



# The eNewsletter

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## Looking Ahead...

### October 28

Girls Night Out - Movie Night  
Youth Fall Retreat at CPC

### October 29

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### October 30

Morning Worship  
Sunday School  
TVP Reformation Service

### November 1

Mothers' Encouragement  
Group  
Women's Council Meeting

### November 2

Wednesday Night Supper  
Wednesday Night Activities  
Session Meeting

### November 3

Ladies' Thursday Bible Study

### November 4

Marriage Seminar

### November 5

Marriage Seminar  
Daylight Savings Time Ends

### November 6

Lord's Supper Celebrated  
Sunday School  
Youth Leadership Team

### November 7

Ladies Monday Night Job  
Bible Study

### November 9

Wednesday Night Supper  
Wednesday Night Activities

### November 10

Ladies' Thursday Bible Study

### November 11

Talent/No Talent Show

### November 12

Ladies' Shopping Adventure

### November 13

Morning Worship  
Sunday School  
Mission Committee Meeting  
MS/HS GUBA Night

### November 14

Ladies' Monday Night Titus  
Bible Study

## From the Pen of the Pastor Emeritus...

My Dad didn't have a lot of good things to say about the protestors in the 60s and 70s. He thought them less than patriotic. They made his blood boil.

But my Dad was a protestor. He was a Protestant. He stood with those who protested against the established church of the 16<sup>th</sup> century – individuals such as Martin Luther and John Calvin.

They protested against the church's corrupt practices and teachings. Their followers called upon the church to embrace the five *solas*. (*Sola* is the Latin word of "alone.") They insisted that Scripture – which *alone* is our only rule of faith and life – teaches that deliverance from sin's curse and power is by God's grace *alone* through faith *alone* in Christ *alone*. And therefore, our salvation is to the glory of God *alone*, who freely chose to humble Himself, become a man, take upon Himself the guilt of the sins of His people, suffer the death worthy of traitors, and then rise physically from the dead, victorious over sin, death, and the grave.

The traitors for whom Jesus died are people like you and me, who having been made by Him and for Him, freely chose, like our first parents, to rebel against Him, to go our own way and do our own thing, without any thought or concern for Who God is, or for how He would have us to live in service to Him.

Sunday evening we will gather at CPC at 6:00 p.m. with people from

other PCA churches of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery to remember the initial steps taken in the 16<sup>th</sup> century to reform the church. The Reformation is traditionally dated as having begun on October 31, 1517, 499 years ago. On that day, Luther nailed his 95 thesis to the door of his church in Wittenberg, Germany, challenging the practices and teachings of the church.

Luther was not the first to protest. For centuries others had protested similar issues of life and doctrine. But Luther's 95 theses were copied, printed, and distributed throughout Europe – and thus began the Protestant (protesting) Reformation.

I would appreciate your prayers for this coming Sunday evening's service. Please, pray that our worship would be found pleasing to our Lord, and therefore would prove a blessing to us. Also, please, pray for me since I will be preaching. My sermon will be taken from James and is entitled "Faith (is Never) Alone." Please, pray for Pastor Pirschel as well, as he leads us in the celebration of our Lord's Supper.

My Dad didn't care for the protestors of the 60s and 70s, but he eagerly identified with the protestors of the 16th century. I wish he could be with us Sunday evening. He may (Hebrews 12.22-24). I hope you will be.

~Pastor Caines



## What's Happening?

### Nursery Schedule October 30

#### Worship

##### Infants

Joyce Trask  
& Kansas Bradley

##### Creepers

Heidie, Jenny,  
& Charity Armao

##### Toddlers

Lenny & Silas Pirschel

##### Floater

Israel Pirschel

#### Sunday School

##### Infants

Russ & Bev Roop

##### Creepers

Lucy Cleveland

##### Toddlers

Luther & Shirley Allin

#### October Coordinator:

Heather Harris

### 30 DAYS OF PRAYER

Mission to the World (MTW), the PCA's foreign mission arm, has produced a *30 Days of Prayer for World Missions* calendar. This helpful prayer tool is available at the church's Welcome Center. Please commit to pray for our missionaries and ministries throughout the month of November. Particularly, pray for those in restricted-access countries where believers are often persecuted for their faith. The calendar also highlights the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church on November 1, giving you the opportunity to join the worldwide body of Christ in prayer.

### YOUTH RETREAT

The High School and Middle School Youth Retreat is this weekend in Schum Fellowship Hall. Please contact Tracy Brown or Gretchen Brown with questions.

### LADIES MOVIE NIGHT

Ladies, come enjoy an outdoor movie at the home of Diana Perrel this Friday, at 7:00 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair, snacks, and drinks. Popcorn will be provided. *While You Were Sleeping* will be playing. This is a rain or shine event! For more information, please contact Diana Perrel at 423.580.2421.

### TVP REFORMATION SERVICE

Sunday evening, October 30, at 6:00 p.m. the churches of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery are meeting together at Covenant Presbyterian Church for a Reformation Celebration. Combined Choir Rehearsal starts at 4:15 p.m. Please plan to join us for this wonderful evening of worship.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

Wednesday Night Suppers are served from 5:30 p.m. until 6:40 p.m. The suggested donation for adults is \$4 and \$2.50 for children ages 5 to 11. Children 4 and under eat for free, and the maximum family donation is \$15.

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

Nov 2	Beef Enchiladas
Nov 9	Chili Pie
Nov 16	Coq Au Vin (Mac n Cheese for kids)

### MARRIAGE SEMINAR

**DON'T MISS OUT, SIGN UP SUNDAY!** The Marriage Committee invites you to their Fall Seminar on November 4, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and November 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., in Schum Fellowship Hall. Pastor Pirschel is the speaker. Registration is required. Childcare provided for children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under by registration only. Contact Jon or Heather Harris for registration details at [jeh1224@aol.com](mailto:jeh1224@aol.com). Cost is donations only.

### TALENT/NO TALENT SHOW

Prepare to be dazzled by CPC talent on Friday, November 11, at 7:00 p.m. Desserts will be served and donations taken to assist choir members who are going on a mission trip to Belarus in June 2017. Make plans now not to miss this!

### 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY

Join us to celebrate Don Sullins on November 12, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Schum Fellowship Hall. No gifts, your presence is the present. RSVP by November 5 to Laura Fosgate at [lfosgate@gmail.com](mailto:lfosgate@gmail.com).

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) collects shoe boxes filled with small gifts to deliver to needy children around the world at Christmas time. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to share the love of Jesus. Labels are available at the Welcome Center to place on the boxes. Boxes will be packed on Saturday, November 19, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Perseverers Sunday School classroom.

### THANKSGIVING POUNDING

It is time again to begin preparing for our annual Thanksgiving Pounding. We are collecting staples and canned goods to help those in need. Please place items in the box outside of Pastor Mullinax's office. If you are going through a hard time this year, or if you know someone who is, please let an Elder or the Church Office know. The Pounding can be a tangible expression of God's love to someone who is struggling. Please contact with Joyce Trask at [futurejoyce@gmail.com](mailto:futurejoyce@gmail.com) for details.