Sermon: Stepping into A New Chapter

God Goes Before You (Josh. 1:5)

God Calls You to Courage (Josh 1:9)

God Anchors You in His Word (Josh 1:8)

God Has a Purpose for Your Life (Josh 1:6, Matt 5:14-16)

God Stays with Your Every Step (Josh 1:5)

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, June 14, 2026

Order of Worship

Call to Worship: Dan Strope
Scripture Reading: Ashton Hewitt (Joshua 1:5-6)
Worship Leader: George Hewitt
Communion: Rex DeFord
Sermon: Ronnie Hewitt (Stepping into A New Chapter)
Announcements / Prayer: Ed Tichenor

Bible Hour During Sermon

Nursery: Hanna Redden (Sub: Kayla Stanton)
Pre-K & K: Gina Sowder & Edie Short
1st-3rd Grade: Rachel Hewitt

Schedule of Services

Bible Studies: Sunday 9:30am & 5:00pm / Wednesday 7pm
Worship: Sunday 10:30am

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Recent Prayer Requests

Clayton Marriott is not doing well at all, spiritually or physically.
GayLee Sutton saw her Orthopedist. She received an injection in her hip and will be doing therapy.
Della Turnbill will be doing therapy for her back issues.
Nancy Havens (former member) was being moved back to Aspen Trace for physical therapy.
Kathy Ashley (Rachel's mom) saw an Orthopedist and will be having hip replacement surgery in July.
Eric Chamberlain (Logan's dad) is starting immunotherapy)
Jay Jackson (Lonnie & Sonya's son-in-law) has a severe knee infection.
Norma Nelson (Della's friend) has heart & lung issues and is not doing very well at all.

Long Term Concerns

Rhonda Aliff (Pat Stinson's daughter, lupus, recovering from neck & spine surgery); **Suzanne Bielski** (Lonnie & Sonya's doctor, chemo treatments for cancer), **Gavin Brooks** (son of Keith Huesman's friend, heart issues), **Eric Chamberlain** (Logan's dad, infusion therapy for bone cancer), **Susie Crecelous** (GayLee's friend, bone cancer & lupus), **Eddie Culin** (Wiwczaroski's friend, treatment for Hodgkin's), **Tonya Dowell** (health issues), **Pam Dowty** (Ronnie Sutton's sister, Parkinson's), **Nancy Duncan** (Rodney Dowell's sister, needs kidney transplant), **Robert Ewing** (GayLee's nephew, bone & liver cancer), **Gloria** (Hagan's friend, kidney & heart issues), **Moe Handy** (shut-in), **Rex & Susan Hembree** (Della's brother, lung issues; sister-in-law, severe abdomen issues), **Jamie Jones** (Hagan's nephew, coronary artery bypass), **Martin Julian** (shut-in), **Lillian Kelley** (mother of George's friend, Chelsea, hospice), **Neil Kent** (David's brother, lung cancer), **Lynn** (Lonnie & Sonya's daughter-in-law's aunt, breast & spine cancer), **Amanda Magner** (former member, bone cancer), **Pat Martin** (Amy's dad, Alzheimer's), **Brett Mason** (Rodney & Tonya Dowell's son, Leukemia), **Don Meyer** (Ronnie Sutton's stepson, recovering from massive stroke), **Norma Nelson** (Della's friend, heart & lungs), **Leah Raker** (Kent's great-granddaughter, Rett syndrome), **Bruce Roberts** (Lyndsay Trostle's uncle, colon cancer - hospice), **Anthony Ross** (Gay Logsdon's nephew, dialysis), **Heather Schmidt** (Amy Wiwczaroski's cousin, chemo), **Barb Surber** (Dementia; Compass Park, Rm 1304), **Delbert Vibbert** (Lougene's nephew, COPD), **Tiffany Waskom** (Crystal Miller's co-worker, immunotherapy for cancer), **Wanda Weaver** (lupus & kidney disease), **John West** (Dawn Elliott's friend, cancer), **Jimmy Wooten** (Lougene's son, Parkinson's), **Kevin & Mary Wooten** (Lougene's son & daughter-in-law, Kevin - Cardiac Amyloidosis, chemo; Mary - Alzheimer's), **Ayden** (Wanda Weaver's 14yr old neighbor, chemo treatments for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma)

Cleaning Crew – 14-20th
(Team 2)

Finance Record for 2026
Weekly Budget: $3,474.56 Last Sunday Offering: $2,873.00

Attendance Last Week
Sunday: AM Bible Study (25); Worship (74); PM Bible Study (12)
Wednesday Bible Study (16)

Daily Bible Reading Plan

Sunday, June 14	Psalm 1-8
Monday, June 15	Psalm 9-16
Tuesday, June 16	Psalm 17-20
Wednesday, June 17	Psalm 21-25
Thursday, June 18	Psalm 26-31
Friday, June 19	Psalm 32-35
Saturday, June 20	Psalm 36-39

Celebrations This Week

Birthday
14th Taylor Chamberlain

Anniversary
20th Rick & Ladonna Lowe (46yrs)

Announcements

Senior Recognition Day: Today we are honoring our 2026 High School graduates (Isaiah Boner & Ashton Hewitt). We want to encourage everyone to stay for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following our morning worship service.

Vacation Bible School: There is a neighborhood canvassing day planned for Saturday, June 27th, starting at 10:30am. For more information, please see Eric or Amy.

Family Picnic: Eric and Amy have scheduled a picnic for the youth and all our families for Saturday, the 20th, at 4pm, here at the building. Meat and sides will be provided. You are encouraged to bring a dessert, chairs, and games. Pease RSVP to Amy or by signing up on the Youth Bulletin Board, so they can plan the food.

Men's Prayer Breakfast: Attention men of all ages. The next prayer fellowship will be Saturday, June 27th, 9am in the Fellowship Hall.

Ladies Inspiration Day: The Metro Church of Christ extend an invitation for our women to join them for their Ladies Day, planned for Saturday, August 8th. The speaker will be Laura Hubbard, from the Kingsley Terrace Church of Christ. She will be speaking on the theme: "Bloom Where God Plants You!" There is an advertisement posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

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"Called to Be Holy"

Peter writes to believers scattered across difficult places, reminding them of who they are and whose they are. In 1Peter 1:14–16, he calls Christians to a life shaped not by the world around them, but by the God who redeemed them: "*As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.'*"

Holiness is not a word of intimidation, but a word of identity. Peter is not urging us to achieve something impossible; he is reminding us to live out what God has already begun in us. We are children of God, and children naturally grow to resemble their Father.

Peter calls us "obedient children." Holiness is not first about rule-keeping, it is about relationship. When we remember that we belong to God, obedience becomes an expression of love, not a burden. Holiness flows from knowing who we are in Christ.

Peter urges us not to be "conformed" to our former ways. The world constantly tries to press us into its mold, its values, its desires, its definitions of success. But the gospel frees us from those patterns that once shaped us. Holiness means choosing a different path, even when the old one feels comfortable and familiar.

"Be holy, for I am holy." God is not calling us to something He is unwilling to empower. His Spirit works within us, shaping our hearts, our habits, and our hopes. Holiness is not perfection, but direction. It is the daily decision to let God's character shape our conduct.

A holy life stands out, not in arrogance, but in quiet distinction. When our speech is gracious, our actions compassionate, and our priorities are shaped by Christ, people notice. Holiness becomes a living testimony that God is real, present, and transforming us.

Holiness is not about being flawless; it is about being faithful. It is the steady, Spirit-led journey of becoming more like the One who saved us. As we walk with Christ, His holiness becomes our hope, our calling, and our joy. May you be blessed as you respond to this call of holiness.

...Ronnie Hewitt