

# Maryville Church of Christ

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This Sunday, April 26, is the last day to bring items for the Tennessee Children's Home at Karnes in Knoxville. All donations will be used directly to care for the children and teens they serve. This vital, Christ-centered organization depends on congregations like ours to help meet both the physical and spiritual needs of their students.

A list of needed food items and supplies may be found in the foyers. If you are able to contribute, collection boxes will be available in the foyer. Monetary donations are also welcome and will be used to purchase perishable items. Thank you for your generous support of this important work.



## It's Twin Girls!!

With joyful hearts, we invite you to celebrate **Kasey and Ethan Dudley** as they prepare to welcome their precious twin girls in July. A baby shower will be held in their honor on May 3 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. They are registered at [Babylist.com](http://Babylist.com). As they prepare for twins and navigate some health limitations, they kindly ask that gifts stay close to their registry. They would also love books in place of cards, helping create a meaningful little library for their girls to enjoy for years to come. If you have any questions or would like to help with the shower, please contact Emily Parker or Sarah-Beth Pope.

## Note from our Elders

The elders want to make you aware of a planned hotel to be built next to our property. The hotel will be built on the corner of Hwy 129 and Hwy 321 and will be contiguous to our property.

The developer does not need our "approval" but was kind enough to make the initial contact and share their plans with us. After the initial contact was made the developer contacted us again inquiring about purchasing a small portion of land that we own. The additional land being purchased from us is not a requirement for the hotel to be built; rather, it is their desire to make the best use of the hotel by having an additional few feet of land.

The land being purchased from the church is approximately 0.35 acre and is located next to the property which formerly housed an insurance company. Our land borders the planned hotel development.

We still own a lot of property at our location and selling this small portion should not adversely impact any of our possible future plans or uses.

## Prayers for Maryville Members

**Teresa Fowler** remains at Parkwest Hospital but was moved to a regular room on Wednesday. She continues to slowly improve. The Fowler family deeply appreciates your continued prayers during this time.

**Tammie Lewis** had a back procedure Monday morning to help address ongoing back and leg problems.

**Bob Eckelberry** has been in the hospital with kidney issues but is home now and improving.

**Christine Patty** had surgery on her wrist this week.

**Craig Lanham** is recuperating at home after being treated for a lingering virus he has endured for several weeks.

## Prayers for Maryville Friends and Family

**Jennifer Davenport Kachelman**, sister of Joel Davenport, was hospitalized several weeks ago with a major stroke and brain bleed. She has been returned to ICU due to some complications. Jennifer needs our prayers.

**Natha Black**, a friend of Diane White, has been diagnosed with congestive heart failure.

## Please Continue to Pray for:

Levi Abbott, Gwen Ackerman, Carla Adams, Eugenia Art, Jody Bails, Rob Barron, Bonnie Batey, Laura Beddingfield, Theressa Bounds, Libby Bowling, Susan Boyd, Ann Brannon, Dorothy Cavender, Jona Çepi, Susan Clifton, Janet Comer, Tom Curtman, Delois Cutshaw, Mary Lou Daines, Vilma Dallas, Joel Davenport, Melinda Davis, Brenda Dean, An Dube, Mary Ann Edmonds, Becky Elliott, Leah Elliott, Mike & Pat Farmer, Rachel Farmer, Tom Fesmire, Kenny Fisher, Gabriel Ford, Ken and Kathie Ford, Jan Gardner, Shannon Garner, Betty and Chet Gilbert, Jo Ann Gosson, Amelia Hackler, Terry Hadden, Lisa Hall, Cody Haynes, Mike Head, Shirley Hedges, Laurie Holmes, Forrest Hudson, Joyce Humphries, Pam & Rodney Humphries, Kaiden Kaman, Joe Koehn, Chuck Mantione, Joe Mantione, Reneé Matthews, Mike Moore, Linda Ohgren, Fred & Monica Orr, Jeff Overholt, Jeff Painter, Vickie Painter, Mike Parker, Jerry & Dorothy Phillips, Debbie Rasbury, Larry Raulston, Sigilinde Reeves, Zac Reeves, Larry Samuels, C.J. Sanchez, Dolly Sanders, Patty Sbarbaro, Nancy Stevenson, LuAnn Stewart, Randy Suisse, Max Thomas, James Thompson, Michael Towe, Zora Tyler, Tony Wallace, Ellen Walker, Juanita Walt, Teresa Walt, Bill Weime, Eva Williams.

♥**Those being treated for or recovering from cancer:** Ernestine Badman, Abby Boruff, Steve Boyd, Kim Brown, Jenny Buckner, Janet Chadwick, Shawn Clevenger, Kasey Dudley, Pat Farmer, Susan Farmer, Mike Healy, Madison Heatherly, Joyce Huff, Denise Jackson, Benjamin Kirven, Kelly Pearmain, Phil Reynolds, Gay Lynne Schob, Cogi Sparkman, Dale Terry, Sr., Alyssa Tosado, Jean Towry, Paul Williams, Dale Willis, Angelia Wright, Tom Yates, David Young.

**April 26, 2026**

**Call to Worship** Tom Langley  
**Opening Prayer** Alex Johnson  
**Scripture Reading** Levi Bookout  
**Sermon** Andrew Warnes  
**Sermon Title:** *Erasure*  
**Sermon Basis:** Psalm 31:5  
**Communion** **Presiding:** Ben Bohannon  
 Barry Adkins, Randy Asbill, Mark Allen, Joel Davenport,  
 Cleo Dockery, Ethan Dudley, Doug Edwards, Mark Everett,  
 Jimmy Jones, Bill Walt  
**Nursery** Amy Johnson & McKenna & Trinity Terry  
**Children's Worship** Rachel Farmer & Lisa Simpson  
**TNT** Cassie & Paul Hodge  
**Sunday Evening** Andrew Warnes

**Our Record, April 19, 2026**

Bible Class	128
Worship	296
Worship PM	96
Mid-Week	139
Contribution	\$15,592.90
Budgeted Weekly Need	\$20,523.00
Contribution through 4/19	\$308,296.90
Budgeted Yearly Need through 4/19	\$328,368.00

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.

**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.

**Outreach Center News**

The gym floor of the Outreach Center will be closed in the morning on Fridays for the month of May. It will be closed from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. to allow for the floors to be cleaned.

**Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class**

Join us on April 29, as **Bernice Kieffer** kicks off our mini lessons on Peace. She will be sharing with us the first two lessons. We will meet from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Grief Share**

Grief Share will meet on Thursday, April 30, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 205. Grief Share is a grief recovery support group to help and encourage anyone who has lost a family member or friend. If you have questions, please contact Herb Byrd, Carl or Carol Holmes, Joanie Moore or Bev Hines.



- \*Ramen Noodles
- \*Rice
- \*Vegetable Soup

**Calendar**

*April 26*  
**\*Last day to bring in donations for TN Children's Home**  
*April 28*  
**\*Tuesday Morning Breakfast Club**  
 9:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall  
*April 29*  
**\*Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class**  
 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Room 204  
**\*Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study**  
 10:30 a.m. Room 202  
*April 30*  
**\*Grief Share**  
 Room 205 at 10:00 a.m.  
*May 3*  
**\*Baby Shower for Kasey and Ethan Dudley**  
 3:00-5:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

**Claude Gardner Arrangements**

Funeral arrangements have been finalized for **Claude Gardner**, who passed away on April 16. The family will receive friends Saturday, May 9, from 1:30-3:00 p.m. at the church building. A Celebration of Life will follow at 3:00 p.m. with Herb Byrd officiating.

**Verse of the Week: Psalm 31:5**

*"He must increase, but I must decrease."*

The process of erasure is often a prolonged, indelicate, and painful process. One that is often associated with defeat. To become nothing and to lose yourself to something else is often considered a loss. John the Baptist stands as a magnificent example of both the beauty of it, as well as the ungraceful nature being erased for something worth losing yourself to. ~ *Andrew*



**WOMEN'S SOCIAL!**

**Cinco de Mayo**  
**Tuesday, May 5**  
**Fiesta and Games**  
**6:30 pm-8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall**  
**Dinner will be provided**

An email will be sent out for an RSVP for dinner numbers. Dress in **bright colors** and join in the laughter and fun! If you have any questions, please contact Susan Gallaher.

**Communion Servers for May**

**Ben Bohannon, Greg Cable, Carl Holmes, David Huff, Roger Jennings, Mike Kervin, Tom Maxwell, Monty Newman, Danny Spencer, Artan Xhaferaj**

You will receive a text with more information and a serving diagram by the end of the week. If you are unable to serve on any given Sunday for any reason, please let us know with a text (**Rick Fowler** 865-705-1875 or **Ryan Campbell** 319-830-2147). If you are interested in serving communion but have not been contacted yet, please see Rick or Ryan to be added to the list.