

January 11, 2026  
8:45 AM  
Traditional Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Prayer

Greeting

Songs  
“Whosoever” Meaneth Me No. 421  
O What a Wonder It Is No. 548  
My Faith Looks Up to Thee No. 416

Receive Tithes and Offering

I Worship You, Almighty God, arr. Berry – Rena Myers

Sermon Pastor Jon Reed  
“Birthmarks of the Family” 1 John 5:1-5

Invitation

Wherever He Leads I'll Go No. 285

Benediction/Postlude

11:00 AM  
Livestream and In-Person  
Worship Service

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Songs  
House of the Lord  
Trust in God  
The Way

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Song  
His Mercy Is More

Communication Column

Well, we are 11 days into the New Year; how many of us have dropped the ball on our New Year’s resolutions? Speaking of ball drops, do you know where that tradition’s iconic symbol came from? In 1907, fireworks were banned from being used over the New Year’s crowd. Needing a way to ring in the new year that everyone could observe from afar, someone suggested a “time ball” and the *New York Times* owner, Adolph Ochs, introduced the iconic symbol. Time balls were used in the late 1800’s to communicate the current time. The ball was dropped at 1:00 PM (or at noon in some areas). This allowed ships to calibrate the chronometers for accurate navigation. Precise timekeeping is necessary for determining longitude.

Ships would calibrate their chronometers before leaving port. Environmental conditions could lead to inaccuracies in chronometers, so they had to be constantly verified to prove their resilience. Much in the same way, we must keep our focus in check by seeking God constantly. The world can sometimes skew our moral compass. As Christians, we have a “time ball” too. God gave us His word to keep us calibrated in His will.

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.” - [Psalm 119:105](#).

Can we make some parallels to New Year’s and our walk with Christ? At New Year’s, many of us make “resolutions” of things we want to change or improve in our lives. Likewise, after we commit ourselves to Christ, He starts to reveal things in us that need to be cleaned up. As Pastor Jon said a few weeks ago, we come to Him as we are, and He will clean us up. If you’ve ever made a New Year’s resolution, you know that you don’t just decide to do better and magically it just happens. It takes daily work and commitment to keep those resolutions. When it comes to our walk with Christ, it’s a continuous change. You don’t just wake up and BOOM! You’re just like Jesus! Like the song said “He’s Still Working on Me”.

The point is, we can’t just rely on ourselves to stay on course. We need a “time ball” to keep us aligned. Even as we improve the areas God reveals to us, we must continue to move forward, seeking new ways to become more like Him. It’s not enough to set our clocks one time. We have to stay in His Word to navigate this world.

Garrett Hensley

Nursery Helpers Today:



10 AM – Haylee Johnson/Hannah Koytinski  
11 AM – Sherrie Blair/Skyler Blair

Upcoming Student Events

**Sunday School** (For All Ages) 10 AM.

**Team Kid** Sunday 11:20 AM For children 3 yr. old - 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the CFC (gym). This is each Sunday Morning.

**Children** Wednesday, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM, 3 yr. old - 5<sup>th</sup> grade. January 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> meet upstairs in the room across from 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade room. The children will be continuing the “*Good News*” curriculum.

**Youth** Wednesday, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM, January 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the Gym. The youth will be doing some Bible Studies in the Book of James.

**Youth Winter Retreat** February 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> for youth 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade. We will be staying in cabins in Wears Valley (Sevierville, TN). The cost is \$60 per youth. **The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, January 21st.** There will be bible studies, food, fellowship, and we will be going to Winter Jam. There are packets of information with more details

**Wednesday**, January 21<sup>st</sup> (after Youth Meeting) in the Gym for those going on the Youth Winter trip.

**Children & Youth Game Night** Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM in the Gym.

Upcoming Summer Events for Children and Youth

**May 31<sup>st</sup> – June 4:** Vacation Bible School

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>:** World Changers, Boone, NC for Youth (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade).

**July 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>:** Centrikid Camp, Tusculum University, for children (2nd-5th grade).

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or text "Kids" to (833) 230-9468

**Youth Ministry**  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Church Calendar Week of January 11, 2026

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service</b> <b>10:00 AM Sunday School</b> <b>11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service</b> (Live Stream or any time after Go to <a href="http://www.tusculumbaptist.org">www.tusculumbaptist.org</a> ) <b>5:30 PM Choir Practice</b> <b>6:00 PM Deacon's Meeting</b> <b>7:00 PM Men's Discipleship Meeting</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>11:30 AM WOM Meeting</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00 AM Men's Coffee</b> <b>9:30 AM Ladies 2 Sunday School Class</b> <b>10:30 AM Women's Coffee &amp; Conversation</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30 PM Business/Prayer Meeting</b> <b>Children &amp; Youth Meetings</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>12:00 PM Prime-Time Meeting</b>

### Prayer for God's Leading at TBC

Yes! Our prayer gathering is continuing Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the library (after the 1<sup>st</sup> Worship service and before SS starts). The 12:15 PM location is in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 AM worship service ends. Everyone is invited to join in as we gather to pray focused on God's leading in His Church at TBC.

### Women on Mission (WOM):

Lunch meeting tomorrow at 11:30 AM. We will be planning for 2026. All men and women are invited to join us. Thanks to all who gave support to Lottie Moon, we received \$2,559.00 for our \$3,000.00 goal.

In support of Sanctity of Human Life Month, during January we will be collecting donations for the Hope Center, Greeneville's crisis pregnancy center.

### Operation Christmas Child/Samaritan's Purse:

Operation Christmas Child Shoe box item for January is hats, gloves and scarves. Thanks to all, we completed 348 boxes for 2025!

### Offerings January 4, 2026:

Offerings Needed - \$6,078.22  
Offerings Received - \$5,807.28  
Weekly Average Offerings - \$5,807.28

Choir Practice Tonight at 5:30 PM.

Deacon's Meeting Tonight at 6 PM.

Men's Discipleship Tonight at 7 PM.

Women On Mission Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM luncheon and 2026 Planning Meeting.

Men's Coffee Fellowship Tuesday, 8:00 AM at Chick-Fil-A.

Women's Coffee & Conversation Tuesday, 10:30 AM at Starbucks inside Ingles. Contact Lisa Mullins with any questions.

Business Meeting/Prayer Meeting Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

Prime-Time Meeting Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, Noon luncheon with guest speaker, Gwyn Southerland, Greene County Isaiah 117 House Location Leader. We will also have games and planning for 2026. Sign-up sheet on board in sanctuary overflow to bring Soup or Dessert.

Women's Bible Study Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM Pizza supper, Seven-week Book Study: *Jonah by Priscilla Shirer*, Sign-up sheet on board in overflow. Contact Robin Carr for additional details!

Planning Day Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 10 AM - Noon in the fellowship hall. This is for those that are the Chair of their committee. We will be discussing the ministry and schedule for 2026.

Nursery Ministry Volunteers Needed Would you like to join our Nursery team to serve one hour a month? Please reach out to Ashley Johnson or contact the church office: [office@tusculumbaptist.org](mailto:office@tusculumbaptist.org) or 423-638-8361.

Online Giving 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 [www.tusculumbaptist.org](http://www.tusculumbaptist.org) and click on GIVE button at the top right.



### Ways to Get Connected!

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.

Facebook: [Tusculum Baptist Church](https://www.facebook.com/TusculumBaptistChurch)

Instagram: [tusculumbaptist](https://www.instagram.com/tusculumbaptist)

Website/Prayer Requests: [www.tusculumbaptist.org](http://www.tusculumbaptist.org)

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### Sign up for TBC Alerts

Text "updates" to 833-230-9468 or scan the QR code and send the prompted message.



## Love. Grow. Serve.

Many times a New Year brings new focus. Let us focus on worship, on prayer and on living for the glory of God as people, as families, and as a church.

### TN BAPTIST PRAYER FOCUS

- Pray for Revival & Recommitment
- Pray for those without Jesus



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