

THE JOURNEY

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CHANGE IN PUBLICATION DAYS

The Journey will now be published on the first and third **Tuesday** beginning Tuesday, November 5th.

CAMERON'S CORNER

The Apostle Paul writes in Romans 8: ³⁸"For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

This scripture says to me that God's love is immutable. God's love cannot change. Your sin will not be able to change the love of God for you or anything else in all of creation. There is nothing that can happen to you that does not demonstrate the love of God, yes, even the bad things.

Through even bad things God's love is immutable. God didn't spare his son and it was our sin that put him on the cross and in the grave. But it was God's love that caused the resurrection and gives us salvation and offers us hope.

This reminds me of a funny story.

The captain on the bridge of a large naval vessel saw a light ahead on a collision course. He signaled, "Alter your course ten degrees south." The reply came back, "Alter your course ten degrees north."

The captain then signaled, "Alter your course ten degrees south. I am a captain." The reply: "Alter your course 10 degrees north. I am a seaman third-class."

The furious captain signaled, "Alter your course ten degrees south. I am a battleship." The reply: "Alter your course ten degrees north. I am a lighthouse."

Whose the captain of your ship and whose the owner of the lighthouse in your life? I'd say you had better change course because God's love has never changed.

See you Sunday,

Pastor Cameron

Please give a warm FCC welcome to our new members Hope Kinch, Brandon Rutledge, and Damon & Jackie Patton.

The *Journey* is published on the first and third Tuesday of the month. The **deadline** for *Journey* submissions is **9:00 a.m. Thursday, October 31.** Email to: publisher@fcc-hsv.org

COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN NOVEMBER FIRST STOP, INC.

"First Stop encounters the homeless where they are, connects them to critical services and support, and empowers them toward independent sustainable living." (firststop.org)

In 2001, First Stop was formed through the efforts of the City of Huntsville and the Interfaith Mission Service to serve the homeless population with compassion, respect, and excellence. In 2008 it was incorporated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and in 2023 opened a new facility on Stokes Ave.

First Stop partners with the City of Huntsville and other local agencies to offer case management, medical care, mental health care, and other services to the homeless community. Please give generously with a note in the memo line for "First Stop" by check or through PayPal on our website at fcc-hsv.org/who-we-are/how-to-give. Please go to firststop.org for more info and to learn about hands-on opportunities to serve with First Stop.

Thank you!

CONDOLENCES to the family of Peggy Sington who passed on October 15th.

REGIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

First Christian Church, Montgomery, AL First Christian Church, Florence, AL



THE FOOD BASKETS are given in honor of Stan & Audrey Ball's anniversary by Matt & Karen Ball and in honor of Hazel Michelle Green's birthday by Rick

& Kay Shrout

ATTENDANCE

Oct. 6: Worship Service: 85

Small Groups (During week & Sunday): 45

Oct. 13: Worship Service: 98

Small Groups (During week & Sunday): 74

Oct. 20: Worship Service: 70

Small Groups (During week & Sunday): NR

Hello church family!

October is here and so it's time to prepare for one of FCC-HSV's most fun community events. *Trunk* or *Treat* will be **Sunday**, **October**



27th from 5-7pm. We need candy and other food items donated, as well as people to decorate and man trunks! You may sign up in the Narthex or email Alyssa@fcchsv.org or online at Sign Up Genius.



HUNTSVILLE LEARNING CENTER OCTOBER FUNDRAISER

For the month of October, the Community Outreach ministry is collecting donations to benefit the Huntsville Learning Center.

Huntsville Learning Center (HLC) is a faith-based non-profit after-school program that helps students from impoverished and underserved communities. HLC has been ministering to schoolage children (K-8th) and their families since 2005. In 2023, they moved to larger facilities on Kavanaugh Drive in Northwest Huntsville and introduced 9th-grade classes. The Learning Center plans to add another grade level each year, with programs for students Kindergarten through 12th grade by the fall of 2026. The Learning Center also holds Summer Camp and other community programs such as parent education opportunities. You can learn more at www.hsvlc.org.

HLC envisions a future where all children, including those from marginalized communities, are inspired to become confident, compassionate, and successful individuals who positively impact our world. They believe that every individual is one of God's creations and deserves the opportunity to reach their full potential. HLC is committed to helping them do just that!

Throughout October, you can note "Huntsville Learning Center" or "HLC" on your check or <u>Church Paypal</u> account for any amount, whatever your preferred method of donating to Huntsville First Christian Church.

Please give generously.

Hello Church Family!

The youth group is collecting disinfecting wipes and tissues for Whitesburg School. A bin for collection will be in the Narthex labeled "Healthy Students." Thank you for your generosity in this endeavor!

FCC-Youth and Pastor Alyssa

HURRICANE RELIEF - THANK YOU!

Because of the generosity of this congregation, we are able to send \$4900 to Week of Compassion (Disciples of Christ relief mission fund) designated for relief and recovery following recent hurricanes Helene and Milton. Week of Compassion is in close communication with Disciples' Regional leadership and pastors and with established partners in the impacted areas. You can learn more at www.weekofcompassion.org/stories/helene-milton-update. Your donations and prayers are making a difference!

THANK FOR CARING!

Through your support of the Community Outreach project for September, \$672 was divided between Enable and the DHR Adult Services Unit to be used to help the needy older adults in our area. Both agencies appreciate the concern that FCC has shown for this underserved population through the years. You are making a difference!

Thank you.

Weekly prayer concerns are published in the Sunday bulletins. Send your requests to publisher@fcc-hsv.org or call the church office at 256-881-0150. Please notify the Pastors or the church office if you are going to the hospital and would like to be contacted

BABY SPRINKLE!



Please join us in celebrating the upcoming birth of Baby Boy Herron! We will celebrate with a reception following service on November 17th. We are so excited for this new addition to our church family.

The family has provided a registry of a few items that will help make the arrival of Baby Herron a little easier, and said, Costco gift cards would also be appreciated to help off set diaper costs! www.target.com/gift-registry/gift-giver?registryId=8d133ca0-7ddc-11ef-a230-f70b691a90a8&type=BABY

Much Love, The Young Adults

HABITAT HOUSE UPDATE

Our Habitat home is almost complete. The electricity has now been connected and the walkthrough is scheduled for Thursday, October 24. Soon after that we will be able to complete the punch list, install the appliances, and schedule the dedication.

Bob Senn, Mr. Habitat for FCC

The 2024 sign up chart for **FOOD BASKETS** is available. **You may contact the office at 256-881-0150 or publish-**

er@fcc-hsv.org to select a Sunday to remember or honor a friend, loved one, anniversary, birthday, or other special occasion. Donations are \$25.00 and go to Community Outreach. Make checks payable to First Christian Church and Food Basket on the notation line. You may also make your payment through PayPal on our website at fcc-hsv.org/who-we-are/how-to-give

