



COMMUNITY CHURCH AT TELlico VILLAGE



**MAY
2025**

*Cultivating
believers, disciples,
and servants
to transform our
community and
world for
Christ.*

Let the Little Children Come to Jesus

The Community Church at Tellico Village (CCTV) seeks to be a church that cultivates believers, disciples, and servants who transform our community and world for Christ. We strive to have mission outreach efforts that serve everyone in our community – the hungry, the needy, those who need assistance with everyday living, the lonely, the grieving, and those who want to deepen their faith life. CCTV desires to reach into the community to share the Gospel with those who may not have a relationship with Jesus Christ. Children are our future, and we want to support faith development in the youngest among us.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14 (NIV)

For that reason, the CCTV Mission Team would like to announce an exciting new opportunity to partner with Central United Methodist Church to host "Camp in the Community" (CITC) during the week of July 7–11.

CITC partners with a host church in an impoverished community for the purpose of sharing the Gospel in a tangible way and developing lasting relationships between the community and the church. In addition to reaching children in poverty, the program works with area youth to develop them as leaders in the

church. Youth volunteers receive leadership and childcare training and serve as assistant counselors.

Central UMC is located in Lenoir City. It serves Loudon County students enrolled in Eaton, Highland Park, and North Middle Schools as well as students in the Lenoir City area. This will be the third summer that Central UMC has hosted this faith-based "day camp" for disadvantaged/low-income children, ages 5 – 14. They have a significant need this year for additional volunteers to serve as group assistants and to help with set-up and clean up each day. This is an opportunity for our CCTV family to step in to help invest in the lives of these children and youth.



Love to work with kids? Want to share Jesus? Love camp games and crafts?

games and crafts?

Join us for an interest meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 3pm in Rooms 1 A/B to learn more about volunteering to serve with this important, hands-on mission outreach project. We'll be looking for CCTV members who are willing to serve one or more time periods, or provide set-up and clean-up assistance.

We hope you will consider joining us for this missional endeavor!

CCTV Mission Team

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MISSION OUTREACH



CCTV Scholarship Program

Since its beginning in 1992, one scholarship is given each year to a graduating senior at **Greenback School, Lenoir City High, Loudon High, and Sequoyah High**. This year, our team interviewed twenty excellent students and, after prayerful discernment, determined who would receive this financial award worth \$11,000 over the next four years. Representatives from CCTV will award the CCTV scholarship at each school's senior night. Thanks go to our Scholarship Sub Team – Linda Giffen, Duane Gregg, Bonnie Ingraham, Sue Jackson, Lois Lucas, Janis Solack, and Tricia Waldron for their work with this important part of CCTV's mission outreach.

Be sure to come and meet our newest scholarship recipients, along with our continuing recipients during **Scholarship Sunday** on May 18 in the 10:30 worship service.

Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2 (NIV)

CCTV Mission Outreach continues to expand our church family's efforts to serve our community, our region, and around the world by sharing our time, talents, and resources to address the "burdens" of a hurting world. Together with our Mission Partners, we are working to "cultivate believers, disciples, and servants to transform our community and world for Christ." Thank you for supporting these efforts!

Easter Offering Update

Through your generous gifts, CCTV is able to provide \$10,400 for the emergency assistance programs of the Good Samaritan Center and the Good Shepherd Center to help those in need in Loudon County and Monroe County.

Thank you for your generosity!



easter
OFFERING

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OFFERING RESULT: \$10,400

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOOD PANTRY

THURSDAY | MAY 22
Cornerstone Church of God
12813 Kingston Pike | Knoxville

SATURDAY | MAY 24
Mobile Pantry | Claiborne County

Email mission@tellicochurch.org for more info.
Hosted by Compassion Ministries, a CCTV Mission Partner



CCTV will be part of the volunteer workforce that will help build the first home in the new Hilltop Hideaway community. STAY TUNED.... It is anticipated that construction on the first home – the "Apostle Build" – will begin in mid-summer. There will be lots of volunteer opportunities from construction to preparing lunches, so watch for news updates in the coming weeks!

What skills and abilities could you bring to CCTV Missions Outreach?

Let us know how YOU might like to serve by completing the online Mission Interest Form (tellicochurch.com/missions).

MISSION OUTREACH



Volunteer Service Opportunities

Love to work with kids? Want to share Jesus? Love camp games and crafts? CCTV mission outreach will partner with Central United Methodist Church in Lenoir City to host **Camp in the Community** (CITC; www.campinthecommunity.org) during the week of July 7–11, 2025. This will be a faith-based “day camp” for disadvantaged/low-income children, ages 5–14, from the Lenoir City area. Volunteers will be needed to serve as group assistants and to help with setup and cleanup each day. **Watch for more information about how YOU can help with this mission outreach effort!**



CCTV Mission Partner Updates

KAIROS

CCTV helped to prepare 3,000 dozen cookies that were given to inmates during the recent Kairos weekend event at the Morgan County Correctional Complex in Wartburg, TN. Brent Thompson, Roger Forsyth, Ken Kinzler, Errol Keith, Ed Solack represented CCTV as volunteer facilitators for the weekend. In addition to these 4-day weekend experiences held in the spring and fall each year, Kairos volunteers meet with the residents for a worship service reunion on the 4th Saturday of each month and join them for a prayer and share session on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Meeting regularly helps to foster community and support within the walls of Morgan County Correctional Complex. Thank you to all who baked cookies and donated to this ministry!

DISASTER RECOVERY

CCTV partnered with Holston Habitat for Humanity to travel to Fender’s Farm, Jonesborough, TN to help repair a home that was severely damaged in the recent Hurricane Helene flooding. Our CCTV mission team consisted of 13 workers who primed and painted interior walls, doors, and trim, removed exterior siding, repaired structural damage, and replaced vinyl siding. Thanks to Brock Benn, David Brunson, Dave Cropper, Kevin Flanagan, Ron Franzen, Gary Giffen, Duane Gregg, Jim Kern, Randy Neuhaus, Jerry Noeth, Phil Roles, and Phil Weis for volunteering their time and talents to help the family with these repairs.

THANK YOU to all of our church family for your contributions to Disaster Relief. Because of your generous gifts, we plan to continue to assist with disaster recovery by taking another mission team to upper East Tennessee in the fall. **STAY TUNED** for more information about our next mission trip!

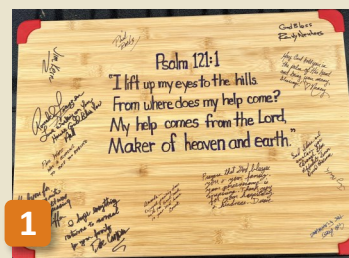


Photo 1 - The mission team presented the homeowners with a cutting board signed with encouraging messages to serve as a reminder that God loves them and CCTV will continue to pray for them. **Photo 2** - The CCTV Disaster Recovery Mission Team that served in Jonesborough, TN. **Photo 3** - The exterior crew removed vinyl siding damaged by the 8-foot flood waters that rose from the Nolichucky River at the back of the home. **Photo 4** - The team worked tirelessly on both the interior and the exterior of the home

Summer Bible Studies

Start your summer off with a Bible study! These opportunities are listed below. You may sign up in the narthex on May 18 or 25 or by calling the church office.



"More Amazing Women of the Bible" with Deb Thompson

Who: Women

What: A lecture-based study of prominent women from scripture

Where: Rooms 1A/B (Sunday School Room)

When: (4 sessions) Wednesdays 10-11am, June 4-25

"More Amazing Women DEBRIEF" with Gail Hockerman

Who: Women

What: A time to debrief the lecture from "More Amazing Women of the Bible" in a small group setting

Where: Parlor

When: (4 sessions) Wednesdays 11am-12pm, June 4-25

"10 Men of the Bible" with Ken Kinzler & Bill Barbour

Who: Men

What: A small group discussion on 10 prominent men in scripture and their stories; a study guide will be included

Where: Rooms 2A/B

When: (9 sessions) Tuesdays 4:00-5:15pm, June 3-July 29

"The Younger Crowd Sermon Recap"

Who: Co-ed of Late Career and Early Retirement

What: A space to fellowship, share prayer requests, enjoy refreshments, and debrief the Sunday sermon and scripture

Where: Tellico Joe

When: (4 sessions) Mondays 5:30-6:30pm, June 2 & 16 and July 7 & 21

Endowment Changes

While most of you were just trying to get through winter, the Endowment Team was busy adjusting to changes. We entered 2025 knowing that Donna Barger and Ken Wood were stepping off the Investment Team. Then, in late January we received the sad news of Tom Pekich's passing. Tom was the first person recruited to serve on the Endowment Panel and he was also a natural choice for the Investment Team. With the loss of these experienced team members, we felt it was a good time to look into some changes.



Tom Pekich

Instead of continuing the internal management of the church's investments, we felt it was time to take that burden off our members and look for professional management of our funds. An *ad hoc* team of Ken Wood, prior Investment Team leader; Peggy Welch, Treasurer; and Shauna Oden, Endowment Panel chair, was created to research our options. The recommendation of the team was to contract with The Trust Company, a local, well-respected firm, as our fiduciary. Their experience with over 40 nonprofits and 7 churches made them a natural fit for our needs. They will provide investment advice and help with implementing crucial administrative practices for the church. With the approval of the Finance Team and the Church Council we contracted with The Trust Company at the end of March.

The next change increased the number of Endowment Panel members. Mentioned before, Tom Pekich had been serving on the Endowment Panel since its inception over 10 years ago. In order to allow for people to serve set terms, rotate members, and implement a succession plan that will ensure an appropriate mix of experience, we increased the number of members to six.

The Endowment Panel and Finance Team feel confident that the recent changes we have made will serve our investment management needs well into the future. Thanks to Donna and Ken for their service, and thanks to Tom for leaving a legacy that the Endowment Panel can build on. If you have questions about the endowment, please send an email to soden@tellicochurch.org.

Prayer Chain Ministry



The prayer chain takes its name from its early days when contacts were made by telephone, not email. The leader would receive a request for prayer then telephone others on the chain with the request. Those people would each telephone others and so on until everyone had quickly received the request.

Now the leader of the chain receives the request, usually by email but also by telephone, and quickly emails everyone at once. Members of the prayer chain pray individually and confidentially. The person being prayed for must give permission and the request can be as brief as the person's name or a couple of sentences. The prayers will be made for the rest of that month and the following month unless updates are sent indicating continued need.

Would you like to be a part of this ministry?

There are no meetings! You receive emails and pray in the privacy of your own home.

Are you in need of prayer?

Just contact Jan Elliott (865.458.3604; jjelliott59@charter.net) and the request will go out quickly.



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Finding Joy

By Jeannine Wolf

The spring season that follows the winter season brings hope of new life. Flowers bloom, leaves reappear on trees, grass turns green, the days get longer therefore it stays light longer and the temperature rises to a nice comfortable temperature. With the rebirth of life many find joy.

For those who are grieving or struggling through a difficult time, it may be hard to find joy. It is like the Christmas holidays where everyone is happy but you are not. During the winter where it is cold, dreary and the nights are long seem to fit our mood. Spring however screams happy and joyful.

Depending on how long you are grieving will also play a part on how to find joy. Start small. Just find something that makes you grateful for. It might be not having to drive in the dark at 7pm at night. Finding something you can be grateful or thankful for will help you find joy. It may be small at first and that is ok. There is no time limit. You will start to feel a little bit better and before you know it you'll find something to be joyful about. God will help you too finding that joy.

Stephen Ministry is there also to help you through your situation. Walking with you, supporting you and never judgmental. Just like finding joy, there is no time limit. You pick the pace not us and God does your healing for you in his time not ours. Give one of our Stephen Minister Leaders a call today.

Jan Elliott • Lori York • Jeannine Wolf • Marjorie Stephens



Wishing Well Care & Share

ONGOING COLLECTIONS

Items Accepted:

- Caps and Lids
- Cellphones
- Eyeglasses
- Ink Cartridges
- Postage Stamps
(canceled; leave 1/4" edge)
- Pull Tabs
- Toiletry Items
(new; any size)

Your help is appreciated in the following ways:

- Please put your items in the appropriately labeled baskets. There are two larger plastic bins for caps and lids.
- Please only donate the items that are requested.
There are 3x5 cards in a stand on the top of the Wishing Well that list all of the collections on one side and the specifics for the cap and lid collection on the other side. Feel free to take one home with you as a reminder.
- If you bring your items to church in a bag, please sort the items and place them in the appropriate baskets.
- For those responsible for picking up the donated items for an agency, please clear out the basket(s) on a regular basis. If you are unable to do so, please ask someone to do it in your place.

The Wishing Well Care and Share collection area is located under the grand staircase.

NOTE: The church office will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.



STARTING POINT

learn **about us**

meet **new people**

get **connected**

Sunday, May 4

Following Each Service • Fireside Room



COMMUNITY CHURCH
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Spaghetti Supper

Thursday, May 15 ~ 4:30-6:00pm

Dine-in or Take-out:
\$8/meal



No reservations needed.
Chicken & pasta also available.

Spring Shower for Ira's Place

FRIDAY, MAY 16 | 12-2PM

CLC FELLOWSHIP HALL | LUNCH PROVIDED

Sign up May 4 in the Narthex for the lunch.
Hosted by CCTV Women's Ministry

Happy Mother's Day May 11, 2025



Join us for Scholarship Sunday

SUNDAY MAY 18 10:30

STORIES IN SAMUEL

WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:00AM ♦ ROOMS 1A/B

Strawberry Shortcake Social

THURSDAY, MAY 29 | TELlico JOE | 2PM

RSVP: Lynne MacConnell (310-435-0477)

For single women to assess needs for groups
and activities through the church

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Sign up with the office or in the Narthex on May 18 and 25.

FINANCE NEWS: Get Involved in the Budget Process

Budgeting is a critical aspect of any organization. For those interested in participating in the budget process of our church, there are several ways to get involved and contribute effectively.

- Stay informed - Read the church newsletters, E-news and weekly bulletins in order to stay up to date on current events, initiatives, and important updates.
- Attend team meetings you are interested in - Attending these meetings allows you to contribute your ideas, voice your concerns, and understand the intricacies of our church.
- Get to know your church Council - Engaging with Council members can provide insights into the current budget status, challenges faced, and potential solutions being considered.
- Review the budget package – The budget package contains detailed information about expenditures, revenues, allocations, and financial plans, and it also provides a narrative on the many activities our church is involved in.
- Ask questions - Throughout the year it is crucial to ask questions and seek clarifications regarding the budget. This proactive approach ensures that you are well-prepared for the membership meeting and can contribute meaningfully.
- Attend the membership meeting – Our church government is vested in its members, and as such, the congregation is responsible for its operations and major decisions, including the budget. Membership meetings are your opportunity to vote.

Active participation is beneficial for church members. It fosters a sense of community, accountability, and shared responsibility. By getting involved, members can ensure that their perspectives are considered, and that the budget reflects the collective needs and aspirations of the church community.

Finance team meetings are specifically focused on financial matters such as the finer details of budget allocations, financial strategies, and fiscal policies. Attending finance meetings provides a comprehensive understanding of the church's financial health and budgetary decisions. It is an opportunity to interact with finance team and contribute to sound financial planning.

Our next finance team meeting is scheduled for May 13th. If you are interested in attending, or just have questions for the team, please send an email to accounting@tellicochurch.org. Remember, your participation in the budget process not only enhances transparency but also strengthens the church's financial foundation.

Memorial Gifts

Patricia Eodchick
Charlene Barton

Elaine Hitch
Brock & Nancy Benn
Carol Scott

Warren Parthen
Brock & Nancy Benn
Carol Scott

Tom Pekich
Ted & Joan Newton

Roger Powell
Charlene Barton

Jan Schmidt
Euleta Jeffrey

Church Meeting Information

Church Council and Team Meetings are open to all. Listings of meetings can be found in the weekly Church Family News, the Church Website, or The Shelby Membership Calendar.

Summer Newsletters

Please be advised that the June and July newsletters will be a combined newsletter as in previous years. **Information for July activities will need to be submitted under the June newsletter deadline of May 20.**

Finance Facts

MARCH YEAR-TO-DATE 2025

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
INCOME	\$660,900	\$568,751
EXPENSES (including mortgage principal)	\$507,950	\$558,456
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$152,950	\$10,295

Mortgage Principal Year-to-Date	\$103,798
Mortgage Interest Year-to-Date	\$12,471
Mortgage Balance	\$1,062,169

Endowment Fund	\$391,837
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4 WAYS TO GIVE



MAIL

SEND YOUR GIFT TO:
130 CHOTA CENTER
LOUDON, TN 37774



DROP OFF

BRING YOUR GIFT TO
THE CHURCH OFFICE
MON - THURS 9-4



SUNDAYS

PLACE YOUR GIFT IN
AN OFFERING PLATE



ONLINE

GIVE ONLINE AT
TELICOCURCH.COM/GIVE



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GENERAL INFO

Worship Services..... 9:00 & 10:30

Watch our livestream (YouTube) each Sunday at 10:30.

Visit our website to watch Sunday's service live.

Sunday School..... 9:00

Find us on Facebook..... facebook.com/tellicochurch

Church Calendar..... tellicochurch.com/events

Want to explore church membership?

Please call the church office for details if you are interested. You may inquire about membership and other spiritual matters.

Pastoral Care

Please contact the church office for your pastoral care needs.

STAFF

Senior Pastor Dr. Stephen B. Prevatte

Pastor of Worship and Music..... Rev. Dr. John Orr

Associate Pastor Rev. Dr. Katie Morgan-Harper

Pastoral Resident Rev. Hannah Perry

Pastor Emeritus Rev. Martin C. Singley, III

Office Manager Pat Ouderkirk

Director of AVL Rex Prather

Director of Communications..... Gregg Randolph

Financial Assistant..... Cathy Bradley

Receptionist/Secretary Candy Smith

Facilities Manager Jeff McDaniel

Kitchen Coordinator..... Victoria McComb

Director of Missions Nancy Gregg

Organist/Accompanist Andrew Duncan

The church office is open Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm and Friday, 9am-noon.

2025 Council Voting Members



(L-R): Chuck Martin, Council Chair
Jim Sandridge, Council Vice-Chair, Chair of Personnel Team
Kaye Sandridge, Chair of Engagement Team
Peggy Welch, Chair of Finance Team



(L-R): Lynne MacConnell - Congregational Care Team Leader
Leslie Shuman, Chair of Trustees
Judy Heard, Chair of Worship & Music Team
Don Lucas, Chair of Mission Team

Spiritual Support

Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Monday at 7pm

Lower CLC

Al-Anon

United Methodist Church - Loudon

Every Tuesday at 7pm

Caregivers Support Group

(Includes Alzheimer's Support Group)

2nd & 4th Tuesday of month, 1pm

Lower CLC

Grief Support Group

Scott & Suzanne Duncan

Guy to Guy

Chuck Hitch

Hospitalization Support

Call the church office

Parkinson's Support Group

1st Thursday of month, 1pm

Lower CLC

Kathy Milam, Peggy Crowder

Pastoral Counseling

Rev. Dr. Stephen Prevatte

Prayer Chain

Jan Elliott

Prayer Shawls

Knitters & Crocheters

2nd Monday of month, 11am

Conference Room

Jan Martin

Stephen Ministry

Jan Elliott, Marjorie Stephens,

Jeannine Wolf, Lori York

*For more information please contact
the church office (865-458-1516).*