

# CHURCH OF CHRIST Tusculum

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*Welcome home...*

## To our guests...

*We were all visitors once, too and we really are glad you're here! We know you may have some questions. We did. All we ask is that you give us a chance to answer them and help you in any way we can - no strings attached.*

### Not sure where to go? Need Something?

Ushers are waiting to help you with anything you may need as well as direct you to restrooms, the nursery, etc. All you have to do is ask and we'll do everything we can to help.

### About our worship

First of all, we will never intentionally do anything to embarrass you - such as ask you to stand so we can identify you. All of our acts of worship are strictly voluntary and you may participate according to your comfort level. (One note about communion: please place communion cups in the footrest of the chair in front of you.)

### Nursery

There is an attended Nursery available for children Birth through 36 months. An usher will be happy to show you the way.


### Children's Worship

We offer a time of worship and learning for children ages 3 - Kindergarten. Since we feel that it is important for these children to get some exposure to our larger gathering as well, the dismissal time is usually 15-20 minutes into the worship service. The "Wee Worship" logo will appear on the screen when it's time to dismiss. An usher will be happy to show you the way.

### Bible Study

Following our worship service, we invite you to stay for a time of Bible Study. We know this can be intimidating but we promise you that, just like in our worship service, we will do our best to make you comfortable. And we believe you'll be glad you stayed. A list of classes is available in the foyer.

*you belong.*



**Today's Theme:**

What does it *really* mean to follow Jesus? Today we will seek to discover the original model for discipleship as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus.

**Covered in His Dust**

**worship**

### ORDER of WORSHIP

**Worship Leader** ..... Jeff Fox

*Have You Been to Jesus?  
Come We that Love the Lord*

**Welcome & Call to Worship** ..... Aaron Sain

*I Am Resolved  
We Will Glorify the King of Kings  
A Beautiful Life  
Mansion Over the Hilltop*

### Wee Worship Dismissal

*Praise the Lord  
Jesus, Hold My Hand  
Teach Me Lord to Wait  
Have a Little Talk With Jesus*

**Shepherd's Prayer** ..... Jeff Fox

### Galatians 2:20

*Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?*

**Lord's Supper Observance** ..... John Pettit

*Where He Leads, I'll Follow*

**Sermon** ..... Rob Touchstone

**Song of Encouragement**  
*Where He Leads Me, I Will Follow*

**Announcements** ..... Aaron Sain

# connect

## family fall festival



Our annual Family Fall Festival will be this **Saturday, October 24**. Please bring friends, family and your favorite pot of chili for our chili contest. Prizes will be awarded to the “best tasting” and the “spiciest”.

We also need plenty of finger foods, fixins, desserts and drinks. Trunk-or-Treat will begin at **5 p.m.** followed by the chili supper at **6**.

## singles & friends game night

Our Singles & Friends Game Night will be this Friday, October 23. Bring snacks, drinks, board games and friends. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Children’s Wing

## sponsors needed for Jamaica teens

There are 13 teens in Morant Bay, Jamaica who need assistance completing their last two years of High School. For \$30 per month, these children will be provided lunches, transportation and school supplies. If you sponsored a teen last year and would like to continue, or if you, your life group or trek group would like to sponsor a teen, please contact **Melinda Butner at 331-9648**.

## new faces needed!

Help is needed in the TYM Café on Sunday morning and Wednesday night. See **Beth Santymire** if you can help either of these times.

## Volleyball Anyone?

If you are interested in playing volleyball in a league or in open gym this fall/winter, please email **McKensey Kemmerer** at [mckenseykemmerer@gmail.com](mailto:mckenseykemmerer@gmail.com) or **David Gee** at [dgeeman@juno.com](mailto:dgeeman@juno.com)

## lost and found - last call

There are several Bibles with and without names on the office counter. There are also sunglasses, jewelry, dishes and other miscellaneous items. Please check to see if any of these items belong to you. We will dispose of any items not picked up this week.

## Tusculum t-shirts

We still have a few size extra-large Tusculum t-shirts available. See **Mary Gill, Joy Hooper, or Regina Jenkins** if you would like to purchase one. They are \$5 each.

## “And Then There Were None”

The Teen Learning Center’s Production of “And Then There Were None”, a mystery play in three acts by Agatha Christie will be showing Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 5, 6 & 7 at 7 p.m. here at the building. Doors open at 6:30. Admission is \$5. Children 3 and under free.

## HEARTS

The names and addresses of our “away” college students have been gathered and now it’s time to show them they’re missed! It’s not to late to take a name (or two or three) of a student and begin sending them cards and letters or even care packages. See **Janet York** to get a name or names. She also has a suggestion list of how to make our students know we miss them.

## ladies’ retreat

Our annual Ladies’ Retreat is November 13-15 at Pigeon Forge. The theme is “Colors of Fall”. The cost is \$50 per person payable by Sunday, November 1. Please sign the list at Sign-up Central if you plan to attend. Also, please check the sign-up list for carpool opportunities.

## inner city ministry class

**We will not have class Monday night, October 19.** We are still in need of people to prepare food for the children. **Kim Cromer** lines up individuals or groups that will help with meals for the children on Monday nights. If you would be able to help us, Kim has suggestions of what to bring and a calendar of what nights are available. Please see her or give her a call at 429-8211 or send her an email at [kimcee212@comcast.net](mailto:kimcee212@comcast.net). Thanks to those of you who have already volunteered and brought food this year. The kids have enjoyed their dinners thoroughly!!!

## Ezell-Harding open house

Ezell-Harding Christian School invites prospective families to Open House on Sunday, October 25 from 2 to 4 pm, 574 Bell Rd. Call 367-0532 for information.

## nursery workers

Michell Burleson, Melanie Moon, Jolee Brantley, Deidre Stewart

## prepare communion

Lurene Bates, Minta Everson, Ruth Fox, Debbie Neely

## pick up communion

Ruby Darks, Sheridan Kaatz Family, Jeff McPherson Family, Matthew & Heather Mehaffe

## chair duty

Gary Bobo, Frank Highland, Kirby, Rick Lyle, Rodney Richardson, Gary Shaffer, Jan Wheeler

## Care for baptismal clothing

Diane Hite

## Pick up ladies at Dandridge

Jerry & Margie Shouse

## Clean building today

Singles & Friends

a little housekeeping...

# remember our sick...

(The following is a recent update - a full list of those to remember in prayer is available in the literature racks in the foyer.)

**Esther Ragsdale**, Room CCU-4 Southern Hills (surgery went well).

**Katie Beverly** is scheduled for her second cataract surgery on October 20.

**Zelma Moran**, Heritage at Brentwood-Somerfield, 900 Heritage Way, Brentwood, TN 37027 (for rehab).

**Madge Hatter**, sister of Ray Falconberry. Her home address is 275 Whipp Ave. Liberty, KY 42539. Prayers and cards will be appreciated.

**Andy Dunn**, 865 Mt. Zion Rd., McMinnville, TN 37110.

**Mary Millrany**, sister-in-law of Billy Burke, has inoperable cancer and cannot take chemo treatments. Our prayers are requested.

**RETURNED HOME: Paul King**

## thank you

Thank you notes have been received from **Martha Pulley, Billy & Bonnie Overstreet** and **Alicha & Brad Scott**. They are posted on the bulletin board.

## our sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Glenn Petty** and his family on the death of his wife and our sister, Joyce. Funeral services were held in Columbia last Thursday.

Our sympathy is extended to **George Martin** and his family on the death of his mother, Brownie Martin. Visitation with the family is today from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Harpeth Hills Funeral Home, 9090 Highway 100. Funeral services will be Monday at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home. George is a former Tusculum member.

## from the benevolent committee

The Benevolent Committee is asking us to bring beef stew and canned chicken during the month of October to help replenish the pantry.

## please pray

**Chris Lewis** is scheduled to leave Iraq, ending his tour of duty, on Saturday, October 24. Please pray for his safe return.

[www.prayeristheweapon.com](http://www.prayeristheweapon.com)

## serve

### privileged to serve

#### North Servers

- 1 George Hunt
- 2 Joshua Jenkins
- 3 Kenny Burlason
- 4 Terry Anderson
- 5 Jonathan Folger
- 6 Trent Harvill
- 7 Jake Cummings

#### South Servers

- 1 Bobby Queen
- 2 Mark Keene
- 3 David Moon
- 4 Gary Shaffer
- 5 Cameron Stewart
- 6 Evan Richardson
- 7 Kaleb Keene

If you cannot serve, please call Charles Watson (832-2986), Jack Cromer (429-5989), or Jim Pomeroy (338-4811).

#### 5:00 Worship

- Opening Prayer - Ed Lankford
- Preside - Ray Falconberry
- Closing Prayer - Frank Copeland

If you cannot serve, please call Charles Watson (832-2986).

Sunday AM .....	633
Bible Study .....	424
Wednesday PM .....	277
Contribution .....	15,209
Budget .....	17,000
YTD Total .....	672,447
Journey of Faith Goal .....	1,247,103
Journey of Faith to date .....	734,114

## connect

<b>MAIN LINE</b> .....	<b>833-1660</b>
Benevolence .....	833-1869
Counseling (AGAPE) .....	781-3000
Hope & Inspiration Line .....	833-9259
Tusculum Information Line .....	833-0993
Youth Group .....	<a href="http://www.youth-ministry.org">www.youth-ministry.org</a>
Men .....	<a href="http://www.tusculummen.org">www.tusculummen.org</a>
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### flag football tournament tonight

Our annual TYM Flag Football Tournament will be tonight from 5:30-8:30 PM at Nolensville Park. Teams can still be added today and should consist of 6 students and one Sherpa (or parent). Each team must also have at least two girls. Bring your own dinner and get ready for a great night of flag football! If you don't plan on playing we hope you'll still come out and cheer!

### tym fall retreat

Be sure to mark your calendar for our 6th-12th grade Fall Retreat coming November 6-8 at Barefoot Republic in Scottsville, KY! Our theme for the weekend will be "Seasons." Details and registration will be sent in the mail this week.

### echo

Join us each Wednesday night at 7:00 PM for a new series that will also serve as our theme for the 2009-2010 school year called ECHO! We'll be diving into the Story of God from the beginning and learning to find our place as we "echo" the Story. We hope to see you each week as Rob Touchstone and Robert Lindsay take us from the tree of life in Genesis to the tree of life in Revelation!

### earn money for next year's mission trips

A great opportunity has come available for those who plan on going to Jamaica next year. You can earn \$10/week by coming to the Tusculum auditorium on Saturdays to help setup chairs for worship. The number of people will be limited each week so priority will be given to those who sign up first. To take advantage of this opportunity, see David Butner or Roger Shacklett and let them know you are interested.

## From Steve...

### IMITATE WHO?

I Corinthians 11:1 – "Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ."

"Imitation" usually means one of two things for us today: either it is something fake in the place of the real thing or it is someone doing an impersonation of someone else. Imitation may mean "lower in fat" or "cheaper in cost," but it's still not a term that we generally think of in a positive manner. And while a good impersonation of Elvis or the President may be good for a laugh, an "imitator" still speaks of something that is fake.

However, in the Bible we find that "imitating" has a very positive meaning and is something that we should all strive for. First let's look at the actual meaning of "imitate": *to use or follow as a model; to copy the actions, appearance, mannerisms, or speech of; to copy or use the style of; to appear like or resemble; reproduce someone's behavior or looks.*

Those are some of the English dictionary definitions. Let's take a look at the Greek word: *mimetes* taken from the root word: *mimeomai*, which means to follow or mimic. Followers of what? Mimics of who? Imitators how? Let's take a look...

I Corinthians 4:16 – "Therefore I urge you, imitate me." Who is "me" in this verse? It is the apostle Paul. On the surface this would seem to be a rather boastful statement, encouraging us to imitate him. Who does he think he is?

I Corinthians 11:1 – "Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ." So that's the catch...we should imitate Paul as he imitates Christ. For the Christian it always leads back to Christ. We are to imitate others "AS" they imitate Christ.

We are to imitate those who have successfully gone before us in the Christian walk. Hebrews 6:12 – "...imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises." This includes the great people of faith mentioned in Hebrews 11 and throughout the Scriptures, as well as any of God's faithful people that we've known about in our lifetime. It might even be someone in your own family, or a close friend who has demonstrated the heart of Christ.

As Christians, we have many real heroes to imitate, and contrary to the world's definition, they aren't movie, sports or music celebrities. That's certainly not to say there are no genuine faithful Christians in the entertainment or sports world (there most certainly are), but you get my point. The world's ideas of heroes is directly opposite of God's ideas.

Who are you imitating today? Are you imitating a sports figure, someone in the latest clothing ads or some "successful" businessperson? Are you imitating the "live for the weekend" world? Are you imitating a religious personality? Or, are you imitating Christ?

Lord, help us to be imitators of Your Dear Son; help us to imitate the heroes of our faith who have gone before us, as well as those still with us, as they have imitated Christ. —Steve