

THE NAZARENE MESSENGER

834 UNION STREET
Shelbyville, TN 37160



Our Purpose is to Know Christ
and to Make Him Known
As Savior and Lord.

REV. ANDY KEFFER, PASTOR

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REV. JOSH CROWE, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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CHILDREN’S DIRECTORS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:00 A.M.
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP; NURSERY, WEE CHURCH AND CHILDREN’S CHURCH	10:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES	6:30 P.M.
PRAYER SERVICE FOR ADULTS	SANCTUARY
YOUTH - SAM & HANNAH HATTAWAY	CLC
WEE CHURCH & CHILDREN’S CHURCH	CHILD. SANC.

PRAYER BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDIES

MEN’S PRAYER BREAKFAST MONDAY	6:00 A.M.
THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY	10:00 A.M.
FRIDAY LADIES STUDY	10:00 A.M.

NEED TO CONTACT THE CHURCH?
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CHURCH FINANCES: CHURCH YEAR: 2023 - 2024		
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	9,135.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$	N/A
APRIL BUDGET	\$	36,540.00
APRIL RECEIVED	\$	11,193.51
YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	\$	447,615.00
YEAR TO DATE RECEIVED	\$	489,182.62
BUILDING FUND	\$	889.35
FAITH PROMISE RECEIVED (YTD)	\$	11,457.40
CHANGE FOR CHILDREN WEEKLY GOAL	\$	35.00
CHANGE FOR CHILDREN NEEDED	\$	1,715.00
CHANGE FOR CHILDREN RECEIVED YTD	\$	1,538.02
ATTENDANCE		
A.M. SERVICE (IN CHURCH & ONLINE)		201
SUNDAY SCHOOL		123
JAIL MINISTRY		27

MUSIC SCHEDULE	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
April 28	TBD
May 5	Joyce Elliott

NURSERY SCHEDULE	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
April 28	Bev Pierce
May 5	Roy Wade

WEE CHURCH SCHEDULE	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
April 28	Yance & Tillery
May 5	Brooke & Walt Sanders

CHILDREN’S CHURCH	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
April 28	Missions
May 5	Family Day (children in Sanctuary)

REMINDER!!!

Beginning April 28th, dismissal
from nursery, wee church,
children’s church and Wednesday
night activities, all children will
need to be picked up by a parent,
guardian or a family member over
the age of 18.



CRISIS CARE KIT DRIVE

Now - Sunday, April 28th

CALENDAR MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH @ 4 P.M.

Prayer Requests/Ongoing Critical Needs:

Mike Adkins, Ashley Bishop, Glen Blackburn, J.R. Bowen, Tim Brown, William Butler, Joyce Carr, Devon Christie, Peggy Clark, Krista Cokkians, Maeve Coleman, Paula Confer, Angie Driver, Lori Engle, Anthony Floyd, Chrissy Friends, Pat Johnson, Jan Lampkin, Junior Maloyed, Randy Maloyed, Annie Marks, Shannon Marks, Kayla Martin, Micah McClendon, Dan McCracken, Joel Morrison, Kim Nevils, Jerry Owens, Hubert Owens, James Penwell, Earl Rino, Billy Soloman, Kyler Trice, Roy Wade, Kathleen Walker, Robert Webster, Paul Woodward.

This Week’s Prayer Needs

Barabara Allen, Janice Anderson, Dorie Curry, Mary Dean, Joyce Elliott, Becky Keffer, David Lee, Joan Legate, Bobby Lindsey, Robert Martin, The Family of Phillip McClanahan, Moranda Odeneal, Diane Ratley, Jamie Shannon, Jerry Vogel, Benny Warren, Victor Warren, Krista Wade.

Your prayer requests are important! If you would like your request to appear in the newsletter/bulletin, please contact the church office. Thank You!

Pastor Andy’s Corner

Live a Five-Star Life!

Every time I go into a big box store, particularly if I have a cart full of stuff, I get annoyed when I have to don an employee vest to check myself out, bagging all of my own items, in less than paper thin bags that can only hold tiny things. Often, at the end of checking yourself out, they ask you to rate your experience out of five stars. While I would of course give my bagging skills all the stars, I am often tempted to give the store just one.

Now, don’t get me wrong, I appreciate the plethora of product on store shelves, but the lack of service can be frustrating. I know you know! I’m sure you’ve hit that one star a time of two. I know I have.

Self-check-out was originally developed to be a service to the customer. If you had three products in your hands, waiting behind somebody with an overflowing cart, it was convenient to go and check yourself out. However, the convenience, it seems, has now moved from the consumer to the corporation. It saves money when you can have ten self-checkouts with one employee.

In the very short letter of 1 John, he repeats the word love 26 times. We are told to “love our brother”, “love like the father”, “love one another,” “love in deed and truth”, “God is love”, “God first loved us”, and to “love God”, just to name a few. It is clear, LOVE is important.

In the great philosophical words of the Toby Mac from DC talk, “Love is a word that requires some action.” So, let me ask you, what are you doing to love God and love others. Let’s be honest, when you are having to check yourself out, the screen isn’t working, you have to keep calling the attendant over, the bags are too thin, and half your items are too big, you don’t really think about loving people. You just want to hit that one star and go home.

I want to challenge you to live a five-star life and serve others. The next time you’re at the store and you see somebody with a cart full of groceries, set aside your stuff and help them. Walk them out to their car. Help them load their groceries. Better yet, go to one of those big box stores and just watch for someone to help, and put your love into action!

Something to Listen to: Love like Jesus by Rhett Walker

Need to contact Pastor Andy?

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2024 Graduation

Our High School Graduates are Evelyn Campos, Laila Davis, Chris Denson, Lexi Fulton, and Jacob Raines.

Our College Graduates are Emily Raines and Seth Reed.

Graduation Sunday: May 12th

Graduate Reception:
Wednesday, May 15th

Renewal Nights:
A Time of Revival

May 20-24, 2024 Nightly at 6:30

Meals will be provided at 5:30 Wed-Fri.
\$7 per person; \$25 cap per family.

Renewal
nights

A TIME OF REVIVAL

A Note of Thanks...

I want to thank my church family for the many prayers and the beautiful flowers sent while I was in the hospital. I hope to be out of the hospital this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

Janice Anderson



Communion

Communion Service

Sunday, May 5th

Baby Day is Sunday, May 5th

All babies who have not reached their 4th birthday will be recognized.

BABY DAY

Celebrating The Baby You Love

Church Elections

Sunday, May 5th

All members age 15 and older can vote.

VOTE

VOTE



Mother's Day

Sunday, May 12th is
Mother's Day!

All moms in the service
will be honored.

CAR DECALS

WE NOW HAVE CHURCH DECALS WITH THE CHURCH NAME AND LOGO ON THEM. THERE'S A SMALL ONE AND A LARGE ONE. IF YOU CALL SHELBYVILLE FIRST YOUR CHURCH HOME, THEN YOU NEED TO HAVE THESE ON YOUR CAR. :) YOU CAN PICK THEM UP AT THE WELCOME DESK.

Upcoming Events

May 24th: All department reports are due. This includes all department leaders and assigned local leaders.

May 26th: Memorial Sunday

June 4-7: Vacation Bible School

June 9th: VBS Program

June 11th: Soup Kitchen

Children's Church Camp

Church camp is \$185. If you are willing to sponsor a child's fees for camp, please see Pastor Katie or drop a donation in the offering or on tithe.ly and mark it as children's camp. The church is paying half of the fees for the children who have perfect attendance in children's church.

Praise God For A Great Faith Promise Day!

I would like to thank everyone who participated in any part of our Faith Promise Day.

First I would like to thank the entire NMI Council for all the preparations they made for this day. We have some of the best people on our NMI council. They work really hard to make sure every detail is covered. The decorations and displays were truly wonderful.

Thanks to all the ladies who took care of the kitchen and food service. You always do a splendid job.

Thanks to everyone who brought food and stayed for the luncheon. We had a great participation this year. We were all blessed by the ministry of Dr. Nina Gunter in both the morning service and at the luncheon.

Most of all I would like to thank God for His Faithfulness in meeting with us and inspiring each of you to commit to sending the Gospel around the world. He blessed you to promise much more than our goal! Our goal was \$15,000. Our Faith Promise commitments totaled \$24,460. This is truly an answer to prayer.

The money you give to send His Word represents souls for God's Kingdom! PRAISE GOD!