

**THOUGHTS FROM BRAD ...**



We had a great start (21 total) to our new Wednesday night elective entitled: **"Counter Culture: A Compassionate Call."** I want to thank those who joined us. It is certainly not too late to join us. We meet in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday nights from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Books have been ordered and I hope they arrive to pass out at this week's study.

Everywhere we turn, battle lines are being drawn. Seemingly overnight, culture has shifted to the point where right and wrong are no longer measured by universal truth but by popular opinion. And as difficult conversations about homosexuality, abortion, and religious liberty continue to inject themselves into our workplaces, our churches, our schools and our homes, Christians everywhere are asking the same question: "How are we supposed to respond to all of this?" During this class, we will seek to deal with each subject with compassion while being sure not to waver in our voices for Christ. I hope you will join us.

**Attention all Seniors!** This will be my **final call** for those who have an interest in attending **Senior Saints in the Smokies this Summer**. Last year there were seven who attended this conference. To date, no one has indicated they have any interest in going. There is a sign-up sheet in the coat room. If you plan to go but have not done so, sign up today. Otherwise we will not include this in our Summer travel plans.

**Hey Men!** Be sure to set aside **March 16<sup>th</sup>** for the **annual Men & Boy's Bean Dinner at the Heath Church of Christ**. You can find all the pertinent information on the bulletin board in the coat room, but let me give you a few of the details. The Main Speaker will be Jack Cottrell, author of many books and former professor at the Cincinnati Christian Seminary. Jack is one of the smartest people I have met when it comes to Biblical Doctrine. He taught at the Seminary for 49 years and has grounded and mentored more men for the full-time ministry than anyone else I know. You can also enjoy the music of Art Bush. **The van will leave the church at 5:00 p.m. Concert begins at 6:15 p.m. and the worship begins at 7:00 p.m.** Please join us! If you have never attended this event before, you will want to participate in all the fun. **See Dick Shumaker or Larry King if you want to go.**

I hope everyone is participating in the NT Bible reading for the year. As indicated, I am preaching from a text you read that week. Coming up on February 19, I will still preach from one of the text from Mark 3-7<sup>th</sup>. I know with my recent surgery you may have been thrown off where I am at currently. Sorry for any confusion. Enjoy the NT and be fulfill your goal of reading through the NT in 2017.

Have a great week and let's give the Lord our best today as we worship Him together.

In His Service,  
Brad

February 5, 2017	
Sunday School	65
Morning Worship	115
Evening Worship	29
Wednesday Bible Study (02/08)	21
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,145.00
Budget Received	\$ 3,333.50
Van Fund	\$ 150.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00

SERVING SCHEDULE February 12, 2017		SERVING SCHEDULE February 19, 2017	
At the Table	Fred Griffith and Bob Neff	At the Table	Dick Shumaker and Ron Enlow
Serving	Larry King, Ray Ayers, Dan Brown, Mike Bussey	Serving	Dale Rose, Ray Coats, Coy Cupler, Brad George
PM Deacon	Larry King	PM Deacon	Dale Rose
COMMUNION	Dick and Marg Shumaker	COMMUNION	Dick and Marg Shumaker
GREETERS	Don and Judy Gardner	GREETERS	Brenda Hines & Virginia Wentz
NURSERY		NURSERY	
Sunday School	Shirley Marsh	Sunday School	Laura Wersell
Worship	Jo George	Worship	Thea Kallenberg
VISITOR CENTER	Shirley Marsh	VISITOR CENTER	Wanda Turner
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Jean Azbell	CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Kim Seevers Angie Music
SOUND BOARD	Fred Griffith	SOUND BOARD	Fred Griffith
VIDEO	Paul Hoagland	VIDEO	Paul Hoagland
SECURITY		SECURITY	
Sunday School/ Worship	David Will	Sunday School/ Worship	Mike Bussey
Evening Worship	Jim Puckett	Evening Worship	Dick Shumaker

**Prayer List**

Lois Wilson	Vicki & Roger Sargent	Leroy Shaner	Marc Mooney
Piper Stark	Kasen Newman	Naressa Allen	Larry Blosser
Debi Erwin	Kenneth Dusthimer	Jeane Goldfarb	Betty Lambert
Paul Scott	Camille Stiverson	Heather Tracy	Forrest Turner
Mike Kiger	Shirley Hopkins	Caleb Witham	Heather Baker
Our Troops	Veronica Hartmann	Betty Sparks	Our Church

**Valentine's Day Party**

**Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> ~ 7-9pm**  
**All youth are invited!**

Potluck dinner – bring your favorite side dish or snack.  
We will be having a card exchange. Please contact Courtney Beiter at 740-503-0227 if your child will be attending so she can give you names and more details.

**Sunday School Classes for All Ages**  
All classes are at 8:45 a.m.

<b>Nursery</b> (Birth through 3 years old) "Jesus Loves Me" Room 102	<b>Upper Elementary Class</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade) "Jesus and the Magi" Room 106 Ron Enlow, Teacher	<b>Adult Class</b> "Shining As Lights In The World" Fellowship Hall Brad Seevers, Teacher
<b>Preschool</b> (Ages 3-6) "Bible Friends" Room 105 Marie Huffman, Teacher	<b>Junior/Senior High</b> "Creation" 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Patrick Wersell, Teacher	<b>Harmony Adult Class</b> "International Sunday School Lessons" Room 204 Dave Tingler, Teacher
<b>Early Elementary</b> (K- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade) "Jesus, Our Example" Room 101 Deborah Will, Teacher	<b>Ladies' Class</b> "Fervent" By Priscilla Shirer Room 209 Jean Azbell and Bev Puckett, Teachers	<b>Philothean Adult Class</b> "Parables" Room 208 Jim Love, Teacher

**Upcoming Events**

- Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Facility Management, 6:30pm
- Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Deacons, 6:30pm
- Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Elders, 7:30pm
- Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Youth Valentine's Day Party, 7-9pm
- Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Secret Sister Gathering, 2pm
- Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Book Nook, 6:30pm
- Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**  
Dinner Out, 5-9pm



**All Church Birthday Party**  
Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:45pm  
Fellowship Hall

This will be a great time to meet others sharing your birthday month! Cake and ice cream will be served. Come and join the fun and fellowship!

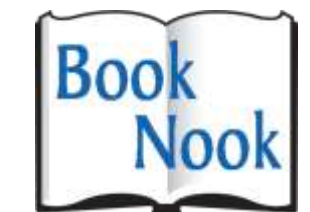
**Dinner Out!**

Our next "Dinner Out" event be held at the clubhouse at Overlook Condos off of Ety Road on February 24<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 9pm. This is a potluck, so bring your favorite dish. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Our dinners keep getting bigger, so let's continue the trend. All are welcome! Any questions, contact Ron Enlow.

**Ladies Tea**

**Saturday, May 6, 2017**  
**"Remembering Mama"**

Ladies, if you have a recipe from your mother that you would like to submit, please include her name and a note about why the recipe is special. Submissions can be given to Sue Oehrtman or placed in the collection box by the drinking fountain. Please submit your recipes ASAP so they can be compiled before the Tea.



**BOOK NOOK**

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30 p.m.**

**Bring your favorite finger food to share for an informal fellowship time.**

## WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE!

At FACC, we focus on loving God, loving people, and turning the world upside down.

We are happy you chose to worship with us today. We hope you return next week and bring your friends with you. If you would please take a few minutes to fill out a "Silent Roll Call Card", located on the back of the pew, you can then place it in the offering plate as it is passed. Thank you. For more information about our great church, contact our minister, Brad SeEVERS at 5thavecofc@gmail.com or call him at 740.550.9882. Have a great week and may God bless your life.

### Core Values...

Values central to the life, mission and vision of Fifth Avenue Church of Christ are:

#### Christ-Centered Worship

We make it a priority every Sunday to celebrate Jesus through our music. (Romans 11:36-12:1-2). We focus on Jesus through grace-based preaching and teaching & understand the Bible is our authority (2 Timothy 3:16).

#### Church Health and Biblical Balance

Church health becomes reality when God's people seek harmony & live consistently. We expect every member to protect the unity of Christ's Church. (Romans 12:16; 1 Peter 3:8)

#### Global Evangelism

We are constant to our founding call to worldwide evangelism, proclaiming to all that Jesus Christ is the Savior, Healer, and Soon-Coming King (Acts 20:27).

#### Fellowship and Ministry

After people begin their journey with Jesus, we will equip them to find a ministry based upon their strengths. We want everyone to serve in some capacity. (1 Corinthians 12:12-27) We also want His church to be the living evidence of His love and power to the world.

#### Discipleship

We do not want you to "get religion" here at Fifth Avenue Church of Christ in Lancaster. We are all about teaching you that Jesus seeks a daily relationship with Him through a life of obedience. In other words, we want to see the things you are taught actually change your lifestyle & your daily decisions.

#### Social Conscience

We place high value on the sanctity of human life, of Biblical marriage and morality, and we welcome ethnic diversity (Isaiah 56:7; Philippians 2:15-16).

## "Chosen By Christ"

### Mark 3

Brad SeEVERS preaching

When Chosen by Jesus Christ...

- You \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mk. 3:13
- You \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mk. 3:14
- You are \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mk. 3:14
- You are \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_. He shows you.  
Mk. 3:15

### How Can I Respond Today?

At FACC we look to the Bible for guidance on all issues. We believe that God's Word is clear concerning what a person must do to become a Christian.

- ◆ Trust that Jesus can bring you to salvation.
- ◆ Turn (repent) from the sin in your life.
- ◆ Confess your desire to make Jesus the Lord of your life.
- ◆ Be baptized (immersed) in water for the forgiveness of sins and to receive the Holy Spirit into your life.

To make this *life decision for Christ*, we ask that you *come forward during our commitment song* at the conclusion of the Sunday message. *Baptized believers are welcome to become members* at FACC by coming forward on Sunday morning or by seeing our Senior Minister to discuss this further. We ask that you *complete a series of Curious classes* to help you better understand what you are committing to as a member. If you would like to take a *Curious class*, please indicate this on your Silent Roll Call Card.

### OUR PURPOSE:

WE EXIST TO: Exalt God's Greatness; Evangelize God's Work, Equip God's People. Express God's Love through Jesus Christ

OUR MISSION: "To Love God and Love People!"

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# The Christian Messenger

February 12, 2017



**Secret Sister Valentine Tea**  
Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 2:00 p.m.

All ladies should bring a half-dozen cookies or a dessert to share, and a gift for the gift exchange. Sign up on the bulletin board if you are interested. All ladies are welcome! Any questions, contact Juanita Harmon at 740-654-2965.

Brad SeEVERS, Senior Minister  
Email: 5thavecofc@gmail.com

Sunday Services: Bible School 8:45 a.m.; Worship 10:00 a.m.;  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.