

## Be Married to Christ and Bear Fruit

By Kevin Cauley

The Bible uses many symbols to describe our relationship with God and Christ. The church is described as a body and Christ is the head (Ephesians 1:22, Colossians 1:18). Christ is King and his people are his kingdom (Revelation 1:5,9). Christ is the cornerstone and the church is the building (1 Peter 2:4-8). Christians are adopted into God’s family and are his sons and daughters (Galatians 4:5-6). The most “mysterious” symbol, however, is that of husband and wife. The apostle Paul wrote, “Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another—to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God” (Romans 7:4). He also references this relationship in Ephesians 5:25-33.

Do you see yourself as married to Christ? Do you own Jesus as your husband? Years ago, evangelist Marshall Keeble encountered a woman who came to be baptized in her wedding dress. He asked her if she wanted to change before she was immersed. She answered that she wanted to marry Jesus in the same clothes that she married her husband. He baptized her, wedding dress and all because she understood what she was doing.

Christians are married to Christ and the church is the bride of Christ. This means that Jesus is our husband. What does a husband do? As Paul says in Romans 7:4, “that we should bear fruit to God.” Just as it is impossible for a woman to bear fruit without a husband, so also, it is impossible for a Christian to bear fruit without Christ! The fruit are our good works in Christ Jesus (John 15:1-8, Galatians 5:22-23). Without Christ, there are no good works.

### Serving AM & PM today and next Sunday AM:

Sunday Rotation	June 2, 2024 AM	June 2, 2024 PM	June 9, 2024 AM
Greeter	Duane Kemp		Jason Bang
Announcements			Tim Bang
Song Leading	Duane Kemp	John McGiffin	Duane Kemp
Opening Prayer/Usher Left	Seth Arrell		
Lord's Supper Comments			Tom Muter
Scripture Reading	Duane Kemp	Tom Muter	Tom Muter
Sermon	John McGiffin	John McGiffin	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer/Usher Right	Tom Muter	Judah Gasper	Jason Bang

## Things to know...

Help is needed with communion preparation for the remainder of the year. If you'd be willing to, please sign up on the list on the bulletin board by the entrance.

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Ladies Bible Study - The Crown • THIS Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm

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Men’s Meeting June 16th after AM Services

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### Potluck Sunday - June 16th

Church will provide fried chicken, sign up sheet for sides/desserts is on the back table.

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### Super Saturday Vacation Bible School • June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Please let Stephanie or Chelsea know if you are willing and able to help! We need several Christmas trees and one tent that can be set up indoors for decoration, please let Chelsea know if you have any to loan-

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Tammy Seiber 6/2     | Evelyn Lam 6/14 | Aiden Rohr 6/21      |
| Kyle Buckingham 6/7  | Tom Butts 6/19  | Suki Kirchner 6/24   |
| Phyllis Caldwell 6/9 | Carol Kemp 6/21 | Brandon Fourman 6/25 |
| Reed Rohr 6/13       |                 | Patsy Muter 6/29     |

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### Happy Anniversary

- Tom & Patsy Muter 6/10      Tom & Sherrilyn Butts 6/19  
Rick & Lois Ferris 6/25

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**This week's Bible Verse**

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” Psalm 119:105  
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**Remember in Prayer:**

- \*Our Country & leaders
- \*Bible Studies currently being held
- \*Search for our new minister
- \*Phyllis Caldwell - health & comfort
- \*Rena Morgan - encouragement & health
- \*Ernst & Helen Sherrill (Bro/Sis in Christ in TN) - shut ins with ongoing health issues
- \*Larry Bey - Parkinson's/health
- \*Maxine Jones (Laura McGiffin's mom) - dementia and health issues
- \*Debby Braefield (Tim/Dianna Bang's friend) - health
- \*Terry McGiffin (John McGiffin's dad) - health & comfort
- \*Luanne Listner (wife of Tim Bang's friend, Jim) - health
- \*Orville Thompson (Jerry Thompson's dad) - health - prostate cancer
- \*Lynn Thompson - health, needs hip surgery (pray for insurance to approve)
- \*Karen Oyler (Stephanie Bang's friend) - health (has an upcoming appt with her Oncologist), strength and energy
- \*Tom Cruze (Phyllis Caldwell's nephew) - health
- \*Laura McGiffin - health
- \*Viola Schultz - health

- \*Billy & IlaMae Jackson (Stephanie Bang's parents) - Billy undergoing radiation treatments, IlaMae's physical strength
- \*Dustin & Sharon Desarro - asking for prayers
- \*Michelle Gasper - health issues
- \*Marjorie Seiber - recovering from surgery
- \*Paulette and her family - asking for prayers
- \*Michael Silcott (Kemp's Son-in-law) - health
- \*Rhonda Gaynor—back pain
- \*Arlene Harris (Carol Kemp's sister) - recovering from a fall
- \*Evelyn Lam - upcoming eye surgery 6/21
- \*Tim Petty - has been in the hospital
- \*Tammy Sieber - Recovering from surgery
- \*David Netzly (friend of the Bang's) - recovering from surgery due to complications with his diabetes
- \*Seth Arrell - hurt his leg at work
- \*Jimmy (Laura McGiffin's half bro) - in ICU
- \*The Thompson's and Bang's travelling

**How can we be praying for YOU?**



**GREENVILLE CHURCH of CHRIST**  
 CHRIST CENTERED. BIBLE BASED. FAMILY ORIENTED.

**June 2, 2024**

**Worship Times:**  
 Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am  
 Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am  
 Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm  
 Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

**Minister, John McGiffin**

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We are blessed that you have chosen to worship with us. If you are visiting, we would love to have you back with us again. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card and let us get to know you.

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**Attendance and Contribution Record**

Sunday, May 26		Wednesday, May 29	
Bible Classes	29	Bible Classes	19
AM Attendance	43		
PM Attendance	20	Contribution	\$1,292.00