

9 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME: Bill Clements

SONG LEADER: Joshua Cozart

PRAYER: Doug Hughes

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE: Luke Griffin

SPEAKER: Charles Cochran

“SERVING WHILE WAITING”

PRAYER: Epifanio Carranza

CLOSING SONG:

6 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME: Bill Clements

SONG LEADER: Cooper Williams

PRAYER: Kyle Moses

SPEAKER: Charles Cochran

“LIVING FOR TODAY”

SONG

CLOSING PRAYER: Steve Grubb

REGULAR SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study: 10:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

Contact elder for the month of October is Bill Clements (423) 504-7331

Out of reverence to our Lord, we ask that you
PLEASE TURN OFF OR SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES. Thank you!

Welcome to East Ridge church of Christ

October 11, 2026

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come again at every opportunity. If you have questions, or a need in which we can assist you, please contact our office Monday-Thursday from 8:30-4:30 and Friday from 8:30-2:30.

Listed below are classes which we offer for all ages. We encourage everyone to stay and participate in one of these classes.

CHILDREN

Room

21 – Cradle Roll/1 yr. olds

20 – Two yr. olds

19 – Three yr. olds

18 – Pre-K

Room

17 – Kindergarten

15 – 1st & 2nd Grades

2 – 3rd Grade

3 – 4th & 5th Grades

YOUTH

Room (Fellowship Building)

L2L Rm. – 6th – 8th Grades

Teen Rm. – 9th – 12th Grades



ADULTS

Room

Auditorium

6 – (Veterans of Faith)

8 – (New Converts)

22 – (Nest Builders)

4 – (Young Adults)

G – (Truth Seekers)

Topic

The Early Church

James

The Fundamentals

Romans

Survey of the New

Testament

One Word

Teachers

Neil Brooks

Steve Plemmons

Robert Darby/Charles Cochran

Eric Garner

Austin Fowler

Steve Grubb

**STIR UP ONE ANOTHER
TO LOVE
& GOOD WORKS**

“SERVING WHILE WAITING”

Text: I Thessalonians 1:1-10

INTRODUCTION

I. DO WE THINK OF WHAT WE SHOULD BE DOING WHILE WAITING THE COMING OF JESUS?

II. PAUL’S DESCRIPTION OF THOSE CHRISTIANS IN THESSALONICA.

- A. In God the Father and Lord Jesus Christ (1)
- B. Elect (4)
- C. Received the Gospel (5)
- D. Followers (6)
- E. Turned to God (9)
- F. Turned from idols (9)
- G. Turned to serve (9)
- H. Waiting for Jesus’ coming.

III. HOW WERE THEY SERVING WHILE WAITING?

DISCUSSION

I. WITH SPIRITUAL _____. (2-3)

- A. _____ of _____, _____ of _____ of _____.
- B. What gave them _____.
- C. This gives us their _____.

II. BY THEIR _____. (6-7)

- A. They were _____ to _____ how to wait for the coming of Jesus.
- B. In what ways?
 - 1. How to _____ the _____ of _____. (2:13)
 - 2. How to _____ the _____ of _____. (1:6)
 - 3. How to _____ to the _____ of _____.

III. BY THEIR SPIRIT OF _____ OF _____. (8)

- A. They _____ forth the _____ of the Lord.
- B. The _____ of their _____.

IV. BY THEIR _____ OF _____,

- A. Brought _____.
- B. Led them _____ and _____.

V. IN THEIR _____. (10)

CONCLUSION

I. ARE WE SERVING WHILE WAITING?

II. THIS PREPARES US FOR HIS COMING!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Karen McBrayer was admitted to Erlanger East last Thursday, **10/8**, to remove fluid from her lungs. **Elbert Copeland**, Larry’s father, is in ICU, Room 309, Cookeville Regional Medical Center. **Gus Stone** is recuperating following surgery **10/1**. **Frances Everett**, Carla Scruggs’ mother, is now recuperating at home following a fall. **Sherry Anthony** had a procedure on her neck **9/30**. **David Parker**, Jacqueline’s husband, is recuperating from shoulder surgery **10/1**. **Meghan Sawyers** has been diagnosed with Neuroendocrine Carcinoma, a rare type of cancer. Cards may be sent to her at 103 Braden Court, Durham, NC 27713. ***Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in Ukraine and Russia!*** ***CONTINUE TO REMEMBER:*** Alma Ashmore, Margaret Brown, Chanda Busby, Charles Campbell, Lucien Claiborne, D. A. Clark, John Cooley, Rose Dawson, Katrina Edgecomb, Bea Elliott, Jerico Fowler, Larry Foy, Joe Hampton, Eudene Hannah, Phillip Hill, Sally Jackson, Wanda Mathews, Rebecca Owens, Don Perry, James Rains, Richard/Sara Rogers, Tyler Schreck, Jim Tidmore, Nelda Twitchell, Elijah West, Glenn/Luellen Westbrook, Allen Womack, Michelle (Green) Young.

YOUTH: Teen Singing: 10/11 hosted by E. Ridge congregation at 2:30pm

YOUNG ADULTS: Better Monday: 10/19 Bible study in the Connect Room at 7pm

YOUNG AT HEART: Class meets Thursdays at 10am in the Connect Room and on Zoom.

SINGLE/SINGLE AGAIN: Our next study will be Oct. 20 at 6pm in classroom 7.

LADIES TUESDAY NIGHT CLASS: Class meets Tuesdays in the Connect Room at 6pm. We are studying of the book of Luke.

COMPASSION CARD MINISTRY: **Team #2** will meet today at 5pm in Classroom 7. If you have a local family member, neighbor, co-worker or friend that you would like to add to our Card Ministry mailing list, go to **ercoc.com/cards**.

BENEVOLENCE: Needs for October are cereal, soup, chili, queen-size sheets, blankets, men’s small/medium long-sleeve shirts, men’s & women's sweat pants (all sizes).

NEW STUDY: We are glad to announce a new House to House/Heart to Heart study every Tuesday night called “REASONS TO BELIEVE - Examining the Evidence for Christianity”. The study is conducted by Kyle Butt. You may find it online at <https://www.housetohouse.com/study>.

SAVE THE DATE! The campout formerly known as the “Father/Son Campout” will be held at the Womack’s mountaintop home Friday, November 6th beginning at 5pm until Saturday, November 7th until noon. Meals will be furnished. This event is open to all men and boys. Neil Brooks needs to know who plans to attend just Friday night or both Friday and Saturday so that he will know how many he will be feeding. Contact Neil at 706-978-6077 to RSVP.

OFFICE POSITION: Our very own Judy Clark has decided to retire from her role in the office. We thank Judy for her years of service to the congregation. As a result, we are looking for a part-time position in the church office, consisting primarily of various bookkeeping responsibilities. If you are interested in this position or would like to see a full job description, please see Chris Wehman or Jared Hueter. ***We love you and will miss you, Judy!***

FROM STEVE PLEMMONS: For those who attend the **Veterans of Faith Sunday AM Class**, I will be out of town two Sundays this month (11th and 25th). I was unable to recruit fill-in-teachers, so the class will remain in the auditorium on those two Sundays.

ZOOM MEETING: There will be a Zoom meeting to discuss the Fall Festival on Monday night October 12 at 9pm. Epifanio, Chris Wehman and Jared Hueter will be on the meeting and anyone else who wants to help, please see Epifanio or text him.

CONGREGATION-WIDE FALL FESTIVAL: Saturday, October 30 from 5:30-8:30 is the 6th Annual Fall Fellowship hosted by the Hueters at their house. There will be a spooky dessert competition and some spooky new things to share! Bring a flashlight and camping chairs and please wear close-toe shoes. ***PLEASE RSVP ON LIGHTPOST!***

FALL FESTIVAL AT EAST RIDGE! Join us Saturday, October 24th from 5-7pm for our annual Fall Festival here at East Ridge church of Christ. There will be food, games, a hayride, a bouncy house and Trunk or Treat! ALL ARE WELCOME!

SYMPATHY: We are saddened to announce the passing of Michael Joe Bales. He was the father of John & Carla Scruggs’ daughter-in-law and the grandfather of Zachary Scruggs. Mr. Bales passed away last Wed., Oct. 7th, after a lengthy illness. A celebration of life will be held Fri., Oct. 16 at 2pm at Advantage Funeral & Cremation Services on McCallie Ave. Please remember the Scruggs family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of their loved one.