

## MID-WEEK @ WOODMONT

Wednesdays at 5:30pm



Join us for Midweek at Woodmont on Wednesday Nights  
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Join us for Midweek activities on Wednesday evenings! Take a look at the schedule of events below. Our final Midweek is May 15.

### Schedule:

- 5:30-6:15** Fellowship Meal
- 6:15-6:30** Prayer in Fellowship Hall
- 6:15-6:45** Kids Choir
- 6:15-7:30** Youth Activities
- 6:30-7:30** Adult Bible Study
- 6:30-7:30** Family Discipleship Class
- 6:45-7:30** Kids Activities (until 7:45 for choir kids)
- 6:45-7:45** Adult Choir Practice

### Meal Cost:

- \$10 per adult/\$5 per child
- 2 and under - free
- College Students - free
- \$30 family max

## FRONTRUNNERS' MAY BIRTHDAYS

- Catherine Grice
- Tina Sharp
- Jim Steinhouse
- Barbara McCall
- Imogene Simmons
- Ed Fulcher

## PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### Continuing Concerns:

- Myrtice Owens
- Cheryl Gentry
- Gene Aldridge
- Dorise Haynes
- Nan Teeter
- Sandy Hicks

## APRIL GIVING

DURING THE WEEK OF:	4/7	4/14	4/21
<b>Weekly Receipts</b>	\$21,608	\$34,621	\$17,366
<b>Year to Date Receipts</b>	\$21,608	\$56,229	\$73,595
<b>Year to Date Budget</b>	\$22,200	\$44,400	\$66,600



## WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDIES

### Sundays

- 9:15 a.m. Morning Bible Studies, Preschool/Children Activities
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

## OUR STAFF

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## CONNECTING

### General Information

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**Facebook:** [facebook.com/wbcnashville](https://facebook.com/wbcnashville)

**Weekly eNews:** To receive our eNews, sign up on our website or email Lil Cook.

**Text Alerts:** Text "wbctextalerts" to 781-728-9542 to receive emergency info from us about church closings due to inclement weather.

### Woodmont's Live TV Broadcast

Sundays, 10:30 a.m. on MYTV30 (Comcast Channel 14)

**Live streaming on Facebook and on our website! You can also view our past services online on our website.**

# The Woodmont Herald

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## May Series: "Kingdom Citizens: Thriving Under the Good King's Rule"



**Nathan Parker**  
Senior Pastor

It is difficult for most of us red-blooded Americans to imagine living under a king's rule as a good thing. We are the country, after all, who sent ol' King George III a message back in the 1770s – "no taxation without representation!" When he did not agree to our terms, we fought and won our independence from the British kingdom and established a representative democracy of our own. It's hard to shake the negative connotations that many of us associate with a monarchy of any kind.

But what if you lived in a kingdom where the king was not only powerful but benevolent, kind, brave, and selfless? Remember at the end of Robin Hood, when the good king Richard the Lionheart returns to England from the crusades? All the corruption, all the political strife and turmoil was laid to rest by the king's victorious arrival. Robin can rest knowing that his beloved country is finally in good hands.

Fictional writings are full of good kings - Arthur, Aragorn, Aslan – they all demonstrate a longing for a ruler who would wield their authority to bring justice, keep peace and order, and allow for flourishing. Perhaps this desire is hardwired into us as humans. At worst, it shows up in our selfish desire for a worldly, political "strongman." But at its best, our inherent desire for a good authority leads us to lay down our lives for the One who is able to bring us into an eternal Kingdom (see Col. 1:13 and 2 Pet. 1:11).

This month we will continue in our series in Mark's gospel as we see how Jesus

**THRIVING UNDER THE GOOD KING'S AUTHORITY**  
**KINGDOM CITIZENS**  
MAY SERIES

May 5	"Tax Collectors and Sinners"
May 12	"A Great Crowd Followed"
May 19	"Who Are My Mother and My Brothers?"
May 26	"The Secret of the Kingdom of God"

delineates between his kingdom and our fallen world. Jesus tells us "My kingdom is not of this world" (John 18:36). Jesus' ways are God's ways, and they are infinitely higher and better than the ways of this world (Isa. 55:8-9). Jesus' kingdom continues to surprise us by subverting the conventional wisdom of our world. In Mark 2, we will see Jesus clashing with the leading religious leaders of his day. Then

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### Nerf Wars

Wednesday, May 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Kids Ministry, may the force be with you! Get your Star Wars costumes ready to battle because it's time for Nerf Wars on May 8 at 6:30 p.m.



### Youth Summer Events

Summer is just around the corner, so mark your calendars for a couple upcoming events!

On Wednesday, May 15, join us for our Summer Kick-Off at 6:30 p.m.

On Sunday, May 26, members of the youth ministry and their families are invited to join us at Jason's Deli after the morning service to enjoy a good meal and a time of fellowship.

Contact Beth Howe if you have any questions about either event, and check out the Youth page of Woodmont's website for more upcoming opportunities.



### POW-WOW Lunch

Monday, May 6 at 11 a.m.

Please join us at Jim N' Nick's on Charlotte Pike on Monday, May 6. The bus will leave Woodmont at 11 a.m.



### Celebrate Recovery

Mondays, 7 p.m. in the youth area

This program is designed to help those struggling with hurts, hang-ups, and habits. Get more information here: [woodmontbaptist.com/celebraterecovery](http://woodmontbaptist.com/celebraterecovery).

### Continued from Pastor Nathan ...

in chapter 3, Jesus begins to answer the question, "What makes someone an outsider to or an insider in God's kingdom?" through his interactions with his family, the crowds, and his disciples.

Finally, in chapter 4, we will begin to hear Jesus teach parables that illustrate his kingdom more clearly for us. My prayer is that throughout the month of May, we will all be able to more fully pledge our allegiance to Jesus and to his kingdom, forsaking the inferior ways of our fallen world for a kingdom in which we will one day reign alongside of our Lord and Savior and King.

Grace and peace,



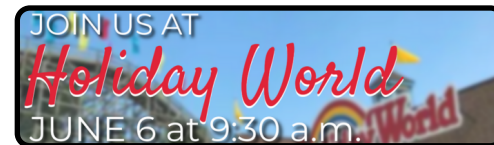
### Save the Date

May 22 at 11:30 a.m.

Join us for a \$10 catered lunch by Laura Grigsby and a program presented by Chuck Sherrill on Wednesday, May 22, at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall!

"The History of Nashville Through Maps" traces the development of the frontier town of Nashville through its development into today's metropolis. Using both historical maps and modern digital technology, see how both the downtown area and suburban neighborhoods developed.

Let Lil Cook know you are coming by Sunday, May 19. We hope to see you there!



### Join Us at Holiday World!

We are now taking RSVPs for the Holiday World Family Day trip coming up on Thursday, June 6! The first families to email Rachel Gregory will receive free tickets until we run out. Even after the free tickets are claimed, families are still more than welcome to purchase tickets on their own! The group will meet at the Holiday World entrance Thursday morning, June 6, at 9:30 a.m. We will distribute the free tickets and get a group photo before entering the park at 10 a.m.

**Come Work with Woodmont!**  
Woodmont is looking for a Student Ministry Intern! If you or anyone you know is interested in applying, talk to Minister of Students and Discipleship Beth Howe.

### Celebrating Our Graduates!

Congratulations graduates! We are very proud of each of you, and we will be praying as you step into this new season of life as an adult and new adventures. We celebrate you and this great accomplishment, and know that we as your church are here cheering for you and praying for you to live with passion for God's Word, live life with humanity putting other's needs before your own, and live life with purpose.

- Beth Howe, Minister of Students & Discipleship



Nathaniel Morelock is graduating from Franklin Christian Academy and will be attending Middle Tennessee State University, where he will be studying finance.



Abigail Morelock is graduating from Lipscomb University with a Bachelor of Arts in English.



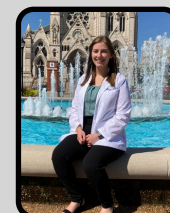
James Roberts is graduating from Classical Conversations and will be attending the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where he will be pursuing a degree in physics.



Halle Bonner is graduating with her undergraduate degree in psychology and will be attending Vanderbilt University, where she will be working toward a Masters in Child Studies.



Jackson Fleming is graduating from the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, and will be a youth leader at First Presbyterian Church.



Melanie Voehler is graduating from Saint Louis University in Saint Louis and will earn her doctorate in physical therapy.



### SBC Annual Meeting

June 9-12, 2024

The annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention is this June 9-12 in Indianapolis. Woodmont is eligible to send up to 12 messengers. Please let the church office know if you would like to represent our church at this gathering.



### Deacon Ordination

Sunday, May 5 at 5 p.m.

We will be ordaining one of our new deacons, Kristi Newton, in the sanctuary on Sunday, May 5. At 5 p.m. In this special service, Kristi will share her testimony and receive prayer as she is ordained as a deacon at Woodmont.



### Men's Breakfast

May 11 at 8 a.m.

Men of all ages are invited to join us for a morning of prayer and fellowship on Saturday, May 11. Meet us in the fellowship hall at 8 a.m. for good food and to hear a devotional. The cost is \$7 per person.



### IN THE MONTH OF MAY...

- 5/5 Graduate Recognition (Sun., 10:30 a.m.)
- 5/5 Kids Min Volunteer Lunch (Sun., 12 p.m.)
- 5/5 Deacon Ordination (Sun., 5 p.m.)
- 5/6 POW-WOW Lunch (Mon., 11:15 a.m.)
- 5/8 Kids Min Nerf Wars (Wed., 6:30 p.m.)
- 5/11 Men's Breakfast (Sat., 8 a.m.)
- 5/12 Mother's Day (Sunday)
- 5/15 Youth Summer Kickoff (Wed., 6:30 p.m.)
- 5/22 History of Nashville (Wed., 11:30 a.m.)
- 5/26 Youth Family Lunch (Sun., 12 p.m.)