

5.5.2024

THE MT. COMFORT CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS AND ONE ANOTHER, WHILE SERVING GOD TOGETHER.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship Leader Drew Viguet

Love Lifted Me

Welcome Andrew Chance

Prayer
David Watson

To God Be the Glory Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Glorify Thy Name

Communion/Offering Keith Branch

Jesus Loves Me (Children's Offering) Wonderful Merciful Savior

Message Nathan Jorgenson

Trust and Obey

Shepherd's Blessing Allen Morningstar

Attended Nursery available in Room 106, intended for babies in the two year old class and younger. This is available during the entire worship service.

Children's Church available in Room 211, for ages 3 through kindergarten. Parents can take their children upstairs after the children's offering & pick them up immediately after worship service concludes.

ELDER SPOTLIGHT: HUSTON GIVENS

God gave us his Son – the greatest gift of all that we might have eternal life in heaven with Him if we just obey His will. God also gave us mothers (and fathers) that we could be loved, nurtured, and taught God's will to obey. There are many scriptures referencing mothers (and fathers), some listed below:

Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you,... (Deut. 5:16 NIV).

"For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother,..." (Mark 7:10 NIV).

Each year - days have been set aside to nationally celebrate mothers (and fathers) – and Sunday, May 12, this year, is designated as Mothers' Day.

Just as we should give thanks for and honor our Heavenly Father and his Son each and every moment, may we give thanks for and honor the mothers (and fathers) our Heavenly Father has given us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 6-8 Gospel Meeting at Combs St Nightly @ 7pm

May 14 Ladies Book Club @ 6:30pm Details Inside

May 19 Youth Group: Senior Sunday

High School Senior Sunday

Families of graduating high school seniors, please turn your pictures for the slideshow in to CJ asap. Our celebratory lunch will be after morning worship on **May 19th**. All youth group members and families are invited to attend as well as we recognize the seniors and wish them well on their next adventure!

Graduating Seniors: Will Morningstar, Haily Riddle, Jacob Warmack. and Kamrynn Coughran

PRAYER LIST

Prayer Requests will be printed on this list for up to 3 weeks at a time, unless further updates are received by the church office. Requests can be submitted by email through Thursday mornings to office@mountcomfort.org. Thanks!

Ashley Sanders had an appointment in Ft Smith on April 30th. The doctor there is not sure that it's MS and wants to do some additional testing. They return on Monday for some nerve and memory testing, and will do a follow-up appointment two weeks later. They are grateful for the prayers and for finding a doctor that is taking her case seriously and searching diligently for answers!

Nadine Huddleston had rotator cuff surgery on April 30th. Please pray for her the surgery and her recovery.

Nita Carney, sister of **Linda Proffitt**, will have brain surgery on May 3rd to deal with an aneurysm. Please pray for a successful surgery and recovery.

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

1 John 5:14

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER...

Eddie Kinzer Kyle Hunter Becky Tyree Glen "Pops" Wade Montie Bailey Lila Campbell Lorene Adams

Jessica Collins

Kathy Walsh Harold Shook Wendi Super Janet Riegle Mary Bruce

THOSE SHUT IN...

Joe Conley Idella Courtright Kathy Hayes Libby Laningham Jack & Brenda Richardson

Margie Slasor Janice Umberger

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

5/5 Will Morningstar 5/12 Bob Hall
Brett Winkle Andrew Hunter

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

5/7 Bryan & Crystal Ethridge

Brett Winkle
5/6 Jamae Fulmer
5/8 Noah Calhoun
Pierson Keen
Lynn Stout
5/10 Alexis Beaumont
Wanda Hudgeons
Katelynn Scott
5/11 Randy Bradford
Deana Mhoon
Marge Moran

NEWS AND NOTES

Ladies Book Club

Ladies Book Club will meet Tuesday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Renea Kruckemeyer. We will discuss The Anatomy of Peace (4th edition) from the Arbinger Institute. All ladies are invited. Please RSVP to Renea (renea19004@gmail.com) or for directions.

Gospel Meeting

The Combs St Church of Christ is hosting a Gospel Meeting on **May 6th through May 8th at 7pm**. The theme is Transformers: More Than Meets the Eye, presented by John Mitchell. For more information, please see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Loving Choices Baby Bottle Campaign

Every year we get a bunch of baby bottles from "Loving Choices Pregnancy Center". What we do is simple: we just fill the bottles up with spare change and return them. Did you know that after a woman sees her baby in an ultrasound, she is 75% more likely to carry the baby? Loving Choices offers free services to expecting mothers who may not know what to do and in need of help and care. For these mothers, Loving Choices offers free parenting classes, education, and resources these women need for their pregnancy and beyond.

There is more we can do on top of giving our change. Volunteers can help mentor by being a listening ear and walking alongside a young mother-to-be. You can also help in the Boutique, helping mother's prepare for their babies.

The campaign will run from Mother's Day to Father's Day.

Classroom Addition Update

Mount Comfort Elders approved adding additional classrooms in 2021 to support both Sonshine School and our Children's Ministry. The project added 6 new classrooms and has provided the opportunity to increase the number of children able to attend Sonshine School from 65 children in school year 2021-2022 to 154 children in 2022-2023 and continuing to grow to 190 children in 2023-2024 school years.

The total cost of the addition was approximately \$1,649,000. Church members stepped up and pledged \$702,700 to be used to pay for part of the expansion. Through April 28, total pledge payments made total \$344,830 leaving a balance to be paid of \$346,370. In addition to the pledges, the Elders used one -time money that had been donated in past years and authorized taking a loan out for the balance of the construction cost. The construction loan was obtained in May 2022 and the total loan reached \$893,805 May 2023. As we approach the 2-year anniversary of starting the classroom addition the loan has been reduced to \$670,914 as of April 24, 2024. Mt Comfort has included monthly mortgage payments that total \$112,044 in our annual budget.

The Elders have also decided to use \$215,000 of the bequest to pay down on the loan. If the pledge payments continue to be made and the monthly mortgage payment is included in future budgets the classroom loan could be paid off in October 2025.

OUR SHEPHERDS

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To email a shepherd, please send a message to elders@mountcomfort.org

OUR MINISTERS

Nathan Jorgenson - Pulpit Minister njorgenson@mountcomfort.org

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Matt Wilson - Involvement Minister mwilson@mountcomfort.org

Sara Chance - Children's Minister schance@mountcomfort.org

Glenda Davis LPC, LMFT - Christian Counselor www.mtcomfortcounseling.com

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30am to 2:30pm office@mountcomfort.org



After school care until 5 pm.

Banford House

Community Food Pantry 3281 W Mount Comfort Rd Open Wednesdays, 9am - 11am Members anytime by appointment banford@mountcomfort.org



RAZORBACKS FOR CHRIST

608 N Storer Fayetteville AR 72701

Life Group @ RFC Sundays @ 5pm
Freshman Eat & Study @ RFC
Devo @ RFC House Tuesdays @ 7pm
Free Lunch @ RFC Wednesday 11am - 1pm
Guys & Gals Study @ RFC Thursdays @ 7pm



If you would like to send your contribution electronically, please scan to be taken to our Give+ Portal.

2024 CONTRIBUTION RECORDS

Building Expansion Project Weekly Contribution \$20,613.48 **Total Bldg Cost** \$1,649,637 +/-**Weekly Budget** \$18.855.00 Remaining Principal \$670.914.46 **Weekly Average** \$19.026.54 Bldg Contributions \$365,178.22 Weekly Children's \$28.89 2023 Records Weekly Contribution \$29.748.00 YTD Children's \$848.66 Weekly Average \$19,492.08

2024 ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Sunday, April 28 Wednesday, April 24

Bible Class 221 Devo & Bible Class 112

Worship 406