

# Hello August

## PRESBYTERIAN TIMES



*Mark 15:29-30* Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, “Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!”

When I look at the comments from those who passed by Jesus on the cross, I am shocked. Here is a man who has been falsely accused, and the people continued to mock him by quoting their false accusations. Jesus never said that he would destroy the temple. It was completely false.

What strikes me the most was their comment to shame Jesus, “Save yourself, and come down from the cross.” As I ponder the idea of saving oneself, it reminds me of the cultural narrative of society that says to look out for yourself.

In the world of marketing, many products are targeted toward treating or indulging yourself like:

- L’Oreal - “Because I’m Worth It”
- Nike - “Just do it”
- Gillette - “The best a man can get”

I recently saw a slogan that said, “Always look out for yourself...and feel free to throw your business partners under the bus.” Another slogan said, “Don’t be afraid to give yourself everything you’ve ever wanted in life.” Or a T-shirt that says, “I got my own back.”

I am not surprised the comment to Jesus was to save himself. This has been the philosophy of the world for centuries.

In the world of leadership, especially public leadership where all decisions are scrutinized, we find leader after leader caught making decisions that only saves their own public image rather than what is right for the people.

The world tells us to save ourselves, but looking at the model of Jesus, he endured the mockery, and forfeited the idea of saving himself even though he had the full capacity to turn the humiliation around. Jesus knew he had to fulfill the will of his Father, and in obedience, he stayed on the cross.

Sometimes doing the will of God means not trying to save yourself, but to endure things that are unpleasant because this is the more righteous or admirable way. When push comes to shove, I pray we would all make the right choice to follow God’s will for our lives rather than doing things that would save ourselves. *Romans 12:2* be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Blessings,  
Pastor Eric  
502-565-6591, cell

**Our Vision: KNOW Christ, GROW in Faith, SOW the love of Christ, GO where God calls.**



- 8/11 Madison Chumbler
- 8/11 Kimberly Thomas
- 8/13 Krystal Samuels
- 8/16 Porter Garber
- 8/20 Abbie Grove
- 8/21 Paul Moore
- 8/23 Jessica Dickinson
- 8/23 Glen Thweatt
- 8/28 Mac Arnold
- 8/28 Martha Dempewolf
- 8/30 Evonda Dickinson
- 8/31 Sarah Ridley
- 8/31 James Ridley, Jr.

August Anniversaries

- 8/04 Kevin & Mara Dassell
- 8/04 Dorsey & Glenn Ridley
- 8/05 Bill & Donna Freitag
- 8/07 Bob & Ruth Clum
- 8/09 Rick & Helen Posey
- 8/10 Jason & Becky Durham
- 8/15 Mac & Terry Arnold
- 8/25 Pat & Christina Martin
- 8/30 AB & Leslie Eargood

Henderson Christian Community Outreach

We will be collecting **canned tuna and salmon** for HCCO during the month of August.

We collected 44 bottles of lotion during the month of July.



Thank you for your generous support of this organization!



On Thursday, September 9th we are going to the Amish country to gather mums, pumpkins and gourds.

We plan to leave at 10:00 am from the church parking lot. We will eat lunch on the road. Call the church or Betty at 270-860-2168 so we can have enough drivers lined up to get us there and home. We are planning to take a truck for the mums, etc. We will return to the church no later than 4:00 pm.

Our first meeting will be September 13th. The Coordinating Team will meet at 9:30 am and the Circle will meet at 10:30 am.

Thanks, Betty



The flowers in the sanctuary during the month of August are provided by Gwen Jenner and Cj Maple

The security code to the parking lot door has been changed.

Please contact the church office to obtain the new code if you need it.



Grand Piano Fund

A special fund has been started to raise money to purchase a grand piano for the sanctuary. The fund currently has \$2,000.00.

You can make your contribution in honor or memory of someone.

If you would like to contribute please make sure your donation indicates "Piano Fund."



Our very own Jim Bates recently won the Agriculture Lifetime Achievement Award from the annual Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Appreciation Breakfast on July 16, 2021. Leo Mattingly writes:

He has a love of farming, planting, and harvesting of a crop. His children credit their work ethic from his balancing a family farm atmosphere with all the other work that he did.



Mr. Bates has been a mentor to young people who play sports, especially basketball, through broadcasting and interviewing young people and providing encouragement to them. Mr. Bates has spent time supporting his church, community, and farming community by supporting all during his lifetime by serving whenever there was need. He did this using his voice and ability to present, knowledge of finance and detail, and the commonsense approach he has toward life **and people.**”

Congratulations Jim and Bettye!



We rejoice with Sam and Molly Galloway, sister Elizabeth and brother Lee, in the birth of their newest family member.... **Molly Margaret Galloway** ... born on Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. We praise God for her precious life!

To help the family out during this busy time, if you would be willing to provide a meal for them (homemade or purchased) please contact the church office 270-826-3981 or Cynthia Hoey 502-599-1041.



Thank you in advance for your love and care to the Galloway family!

### Pathways to Heaven

Bob Park's Taffy Opera series will be presenting "Pathways to Heaven" at the Preston Arts Center (formerly Henderson Fine Arts Center) on Saturday, August 21st at 7:00 pm and Sunday, August 22nd at 3:00 pm.

Tickets are \$20 and accompanied children 12 and under are free.

Audience members will be invited to participate by singing along with the Church of Choice Choir as stories are told by the Taffytes who have transitioned to their eternal reward in heaven and how they were positive influencers while on earth.

Tickets will be available at Christian Community Outreach, Abba Music, The Olive Leaf, and from production staff.

Please consider supporting this effort!



On Sat July 3rd  
we had our Church Cookout!



Thanks to Bob Clum and Gary Thomas  
who did the grilling and to all  
the families who brought side dishes.



Thanks to Carol and Gov who decorated  
the tables to make it so festive!



We had fun playing games  
together before we all walked to  
the river for the Fireworks Show.



**Men's Ministry**  
Kick-Off Breakfast

Please join us for a time of food,  
fellowship and vision  
**for a Men's Ministry**

Saturday August 7th  
7:30 am  
in the Fellowship Hall

**The Chancel Choir will  
begin practicing on Wednesday  
evenings at 7:00 pm  
on Wednesday, August 25th**



**2021 Evansville Otters Picnic  
Evansville Otters vs. Southern Illinois Miners  
Wednesday, August 11, 2021**

Please join us for a night of fun at Evansville's historic Bosse Field for  
an Evansville Otters game. We have reserved 20 tickets for the game.

Your admission price includes the following:

- Ticket to the game
- All you can eat hamburgers and hot dogs
- Baked Beans
- Potato Chips
- Unlimited soft drinks and bottled water

Cost: Adult & Children over 5 \$25.00  
Child (5 and under) Free!  
(as long as we have 20 paying guests)

Times: Gates open at 4:00 pm  
Food served at 4:30 pm  
First pitch is at 6:35 pm

Contact the church office  
270-826-3981 if you are interested in going.



We are pleased to announce that we awarded scholarships to two deserving individuals this year. The scholarships went to Mackenzie Poe and Allison Hoey.

Mackenzie will be a Senior at Southeast Missouri State University at Cape Girardeau. She is working toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology with a minor in autism studies. She is a member of Psi Chi and is on the Academic Deans List.

Allison is a 3rd year Doctorate of Physical Therapy student at the University of Kentucky. She will begin her clinical rotations this year. She is a member of Phi Mu.

***Congratulations!***



We are starting a new online Bible study on the book of Galatians on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm. Please join us as we follow Jesus through the book of Galatians.

Zoom Meeting ID: 984 3627 7403 Passcode: 500727



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