes. Also, anyone who has knitting needles or crochet hooks you would like to donate, we are able to pack these items too! If you'd like to help with a monetary donation, there are cards for the \$10.00 to help with shipping, educational gospel materials and local ministry training.

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry and helping spread the word of Jesus to so many children!

WELCOME FALL

You think it will never happen, as you perspire your way through the dog days of summer. When the fans run full blast and there isn't enough sweet tea in the world to quench your thirst. The pavement is hot, the air is thick, and the mosquitoes outnumber the people. You begin operating in survival mode, believing that, maybe, this will actually be the year when it doesn't show up.

Then, one morning, you step outside onto your front porch, and you feel it. There's something different in the air – a coolness that tells you fall has finally arrive. There's a crispness to the wind that invigorates you as the burdensome heat of summer fades away. Your heart is lightened, and your spirit is revived. There isn't anything quite as refreshing as that first fall breeze that announces the arrival of a new season.

2026 STEWARDSHIP PICTURE – September 20, 2026

Worship Service Attendance – 145+ 23 online

Sunday School Attendance – 57

2026 BUDGET	\$520,421.68
Needed weekly	\$10,008.11
Given 9/20/26	\$4,863.35
Given by 9/20/26	\$286,746.75
Needed by 9/20/26	\$385,679.15
Under Budget	\$100.032.40

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
Roof Repair Fund	\$350
Building & Grounds	\$650.00
CPWM Bake Sale	\$100.00
Blessing Box	\$40.00
Playground Equipment Fund	\$20.00

LECTIONARY TEXT FOR 9/27/26:	Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16, Philippians 2:1-13, Matthew 21:23-32
LEAD USHERS FOR 9/27/26:	Dan Davis & John Washburn
GREETERS FOR 9/27/26:	Ken Woodford, Gayle Smith, Becky Shanton, Lynette Brown
NURSERY VOLUNTEER FOR 9/27/26:	Rachel Hickey & Ami Coleman
ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 9/27/26:	Altar flowers are given by Doug & Karla Koontz in memory of Juanita Wagner Koontz

MEETINGS/EVENTS

- HELPING HANDS – Tuesday, September 22nd, 9:00 am | Family Life Center
- OCC WORKSHOP – Tuesday, September 22nd, 12 pm | Family Life Center
- FOOD TRUCK – Tuesday, September 22nd, 5:00 pm | Breezeway
- WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL– Wednesday, September 23rd, 5-6 pm | Fellowship Hall
- YOUTH & CHILDREN ACTIVITIES – Wednesday, September 23rd, 6 pm | Family Life Center
- BIBLE STUDY – Wednesday, September 23rd, 6 pm | Fellowship Hall
- CHOIR REHEARSAL – Wednesday, September 23rd, 7 pm | Sanctuary
- LEA – Thursday, September 24th, lunch at Pottery Café in Pigeon Forge | leave church at 9:45 am
- PICKLEBALL – Thursday, September 24th, 5 – 7 pm | Gym & Sunday, September 27th 1-4 pm | Gym
- WORSHIP ADVENTURE EXPLORE EVENT – Sunday, September 27th, 9 am | Fellowship Hall
- NIC & HALEY MOORE “BABY BOY” SHOWER – Sunday, September 27th, 2-4 pm | FLC Reception Room
- HANDBELLS PRACTICE – Sunday, September 27th, 6 pm | Sanctuary
- VOLLEYBALL – Monday, September 28th, 6-8 pm | Gym

BLESSING BOX BAGS

A new batch of bags for the Blessing Box will be available outside the sanctuary after the worship service on Sunday. You are encouraged to grab two bags (to throw away). Sometime within the next couple of weeks, use them to restock the Blessing Box when you see it needs it. Thank you for your support with this ministry.

DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY/BLESSING BOX

Missions & Outreach is asking for donations to help supplement the food pantry. We are getting more requests for items such as beanie weenies, and Vienna sausages, so we are asking that, when you are shopping, please think about people that are less fortunate and grab a couple of cans for the pantry. You may leave your items in the bins in the hallway outside the sanctuary. Thank you for supporting this ministry.

LAUGHTER EVER AFTER (LEA)

September 24 - Lunch at the Pottery Café in Pigeon Forge and then visit THE ISLAND. Leave the church at 9:45 am.

Please put on your calendar:

December 9 - Christmas Party at the home of Carolyn Shular. They will play CHRISTMAS BINGO! The time is to be determined.

NIC & HALEY MOORE – BABY BOY SHOWER

The Women in Prayer Sunday school class is hosting a baby boy shower for Nic and Haley Moore from 2 – 4 pm in the Family Life Center Reception Room next Sunday, September 27th. They are registered at my.babylist.com/mooretolovee or you may scan the QR code below. Everyone is invited.



MISSIONS & OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The Missions & Outreach Committee is meeting on Tuesday, September 29th at 6 pm in the FLC Reception Room.

SCRIPTURE

“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.”
Acts 3:19

HELP US WELCOME FOLKS AT THE CREEK!

A warm welcome can make all the difference! We are looking for a few friendly faces to serve as Sunday Morning Greeters at Beaver Creek. Greeters simply arrive a little early, help welcome folks as they come through our doors, and make sure members and guests alike know we’re glad they’re here.

Whether you can serve once a month, occasionally, or more regularly, we’d love to have you! If you’re interested in being part of this simple but important ministry of hospitality, please reach out to Brian Patty or the church office.

CPWM BAKELESS BAKE SALE

The CPWM Bakeless Sale continues through September. Please consider contributing to support their mission work and outreach programs i(Children’s Home in Denton, Texas twice a year, the Least Coin for World Missions, community and church family needs, defray the expenses of our delegates to the CPWM convention, host special events for the church (staff appreciation, showers, etc.), and contributions to the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund via the 5th Sunday offering).

Envelopes for your donation are on the table in the hall outside the sanctuary. Make checks payable to Beaver Creek Church and designate on the memo line that it is for CPWM Bakeless Bake Sale. Thank you for your support.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Dan Arp, Barbara Barlowe (cancer diagnosis), Ellie Bramlett (Linda Neal’s niece), Will Branch (Tara Woodford’s father), Chuck Brantley, Derek Cardwell, Harry & Norma Cardwell, Chintal Chohan (Nepal), Colombia, Bernice Conner (LEA), Troy & Wanda Cox, Larry Edwards, Diane Disbrow (Dee West’s niece), Dwight and Linda Flynn, Nancy Goodman (in Hospice), Chris Hinkle (Gary Cunningham’s friend), Beth Holbert, Joanne Holmes, Josh Hurst (Vanessa Hurst’s nephew), Gertrude Johnson, Vicky Mathis (B.J.’s mother), Ethel Monday, Marty Myers, April Oaks (stroke), Patrick O’Daniel (Janie Pipkin’s great-grandson), Brenda Owens, Martha Petree, Marticia Queen, Charlie Shanton, Rick Shanton (Becky’s husband), Ralph & Candy Sharp, Susie Tries, Allison Turner (Candy & Ralph’s daughter-in-law), Kay Wallace, Dee & Morgan West ,George White, Alpr Wiseman.

As you’re able, please help us keep our prayer list current by contacting the church office or sharing updates with Pastor Patrick, an elder or staff member.