Sermon: Fearless / A Life that Stands Firm

2Tim 1:6-7; Prov 23:23; Jn 8:31-32, 14:6; Prov 4:1; Ac 4:13, 2:22-24, 36, 7:51-8:1a; Psa. 46:1; Rom 6:13, 16:3-4; Col 4:5; Ac 20:17-27; Phil 1:12-18

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, July 12, 2026

Order of Worship

Call to Worship: Dan Strope
Scripture Reading: Ashton Hewitt (2Timothy 1:6-7)
Worship Leader: George Hewitt
Communion: Mickey McDaniel
Sermon: Ronnie Hewitt (Fearless)
Announcements / Prayer: Stan Davis

Bible Hour During Sermon

Nursery: Kathy Hanshaw (Sub: Megan Johnson)
Pre-K & K: Gina Sowder & Edie Short
1st-3rd Grade: Angie McDaniel

Schedule of Services

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

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Recent Prayer Requests

Richard Burris had an MRI this past Tuesday which showed a slipped vertebrae that is pressing on nerves in his back. This condition has caused him to fall several times recently, including once while trying to climb into his semi. As a result, he sustained a gash on the back of his head, scraped his arm, and bruised his tailbone. He is being referred to a surgeon for consultation.
Colton Hurley had punctured his lung several years ago and has recently been dealing with issues again.
Nova Pearson (Inez's 4-yr old granddaughter) is back home from the hospital after having complications following ostomy removal and pseudomonas kidney infection.
Ronnie Sutton was able to return home from the hospital. They have changed his Lasix amount to help with fluid retention.

Long Term Concerns

Rhonda Aliff (Pat Stinson's daughter, lupus), **Kathy Ashley** (Rachel's mom, scheduled for hip replacement surgery on August 4), **Suzanne Bielski** (Lonnie & Sonya's doctor, chemo treatments for cancer), **Eric Chamberlain** (Logan's dad, infusion therapy for bone cancer), **Susie Crecelous** (GayLee's friend, bone cancer & lupus), **Eddie Culin** (Wiwczaroski's friend, recovering from treatments for Hodgkin's Lymphoma), **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), **Nancy Havens** (former member, severe weakness and memory issues); **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, cancer in breast, spine, & brain), **Amanda Magner** (former member, bone cancer, recovering from surgery), **Clayton Marriott** (lost his way spiritually), **Pat Martin** (Amy's dad, Alzheimer's), **Brett Mason** (Rodney & Tonya Dowell's son, Leukemia), **Norma Nelson** (Della's friend, heart & lungs), **Leah Raker** (Kent's great-granddaughter, Rett syndrome), **Anthony Ross** (Gay Logsdon's nephew, dialysis), **Heather Schmidt** (Amy Wiwczaroski's cousin, will be starting radiation treatments soon), **Barb Surber** (Dementia; Compass Park, Rm 1304), **Tiffany Waskom** (Crystal Miller's co-worker, immunotherapy for cancer), **Wanda Weaver** (lupus & kidney disease), **John West** (Dawn Elliott's friend, cancer), **Ayden** (Wanda Weaver's 14yr old neighbor, chemo treatments for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma)

Cleaning Crew – 12-18th
(Team 3)

Finance Record for 2026
Weekly Budget: $3,474.56 Last Sunday Offering: $2,519.00

Attendance Last Week
Sunday: AM Bible Study (20); Worship (67); PM Bible Study (8)
Wednesday Bible Study (13)

Daily Bible Reading Plan

Sunday, July 12	Psalm 146-150
Monday, July 13	Proverbs 1-3
Tuesday, July 14	Proverbs 4-6
Wednesday, July 15	Proverbs 7-9
Thursday, July 16	Proverbs 10-12
Friday, July 17	Proverbs 13-15
Saturday, July 18	Proverbs 16-18

Celebrations This Week

Birthday
13th Tana Kay Marriott

Anniversary
15th Clinton & Renie Nalley (37yrs)
17th Keith & Debby Huesman (43yrs)
18th Justin & Kayla Stanton (7yrs)

Announcements

Vacation Bible School starts this evening and will run through Thursday, from 6:30-8:30 each evening. Volunteers are asked to be here by 5:30pm this evening as we prepare to meet our guests, and by 6pm Monday through Thursday. All are encouraged to get involved. We have classes for all ages, including an adult class. It's not too late to register or to invite others to join you. There are still some invitation cards on the table.

Bible Hour Teacher's Meeting on Sunday, July 19th following morning worship service. We would like to meet with all our teaching volunteers that help with the Bible Hour for all age groups. We will be discussing our class promotion day, that will be August 2nd, as well as opportunities we have moving forward.

The next **Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be Saturday, June 25th at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. The Elders and Ronnie will be leading our study time on a topic that will run for several months: "The Man You're Meant to Be / A Call of Self-Examination for Every Believer."

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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"Faith that Moves Mountains"

Mark 11:22-24, "'Have faith in God,' Jesus answered. Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. Therefore, I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

"Have faith in God." With these four words in Mark 11:22, Jesus invites His disciples into a life where trust is not theoretical, but is powerful, active, and expectant. He goes on to describe faith in a way that stretches our imagination: faith that can move mountains.

Jesus is not teaching us to command literal geography. He is teaching us that the obstacles which seem immovable, such as fear, doubt, sin, discouragement, broken relationships, or spiritual fatigue, are no match for a heart anchored in God. When we trust Him fully, the "mountains" that intimidate us begin to shift, crumble, or disappear altogether.

In verses 23–24, Jesus connects faith, prayer, and confidence to God's character. Faith is not positive thinking. It is not human optimism. It is the settled conviction that our heavenly Father hears, cares, and acts on our behalf. When we pray according to His will, we can trust that He is already working, even before we see the results.

Every believer faces mountains. But every believer also has access to the God who moves them. The question is not whether God is able to do something. The question is whether we will trust Him enough to ask boldly and believe deeply.

In the above passage, Jesus invites us to see prayer through the lens of faith. Again, mountains represent the things we cannot change on our own. Faith represents our willingness to trust God with what is beyond us. When we pray, we are not trying to convince God to act. We are aligning our hearts with the God who already can. Faith that moves mountains begins with a simple step: believing that God is exactly who He says He is. May we be a congregation that is known as a people who pray with confidence, trust without wavering, and live with the quiet courage that comes from knowing God is faithful. Mountains still move when God's people believe.

...Ronnie Hewitt