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Minister:

Alan Judd

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Service Times:

Sunday Bible Study 9 AM
Sunday Worship 10 AM
6 PM
Wednesday 6 PM

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Ladies Bible Class
Tuesdays 11 AM
Prayer Meeting
Tuesdays 10 AM
Joyful Generation
(Youth Devotional & Fellowship)
1st Sunday of the month 7 PM

COMPASS

**Using God's Word to Chart The Course
Of A Congregation**

For live video streaming see Website
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CROSSVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

**SING ME A SONG
ABOUT JESUS**

2023 SUMMER SERIES

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT 6:00 PM

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| July 5 | "Tell Me the Story of Jesus" | Anderson Judd |
| July 12 | "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" | Joshua Kennedy |
| July 19 | "Does Jesus Care?" | Jacob Kennedy |
| July 26 | "Footprints of Jesus" | Jack Honeycutt |
| August 2 | "Fairest Lord Jesus" | Scott Cain |
| August 9 | "All to Jesus I Surrender" | Wyatt Fairman |
| August 16 | "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" | Adrian Judd |
| August 23 | "I'll Be a Friend to Jesus" | Parker Webster |
| August 30 | "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" | Dylan Wood |
| September 6 | "Anywhere With Jesus" | Derrick Coble |
| September 13 | "Jesus Paid It All" | Ben Flatt |
| September 20 | "When Jesus Comes" | Jeremy Hassler |

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The Elders Franklin Camp

(Brother Ray Slate shared the following article with me. It appeared in the November 3, 2002, bulletin of the Crieve Hall church of Christ. I know it is older than that since the author, Franklin Camp, passed away in 1991. I will reproduce his words exactly and then add some of my additional thoughts on this subject.) — Alan Judd

The Elders—there is a growing disregard for elders. This is symptomatic of our day where human wisdom is substituted for divine revelation. I want to say something on the other side.

I APPRECIATE ELDERS because this is God's plan—I Timothy 3:1-7. I cannot be faithful to God and disregard elders.

I APPRECIATE ELDERS because of the responsibility they accept. No men have a greater responsibility than elders. They are responsible for carrying the Gospel to every creature—Matthew 28:18-20. They must watch over souls. They will have to give account of the souls that are under their oversight.

I APPRECIATE ELDERS because of the time they give to the Lord's work. While others are free to use their time in various ways, elders must use much of their time in fulfilling their duties. There are meetings where time must be given to planning the work, dealing with problems, and many other things. I appreciate the man who is willing to take the time to do the work of an elder.

I APPRECIATE ELDERS because they work with the least encouragement of any people I know. I've often wondered how long I would continue to preach if I received criticism as elders so with so little encouragement. Few people in any congregation think about saying a word to encourage the elders. I appreciate men that will give years in helping the church to grow, struggle with its problems, accept the criticism, receive little or no encouragement, and continue to work.

I APPRECIATE ELDERS because of their families. First, they have done a good job in training their children and in building a stable marriage. My hat is off to the man that has a family that makes it possible for him to serve as an elder. Time that might be spent with his family is often used in doing the work of the Lord.

(These were the words Brother Camp used to express his appreciation for these men. Allow me in the words that follow to try and communicate my gratitude for the men who serve in this capacity, especially for the five that provide leadership and oversight to our congregation here in Crossville. All of the above applies to them, but in the remainder of the article I am going to get a bit more personal.)

I APPRECIATE OUR ELDERS because of their desire to use the talents God gave them in service to the church. Each man's innate talents are combined with skills gained in the fields of business, education, sales, public relations, technology, and many other areas. These are leveraged to help the church in immeasurable ways to grow and thrive.

I APPRECIATE OUR ELDERS because of their desire to feed the flock with the nourishing truth of God's Word. To this end, they encourage and expect that serious study be done both privately by each member and be presented publicly in each class and sermon. They further enhance this effort by allowing me (the preacher) to attend and participate in lectureships, workshops, seminars, meetings, and other times when I can drink deeply and listen to others share —

insights from Scripture. Plus, they remove the financial obstacles that might prevent some members from participating in the marriage seminar and Polishing the Pulpit each year by covering the registration costs. These blessings are not provided in every place. We are blessed that our elders help us in this and many other ways to be exposed to and grow in our knowledge of the Good News and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I APPRECIATE OUR ELDERS because they are always ready to listen, respond, and try their best to determine how to respond to the dangers and difficulties that members face. They fit the Biblical analogy of protective shepherds watching vulnerable sheep in a marvelous manner. Most of the time, these times of temptation, trial, and trouble are never made public knowledge. However, with the limited information I have, I can assure you that these men are diligently engaged in trying to help bear the burdens of each sheep in this flock and preserve them from the wiles of the wicked one.

I APPRECIATE OUR ELDERS for countless other reasons, and space is inadequate to describe or give sufficient details. Like me, I trust that you acknowledge your appreciation by expressing your gratitude to them often and praying fervently for them each and every day! I can think of no better way to close other than by urging us all to comply with the Divine directive concerning our responsibility to these men found in **Hebrews 13:17: Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.**

100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY & HOMECOMING

Join us every Sunday in the month of September as we celebrate the 100-year milestone of the Crossville church of Christ family, worshipping & serving God together. Our worship service will include participation by former ministers & song leaders of the Crossville church of Christ:

September 3

A.M. Guest Speaker, Sidney White
Song Leader, Ethan Bell.

P.M. Guest Speaker, Phil Jenkins
Song Leader, Mark Featherston

September 10

A.M. Guest Speaker, Wade Webster
Song Leader, Blake McLaughlin

P.M. Guest Speaker, Ken Mears

September 17

A.M. Guest Speaker, Steve Riley
Song Leader, David McFerrin

September 24

A.M. Guest Speaker, Rick Jones
Song Leader, Drew Vaden

We will be having a fellowship meal each Sunday following our morning worship service. Please see Brian McLaughlin or Gary Lau with questions.

100-YEAR CELEBRATION/ RETREAT

Saturday, **September 2** will be a kick-off to our celebration, at HY Lake Christian Camp in Quebec, Tn. Activities will begin at 2p.m. & a fellowship meal at 6p.m. All ages are invited to attend, current members & former members as well. Food provided. **Please RSVP to one of the following:** office@crossvillechurchofchrist.org or Brian (931-787-0833) or by signing the sheet on the foyer bulletin board. Please pick up a schedule of events with details, located on the foyer table.

NEWS AND NOTES

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