

CHURCH FAMILY:

Jared Thomas; Lois Angles; Bert Taylor; Charlie Irvin, Stanley Stevenson; Jim Thompson.

OTHER:

Sharon Blankenship; Shelley & Jayson Duncan; Thomas Cordle; Jo Jones; Paula Sparks (Hunter Sparks mother); Melba Jarvis; Orvil {Oakie} O’Quinn; Kim McGraw’s mother.

Active Military Service: Jon Wright.

TO PASS ALONG A PRAYER REQUEST:

Contact Eunice Jones at (276.988.4412; jnseun@aol.com) or the church office at (276.988.4724; sectazpresb12@yahoo.com). Names will remain on the Prayer List for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested

Sunday, August 30, 2026

Worship Service-Black’s Chapel	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service-TPC Sanctuary	11:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 6, 2026

Worship Service-Black’s Chapel	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service-TPC Sanctuary	11:00 p.m.

**Tazewell Presbyterian Church
& Black’s Chapel**
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Welcome

We welcome all who join our Sunday worship service. If you are not able to be present in our sanctuary you can join us live on [YouTube by searching ‘Tazewell Presbyterian Church’](#). All of our live-streamed services are available for replay.

Through our worship, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and celebrate the community of faith. We are ‘that you are here!

Please make note:

Special Emphasis Food Pantry

Special Emphasis for the month of **August** is Canned Meat

Birthdays for the month of August 2026 are:

Barbara Stanbury (8-8); Kim McGraw (8-12); Joe McGraw (9-13); Morgan Lowe (8-13); Josh Thompson (8-19); Natalie Gillespie (8-20); Martha Cooper (8-27); Michael Thomas (8-31); Carol Weaver (8-31)

SUNDAY WORSHIP

August 30, 2026
fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



TAZEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Black’s Presbyterian Chapel

The Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: Grace Greater than Our Sin Towner

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship (Psalm 26)

One: Let our trust in the Lord be unwavering.

All: For the steadfast love of God goes before us.

One: Let us walk in faithfulness to the Lord;

All: let us sing a song of thanksgiving,

One: and tell all the wondrous deeds of God.

All: We love the house where you dwell, O Lord,

One: and the place where your glory abides.

All: Redeem us; be gracious unto us.

One: In the great congregation, let us praise the Lord!

All: Let us worship God!

Hymn 275: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Prayer of Confession

One: Beloved, we believe that God is merciful and gracious and abounding in steadfast love. Trusting in the power of the God who makes all things new, let us confess our sin together.

All: Holy and loving God, you call us to be your witnesses in the world, yet we stay silent. You call us to be your hands in the world, yet we are unwilling. You call us to be your feet in the world, yet we seek our own path. You call us to take up the cross and follow you, yet we are afraid. Forgive us. Give us strength to set our minds on heavenly things, and renew our spirit in service to you. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Silence is kept.

Assurance of God’s Grace

One: Let us rejoice in the good news! The Lord does not forsake us. We are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(Please share the peace with those around you).

*Response of Praise

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
World without end, Amen. Amen.

The Word

Children’s Message: Dr. Scott Sikes

God’s Word in Song: Faith of Our Fathers Faber

Scripture: Romans 12:9-21 (pew Bible, pg. 922-923)
Matthew 16:21-28 (pew Bible, pg. 798)

Prayer for Illumination

One: Guide us, O God, by your Holy Spirit that, as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,

All: we may find truth and wisdom and discover your will through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sermon “Saying No to Jesus”

Response to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

Invitation to Offering

Offertory: Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone/ Allen

*Doxology

PRAISE God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Service of Dedication

Scripture Reading
Thanksgiving
Responsive Prayer

One: Almighty God, we give you praise for all you are doing through this church and through this congregation. Let this building and the lights that illuminate its steeple shine always in witness to your glory.

All: Let the light of God shine in this place.

One: Lord, let our worship and our love bear witness to your grace and salvation. May the lights on our building remind us of the eternal grace of Christ, and may our faith and discipleship be a light for others in our community and in this world.

All: Let the light of Christ shine in this place.

One: May the lights that shine on your dwelling place lead our neighbors to your sanctuary. Let our congregation offer a spirit of welcome and hope; let our building be a place of rest and renewal. Bless all who work, worship, and pray beneath these lights, that our lives may also shine to your glory.

All: Let the light of the Holy Spirit shine in this place.

Sending and Service

*438 Rock of Ages

*Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity
**Please rise in body and/ or spirit.*