



7.21.2024

# THE MT. COMFORT CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS AND ONE ANOTHER,  
WHILE SERVING GOD TOGETHER.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Worship Leader**  
**Rick Hudgeons**

Hosanna

**Welcome**  
**Andrew Chance**

I'll Live in Glory  
Heaven's Jubilee  
Cornerstone  
Gentle Shepherd

**Prayer**  
**Louis Mahaffey**

A Shield About Me

**Communion/Offering**  
**Terry Kelly**

More Precious Than Silver  
(Children's Offering)  
Anywhere With Jesus

**Message**  
**Nathan Jorgenson**

Let Him Have His Way with Thee

**Shepherd's Blessing**  
**Anthony Spencer**

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**Attended Nursery** available in Room 106,  
intended for babies in the two year old class  
and younger. This is available during the  
entire worship service.

**Children's Church** available in Room 211, for  
ages 3 through kindergarten. Parents can  
take their children upstairs after the children's  
offering & pick them up immediately after  
worship service concludes.

## **PULPIT MINISTRY: NATHAN JORGENSON**

1 Peter 2: 25 "For you were like sheep going astray,  
but now you have returned to the Shepherd and  
Overseer of your souls."

Scripture speaks of the Lord God as the Shepherd of His people. We see this most clearly in the person of Jesus Christ, who came to rescue His lost, helpless, straying sheep. I remember a preacher once that was attempting to illustrate this truth. He quoted the nursery rhyme "Little Bo-Peep" and pointed out that it is, in truth, quite inaccurate. He said that in point of fact no lost sheep—neither the four-legged kind nor the two-legged variety—automatically comes home when left alone. Certainly, in the spiritual realm, Christ had to seek us out, finding us in our state of lostness, and secured our deliverance through His sinless life, His sacrificial death, and His triumphant resurrection. It is through His grace that we are no longer lost but now have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls. But our own victory is only a part of the picture. We who are safely in the fold of the Good Shepherd also have a responsibility toward the sheep that are still lost and helplessly straying. Yes, it is true that God has called some men to be spiritual leaders as His shepherds in His flock. But He also has called each and every one of us to be His shepherds in reaching out to the lost. God warned the Israelite leadership about the problem of self-centeredness: Woe to the shepherds of Israel who only take care of themselves! (Ezekiel 34:2). I believe that this warning has application for us as well. Jesus Christ came to us and gave us the example of being the true Shepherd who genuinely cared for the sheep and reached out to make a difference in their lives. He gave that example that both elders and members might have a pattern to follow in the way they reach out to the lost sheep.

Beginning next month, we will be engaged in choosing new elders to serve the Lord in this congregation; new shepherds to help the flock on its journey to heaven. We need to be in study and prayer, searching out the type of man the Lord desires to take this post. There will be lessons given on elders; their qualifications and the duties of this work. And please sign up to participate in the marathon Bible reading: August 11-14! Let's kick off the next school year by listening to the Lord together.

## PRAYER LIST

*Prayer Requests will be printed on this list for up to 3 weeks at a time, unless further updates are received by the church office. Requests can be submitted by email through Thursday mornings to [office@mountcomfort.org](mailto:office@mountcomfort.org). Thanks!*

**David Gretzmier's** mother, **Charlene Gretzmier** (90), was discharged from the hospital in Denver. The tests indicate she has some damage and some congestive heart failure. She may also have some minor blockages, but was cleared to fly home where she will continue testing with her local cardiologist.

**Chris Sanders'** best friend, **Hansel**, just found out that he has oral cancer and is understandably very scared. He has an appointment this week in Little Rock to discuss next steps. Please keep his family, including his wife and daughter, in your prayers as they navigate this trial.

**Maynard & Amy Anderson's** employee, Teresa Wilson's daughter **Sara**, is pregnant and the baby's heart is not formed properly. Only half of it is working. The doctors are discussing performing surgery in utero or the possibility of a heart transplant after birth. Please pray for healing and that the doctors are able to make the best possible decision for mother and baby.

**Sandra Guillot** is having total knee replacement surgery on July 24th. Please pray for a successful surgery and recovery.

**Lanny and Bonnie Ashlock's** son, **Rick**, is improving. Lanny became disabled while visiting Rick with pseudo-gout and was unable to walk for several days but now has limited mobility. They said that they are home now and doing much better. Thank you for the prayers!

## CONTINUE TO REMEMBER...

Eddie Kinzer	Harold Shook
Kyle Hunter	Wendi Super
Becky Tyree	Janet Riegler
Glen "Pops" Wade	Mary Bruce
Lila Campbell	
Lorene Adams	
Jessica Collins	
Kathy Walsh	

## THOSE SHUT IN...

Joe Conley  
Idella Courtright  
Kathy Hayes  
Libby Laningham  
Jack & Brenda Richardson  
Margie Slasor  
Janice Umberger

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7/21 Cadence Jordan	7/28 Amanda Helms
Ella Snively	Benjamin Dawdy
7/22 Stephen Davis	
Megan Snively	
Ethan Hudgeons	
7/25 Sue Wiles	
Paisley Newman	
7/26 Barbara Adams	
Karen Sanders	
7/27 Lindsey Foster	
Sara Chance	

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

7/23 Jeff & Sheri Brazil  
7/23 David & Dana Parten  
7/24 Stan & Dixie Burkhart  
7/25 Scott & Melissa Erks  
7/27 Ken & Linda Coffey

# NEWS AND NOTES

## Let God Speak: Marathon Bible Reading

Did you know that it takes approximately 77 hours to read the Bible cover to cover? Let's do it together! As a family, we will have someone reading from God's Word constantly from **Sunday, Aug 11 at 2:00pm** until approximately **Wednesday, Aug 14 at 6:30pm**. Sign-up to read in 30 minute increments at the table in the lobby. Please plan to join us for as much of the reading as you are able!

## Boundaries in Marriage Seminar

Nathan and Lynne Jorgenson will be presenting Boundaries in Marriage on Sunday evenings from **5:00-6:30pm** from **September 1 through October 27**. The cost is \$30 per couple. Checks should be made payable to Mount Comfort Church of Christ.

## Upcoming Wedding Showers

We have several couples celebrating the beginning of their lives together:

TODAY @ 2pm

### Shelby Busbee & Kevin Harriman

Registered at Zola, Amazon & Target  
8/4/24 @ 2pm

### Abbey Bryan & Andrew Stokes

Registered at Target & Amazon

## Thank You

Thank you for your monetary donations to the Disaster Relief Work here in our area. These funds are *invaluable* in providing assistance to those who suffered loss in the recent storms. This will be a blessing to so many! We love your servant hearts! Church of Christ Disaster Relief Team

## Thank You—Littleton, New Hampshire

Thank you for clearing the brush behind our house at 40 Herbert Lane. We appreciate you traveling here to NH to help! Sincerely, The Pines Family

## Thank You

Dear Mount Comfort,  
How do you explain or express the many thanks for someone's generosity? We shall do our best...we see God in you! Thank you so very much for sharing your blessings with Southside to help care for those affected in the NWA communities by the tornadoes. We truly appreciate your love, kindness, thoughtfulness, and generosity. May the good Lord richly bless you always. In Christian love,  
Your Southside Brothers & Sisters

## Upcoming Events at Downtown in Rogers

201 W Chestnut, Rogers, AR 479-636-3575

### Vacation Bible School

July 21-25 Sun @ 5pm; Mon-Thurs @ 6:30  
Adult Classes with PJ Anderson

### 2024 Youth Lecture

Aug 2-4 Lessons by Ben Hall  
Fri @ 7pm; Sat @ 10:30am; Sun @ 9:30am

Next month, we will begin the process of installing new elders to shepherd the flock here at Mount Comfort. Below is a timeline to help everyone know what to expect:

### **Sundays 8/4 and 8/11**

All adult Bible classes will be in the Auditorium to study qualifications and the role of an elder

### **Sunday 8/18**

Nathan will preach on the topic of elders

### **Sunday 8/25**

Nominations for new elders will open

### **Sunday 9/8**

Nominations will close

### **Sunday 9/22**

Candidates will be announced and vetted

### **Sunday 10/6**

New elders will be installed

Elders can be reached collectively at  
[elders@mountcomfort.org](mailto:elders@mountcomfort.org)

## OUR SHEPHERDS

Joe Foshe	479-601-2122
Huston Givens	479-443-2702
Rick Hudgeons	479-799-6470
Mark Mahaffey	479-263-6674
Allen Morningstar	616-638-1074
Matt Morningstar	479-790-8428
Anthony Spencer	479-238-5187
Kenneth Wilcox	479-422-0673
Keith Winn	406-591-5163

To email a shepherd, please send a message to  
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## OUR MINISTERS

**Nathan Jorgenson** - Pulpit Minister  
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[cjgrimes@mountcomfort.org](mailto:cjgrimes@mountcomfort.org)

**Matt Wilson** - Involvement Minister  
[mwilson@mountcomfort.org](mailto:mwilson@mountcomfort.org)

**Sara Chance** - Children's Minister  
[schance@mountcomfort.org](mailto:schance@mountcomfort.org)

**Glenda Davis LPC, LMFT** - Christian Counselor  
[www.mtcomfortcounseling.com](http://www.mtcomfortcounseling.com)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday  
8:30am to 2:30pm  
[office@mountcomfort.org](mailto:office@mountcomfort.org)



**Monday - Friday**  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

[info@mtcomfortsonshineschool.org](mailto:info@mtcomfortsonshineschool.org)

479-316-4597

After school care until 5 pm.

## **Banford House**

**Community Food Pantry**

3281 W Mount Comfort Rd

Open Wednesdays, 9am - 11am  
Members anytime by appointment

[banford@mountcomfort.org](mailto:banford@mountcomfort.org)



## **RAZORBACKS FOR CHRIST**

608 N Storer  
Fayetteville AR 72701

### Summer Schedule

**Tuesdays @ 5-8pm**

V-Ball/Ultimate & Devo @ Creekside Park

**Wednesdays @ 6:30pm**

Bible Class at Mount Comfort



If you would like to send your contribution electronically, please scan to be taken to our Give+ Portal.

## 2024 CONTRIBUTION RECORDS

Weekly Contribution	\$22,677.90	Building Expansion Project	
Weekly Budget	\$20,448.00	Total Bldg Cost	\$1,649,637 +/-
Weekly Average	\$24,940.87	Remaining Principal	\$135,900.38
Weekly Children's	\$40.16	Bldg Contributions	\$651,179.22
YTD Children's	\$275.34	2023 Records	
		Weekly Contribution	\$16,809.65
		Weekly Average	\$18,733.55

## 2024 ATTENDANCE RECORDS

	<b>Sunday, July 14</b>		<b>Wednesday, June 10</b>
Bible Class	231	Devo & Bible	104
Worship	422		