



3-3	Area Wide Devo at the Park
3-5	Ladies Prayer & Share
3-10	Megan Summerford's Bridal Shower
3-16	Work Day Outside
3-17	Super Sunday
3-17	Lads Conducting Evening Service
3-19	Ladies Prayer & Share
3-27	Girls speak to ladies



Services & Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Worship @ 10am

Livestreaming for those unable to attend.



Common Grounds Open 9:30-10:00am
(Enjoy Coffee, Pastries, and Conversation)

Attended Nursery

Nursery (ages 6 months—2 years)

Children's Bible Hour

(ages 2-5) 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays



Classes for All Ages Sunday @ 5pm
Assembly in Old Auditorium 5:45pm

WEDNESDAY NIGHT Bible Classes @ 6:30!

ADULT CLASS LIVESTREAMING SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY



Livestreaming Options: Facebook, our website:
www.hartsellecoc.org; YouTube or Roku/Apple TV

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU FOR WORSHIP & BIBLE CLASSES

Contribution: \$10,680.00+ Kids Give: \$65.08



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DEACONS
Following to Lead | Leading to Serve

Tim Brown	Charles Crawford	Tony Ford
Bobby Fox	Harry Fuller	Kerry Hamlett
Jeff Harris	Chris Hines	Scotty Lee
Tony Parker	Bradley Phillips	Jim Reeder
Matt Reynolds	Mark Reynolds	Mike Runager
Brad Shaneyfelt	B. C. Smith	Matt Steele
Tim Tanksley	Terry Thompson	

Office: Jan Harris

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Mar. 2-9



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

3-2 Willy Chappell
3-3 Chris LeMay
3-6 Aubrey Magee
3-8 Abner Sims
Ranger Lee

Happy Anniversary!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

3-4 J&J Harris
3-5 D&J Hobbs
3-9 D&A Downey
3-9 L&N Thomas

Daily Bible Reading

Day 63 – Deuteronomy 10-11,
1 Corinthians 15-16
Day 64 – Deuteronomy 12-13,
2 Corinthians 1-5
Day 65 – Deuteronomy 14-15,
2 Corinthians 6-10
Day 66 – Deuteronomy 16-18,
2 Corinthians 11-13
Day 67 – Deuteronomy 19-21,
Galatians 1-3
Day 68 – Deuteronomy 22-23,
Galatians 4-6
Day 69 – Deuteronomy 24-25,
Ephesians 1-3



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When Hearts Are Breaking

This city's hearts collectively break with the news of 4-year-old Beau Clark's passing in a tragic accident. In these times of grief, heartbreak, tough questions, and tearful conversations, let me offer you some peace that the "God of all comfort" offers us when our hearts are breaking.

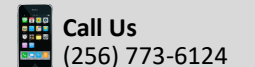
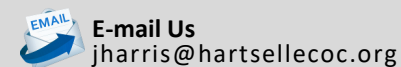
God is big enough to handle all your feelings.

At one point this week I sought advice from a dear friend who happens to be a professional counselor specializing in children. When offering advice on how to speak to children about this, he said adults need to be the "big container" to hold the kid's emotions and behaviors. Adults can show sadness and grieve with the child, but we should strive to have our emotions in check, so we have room to hold and navigate the child's as well. This is of course great advice.

When tragedy strikes, we adults experience a lot of feelings too. Many times, these feelings are directed at God. Anger, doubt, and inconsolability can have us questioning our relationship with God. These feelings, while hopefully not long lasting, are natural. The peace we can take though, is that **God is our big container**. He can handle all the feelings you can muster. His eternal source of love and mercy are just what you need to navigate the difficult road of heartbreak.

I read this week that "while other books of the Bible speak to us, Psalms speaks for us." Psalm 139 is a powerful passage that speaks to God's intimate knowledge and presence in our lives. Wherever we go in this life, physically or emotionally, God is there. Ready to be God.

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Terry Easterly had a PET scan this morning. Please pray for good results.

Terry Thompson is in Decatur Morgan Hospital Rm. 330 with pneumonia.

Leah Steele will undergo a double mastectomy, Tuesday, March 19

Robert Allen remains in Decatur Morgan Hospital Rm. 420 and showing improvement. He hopes to have enough strength for rehab.

Please remember these in prayer:

Nancy Fox

Donna Binkley

Long-term Illness List



LONG TERM ILLNESSES

Robert & Debra Allen
1914 Manchester Ave SW, Decatur, 35603

Jonna Barrier 311 Woodfield St SW

Janet Brown 1018 Nance Ford Rd SW

Billie Clemons 505 Nelson St SW

Teen Dobbins 1514 Nance Ford Rd SW

Terry Easterly 162 Gum Springs Cut-Off

Mary Nell Evans
133 Pleasant Country Rd, Falkville, 35622

Betty Graham 303 Bethel St. NE

Pete Holley 551 Fontana Pl. SW

Reynolds & Katie Howard 221 Oak Trail

Carolyn Jacobs 710 Azalea St NW

Tim Milon 21102 Huber Rd. Athens, 35614

Shirley Powell
3159 Huckaby Bridge Rd SW

Talmage Reynolds 909 Bellmeade St SW

Peggy Russell 604 Barkley St SW

Tim Tanksley 455 E Parker Rd

Telula Thornton 743 Martin St. SW

Family members & friends:

Leroy Baugus, Sophie Walker, Marcy

Johnson, Joseph Jacobs, Jerald Adams,

Edith & Milo Shermer, Adam Holifield,

James Payton & Felicia Vest

♥ **Summerford Nursing Home** (4087 Hwy 31SW, Falkville, 35622) **UniKing Currier #206**

Jobie Burgess #141

♥ **Columbia Cottage** (1109 Sparkman St. NW) **Faye Greenhill #21**

♥ **Riverside Senior Living** (1009 Line St., NE, Decatur, 35601) **Guy Brown #109**

♥ **Westminster of Decatur** (2106 Modaus Rd. SW, Decatur, 35603) **Jnell Pleasant #220**

♥ **Brookdale Cedar Springs** (2505 Spring Ave. SW, Decatur, 35601) **Marie Harwell J-13**

FOSTER PARENT



FOSTER PARENTING

Childhaven is hosting a panel night **March 4 at 6 pm** at Hartselle Church of Christ. It will consist of a DHR worker, former foster parent, former foster child and a current houseparent. We would love for you to join us to learn more about how we can serve children in need. Supper will be provided so please contact Madison Hayes (205) 915-0951 with any questions and to help us prepare.



SOFTBALL SIGN-UPS

Men, if you would like to play in the Spring Softball League, please sign the list in the Commons Area. Please see Alan Walker with questions.



WORKDAY

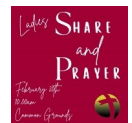
Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 16** for an outside workday. Bring any lawn tools you may have and help spruce up around the church building.



THANK YOU

Thanks to you all for your calls, visits, food and especially your prayers during my illness. Your thoughtfulness and concern is greatly appreciated.

Yours in Christ,
Merle Sims



PRAYER & SHARE

Ladies, mark your calendars for the upcoming **Prayer & Share** dates: **March 5 & 19, April 2, 16, & 30**. Each one beginning at **10:00am**. All ladies are welcome. Guest are always welcome.



ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

This year's Easter Egg Hunt is **Saturday, March 23 at 11:00am** at Sparkman Park Pavilions. Bring a dish, dessert and drink to share. We are accepting candy or prize filled egg donations. Please place in the marked bin in the Common's Area.

NEW BABY

Congratulations to Terry and Dianne Thompson on a new great-granddaughter, **Tanner Kate Thompson**, born February 23 in Tuscaloosa. Proud parents are Colsten and Mackenzie Thompson and grandparents, Colter and Angie Thompson.



Grieve, but with hope, and even joy.

Sadness accompanies death. Praise be to God though that our grief is different from the world's. Paul says in 1 Thess. 4:13, "And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope." Christians grieve, but we do so with a **hope**. Hope is not a wish, but an expectation.

In the context of loss, our hope is the expectation that the ones who have died are now more alive than ever. That the ones who have lost have actually gained. That though I am sad and heart-broken over the experience here on earth, I have the expectation that their experience in heaven is beyond compare. I have the expectation that our separation now is leading to a wonderful reunion in the future. I am not discrediting heart break for the Christian. The sadness and grief we experience is not small and does carry great hurt; just not finality – praise God!

If I were offering advice to those in Beau's life right now, I would say: grieve. Walk through and with the sadness and the heart break of what it means to not have Beau in your life on this earth. At the same time, live with the hope of knowing that Beau is at a peace we cannot imagine, enjoying a life we cannot fathom, being carried in the arms of a Father whose love we have nothing to compare to. Take joy in knowing that your reunion is sealed in your commitment to Christ.

Go and comfort, as you have been comforted.

For those who are in Christ, we have the blessing of comfort from God (Psalm 34:18, Psalm 23:4, 2 Thess. 4:16-17, Matt. 5:4). We also are encouraged to take that specific divine comfort and use it to comfort others (2 Corinthians 1:3-5). The Bible also tells us to "weep with those who weep" (Rom. 12:15) and that "it's better to go to the house of mourning than the house of feasting" (Eccl. 7:2). These verses, taken collectively, point to the truth that God wants us to be people who do not shy away from death or those who are grieving. Instead, he wants us to be people who also grieve, but who like him, offer comfort by spreading His message of joy and hope. Even in the darkest of times.

Justin