August 24, 2025 8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Prayer

Greeting

Songs

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing	No. 15
Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners	No. 185
Choir Special: He's Been Faithful	
O How He Loves You and Me	No. 146

Receive Tithes and Offering

How Firm a Foundation, arr. Eithun - Rena Myers

What the Pastor is Not (Ephesians 4:11-13)

Dr. Scott Hummel

Song

Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord

No. 287

Benediction/Postlude

11:00 AM Livestream and In-Person Worship Service

Welcome and Prayer

Songs

Nothing But The Blood Gratitude O Praise the Name

Receive Tithes and Offering

Special - Anna Foropoulos

What the Pastor is Not (Ephesians 4:11-13)

Dr. Scott Hummel

Song

Great Are You Lord

Communication Column

New Starts: A Season of Excitement and Hope

Fresh Beginnings

Life is filled with seasons, and one of the most exciting is the start of something new. A new school year brings new shoes and notebooks for younger students and new courses for college students. Whether it's the first day of kindergarten or the start of a senior semester, beginnings carry both nerves and opportunity. Students step forward with dreams and questions, while teachers and professors prepare to guide and families encourage with pride.

In the same way, our church begins a new chapter as we say goodbye to our Minister of Music, Zachary Foropoulos and his family today. For the past 8 years, Zachary and his wife Anna have faithfully led us in music, with Zachary leading with his guitar and Anna playing the piano. They have created a worship environment for our church body that has been both warm and inspiring.

We also don't say goodbye but a big thank you to Dr. Scott Hummel for leading us as Interim Pastor for the past year. Dr. Hummel has blessed us with his wisdom while challenging us to be "Doers of the Word, and not hearers only". Scott and Starr, you are appreciated and a blessing to us!

Next week, we will also be welcoming our new pastor, Jon Reed, to the church. It is also exciting to look ahead with joy and expectation for what God will do among us under Pastor Jon's leadership.

Facing Transitions

Wow, that is a lot of change. But all transitions in life carry both joy and uncertainty. Just as Zachary and Anna will be experiencing a transition in life, they can be encouraged by the love and support they have here at Tusculum.

Likewise, our congregation may have questions about a new pastor as well—how will he lead, how will our church grow, how will he connect with us? In both examples of upcoming change, one thing is certain; the key to navigating change is trust. Zachary and Anna trust in God to guide them; and our church body trust God that He has provided the right shepherd. Trust gives us courage to step forward, knowing we are not alone.

A Blessing for All

As we step into this season of new beginnings, may we embrace the assurance God gives us by promising to be with us in all seasons of life. I know our congregation will unite in love as we welcome our pastor next week. I am praying that we will enter this new season with renewed faith, anticipation, while keeping our eyes fixed on the One who makes all things new.

Please take time today to express your appreciation to Zachary, Anna, Elaina, Everly and Eden for their ministry here at Tusculum. We certainly wish them well as they strive to seek God's direction for the next chapter of their lives.

Craig Ogle, Deacon Chairman

Nursery Helpers Today:



10 AM – Pam Stapleton, Denise Brumback 11 AM – Haylee Johnson, Eoin Kotynski

Upcoming Student Events

Sunday School (For All Ages)- 10 a.m.

<u>Team Kid</u>. For children 3 yr.old-5th grade 11:20 AM in the CFC(gym). This is each Sunday Morning. No Team on the 31st-5th Sunday

<u>Children & Youth Putt-Putt</u> Wednesday, August 27th at Pioneer Mini Golf- Meet there @ 6:30 PM. We will be finished by 8 PM. Cost will be taken care of.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Calendar Week of August 24, 2025

Sunday 8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service

(Live Stream or anytime after Go to

www.tusculumbaptist.org)

6:00 PM Reception for Zachary & Family

Tuesday 8:00 AM Men's Coffee

9:30 AM Ladies 2 Sunday School Class 10:30 AM Women's Coffee & Conversation

Wednesday 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting/Fall Bible Study

Children/Youth Pioneer Mini Golf

Prayer for TBC and New Pastor/Family

Please join us each Sunday for our prayer gatherings focused on God's leading in our church as we look forward to TBC's next pastor and his family. The 9:45 AM location is in the library (after the first worship service and before Sunday School starts); The 12:15 PM location is in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 AM worship service ends.

Women on Mission (WOM):

In August Women on Mission will be collecting for the Food Bank. There will be bins in the front and back foyers. Please leave your non-perishable food donations in the bins by the end of August. Some high demand items are peanut butter, crackers, soup, macaroni-N-cheese, instant potatoes, rice, fruit cups, and canned meat. Greeneville/ Greene County Community Ministries operates the food bank.

OCC Shoebox item for August: School Supplies

Operation Christmas Child/Samaritan Purse Workshop Saturday, September 6th 5 PM – 7:30 PM at Heritage Baptist Church in Johnson City. The featured speaker is a shoe box recipient. To sign up visit www.samaritanpurse.org/occ. If you are interested in helping with our shoe box ministry this year, this would be a great place to learn more. Contact Rosalie Brooks at 423-972-1419 if you plan on attending the workshop.

Reception for Zachary Foropoulos and his Family: The TBC Choir invites the church family to a reception for Zachary, Anna and their family on Sunday evening, August $24^{\rm th}$ from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM in our CFC. Please come and wish this family well as they leave TBC and look forward to ministry opportunities God has for them in the future.

<u>Men's Coffee Fellowship</u> Tuesday 8:00 AM at Starbucks inside Ingles.

<u>Women's Coffee & Conversation</u> Tuesday mornings 10:30 AM at Starbucks inside Ingles. Contact Lisa Mullins with any questions.

<u>Prayer Meeting/Fall Bible Study</u> Wednesday, August 27th 6:30 PM; Fall Bible Study: "Joshua – Lessons on Life, Leadership, Victory and Defeat"- Pastor Jon Reed.

<u>SPOT/College Ministry</u> Thursday, September 4th 8 PM- CFC. Please be in prayer as SPOT begins for this semester.

<u>Tusculum University Nettie Day</u> Friday, September 26th additional details to be announced!

<u>Nursery Volunteers Needed</u> to serve with our Nursery Ministry during Sunday morning Worship Services. Please contact Denise Brumback (719-650-2846) for more details and to sign up.

<u>Women of Joy Conference</u> April 10–12, 2026 Pigeon Forge Ladies, join us for the Women of Joy Conference in Pigeon Forge! The <u>estimated</u> cost is \$250 per person, including your conference ticket and lodging. Final details will depend on how many ladies sign up. Please sign up in the sanctuary overflow by <u>September 14th</u>. Questions? See Charity Wright, Jennifer Chambless or Robin Carr.

<u>Online Giving</u> In case you didn't know, we offer online giving through Tithe.ly. You can scan the QR code that takes you directly to our Tithe.ly page, or you can go to our website <u>www.tusculumbaptist.org</u> and click on GIVE button at the top right.



Offerings August 17, 2025:

Offerings Needed - \$5,766.03 Offerings Received - \$3,536.01 Weekly Average Offerings - \$6,139.71

DEACON'S FOR 2025

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As the people of God, we rejoice in your presence.

If you are a first-time visitor, please fill out a communication card (in back of pews or on clipboard in overflow) and place it in the offering plate. Let us know if we can answer any questions. Also, we have a small gift we would like to give you. Please see one of the ladies in the church entry following the worship service.

Dr. Scott Hummel, Interim Pastor Zachary Foropoulos, Minister of Music Justin Carson, Minister of Students Susie Bennett, Ministry Assistant