Sunday Services
9:00 a.m. – Classes
10:00 a.m.- Worship
6:00 p.m. – Worship/Classes

Maryville Church of Christ

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Wednesday Evening
7:00 p.m. - Classes

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Fall Bonfire and Fellowship
This Saturday, November 14 - 3:00 p.m.

Join us at the Riverhouse in Townsend for a bonfire, hot dogs, chili, and s'mores! We'll also have hot coffee, hot chocolate, and hot cider to warm your bones. If you can, bring along something yummy to share for dessert. Bring a lawn chair to sit on and a blanket to bundle up in while you enjoy a blazing fire and great fellowship! If you haven't signed up yet, text 865-256-9588 to confirm.

Growing Together in Faith and Fellowship – An Update & Reminder:

We are pleased that to date, response to the congregational survey has been both vigorous and uniformly positive. So … if you have already submitted your comments, Thank You! If you haven't yet submitted your thoughts, please know that we value your input and would love to hear from every adult member of the congregation. If you haven't received the survey, additional copies are available in both foyers. Two quick reminders: (1) We ask that you do not sign the survey in the hope that this will allow you to be entirely candid with your comments. (2) Please check the appropriate age category that appears at the top of the form as this may help identify concerns that are specific to age groups. If you have questions, please feel free to speak with any of the elders.

Sympathy

Our dear sister, **Bernice Kieffer**, passed away unexpectedly on November 8. Arrangements for her services will be announced at a later date. Please keep her family and loved ones in your prayers.

Anna and Brennan Hooper lost their precious baby boy, **Hank**, on November 11. Anna is the sister of our **Andrew Warnes**. Please keep all that loved sweet Hank in your prayers as they grieve this unimaginable heartbreak.



IT'S NEXT WEEK!

Church family, we still very much need your help! PLEASE bring in those groceries and make your monetary donations THIS WEEK!

Monetary Donation – Take an envelope from the table in the foyer, place your donation inside, and drop it in the contribution during worship. To provide a bag meal costs around $20. To provide a pre-cooked ham and premade pumpkin pie (both to be purchased the week we hand out the bags), costs $30. To provide it all is $50.

Purchase Groceries – Pick up a list from the table in the foyer and take your family to purchase the food needed for a bag, or 2, or more! Bring in the groceries purchased, put them in the provided paper grocery sack(s), and then "sack the pulpit" with it! (Put it on the pulpit in the auditorium.)

Know Someone? – Pick up a form from the table in the foyer and submit information for a family that could benefit from a Thanksgiving meal (in our church family or community).

We are so thankful to put this opportunity to serve into action! Please let us know if you have any questions! Thank you!
Jessica Hazel and Rachel Hasting



Special Thanksgiving Service

There will be a special, mid-week devotional the week of Thanksgiving on Tuesday, November 24. All adults and Student Ministry will meet in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. Soul Train children's classes, ages birth-6th grade, will meet as they normally do. We will not meet on Wednesday, November 25.

Please note - if you mail anything to the church, please use our post office box number, P.O. Box 5293, Maryville, TN 37802

Sunday Morning, November 15, 2026

Call to Worship David Pittman
Opening Prayer Ron Williams
Scripture Reading Oliver Bookout
Sermon Travis Bookout
Sermon Title: *The Spiritual Sluggard*
Sermon Basis: Proverbs 13:4
Communion **Presiding:** Ralph Miranda
Ben Bohannon, Greg Cable, Carl Holmes, David Huff, Tom Jordan, Mike Kervin, Tom Maxwell, Danny Spencer, Artan Xhaferaj
Nursery Kim Clevenger, June Kidd, & Wendy Winstead
Children's Worship Jessica Hazel & Jamie Rogers
TNT Claire Adams, Vickie Dudley, & Elise Hazel
Sunday Evening Travis Bookout

Our Record, November 8, 2026

Bible Class	143
Worship	286
Worship PM	81
Mid-Week	126
Contribution	$24,635.26
Budgeted Weekly Need	$20,523.00
Contribution through 11/8	$899,573.32
Budgeted Yearly Need through 11/8	$923,535.00
Soul Train Ministry Travel Bucks	5

Our Mission Statement: To fulfill the Great Commission by teaching the Gospel to the lost, to encourage a never-ending spiritual growth in God's children, and to hold steadfastly to the Bible which we affirm is the inerrant and inspired word of God.

Elders will be available in the library during the invitation song for anyone who would like to meet with them for personal prayer. Also, the elders desire to welcome all new members! If you would like to be identified with the Maryville Church of Christ, the elders would like to meet with you. Please call the church office (983-0370) to arrange an appointment.

Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class

Join us on November 18, as **Judi Curp** leads our lesson on "***My Anxiety Doesn't Define Me***" from the book *The Right Side Up Kingdom in an Upside-Down World*. We will meet from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Men's Wednesday Bible Study

The Wednesday Men's Bible Study will meet on November 18 at 10:30 a.m. We are continuing with our study from the Book of Philippians. The presenter will be **Bob Metzer**. He will cover the topic "***The Joy of Being Like Jesus.***"

maryville CHURCH OF CHRIST Food Pantry
Serving families in need in Blount Co.

Ramen Noodles
Snack Foods
Macaroni & Cheese

Calendar

November 17
***Tuesday Morning Breakfast Club**
9:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall
November 18
***Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class**
10:30-11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall
***Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study**
10:30 a.m. Room 204
****November 22***
***Sack the Pulpit**
November 24
***Special Thanksgiving Service at 7:00p.m.**
December 13
***Soul Train Caroling at Fairpark**
2:00 p.m.

Please Pray For:

Cathy Metzer will have hip replacement on Friday, November 13.
Mike Head will have knee surgery on Tuesday, November 17.
Aidan Tipton, **Landon Dockery's** college roommate, remains in the ICU with pneumonia and breathing difficulties.
Tammie Lewis will have knee replacement surgery on November 30.
Melinda Davis had her second knee replacement surgery on November 11, and everything went well.

Verse of the Week: Proverbs 13:4 ESV

"The soul of the sluggard craves and gets nothing, while the soul of the diligent is richly supplied."



One of the main characters in the book of Proverbs is the sluggard. He is the man who cannot get out of bed. He desires and craves good things but does nothing to achieve them. He is full of wants but no action. His laziness leads to his own demise. He wants to reap but he did not sow. He is afraid of what might be outside, so he stays inside. He thinks he is wise, but the evidence is lacking. Who is this poor soul? If we are not careful, it can be any one of us. And it can happen in any number of ways. Certainly, sluggardly tendencies can impact our health, relationships, and bank accounts. They can also harm our souls. We can starve ourselves to death spiritually, desiring and craving spiritual growth, while doing nothing to attain it. In this lesson, we will try to wake up. Get out of bed. And get busy. Let's get to work for the kingdom and see what can be achieved.