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Sunday Worship Service 9:15 AM
Bible School 10:45 AM

The one God designed and gave me for my time on earth lasted over 78 years. I just hope the man-made one I'll be getting on October 8th will last until I get the new eternal body God has promised me. Yes, it's time for a total knee replacement.

I assume you've noticed the handrail on the platform, and have watched me carefully make my way to the pulpit with a cane. Hopefully, those days will soon be over. How soon, I'm not sure.

I met with the doctor last week and he outlined what I should expect during recovery. He said when I get home, I'll feel great. But once the spinal wears off, I'll really need the meds he's prescribed. After a couple of weeks of agony and PT, I should start feeling better. After four weeks I should be doing pretty well, and after six I might actually think this was a good idea.

So, I guess it's time for a vacation, or what I've heard preachers refer to as a sabbatical. I must confess I'm not really sure what's supposed to be done on a sabbatical, but I doubt it's laying around the house in a recliner with ice water circulating around a swollen knee.

Whatever you want to call it, I'm planning to be out of the pulpit for four weeks. Mark will be preaching for the last three weeks of October, and Levi will be preaching on the first of November. And yes, you heard that right.

As you may have guessed, we will be having a youth Sunday on November 1st. Teens will be leading in all aspects of the morning worship service, and my grandson, Levi Hunley, will be preaching.

I'm really looking forward to Levi's sermon, but I'm also looking forward to Mark's planned series on discipleship. I hope to be back in a pew for at least some of Mark's sermons, but can pretty much guarantee I'll be back in church for youth Sunday. I'm not sure when I'll be able to lead Wednesday and Sunday night studies, but am confident they will be well led when I'm not there.

I've learned to adjust to the limitations I've had for eight months, but I'm really looking forward to once again going on walks with Marilyn. God Bless, Rick



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**The King will answer and say to them,
'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you
did it to one of these brothers of Mine,
even the least of them, you did it to Me.'**

**Matthew 25:40
(Details Inside)**

STATISTICS		
	9/6	
Worship		111
Offering		\$14,562.09
	9/13	
Worship		113
Offering		\$5,952.00
	9/20	
Worship		113
Offering		\$7,499.00
	9/27	
Worship		108
Offering		\$3,693.60



The Ball-Chatham Food Pantry is in need of canned pears, fruit-cocktail, tomatoes, tomato sauce, chili, spaghetti sauce, Rice-A-Roni, soups, and hot and cold cereals. Donations can be left at the church, and we will deliver them to the pantry.



We want to thank Pauline Eustice for her faithfulness in hosting the Ladies’ Lunch Bunch. This ministry fostered fellowship and friendships among women for a number of years, but the time has come for this particular ministry to come to an end.

Fellowship and friendships, however, can still be found in our monthly senior pot-lucks, by studying together on Wednesday and Sunday nights, playing pickle ball on Thursdays, caring for children in our nurseries, and of course by worshipping together on Sunday mornings.

NEW FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORIES
New fellowship directories containing names, addresses, and phone numbers of those currently attending CCC are now available on the sermon table and in the hall rack.



CCC Scores!

Zach Marcopulos organizes sporting events and competitions for Encounter campus ministry outreach to college students and their friends, and at a recent soccer game three of our C’s scored. Yes, Cooper, Carter, and Connor all scored, but when someone shouted out CCC, it wasn’t clear if it was in reference to their names, or because they’re all from Chatham Christian Church.

Whatever was intended, we’re very proud of the young men who come from CCC.



On October 17th, Jonathan and Amelia Sperry, the Luzio family, Mark and Tina Huber, Otto, Theo and Jonah Huber, Nathan Estell, Tony Carrell, Micaiah and Kiayla Blakley, Vicki Small, Judy Marlow and Kellie, Ava and Annie Willey will be heading to Gateway Christian Church in St. Louis to help pack food for children around the world who lack proper nourishment. Thank you all for your generosity which made purchasing the food for our table to pack possible. Please join us in prayer for the children living in tough conditions who will gladly accept this food to eat.



Kindergarten-5th Grade

I always look forward to our annual trip to Pumpkin Creek Farms. This year, we are going to save a little money and eat lunch here at the church before heading out. It seemed reasonable to do since the admission price jumped from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per person!
There are a few new areas to explore like a pumpkin house containing over 200 pumpkins and a group challenge to pull a tractor, but if the cost outweighs the enjoyment anymore, I can certainly think of something different to do that afternoon. We have plenty of options. Whatever we choose, we will definitely do something on October 25th after Sunday School!



Junior High School

Be thinking of a cool costume to wear on Friday, October 30th! That is the evening we have set aside for one of our fall activities here at the church. We will start at 6:00pm with roasting some hot dogs for dinner and smores for desert. Then, we will play a variety of games and of course have our traditional pumpkin carving contest. Prizes will be awarded to the winners including one for best costume!
This is a costume party but not just any costume party. We want the costumes to be funny and uplifting, not dark and scary. There is plenty of space in our side yard and gym for all the activities, so invite as many friends as you want!



High School

Based on feedback last Sunday, it appears everyone is looking forward to another Mystery Dinner here at the church. Great! Those are a lot of fun for everyone involved. This year we will be traveling back to the late 1800s to jolly ole England where Sherlock Holmes is helping to solve a mysterious crime. What will happen??? You’ll have to come on Friday, November 13th to find out. More details will follow as we get closer to the dinner!