

# NEWSLINE

## Great Smoky Mountains Church of Christ

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### The Lord Reigns

*“The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed in majesty and is armed in strength. The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved. Your throne was established long ago; You are from all eternity.” (Psalm 93:1-2)*

In this Psalm and in several which follow, King David celebrates the sovereignty of God. The King declares firmly, *“The Lord reigns!”* There is no doubt in David’s mind as to Who is really in control. He is *“clothed in majesty.”* Our God is majestic! He is armed in strength. There is nothing weak or deficient about our God.

His reign is *permanent*...it is forever. Kingdoms have come and gone. His throne was established long ago and He is from all eternity. There was never a time when He did not exist, and there will never be a time when He is not in charge. We cannot outlive His presence and we cannot move beyond His power to protect and lift us up.


His sovereignty is proclaimed by the roaring floods (Psalm 93:3,4). He is over the threatening forces of nature and ruler of the universe. The heavens still declare His glory and the sky proclaims His handiwork (Psalm 19). *“The sea is His, for He made it...His hands formed the dry land”* (Psalm 95:5). He is Lord over all things, whether in heaven or on earth.

His sovereignty is seen in the fact that, *“He knows the thoughts of man”* (Psalm 94:11). His insight penetrates as deeply as His oversight protects. *“Does He Who implanted the ear not hear? Does He Who formed the eye not see?”* (v. 9). God never misses hearing a word spoken or seeing an act performed. He knows every part of man and knows our needs before we ask. With David we can say, *“When I said, ‘My foot is slipping,’ Your love, O Lord supported me. When anxiety was great within me, Your consolation brought joy to my soul”* (vs. 18, 19). He is still King, and we are safe.

—Al Behel


### Other News and Sick:

-**Eric Behel**, Al’s nephew, is in UAB Medical Center in Birmingham with severe complications of Cellulitis. He was transferred from Florence after being hospitalized there for almost three weeks.

 **Wedding Shower:** for Lydia Cantrell and Devon Suttles immediately after morning worship on November 19. Everyone (men and women) is invited to stay for the shower. A signup sheet is in the lobby so we can know how many will be attending. They are registered at Amazon and Wal Mart. Wedding will be December 30, 2017.

**Baptistery Replacement:** Installation of the new baptistery should be completed this week. Thanks to Tom for a good job!

### Have You Had Your Picture Made?

 If you haven’t had your picture made for the directory board and phone app directory, please do so asap. You may go to the fellowship hall after worship this morning or tonight to have yours made. Your assistance in helping complete this project will be greatly appreciated. Thanks to Beth, Bryan, Mariejane, and Tracey for their help in completing this project. And to Mark Haynes for setting up the directory app.

**Food Contact For Month:** Sue Hayes

**Elder Contact for Month:** Rick Cliett (865-789-9619)

**Sermon Topics:** A.M.—*“Old Testament Stories: Naaman and Elisha”* 2 Ki.5:1-14  
 P.M.— *“Attitudes: Sons of Thunder”*

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

### Our Known Sick

-**Dez Anderson**— is now at home. She is battling many health issues and is confined to home. Please keep her and Jim in your prayers.

-**Sheryle Elkins**— is in U.T. Medical Center, Rm. 534. She has had a rough week with some setbacks. She is still very sick and visits should be limited. Thank you for keeping her in your prayers. Also prayers for Dan as he struggles with his own issues as well as Sheryle’s.

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

-**James Crowson** (who moved here from Florida several months ago) was hit head-on in a collision. He suffered a broken bone in his neck and will be in a brace for 12 weeks. He is improving and looks forward to being back in worship soon.

-**Ron Sommerville**—has been transferred to Parkwest Senior Behavioral Center, Room 105. Doctors believe he may have suffered a stroke but he is improving. Keep him and Carol in your prayers.

-**Charles Copeland**—is in ICU at Methodist Medical Center in Oak Ridge with complications from COPD. He is breathing better and feeling better and expects to be moved to a room this weekend. Keep praying for him.

-**Kenny Jones**—has been transferred to Newport Rehab Center. Please keep him in prayer.

-**Charles & Frances Copeland**- great granddaughter, **Madeline Grace Kirby**, is very ill with a genetic disorder.

### Friends and Family News/Prayer Requests

-**Meagan White**, Joyce’s cousin, pain post brain surgeries.

-Sue & Marc Hayes’ sister-in-law, **Jane Hufford**, second transplant (peripheral blood transplant rather than bone marrow transplant) appears to be successful. Prayers are requested for her.

-**Jessica Anderson**, 35 year old niece of the Tollivers, has stage 3 breast cancer. Double mastectomy was done recently.

-Rick Cliett’s niece, **Penny**, is doing a little better.

-Prayer request for **Tim Tolley**, Charlotte Jones’ brother-in-law.

-**Lauren Meier’s son, Hunter**, suffered an injury. His address is 3378 Boogertown Rd, Sevierville, TN 37876.

-**Craig Hux**, frequent visitor from Greeneville, had surgery on October 31 in Greeneville.

-**Cason Barnett** asked us to remember his 3rd grade friend at school, Vinny (8 years old), who is suffering from a lung disease.

**MEN’S AND LADIES’ MEETINGS- Today at 4:30. Please attend.**

### Sunday Adult Class

Titus 2 —Al Behel

### Wednesday Night Class

“Sermon on the Mount”-Rick Cliett

### Ladies-1st, 3rd Tuesdays, 10AM

“Hunger In My Soul: I Will Be Your God, You Will Be My People”- Polly Cline

### Men’s Prayer Session

Mondays—8:30 AM

### 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 on 10/15/17 is **\$931,107.49**. Extra contributions to reduce the loan debt are needed and appreciated. Envelopes are available in the pews.

### 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).