



THE Mustard Seed

If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed...Matt. 17:20

February 2021

Current Session Elders

Administration

John Gurney

Congregational Care & Welcome

Wes Ashworth

Christian Education

Kevin Robinson

Fellowship & Pastoral Care

Suzanne Dunn

Property

Jim Barkley

Outreach & Service

Linda Stamps/Worship

Serving the Session

Clerk of Session

Melanye Lunsford

Worship

Karen Wimpee

CURRENT ELDER CLASSES

Class of 2021

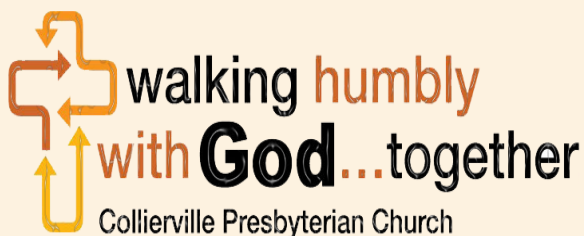
Wesley Ashworth, Suzanne Dunn,
Kevin Robinson

Class of 2022

Jim Barkley, John Gurney

Class of 2023

Linda Stamps



From the Pastor's Desk

"We Have A Dream"

Here is something that I came across a while back. I hope this is our prayer.

We Dream of A Church Where...

1. We listen to and are obedient of God.
2. People who are not Christians become followers of God in the way of Jesus.
3. Those who are not involved in church would become an active part of it.
4. People are deeply connected to God in all of life, body, mind, soul, and spirit.
5. Beauty, art, and creativity are valued, used, and understood as coming from the Creator.
6. Culture is met, embraced, and transformed.
7. Joy, fun, and excitement are part of our lives.
8. The Kingdom of God is increased in real ways in the world.
9. The biblical story of God is told and contributed to.
10. Biblical justice, mercy, grace, love, and righteousness lead the way.
11. Truth, honesty, and health are a way of life.
12. We value innovation and are willing to take risks in order to bring glory to God.
13. Worship of God is full, vibrant, real, and pleasing to God.
14. Faith, hope, and love are the context for all.
15. The next generation of leadership is built up and leaders are servants.
16. Everyone is equipped to do ministry.
17. God's Spirit takes precedence over all structures and systems.
18. Christian Community is the attraction to outsiders and the answer to questions of faith.
19. People participate in the Kingdom of God in accordance with their abilities and gifts.
20. We are connected to, dependent on, and serve the global Church.
21. People learn the ways of God and are encouraged to make it central to their lives.
22. Other churches are valued and supported.
23. People's visions and ideas of ministry come to life.

blessings,
Mark<>>



Pastor Mark Wright
901.591.0206

~ THE WORLD OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ~



PW Coordinating: The next PW CT meeting will be Sunday, February 7, immediately following worship.

PW Circle: The next PW Circle will be Tuesday, February 9, at 10am at the church. The current study is called "Into the Light: Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament." This study revives lament as a proper theological response to the difficult situations of our world. One of the foundational points of the study is that, in scripture, lament usually leads to hope. Next lesson information is below. All women of the church are invited to join us.

Lesson: Lesson 5 titled Lamenting Life found on page 45.

Scripture: Job 3:1-4, 9-19, 24-26

Focus: Sometimes it is a life, rather than death, that is cause for lament.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about Presbyterian Women, contact Mary Ann Epperson at 901-218-5851 or maryannepp@att.net.

~ ARE YOU A LITTLE TECH SAVVY?



You don't have to be a pro!

Virtual worship is so important now and much needed but can be time-consuming. We need another set of hands to help run the camera during worship and edit video when needed. We're working toward live streaming as well. If you have an interest in taking on this ministry, please contact Rev. Mark at 901.853.4226 or markwrightsemail@gmail.com.

~ 2021 LENT DEVOTIONAL

[Click here](#) to download the 2021 Lent Devotional. Hard copies will also be available at the church and can be found on the table by the coffee counter.



~ WE'RE BACK!

The church has resumed on-site worship and opened the building back up to the Scouts and Hopefuls AA. We welcome everyone back and we welcome the sounds of chatter and laughter!



~ CHURCH DIRECTORY



Yes...it's done! [Click here](#) for your updated copy of the church directory. If something was missed, please email the church. Hard copies will be available at the church.

ASH WEDNESDAY
worship

February 17 | 7pm

The Rector responds to concern that Lent is a downer



~ OUTREACH & SERVICE ~

Thanks to all of the volunteers and donors helping with the Constance Abbey ministry. We're continuing to provide lunch once a month as well as collecting other items. Others in the community have shown interest in getting involved. The calendar to provide lunches has many dates open. It is my hope that we can add one or two more days. Blessings! ~Linda



SACK LUNCH MINISTRY March 2, 2021

Thanks for those who helped with February's lunches:
Susan & Mike Miller, Maria Turverey, Suzanne Dunn, Meredith Hall

We will deliver 50 lunches on Tuesday, March 2. Five volunteers are needed to help by providing 10 lunch bags with the following items:

- A protein based sandwich or wrap (plant or meat protein)
- Fruit (in season fresh no apples) or fruit cups
- Chips, pretzels, or other snack or thin sliced vegetables.
- Dessert



If you'd like to provide just sandwiches or other supplies, contact Linda Stamps at 901.359.7898 or lindastamps@comcast.net. Everything will get used!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

as of January 29, 2020

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| YTD Tithes & Offerings Rc'd: | \$6,103 |
| *YTD Tithes & Offerings Budget: | \$0 |
| YTD Total: | (\$6,103) |
| YTD Income: | \$6,703 |
| YTD Expenses: | \$11,828 |
| YTD Total: | (\$5,125) |

Parentheses indicates negative number.

**Does not reflect 2021 approved budget.*

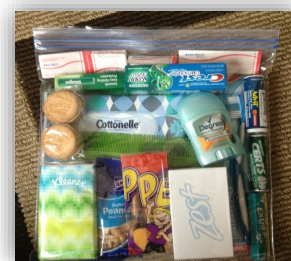
CLOTHING DONATIONS NEEDED:

- Clothing/coats for men and women
- Shoes
- Blankets/sleeping bags
- New socks for men and women

MANNA BAGS

Manna bags are ready to be picked up. If you drive in an area where you often see someone in need, please stop by and pick one or two up to keep in your car. If you'd like to provide items for these, below is a list of suggested items. Items can be dropped off in the collection bin.

- Washcloth, socks
- Sunscreen, lip balm
- Travel size toiletries: shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb
- Bottled water, juice boxes
- Snack size food items: raisins, nuts, trail mix, jerky, peanut butter, crackers, granola bars



- Canned meats (must be pop top)
- Fruit cups, applesauce
- Hard candies or mints

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS



*In Memory of Jo Hall
Meredith Hall*

SANCTUARY FLOWERS



Flowers are a beautiful way to honor or remember a loved one or celebrate a special day. If you'd like to provide flowers for a Sunday service, please contact Linda in the church office. You can provide your own or the church can order them.



LENT

A journey that moves us toward the cross.

Just like last year, the labyrinth will be in the Fellowship Hall starting Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent. Everyone is encouraged to walk it more than once. It is what is known as "Classical" labyrinth and has seven circuits. The center is a cross. It is not a maze. There are no dead ends. Walking a labyrinth is meant to be a spiritual journey. You move inward to the center then outward. It is a very personal journey, but you may meet others along the way. Here is a better explanation by Caroline Adams:

"Your life is a sacred journey. And it is about change, growth, discovery, movement, transformation, continuously expanding your vision of what is possible, stretching your soul, learning to see clearly and deeply, listening to your intuition, taking courageous challenges at every step along the way. You are on the path...exactly where you are meant to be right now...and from here, you can only go forward, shaping your life story into a magnificent tale of triumph, of healing of courage, of beauty, of wisdom, of power, of dignity, and of love."

We are all on the path... exactly where we need to be. The labyrinth is a model of that path. There is no right way to walk a labyrinth. You only have to enter and follow the path. However, your walk can encompass a variety of attitudes. It may be joyous or somber. It might be thoughtful or prayerful. You may use it as a walking meditation. Adults are often serious in the labyrinth. Children most often run in and out as fast as they can in a playful manner. When you walk a labyrinth choose your attitude. From time to time choose a different attitude. Make it serious, prayerful, or playful. Play music or sing. Pray out loud. Walk alone and with a crowd. Listen to the sounds. Most of all pay attention to your experience. Here are some general guidelines for walking a labyrinth:

1. Focus: Pause and wait at the entrance. Become quiet and centered. Give acknowledgment through a bow, nod, or other gesture and then enter.
2. Experience: Walk purposefully. Observe the process. When you reach the center, stay there and focus several moments. Leave when it seems appropriate. Be attentive on the way out.
3. Exit: Turn and face the entrance. Give an acknowledgement of ending, such as "Amen."
4. Reflect: After walking the labyrinth reflect back on your experience. Use journaling or drawing to capture your experience.
5. Walk often.

*blessings,
Mark<><*



We're all on a path...precisely where we need to be.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars



21430 Highway 57, Moscow, TN 38057 | www.camppinecrest.org | (901) 878-1247 | pinecrestcamp.retreat@gmail.com

LUNAR NEW YEAR FAMILY HIKE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 | 10AM-12PM

\$5 suggested donation per person.

Join us for a fun day in the forest. This hike for families on Lunar New Year includes trail activities to explore nature and celebrate the seasonal new year. This will be a moderate hike with a few hills, but fun and slow enough for everyone!
RSVP: Charity@camppinecrest.org or call 901-878-1247.



WINTER WETLANDS

Friday, February 26 | 10-11:30am

Recommended ages 4-6, siblings welcome

\$6/child with one adult helper free.

\$6/additional attendees age 4 and up.

Frogs and salamanders in winter? You bet! Wear your tallest rubber boots and lets explore their special habitat, the ephemeral pool. You may want to bring a change of clothes for the kiddos. Questions? Call 901-878-1247 for details.



Saturday Hikes with the Biologist

Saturday, February 27 & April 10 | 10 am – 12pm

Family Hike: 1.5 miles...Look for tracks, scat, and more!

Discover the treasures of the forest at Pinecrest. Meet at the lodge. Wear hiking shoes or boots and bring water and snacks or lunch depending on the hike. In the event of inclement weather, we will reschedule. \$5/per person.
RSVP: charity@camppinecrest.org or call 901-878-1247



TRAIL MAINTENANCE MONDAYS

Monday, February 15 | 10am-12pm

Social-distance volunteer opportunity! We are smoothing trails, creating new trails, and clearing up and restoring old trails. We will also begin removing exotic invasive plants this spring. Choose from lighter work which involves brushing back plant material, clearing small debris, raking new trails. Or, choose to help with heavier work involving clearing larger materials, shoveling fill dirt, and excavating small areas. Be sure to bring water and gloves! Some tools can be provided or bring your own loppers, trimmers, shears, rake, shovel, etc.

ARE YOU READY FOR A REVOLUTION?!

Presbyterian Youth Connection Retreat

February 2021 (Dates TBD)

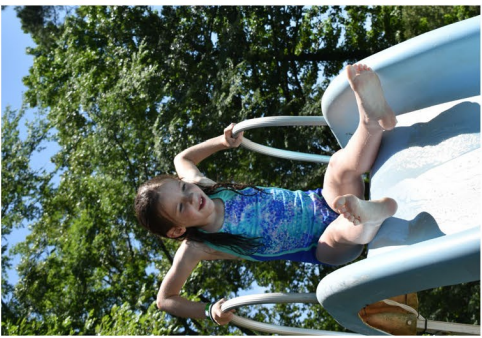
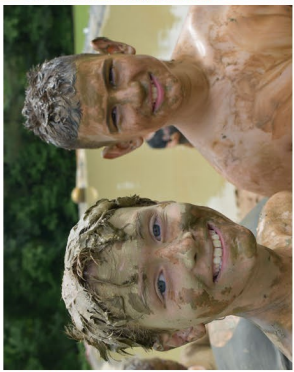
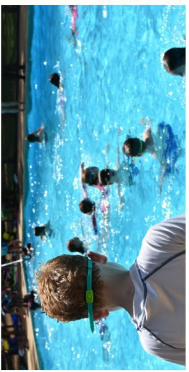
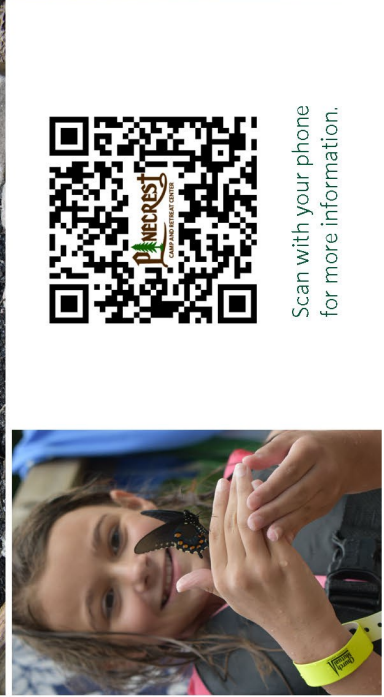
Middle and High Schoolers | \$120/person

Jesus was not a pushover! Jesus did some REVOLUTIONARY things like eating with 'sinners' and 'unworthy' folks in a time when where and with whom you ate and visited was so important. Jesus called the whole social order into question and called us to turn the world up-side down (or, really, right-side up!). Let's talk about it. And play about it. And hang out about it. Your youth (group) is welcome. Bring an adult chaperone, and you're in! Email Lucygc@bellsouth.net to register.

BE THE Light



SUMMER 2021



We're so ready to see everyone at Pinecrest this summer! We've had a year to work on safety protocols, and we're ready with smaller camper numbers and more staff to clean. At this point, we'll be able to accept 56 campers per session with 3-4 campers and 1 counselor per cabin. Maybe, by the time camp starts, we'll be able to increase those numbers. You may notice some shorter camp offerings of 2 or 3 nights. These are new this year and we're so excited! Give us a call at 901.878.1247 or email lucy@camppinecrest.org if you have any questions.



Scan with your phone for more information.



BE THE Light

Everyone has something they are or do that is different than anyone else. It's their light to shine, given by God. We'll think about how God's light shines through us to help others find their light, too.

2021 SUMMER CAMPS

At **LIT CAMP**, high schoolers practice, create, learn, and connect. With lots of laughter, Leaders In Training find out how they can help younger campers have the times of their lives at Pinecrest. LITs can volunteer at least a week during the summer.

Sometimes, we just want a little **TASTE OF CAMP**. Only two nights, TOC helps campers feel more comfortable with sleeping away from home and trying out new things. They'll do all the camp-y things, just curated to deliver highlights. TOC happens during the first week so campers can register for other weeks if available.

DISCOVERY CAMP is what you expect camp to be. Recreation, activities, swimming, arts/crafts, biking, Bible study...this is the camp that feels most traditional. It's great fun, and our campers make great friends who catch up year after year. Regular 5 and new 3 night camps available for 2021.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL CAMP fills up really fast, and here's why: when they come in on Sunday, our campers get to decide as a group what activities and experiences they want during the week. Sleep in a day? Ok. Stay up all night? Sure. Swim twice a day? Why not? It's so much fun!

We started **THEATER CAMP** a couple of years ago to great success! Campers loved rehearsing and creating sets, etc. together during the day and hanging out and playing at night. It's intense, but at the end of the week, they produce an excellent show. Raejah Bratcher is back to direct!

WANT TO BE A SUMMER STAFFER? Check out summer position descriptions on our website and apply at Pinecrest.campbrainstaff.com or call 901-878.1247 with questions.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT

Realizing that families have different abilities to pay, Pinecrest offers a voluntary three-tier fee program. You know your family's financial situation better than we do. Simply choose the tier that is most suitable or comfortable for your family. All campers receive the same Pinecrest experience, no matter which amount you choose to pay. As you consider your family's financial situation, please also consider the true cost of camp.

For more information about the three tiers, please visit www.CampPinecrest.org

Every Child Should Experience Camp

We believe that every child should experience the powerful impact that summer camp at Pinecrest provides, regardless of income. For this reason we also provide "Camperships" (our word for financial aid), so that no child is denied that experience because of financial hardship. If camp fees present a challenge for your family, please contact us at 901.878.1247 or email lucygc@bellsouth.net

Reserve your summer camp spot now! Here's how: Go to www.CampPinecrest.org to register online or to print off a full registration form

OR if you don't have Internet access, call us at **901.878.1247**

Register through February 28, 2021 and get a \$30 canteen credit (non refundable)

| CAMP | DATES | GRADES (complete) | TIER 1 | TIER 2 | TIER 3 |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Leaders in Training | 6/6-11 | 9th-12th | \$450 | \$485 | \$520 |
| Taste of Camp | 6/6-8 | K-2nd | \$275 | \$300 | \$325 |
| Taste of Camp | 6/9-11 | 3rd-4th | \$275 | \$300 | \$325 |
| Discovery 5 nights | 6/13-18 6/20-25 | 1st-6th | \$475 | \$530 | \$580 |
| Mini-Camp | 6/20-23 | K-2nd | \$290 | \$320 | \$345 |
| Discovery 3 nights | 6/27-30 7/6-9 | 1st-6th | \$300 | \$325 | \$350 |
| Middle/High | 7/11-16 | 5th-12th | \$475 | \$530 | \$580 |
| Beach Retreat | 7/18-23 | 8th-12th | \$725 | \$725 | \$725 |
| Dangerous Camp | 7/18-23 | 3rd-7th | \$480 | \$540 | \$590 |
| Outdoor Challenge | 7/23-29 | 5th-9th | \$725 | \$725 | \$725 |
| Theater | 7/25-30 | 2nd-8th | \$480 | \$540 | \$590 |

As Christians, specifically Presbyterians steeped in the Reformed Protestant faith, and as followers of Jesus who included all people in the realm of God, we welcome absolutely everyone to Pinecrest.



☺ Birthday 🎂 Anniversary



FEBRUARY 2021

Collierville Presbyterian Church



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|
| <p>7 5th Sunday after Epiphany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Communion Service (10:30am) ◆ PW Coord. Team Mtg (11:45am) ◆ GS Troop 13141 (All, 1-2:30pm) ◆ Hopefuls AA (3pm) | <p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Boy Scouts (7pm) | <p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Karate (2-5pm) ◆ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm) ◆ GS Troop 10029 (5:30pm) ◆ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) | <p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Girl Scouts Leaders (6:30pm) | <p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Karate (2-5pm) ◆ GS Troop 13654 (6pm) <p>☺ Glen Watkins ☺ Brooklyn Coulson</p> | <p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hopefuls AA (12pm) | <p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hopefuls AA (7pm) <p>☺ Ethan Wright</p> |
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| <p>14 Transfiguration of the Lord</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Worship Service (10:30am) ◆ Hopefuls AA (3pm) <p>☺ Spencer Harris ♥ John & Pam Aquadro</p> <p><i>Happy Valentine's Day</i></p> | <p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Boy Scouts (7pm) | <p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Karate (2-5pm) ◆ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm) ◆ GS Troop 10029 (5:30pm) ◆ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) | <p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Ash Wednesday Service (7pm, tentatively) <p>☺ Ross Davis</p> <p>ASH WEDNESDAY</p> | <p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Karate (2-5pm) ◆ GS Troop 13654 (6pm) <p>☺ Heather Volner ☺ Sara Zellers</p> | <p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hopefuls AA (12pm) | <p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hopefuls AA (7pm) <p>☺ Lydia Stinnett</p> |
| <p>21 First Sunday in Lent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Worship Service (10:30am) ◆ Hopefuls AA (3pm) <p>☺ Pam Aquadro ☺ Gabriel Nicholson ♥ Zane & Sue Beaton</p> | <p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Boy Scouts (7pm) | <p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Karate (2-5pm) ◆ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm) ◆ GS Troop 10029 (5:30pm) ◆ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) | <p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ GS Troop 13141 (7pm) | <p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Karate (2-5pm) ◆ GS Troop 13141 Cadettes (6:15pm) <p>☺ Carl Epperson</p> | <p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hopefuls AA (12pm) <p>☺ Terri Hall Cunningham</p> | <p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ BS Pinewood Derby (10am-2pm) ◆ GS Troop 10032 (11am) ◆ Hopefuls AA (7pm) |
| <p>28 Second Sunday in Lent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Worship Service (10:30am) ◆ Hopefuls AA (3pm) <p>☺ Sharon Epperson</p> | | | | | | |