

WE COVENANT WITH GOD THROUGH . . . OUR PRAYERS

Health and Healing: Terry Armstrong, Kandi Foust Barnett, Levi Bates, Rhea Bearden, Lori Bice, Ginger Bramlett, Jenifer Brown, Andrew Buckalew, Edna Byrd, Freddie Byrd, Nancy Carmichael, Matthew Edmondson, Breanna England, Melinda & Summer Evans, Bobbie Fell, Cathy Fincher, Larry & Imogene Galin, Pressley Gardner, Tiffany Godfrey, Sara Myers Gross, Faye Hall, Barbara Harris, Ronda Harris, Martha Hayes, Tom Hinkle, Mike Houston, Pete Ivey, Charles Jackson, Joshua Jones, Alice Keenum, Shirley Long, Christie McAbee, Randall & Sandra McGlaughn, Phyllis Powers, Andrea Prater, Trisha Prater, Sara & Bud Pritcett, Martha Roberson, Halee Russell, Mike Russell, Lucille Slade, Anna Sparks, Sherri Troxler, Beverly Turner, Gary Turner, Jr., Ann Zezenski

Homebound, Nursing Home or Assisted Living: Erma Barnett, Mildred Boyd, Jim & Pat Cleghorn, Hershell Cosper, Christine Edwards, Margaret Gill, Roy Glass, Elwanda Houston, James Lee, Mamie Kilgo, Jimmie Lott, Eulala McCain, Joe & Jo Ann McMillan, John & Connie New, Rhonda Oakley, Jeanell Raney, Doc Scroggins, Jean Seller, Joyce Sparks, Don Wiggins, Norma Wrenn

Active Military: Tim Anderson, Justin Bloom, Michael Cavanaugh, Sam Cretser, Landon Elliott, James Heard, Austin Hubbard, Josh Laspin, Chris Leon, Devin Mize, Grant Pinkley, Malcolm Riker, Angelo Rossi, Tony Ruehl, Josh Ryan, Jonathan Ryan, Mark Smith, Matthew Steele, Dylan Tindale, Kevin White, Doreann Wiley

MARCH SERVANTS

8:30 a.m. Worship

Altar: Dianne Herfurth
Make Coffee: Rita Speegle
Worship Greeters: Bob Burgess & Mickey Phillips
Hand Out Bulletins: Gary & Teresa Lasdon
Take Up Offering: Dianne & Charlie Herfurth, Linda Hall and Luwanna Hamby
Pick Up Attendance Pads: Billy & Judy Bonds

Sunday, March 4

Security: Billy Bonds
Refreshments: Eddie & Mary Nell Hightower
Honeybees: Kay Phillips
Set up Chairs: Kay & Mickey Phillips, David Fisher
Communion Servers: Jim & Peggy Ryan, David Adams, Clara Laminack, Michele and Brenda Cash

11:00 a.m. Worship

Altar: Rose Marie Martin
Head Usher: David Hays
Ushers: Carolyn & Harmon Eller, Byron & Rose Marie Martin
Pick Up Attendance Pads: Marilyn Bell & Carolyn Eller
Organize Pew Racks: Carolyn Eller
Scripture Reader: Hazel Ruehl
Acolyte: Michael Shelton

Sunday, March 4

Security: Larry Britton
Honeybees: Rhonda Brown
Communion Servers: Al & Polly Stone, Carol Law, Debbie Price & Brenda Johannes

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OUR ATTENDANCE

February 4

8:30 a.m.	89
11:00 a.m.	80
	169
Sunday School	104

February 11

8:30 a.m.	75
11:00 a.m.	99
	174
Sunday School	84

February 18

8:30 a.m.	91
11:00 a.m.	93
	184
Sunday School	111

OUR VISITORS

Annette Bailey	Kaybri Patterson
Wendell Brooks	Charli Roberson
Laney & Penny Burkett	Julie Sikes
Mary Beth, Freddy & James Canning	Gary & Belinda Speegle
Leroy Malgeve	Elana Steele
Oliver Mashburn	Steve & Marcie Turner



Upcoming Meetings & Events

Charity Circle

Monday, March 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Bunco Group

Tuesday, March 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, March 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Finance Meeting

Thursday, March 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Friendship Circle

Tuesday, March 13 at 12:30 p.m.

Lunch Bunch

Thursday, March 15 at 10:00 a.m.

Faith Joy Circle

Thursday, March 15 at 10:00 a.m.

Stewart Wedding Shower

Sunday, March 18 at 2:00 p.m.

Emmaus

Tuesday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Newsletter Folding

Wednesday, March 21 at 9:30 a.m.

Swamp John's

Thursday, March 22 at 4:00 p.m.

Stephen Ministry Supervision

Monday, March 26 at 6:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, March 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service

Friday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m.



Palm Sunday, March 25th at 11 a.m.

*One Service only for the presentation of the Adult Choir Easter Program

Maundy Thursday Service, March 29th at 6 p.m.

Good Friday Service, March 30th at 6 p.m.

Easter Services, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

**Church Wide Work Days
Saturday, March 24th & 31st
8 a.m. - noon**



Swamp John's Fundraiser

Sponsored by the Youth
 Thursday, March 22nd
 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
 \$11/plate
 Eat in or take-out



Volunteer Opportunities

The Cullman Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors. If you are interested please contact Kristie McCarn, Center Manager at 256-734-0145.

Kindred Hospice is looking for volunteers for companionship, emotional support, light household chores, Bible study and socialization for an 85 year old female patient. If you are interested please contact Nancy Graves, Volunteer Service manager at 256-590-9115

Senior Recognition

We will be celebrating our graduating high school seniors in May as well as recognizing our college graduates. If you have a high school or college graduate please contact Lori in the church office so she can get your graduates information for the bulletin.

Upcoming Meetings

Trustees
 Tues., March 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Finance
 Thurs., March 15 at 6:00 p.m.

Church Council
 Sun., March 18 at 4:00 p.m.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF MINISTRIES

MARCH 4 - MARCH 10

SUNDAY, March 4

- 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 4:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Youth

MONDAY, March 5

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 6:00 p.m. Charity Circle

TUESDAY, March 6

- 10:00 a.m. Bunco
- 6:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, March 7

- 9:30 a.m. Little Saints Preschool Worship Time
- 5:15 p.m. Potluck Meal
- 5:45 p.m. Praise Band Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Youth/Children's Activities
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, March 8

- 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting

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Win on Three Levels

ST. ANDREW'S STAFF

Ministers
The Entire Congregation

Senior Pastor
Chuck Worley

Children's Director
Kellie Britton

Minister of Music
Dale Moore

Organist
Jannie Ratliff

Youth Director
David Speegle

Office Administrator
Lori Tafazoli

Preschool Director
Marci Watts

In the 2012 pro football season, Indianapolis Colts Head Coach, Chuck Pagano was diagnosed with acute promyelocytic leukemia. He relinquished his role as head coach and entered a 90 day chemotherapy protocol.

Every day for the 90 days of treatment Pagano's close friend and renowned spiritual speaker, Dr. Kevin Elko, sent him an audio letter of encouragement, stories, anecdotes and motivation. Dr. Elko shared those letters with Bill Beausay an accomplished author and speaker. The two of them created a fictional story in which the actual letters sent to Pagano were used. The book is *The Sender: A story about when right words make all the difference* By Kevin Elko and Bill Beausay.

In one of the letters, Elko teaches a life-changing principle. When you go after something like cancer, marriage or your job you've got to hit it on three different levels all at once. The Biblical story found in Exodus 17:9-13 explains all three dimensions.

Moses needed to fight a great battle. He instructed Joshua to go down into the valley to flight the Amalekites, while he went high up on a rock and held up the staff of God. When Moses' arms were up, the Israelites won, and when his arms dropped they lost. So when his arms got tired. Aaron and Hur came up on the rock and lifted Moses' hands up. The Israelites won the battle.

Principle: You have to win on three levels. (1) Spiritual - the lifting of the arms is the lifting of the spirit. Through prayer. Through pause of thought. Through focusing on what you want to achieve and believing. (2) Physical - The fighting down in the valley with the sword is doing the process. Doing the right things. Doing the work. Focusing not on the battle, but on doing the work of winning the battle. (3) Relational. - the lifting of the arms of one another is what we do when you get tired. We need people around us to lift us up. A principle can be applied to any situation. Each person's personal battle is unique but to be successful, he or she must win all three levels of spiritual, physical and relational.

Chuck Pagano's treatment was successful. Surely, Dr. Elko's letters encouraged him. May we be encouraged and encourage others as we follow God's plan for us. God's plan for us includes the ultimate victory of everlasting life through Jesus Chris as Lord and Savior.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?... Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor thing present or things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thin, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:35, 37-39, New King James)

OUR VISION:
Our vision is to be a worshipping, loving and witnessing church in Cullman County where disciples of Jesus Christ live out their call to ministry and are nurtured in small groups.

Our Mission:
Reach the lost, nurture the faithful.

*Please Join Us For A Bridal Shower
In Honor of Melody Stewart*

*Sunday, March 18
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

St. Andrew's Fellowship Hall

Given by: Family and Friends

*Registered at: Williams Sonoma & Bed Bath and Beyond
China Pattern: Lenox Pearl Innocence*

