



April 29, 2026

This weekend will be our annual Relay for Life Yard Sale. The proceeds from this yard sale are given to the American Cancer Society to support the amazing, life-saving work they do each day.

The benefits of this yard sale extend far beyond the money that is raised. This weekend provides a great opportunity for church fellowship, which is needed in our lives for joy and encouragement. It also gives us the chance to meet, interact with, and invite members of the community to come and worship with us.

If you have the opportunity, I encourage you to come by on Thursday, Friday, and, weather permitting, Saturday to spend some time shopping, serving, and fellowshiping.

In His Service,

Matt

SPOTLIGHT:

Committee Chairs: Please remember to reserve rooms for meetings with Karen in the church office.

Church Office hours:

- 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Mondays through Thursday
- 8:30 pm – 12:30 pm Fridays

FBC Jefferson Shirts and tumblers are for sale: It is time to order the FBC Jefferson Polo Shirts. If you would like a shirt but have not yet signed up, please use the link below to fill out the Google Form. There is a picture of the shirt on the form, and a ladies' cut of the shirt is available. The shirts are \$22 and can be paid for in the church office. If you signed up previously, there is no need to complete this form.

NOTE: Tumblers are still available for \$10 each! Call the church office for more information.

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Veteran's Day Video Presentation: Anyone who wishes for themselves, or their special veteran, to be recognized at our November Veteran's Day video presentation, please pick up one of the information forms in the church office (or from Mary Ann Brooks) and attach the photo to be copied to the form. All photos will be handled with the proper care for reproduction (enhancement if needed) and returned to the person submitting them. Please omit the line for "Medals Won". The form is attached to the end of this newsletter.

WE NEED PICTURES: We are looking for photos of the AWESOME things happening at FBC Jefferson to include on the front of each week's bulletin. We'd love to have enough to change the photos weekly! Almost everyone carries a cellphone with a camera these days – pull out that phone and take pics at your gatherings! Then send them to Karen at admin@fbcjefferson.org – or you can text them to her.

THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH:

Wednesday, April 29th:

- 10:00 am – Faithful Followers Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm – Wednesday Night Bible Study (Fellowship Hall); Choir Practice (Choir Room); Connect Run/Walk (Adult II SS Classroom); Children in Action (CiA) (Educational Building); Student Ministry Bible Study (Student Center)

Friday, May 1st:

- 10:00 am – Relay for Life Yard Sale (Paved Parking Lot)

Saturday, May 2nd:

- 7:00 am – Relay for Life Yard Sale (Paved Parking Lot)

Sunday, May 3rd:

- 10:00 am – Sunday School
- 11:00 am – Worship Service
- 2:00 pm - PorchFest

Monday, May 4th:

- 9:00 am – Morning Glory Circle

Tuesday, May 5th:

- 3:30 pm – Mary Martha Circle (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, May 6th:

- 10:00 am – Faithful Followers Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm – Wednesday Night Bible Study (Fellowship Hall); Choir Practice (Choir Room); Connect Run/Walk (Adult II SS Classroom); Children in Action (CiA) (Educational Building); Student Ministry Bible Study (Student Center)

PRAYER CONCERNS: The list of prayer concerns can be found at the end of this newsletter.

MINISTRY & MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

Adult Choir: The Adult Choir rehearses each Wednesday in the choir room across from the Children's Suite at 6:00 pm to prepare for each Sunday's anthem. If you enjoy singing, please join us.

Children's Ministry: We always need volunteers to help in the Children's Ministry! If you'd like to help, please contact Teresa Wood at children@fbcjefferson.org, or call the church office at 706-367-8332.

May Sunday School: Can you remember the last time you got lost in a really good book? The epic quests, daring escapes, and wild adventures make it hard to put down! While our lives might not include mythical creatures or fantastical lands, we're all part of an incredible adventure—following God and helping others



do the same. Each week, kids will explore the **amazing** and true stories about Jesus that show us what it means to live for God. In this 5-week series, kids will discover the true story of how **Jesus is always with us, God helps us be righteous, God hears us when we pray, the Holy Spirit gives us power, and God helps us share the good news.**

Big Idea: Jesus is always with us.

Bible: Acts 1:3–11; John 14:1–7

About This Week: The kids will learn the true story of how Jesus went up to heaven after promising the Holy Spirit. At the end of some adventure stories, the leader leaves, and the team wonders how they'll go on. This week, we'll see how Jesus' followers felt the same way when he left for heaven, but he promised that his presence would stay with them through the Holy Spirit. His promise wasn't just for them—it's for us too, because true story—Jesus is always with us.

MEMORY VERSE: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes." — Romans 1:16a (NIV)

Children in Action: We will continue to learn about Missionaries Wade and Sharon Sigrest as they serve the people of Cebu, Philippines through the Send Relief Projects, by training leaders and by leading a house church. They also teach life skills to help meet the physical needs and lead bible studies to meet their spiritual needs. Children will explore how the Sigrest's "sow seeds" and build relationships with the Filipino people.

Badge: "Sow Seeds for Jesus" Badge

Live Action Project: Tonight, each child will plant their own flower seeds in a pot to take home to share. **Due to the rain last night, we will plant flower seeds in our raised garden beds behind the church office as a group next Wednesday, May 6th.**



CentriKid Camp: Parents, please confirm by **MAY 15th** if your child will be attending Centri-Kids Camp. If you would like to **Pre-order a Camper Care package**, please do so by **May 1st**. **You can drop off your money in the church office or give to me at church. Please make checks payable to the church. Please put cash in a sealed envelope.** This includes a t-shirt, water bottle, sunglasses, draw string backpack and eye black stickers.

Completed 2nd and 3rd Grade: Yellow Team

Completed 4th Grade: Green Team

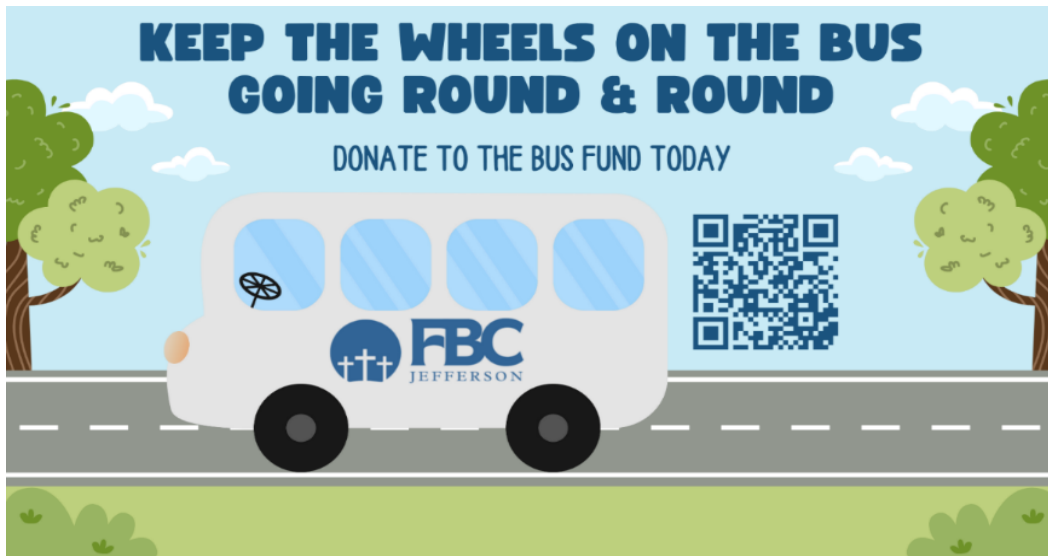
Completed 5th Grade: Blue Team

Completed 6th Grade: Red Team

Size options: Youth S (Yellow only), Youth M, Youth L, and Adult S, M, L, XL, 2XL & 3XL.

CENTRI-KIDS BAKE SALE SUNDAY MAY 17TH to help raise funds for camp. The campers will help at the bake sale that day. We will sell goodies before Sunday School and before the Worship service.

Church Bus: If your group would like to reserve the church bus, please contact Karen in the church office for availability. All dates to use the church bus must be approved by Matt (since he's the only driver at the moment!). Also – we are encouraging everyone to help us reach our goal of \$130,000 to pay for the new church bus, so please, consider giving extra contributions to the FBCJ Bus Fund! Use the QR Code in the following graphic to pay online!



College/Young Adults (CYA): Our college and young adult ministry meets weekly in a home group format, open to all 18–25-year-olds. If you or your SS group would like to host the college and young adult ministry for an event, please let the church office know. For more information, please contact the church office.

Connect Run/Walk Group: Connect Run/Walk Group meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. Connect is for anyone interested in running/walking with others to grow and improve spiritually and physically, and to follow the teachings of the Lord. We will have a small devotion, prayer concerns, and praises. Join us and run/walk with others, bring a friend for our Christian fellowship. We will support you physically, mentally, and spiritually while walking, running, and sometimes trotting. We will run/walk the rolling scenic hills of Jefferson on different routes. Bring a friend. We have water and Gatorade waiting for you afterwards. Everyone in our church and community are invited. Perfect place to safely run/walk with others.

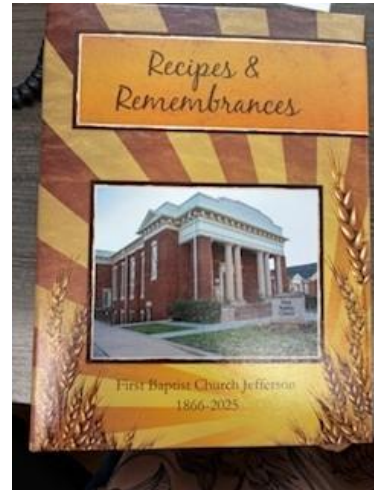
Connect Run/Walk Upcoming events:

April 22nd – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom
April 29th – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom
May 6th - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom
May 13th – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom
May 20th – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom
May 27th – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

Get your name on the Connect Run/Walk Group email list – contact Barbara Gooch by email (bgooch02@yahoo.com).

Cookbooks: WE ONLY HAVE ABOUT 100 COPIES LEFT!!! Get your copy today before they are all gone – FOREVER! The FBC Jefferson Cookbook, "Recipes and Remembrances," is still available for purchase in the church office! With over 450 homestyle Southern recipes, this cookbook is a STEAL at \$25.00! Stop by the church office to pick up your copy today. All proceeds of the cookbook go towards the church bus fund.

Faithful Followers Bible Study: Faithful Followers Bible Study meets each Wednesday at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. If you can join us or know of a friend or family member who would like to experience this journey and engage in great Christian fellowship, please contact Mary Ann Brooks, 615-643-4880, mabstitches@yahoo.com.



Relay for Life MOTHER'S DAY ROSES: Orders will be taken in Sunday School classes for roses beginning Sunday, April 12th. These roses will be displayed during the worship services on Mother's Day, May 10th.

As in years past, this is an opportunity for all to purchase a red rose (in honor of) or a white rose (in memory of) for any family or friends they wish to recognize and celebrate. Roses are a great way to remember someone with cancer, someone who has survived cancer, or someone who succumbed to this terrible disease. Roses are \$5 each, and all sales benefit Relay for Life. Sale ends Sunday, May 3rd.

Relay for Life Yard Sale:
We're excited for the upcoming FBC Jefferson Yard Sale! Here are the important details:

Set-Up:

- Thursday (4/30) beginning at 8:00 AM



Sale Hours:

- Thursday: 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Friday: 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Saturday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM (weather permitting)

Important Weather Note:

If it is raining on Saturday, we will NOT have the sale that day. Instead, we will need LOTS of volunteers to help with breakdown on Friday night. To volunteer, contact the church office or David White (678-640-9634).

Thank you all for your help and support—we couldn't do this without you!

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YARD SALE

All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life

Thursday, April 30th 12-6:00 pm
Friday, May 1st 8:00 am-6:00 pm
Saturday, May 2, 2026 7:00 am-12:00 pm (weather permitting)

246 Washington St.
Jefferson, GA
In the paved parking lot

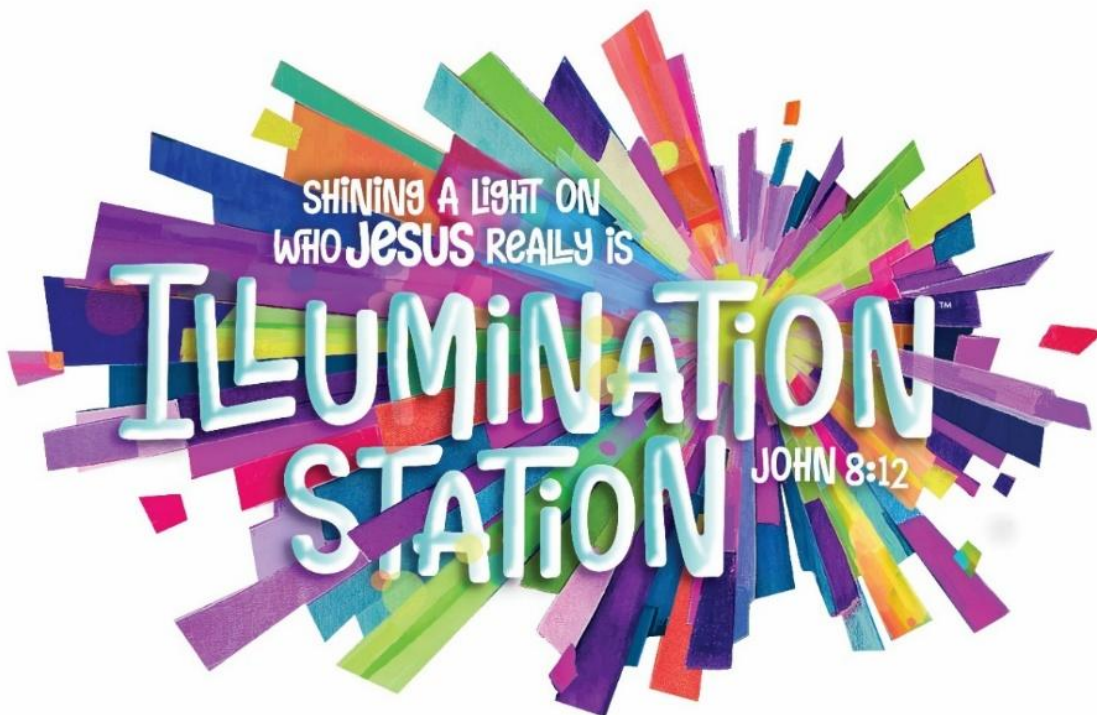
Student Ministry: Our student ministry meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am and Sunday afternoons from 5:30-7:00 pm, open to all 6th-12th graders. If you or your SS group would like to host the student ministry for an event, please let the church office know. For more information, call the church office.

STUDENTS: SIGN UP NOW FOR FUGE CAMP!!

A promotional graphic for Fuge Student Camp. The left side has a dark blue background with the text 'Fuge STUDENT CAMP' in yellow and white, 'JUNE 22-26' in yellow, and 'Sign up now' in white. Below this is a QR code. The right side features a photograph of a green mountain landscape with a sheep in a field. Text on the right includes 'The GOOD SHEPHERD' in white, 'A STUDY OF PSALM 23' in small white letters, and the 'FUGE CAMPS' logo in red and black at the bottom right.

VBS:

Illumination Station:

A colorful graphic for 'Illumination Station'. It features a central burst of multi-colored rectangular strips radiating outwards. The text 'SHINING A LIGHT ON WHO JESUS REALLY IS' is written in white, uppercase letters across the top. Below this, the words 'ILLUMINATION STATION' are written in large, white, 3D-style block letters. To the right of 'STATION', the text 'JOHN 8:12' is written in a smaller white font.

VBS at FBC Jefferson is coming soon – June 14-18, 2026, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm each night! We will need LOTS of volunteers – see Teresa for more information!

Illumination Station VBS is gonna be the brightest week of the year! While many people claim to know about Jesus, many are in the dark about who He really is. During VBS, kids will explore all the ways light brightens, illuminates, reflects, and reveals.

Wednesday Night Meal: MENU FOR APRIL 29, 2026: Chopped Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Bread, Dessert, Drinks.

MENU FOR MAY 6, 2026: Grilled Chicken Salad, Dessert, Drinks.

Call Karen in the church office to add your family's name to the weekly list!

The church gathers each Wednesday to share fellowship over a meal, address the church's prayer concerns and study the Bible. If you are interested in participating in the meal, please note the following:

- The cost for each meal is \$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (11 years old and younger). The cost for families is capped at \$25.00.
- If you are not on the permanent list and plan to eat, please call Karen in the church office by each Monday by noon.
- If you are on the permanent list and can't make it this Wednesday, please call Karen in the church office for your name to be struck for the week and the church does not incur unnecessary costs.

WMU Meetings: If you are not a member of a WMU group and would like to join us, please contact DeMaris Gurley at 706-540-0866. She will direct you to the WMU group that best fits your schedule.

Deacons of the Week:

Week of April 26, 2026: Philip Thompson and Steve Hix

Week of May 3, 2026: Tim Peacock and Greg Keith

Opening and Closing: Charlene Barber

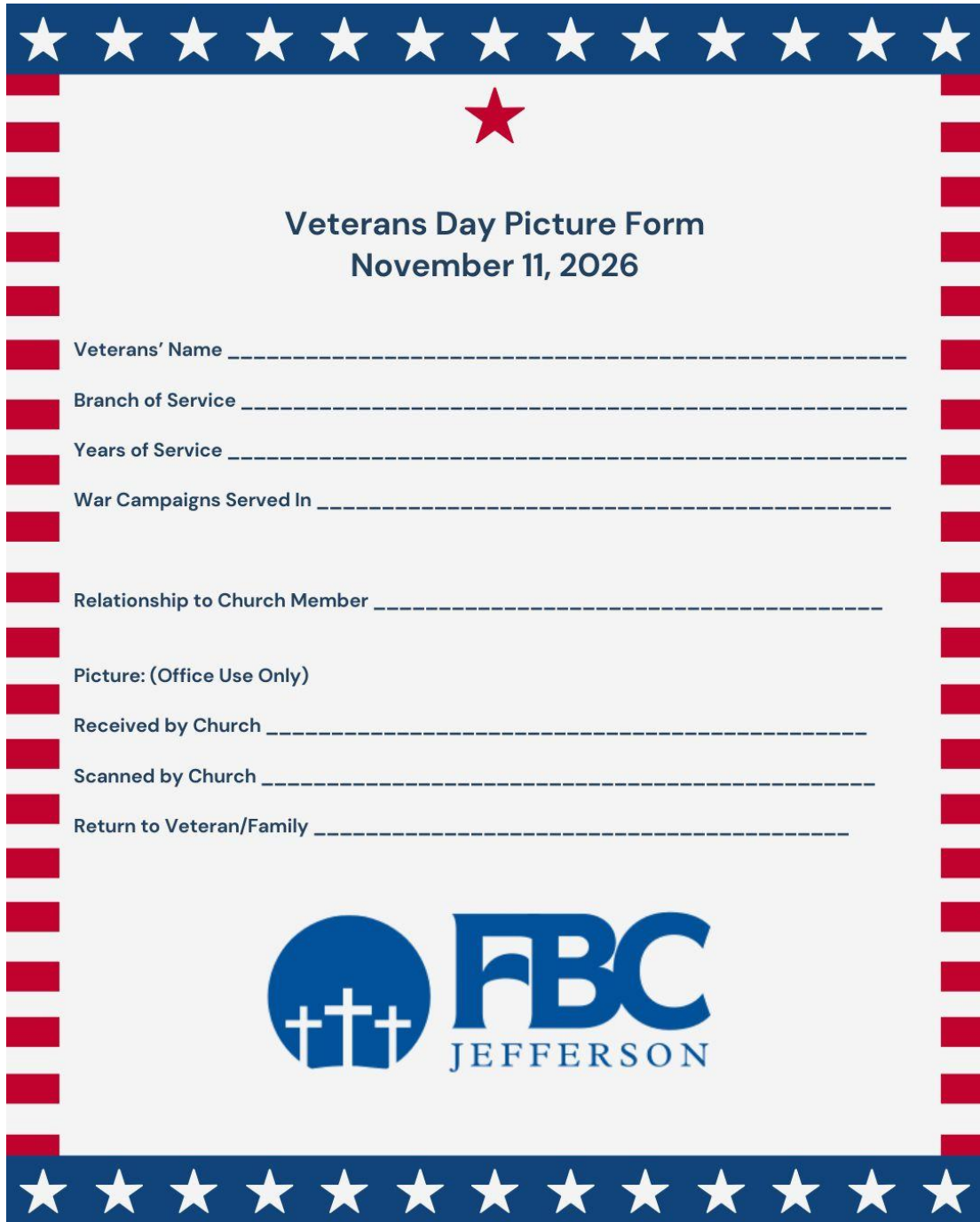
Greeters and Ushers: Philip and L'Resu Thompson


NUMBERS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026

- Sunday School Attendance: 88
- Worship Attendance: 149
- Nursery Attendance: 12
- WORSHIP TOTAL: 162
- Offering: \$6,181.25

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:

- Previous services can be viewed [here](#).
- You can live stream Sunday Combined Service here: [11:00 am](#)





Veterans Day Picture Form
November 11, 2026

Veterans' Name _____

Branch of Service _____

Years of Service _____

War Campaigns Served In _____


Relationship to Church Member _____

Picture: (Office Use Only)

Received by Church _____

Scanned by Church _____

Return to Veteran/Family _____

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Online at www.pushpay.com



Online at www.fbcjefferson.com



Mail/drop by a check to the FBCJ office



Drop into the offering plate on Sunday



Drop your tithe/offering into the offering box in the vestibule.





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Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Dean Andrews
Tom Fore
Harold Harbin
Vernell Hix

Ezra King
Jane Kinney
Nancy McGhee
Connie Peebles

Homebound, Assisted Living, Etc.

Harold Andrews
Dianne Brooks
Glenn Bullock
Dan Edgar
Fred Glass
Helen Gunnels

Tim Harris
Raye Dean Jackson
Eudene Johnson
Jack Purcell
Raynelle Sims
Helen Whitlock

Friends & Family

Anni Aldridge (The Hopkins' granddaughter)
Phyllis Brauw (Louise Koontz's loved one)
Alex Farmer (Sandra Farmer's son)

Barry Farmer (Sandra Farmer's husband)
Charles & Leasia Fleming (Teresa Fleming's in-laws)
Jeff Key (Katie Fulcher's dad)

Additional Requests

Our Ministry Team and Their Families
Our Church-sponsored Missionaries
Our Local Veterans
Our Church Leadership & Staff