

Those To Serve

Sunday, July 12, 2026

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Bobby Smithee

Closing: Jim Case

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Johnny Knabe

Closing: Ray England

Singing: Bobby Smithee

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Singing: Johnny Knabe

Devotional: Randy Harris

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, July 5, 2026

AM 46 PM 30

[Average for the Year]

AM [51] PM [33]

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

27 *[Average for the Year]* [32]

Contribution:

Sunday, July 5, 2026

Actual \$ 2,893.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 66,011.00

[Average] \$ 2,538.88

[+/- Budget] \$ 393.00

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ 1,011.00

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Thoughts from Bill:

The Precious Blood of Jesus

1 Peter 1:13-21

Peter knew that for people to live holy lives and be like God they would need motivation. He motivated them by reminding them of their purchase price, the precious blood of Jesus. In this lesson we want to consider why the blood of Jesus is indeed precious.

The blood of Jesus is precious because of its *redeeming* power (Eph. 1:7; Rev. 5:9). Paul reminded the elders from Ephesus of the power of Christ's blood to redeem and that the church was redeemed by His blood (Acts 20:28, NKJV). Truly the blood that redeems us is more precious than silver and gold. Christians have been bought back from or ransomed out of sin by the blood of Jesus.

The blood of Jesus is precious because of its cleansing

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Plan of Salvation

Hear

Mark 12:29; Romans 10:17; Acts 2:22

Believe

Hebrews 11:6

Repent

Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38

Confession

Matthew 10:32, 33

Baptism

Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21

Sermons for July 12, 2026

A.M.—The Precious Blood of Jesus

**P.M.—A Study of the "Lord"
from Psalms 27**

Scripture—1 Peter 1:13-21

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:00

Sunday PM Worship: 5:00

Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 PM

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power. Sin has “dirtied” the Christian. The blood of bulls and goats could not wash man’s sins away (Heb. 9:12-14). John in Revelation 1:5 wrote: “...and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood. . .” The blood of Jesus not only cleanses us from our sins when we obey the gospel but also keeps on cleansing us from our sins if we walk in the light (1 John 1:7).

The blood of Jesus is precious because of its power to **reconcile**. Sin had separated God and man (Isa. 59:2), and unforgiven sin will result in eternal death (Rom. 6:23). Christ, by shedding His blood on the cross, made it possible for us to be reconciled or for us to be made friends again with God (Col. 1:20; Eph. 2:13).

The blood of Jesus is precious because of its power to **embolden** those saved by it. The blood of Jesus gives a Christian not only the access to the Holiest, but also boldness to enter in (Heb. 10:19-20). Christ paved the way by giving Himself on the cross for lost humanity. Christ’s blood emboldens because He serves as a Christian’s High Priest and this allows us to draw near to God. The Hebrew writer wrote: “. . . and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water” (Hebrews 10:21-22, NKJV). Christians are emboldened by the precious blood of Jesus because they become sons and daughters of God because of God’s love (1 Jn. 3:1, ESV). Christians are heirs of eternal life because they are children of God (Titus 3:7).

Finally, the blood of Jesus is precious because of its **overcoming** power. Christians are in the world but not of the world (Jn. 17:16). Those outside of Christ do not understand this relationship, and sometimes the world hates those in Christ (Jn.

17:14; 1 Jn. 3:1). The “world” also leads us away by getting us to love it contrary to what we are told to do in 1 John 2:15-17. The “world” calls us to follow it, but we can overcome because Christ is in us (1 Jn 4:4; Rev. 12:10-11).

Do you show your appreciation for the precious blood of Jesus by the life you live?

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: **Glen Mize** is improving. **Melissa Wood** is being referred to a neurologist in Jonesboro. **Tina May** has two places on her lungs and will see a pulmonologist on August 12, unless she can be seen by another doctor sooner.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Bonita Bangs, Lea Barber, Pam Burrow, Nancy Duncan, Brantley Elms, Bobby Joe England, Trulee Green, Manda McGough, Pat McGough, Glenda Mitchell, Dalton Philips, and Lavon Rogers

Visitation Meeting: There will be a visitation meeting today after the evening service.

Nursing Home Service: This month’s service at Mountain Meadows will be next Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

Romanian Children: If you are helping with the support of the children of Romania, please give your donation to Tammy Harris.

Children's Home Shopping List: Bathroom Cleaner

Ladies’ Day Meeting: There will be a Ladies’ Day meeting next Sunday after the evening service.

Revelation 5:9—And they sang a new song, saying: “You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation...”