



# THE MESSENGER

**BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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

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## FUN-RAISING!!!

No, I didn't misspell fundraising. FUN-raising is exactly what I mean!

This semester's Wednesday Night calendar includes not only class sessions, but also some nights dedicated to FUN. The Chili Cookoff was a great start. The classes are going well, and some folks come together for supper and fellowship before those classes. But, let's face it—sometimes it's important to *just have fun together!!!*

Our next opportunity for that is a talent show on **April 3**. We're giving our people a chance to share their gifts by gathering at **5:45 pm** for supper and then at **6:30 pm** to enjoy what performers have to offer. How will you contribute to the **WNS Talent Show?** Maybe you'll do a solo act, or partner with someone to perform. Maybe you'll dance, play an instrument, do some magic, or sing a song. Maybe your talent is cooking or baking and you'd like to volunteer to provide an element of our supper or dessert. Maybe you'll volunteer to plan and produce our decorations, because that uses your gifts. Maybe you'll be an outstanding audience member, encouraging everyone! Please let me know how **YOU** would like to contribute to the FUN!



The following Wednesday is bound to be loads of fun, too. On **April 10**, Brenthaven will host **Trivia Night**. We'll start with supper at 5:45 pm, and then the games begin at 6:30 pm. If you already have a group you enjoy playing with, bring them to Brenthaven that night. Those of us who aren't already a

part of a team will partner up with others whose areas of expertise complement our own...and we'll give the "pros" a challenge! When you sign up for the fun, please let me know if you are part of a pre-existing group or would like to be matched with others. Either way is fine.



As previously advertised, *you* get to decide how much money to contribute to the cost of the meal and the event on each of these nights. So, don't let the cost be a consideration. Just come and have *FUN* with your church family!

*Sandra*

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 24</b>	<b>10:45 am</b>	<i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>March 28</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<i>Maundy Thursday Service</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 29</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<i>Good Friday Tenebrae Service</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 31</b>	<b>10:45 am</b>	<i>Easter Service</i>



# SPOTLIGHT



**Ollie Faircloth** (*left*) participated in the Science Olympiad with his school, Smith Springs Elementary. He received first-place honors for his individual category “Solar System.”

**Baird Faircloth** (*right*) participated in a BMX National event in Springfield, MO, her first National Event as a 14 Intermediate. Racing almost all boys, she made it to her main event all three days, finishing in third place. Congratulations, Ollie and Baird!

## CPWM NEWS—FEBRUARY MEETING

EVERY PAIR COUNTS—SOCKS, THAT IS...

I would say we don’t think twice about NOT having a decent pair of socks to wear when needed. But socks are the number-one clothing need of those experiencing homelessness! At least once a year, we make this need a priority. Not only do we supply socks, but we fill them with hygiene items and snacks.

Thanks to the generosity of You, our church family, we donated 48 pairs of fully stuffed socks to **Sacred Sparks** community of friends.



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL TONIGHT

Catered dinner from 5:45–6:25

Classes from 6:30–7:30

\*Tonight’s Dinner: Chinese

## EASTER CANDY DONATIONS

“Easter is the only time of year when it is safe to put all your eggs in one basket.” Not sure who said that, but there is truth there. And it reminds me that the children of our church will be hunting those pretty colored eggs very soon here on our church grounds. **Easter Sunday is March 31**, and the **Easter Egg Hunt** will follow after our service, **around noon**. All children through 6th grade, including visitors, are invited.



You can help us by donating candy or special prizes that can go into the *Easter Treat Bags*. A collection basket is outside the church office for your donations. Monetary donations are welcome. Thanks!

*Mr. Cheryl*

## BOOKEND BOOK CLUB

*The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronin is March’s selection for the **BookEnd Book Club**, meeting **Thursday, March 21st** at 9:30 am in the Adult Library.



## MORE WAYS TO CONNECT...

If you are looking for some fun and fellowship during the week, the church has several weekday activities that you are welcome to check out. Here are a few...

**Young @ Heart** meets every first, third, and fifth Monday at 10:00 am in the Adult Library. Bring a lunch.

**Bridge Group** meets every second Tuesday at 10:30 am in the Youth Classroom. Contact the church office if you are interested in making a reservation.

**BookEnd Book Club** meets every third Thursday at 9:30 am in the Adult Library. Please check the newsletter for current books being read.

**Creative Crafts** meets every Thursday at 11:00 am in the Adult Library. See Barbara Dial if interested.

**CPWM**, our **Women’s Ministry**, meets every fourth Tuesday at 10:30 am in the Willing Workers Classroom. Watch the newsletter for details.

Call the church office if you want to learn more.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Members

Charles & Gladys Belew, Joan Bledsoe, Bill Blewett, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, Jane Dowden, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Linda Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, 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*), Serenity Barksdale (*great-granddaughter of Barbara & Billy Dial*), 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*), Elwanda Roberts (*cousin of Cheryl Morris*), 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

Jim Bellis (*father of Joanna Wilkinson*)

## YOU ARE INVITED...

A wedding shower for:

**Gwendolyn Keiser & Preston Trammell**

**SATURDAY, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm  
At Brenthaven**

Registered at Target. Gift cards are appreciated.

## MEMORIALS

A Memorial by Joan Bledsoe for her "little Buddy"



## 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!

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Mar. 28:** Maundy Thursday Service

**Mar. 29:** Good Friday/Tenebrae Service

**Mar. 31:** Easter Service/Egg Hunt

### 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

**Jul. 7-12:** CPYC

**Jul. 7-12:** Junior Camp

**Jul. 14-19:** Middle School Camp

**Aug. 4:** Backpack Blessing/Promotion

## EASTER LILIES

You are invited to join in the Easter celebration by providing a **gift** for *My Own Backyard* ministries and/or purchasing a **lily** for the sanctuary. You may wish to honor or memorialize a person. The plants are **\$ 10.50 each**.

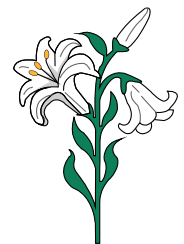
I wish to purchase \_\_\_\_ lilies at **\$ 10.50 each**.  
(payment enclosed).

I wish to donate \$\_\_\_\_ to be given to *My Own Backyard Ministries*.

Given in memory of

Given in honor of

By:



Please make your checks payable to Brenthaven Church.  
Deadline for ordering is **March 17, 2024**.



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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**

- Mar. 7** 11:00 AM Creative Crafts (*Adult Library*)
- Mar. 9** 2:00 PM Wedding Shower (*Narthex*)
- Mar. 10** 9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:45 AM Worship  
5:00 PM Youth ROCKS  
**(Daylight Saving Time Begins)**
- Mar. 12** 10:30 AM Bridge (*Youth Classroom*)
- Mar. 13** 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (*Choir Room*)
- Mar. 14** 11:00 AM Creative Crafts (*Adult Library*)
- Mar. 17** 9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:45 AM Worship  
12:00 PM DMT Meeting  
5:00 PM Youth ROCKS

**LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MARCH 10**

*Fourth Sunday in Lent (purple)*

Numbers 21:4-9;  
Psalm 104:1-3, 17-22;  
Ephesians 2:1-10;  
John 3:14-21

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR MARCH 3**

**OPERATING BUDGET**

Dedicated Giving	\$8,014.49
Donations towards Budgeted Expense	12,080.52
Weekly Need	10,822.00
Received Year-to-Date	126,203.41
Actual Spend Year-to-Date	142,284.47
Difference	<b>-16,081.06</b>

**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**