

# NEWSLINE

## Great Smoky Mountains Church of Christ

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### What Shall I Do With Jesus?

Matthew 27:22

Pilate's question is ageless. We all have to answer it. There is no middle ground. Oh, we can try to ignore it, but ultimately we all must answer – "What will you do with Jesus?"

He was always a mystery to the Jews. Some said, "He's a good man"; others said, "Not so! He leads the multitudes astray." So they chose to crucify Him. What is your answer?

Some think He was a good man who lived in distant history. Interesting subject to study and admire for His unique teachings but nothing more. He has no impact on their daily lives or decisions.

Some feel threatened by Him. He calls things as they really are. There is no middle ground, no compromise with Jesus. There is no attempt to be politically correct or polite when addressing man's worst enemy: sin. He knows its destructive power but those who love darkness do not want their works exposed.

And then, there are those who know He is the Son of the living God and the only source of true life. These fall down before Him and confess that He is the Lord. They deny themselves in order to follow Him. For them, He gives eternal life.

The question again is, "What will you do with Jesus?"

—Al Behel

### Other News and Prayer Requests

-**Brenda Scott's** niece, **Nita Watern**, who is suffering from liver cancer and undergoing chemotherapy, lost her husband, Fred, last weekend. We send sincere sympathies and prayers to the family as they deal with this devastating loss.

-**Geordie Haynes** is experiencing problems with his left eardrum—surgery will be scheduled at a later date.

-**Jan Messick** had cataract surgery on her left eye Monday, Aug. 8; surgery on right eye scheduled Sept. 19.

-**Madison Barnett**—underwent the pill cam test at Children's on Aug. 23 with results forthcoming—her gall bladder removal surgery is scheduled for this Tuesday, Aug. 30, at UT Knoxville.

-**Samuel Haynes** recovering from successful ear surgery.

-**Al Behel** has begun PT post knee replacement surgery—he will be delivering our sermon this morning. Bible study will be led by **Rick Cliett** and our speaker tonight will be **Danny Cline**. So good to have **Al and Linda** back with us again this morning! We have missed you both.

**Mark your calendars!!** Ice Cream social with finger foods—Sunday evening September 11 immediately after services—hope to see all of you there!

**Directory Updates:** Please review your directory information and make any additions or corrections and send these to Linda at lbehel@ix.netcom.com.

**Food Contact For Month:** Sue Hayes

**Elder Contact for Month:** Marc Hayes (1-731-608-4148)

### Sermon Topics:

A.M.- "The Bread of Life" John 6:32-59—Al Behel

P.M.- "Have I Unknowingly Fulfilled Prophecy Today?" Luke 4:14-21-Danny Cline

Interpreter for deaf and hearing impaired available for AM and PM worship

### Prayers for Our Known Sick

-**Dez Anderson**—still suffering with multiple health issues.

-**Sheryle Elkins**—continuing chemotherapy. PET Scan was good.

-**Bill Valentine** is recovering from esophageal cancer—last test report was good.

-**Larry Valentine**—skin cancer removed requiring numerous stitches.

-**Joyce Keyser**—undergoing chemotherapy and radiation for peritoneal cancer. She is plagued by bouts of weakness and nausea.

-**Patsy Bevis**—very weak from some blood chemistry imbalances.

-**Bill Green**—suffering from several health issues.

-**Jean Compton**—is recovering at home.

-**Kathy May** battling ongoing health issues.

-**Pauline Swallow** is dealing with cancer.

-**Jerry and Jeanette Dyer**—they are facing several challenges. Hospice has been called in to assist Jerry.

-**Larry Barnett** - has begun cardiac rehab.

-**Charles & Frances Copeland**—newborn great granddaughter, Madeline Grace Kirby, remains in critical condition.

-**Sue Mercer** recovering from a procedure on her back.

### Friends and Family News/Prayer Requests

-**Leah's** friend, **Georgia**, known to many of us, requested prayers for her mother, **Lexie Johnson**, who entered hospital with heart issues.

-**Jackie Stearsman**, friend of Al Behel, has leukemia.

-**David Timmerman**—friend of the Behels—advanced cancer.

-**Lida Cliett**, Rick's aunt, ill with heart failure and cancer.

-**Maegan White**, Joyce Keyser's cousin, post brain surgery, not doing well but continues to experience pain.

-**Chris Robertson**, Brenda Scott's sister is home after hip surgery.

-**Sue Hayes' sister-in-law, Jane Hufford**, suffering from leukemia, received a long awaited bone marrow transplant Aug. 23.

-**Jim & Judy Watkins**—Rick's sister and husband, continuing health issues.

-**Catherine Rose**, Leah's 96 year old neighbor, receiving PT to regain strength.

-**Dee Lewis**, friend of the Clietts, 6th occurrence stage 4 cancer.

-**Mark Baker**, Coleen Thomason's brother-in-law, has pneumonia.

**Grief Support Group**—led by Patty Adair will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 30, at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall—topic is depression.

**Ladies Bible Study**—Resumes on Tuesday, Sept. 6 with Polly Cline leading a wonderful study on "Hunger in My Soul" at 10 a.m. every 1st and 3rd Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall—Plan now to attend!

### Special Events

#### Men's Prayer Session

Monday mornings at 8:30

#### Wednesday Night

**Rick Cliett** "Essence of Faith" - Hebrews 11

#### Sunday Adult Class

**Rick Cliett**—Essence of Faith—Hebrews 11

### Times of Services

Sunday A.M.

Bible Study 9:30 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday P.M. 6:00 PM

Wednesday 7:00 PM

### Building Fund

Loan balance as of 08/08/16 is **\$1,009,725.10**. Extra contributions to reduce the loan debt are needed and appreciated. Envelopes are available in the pews.

(Note—loan balance increased since July due to refinance closing costs)

### Nursery

Located across main foyer. Closed circuit TV allows viewing and participation in worship.

CDs and DVDs of Sermons are available free at sound booth. Also available on the website at: [www.greatsmokymountainschurchofchrist.com](http://www.greatsmokymountainschurchofchrist.com).