



COMMUNITY CHURCH AT TELlico VILLAGE



**SEPTEMBER
2026**

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

Dear Church Family,

It's an exciting time at the Community Church! In the coming months, we will begin two concurrent emphases.

1. A 3-year capital campaign, which we have titled "Cultivate" and
2. Our 2027 stewardship campaign.

Our annual stewardship emphasis will begin in November, and I hope that, as in prior years, each of you will prayerfully consider your contribution to our church family's operating budget. In addition, as we plan for our future and begin the upcoming capital campaign, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude to each of you. Thank you for joining us at the "Sharing our Vision" events we held a few months ago, offering your thoughts in interviews, and completing the congregational surveys. Just like our faithful church pioneers, your involvement has been invaluable.

After receiving your input, we crafted a list that reflects our collective vision. With your insight, we've identified four key priorities that resonate with you: eliminating debt, funding maintenance reserves, renovating our spaces, and upgrading our technology. To complete these tasks, our campaign goal is \$3,851,000. These goals are not just dreams; they are within our reach.

In Psalm 127:1, we are reminded, *"Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain."* As we prepare to launch "Cultivate," let us first seek God's guidance and wisdom. I invite you to begin praying earnestly about how you might engage in both our stewardship and capital campaigns. To center our collective petition before God, I offer you the following prayer to use during your prayer time:

Gracious God, thank you for my church. Thank you for the way Community Church has impacted our community and shown your love. As we embark on this season help me to reflect:

- *How am I to respond?*
- *What do you want to do through me?*

As you reveal yourself to me, may I approach this season with an open heart, trusting that you will lead our church family in fulfilling your purposes for us. Amen.

In the coming weeks, we will share more information about the campaign and offer you an opportunity to attend an in-home gathering to learn more about the campaign. Shauna Oden (our campaign chair), other team members, and I will be here to answer any questions you may have and keep you updated. I'm filled with anticipation for what lies ahead for our church community during this pivotal time. Together, let's pray for guidance and direction as we take these bold steps forward, trusting in God's provision and plan.

Blessings,

Pastor Steve

Senior Pastor



FALL BIBLE STUDIES

First Look

Led by Tricia Waldron - Starts October 8

Disagreeing Gracefully

Led by Kelli Prevatte - Starts September 23

Living the Beatitudes (Men)

Led by Brian Mulliner - Starts September 23

Visio Divina

Led by Pastor Katie - Starts September 29

Mind, Body, Spirit, Space (Women)

Led by Pastor Katie - Starts October 7

Sign up in the Narthex or through the church office.



FALL BIBLE STUDIES

Several opportunities are available this fall to join a Bible study with various topics and schedules. To view full descriptions of each study and find out the length of each study, scan the QR code on the graphic to the left with your mobile device or visit the church website (tellicochurch.com/biblestudies).

We look forward to connecting with you in one of these upcoming studies.

Your Trustees in Action

As part of the annual planning efforts of the Trustee team, input is solicited from the pastors and staff to identify areas of the facility that are in need of updating due to normal wear and tear. Funds for these projects can come from multiple sources: the annual operating budget, memorials, endowment grants or designated gifts. In recent years, these funds have been used for items like the new Narthex carpet, seat cushions in the Founders Chapel and a new audio console for the Sanctuary. Maintenance reserve funds are generally not used for facility updating but are used for more major building capital repair needs - recently for the Sanctuary roof, geothermal system upgrades, replacing the Christian Life Center (CLC) siding and exterior painting of the main building.

In 2026, we are using a combination of Operating funds and Memorial gifts to update the lower level of the CLC. You will see fresh paint in the hallway and classrooms as well as new flooring installed by early September in that area. In addition to this area, we are also able to update the Puckett House conference room thanks to a combination of designated gifts and general memorial funds. This update will support the need for improved teleconference capability when conducting meetings with vendors, staff meetings and training activities. This work is just getting underway with an expected completion date of late third quarter.

The final update project being undertaken in 2026 will be an update to the parlor. Funds for this have been received from general memorials as well as a 2026 grant from the CCTV endowment. The Trustees submitted a written request for funds toward this project as updating this space is a high priority for the pastoral staff for its use as a quiet space for families before and during funeral services. This project is just in the initial planning stages and will hopefully be completed before the end of 2026 or early 2027.

Please keep an eye out for these "updates" to our facilities that enable the diverse ministries that make CCTV such a special place to grow in faith and community together.



MISSION OUTREACH



CCTV Scholarship Spotlight



In addition to the financial support we provide for students, we also want to encourage them through our prayers. Beginning this month, each CCTV newsletter will feature one of our CCTV scholars so that we may pray for them specifically. Our first "spotlight" focuses on Dillon Handshey, a 2023 graduate of Loudon High School, who is beginning his senior year at Milligan University. He is majoring in exercise science and, in addition to his classes, he assists with training campus athletes. After completing his degree at Milligan, Dillon hopes to attend graduate school to become a certified physical therapist.

Dillon had an exciting summer working on a salmon fishing boat off the coast of Alaska. He is pictured here with a whale vertebrae found during his adventures this summer. Please pray for Dillon and our other scholars as they begin this academic year.

For more information about the CCTV Scholarship Program, email Nancy at mission@tellicochurch.org.



Loudon County Habitat Update

After much anticipation, construction was begun on the Apostle Build in Hilltop Hideaway, the new Habitat neighborhood on Carding Machine Road in Loudon. CCTV is one of 12 churches that are working to build the first home there. Additionally, CCTV is sponsoring our own home build as part of the first homes to be built in this new neighborhood. If you would be willing to work on this project, we have all kinds of opportunities for service!

TO VOLUNTEER, YOU MUST REGISTER WITH LOUDON COUNTY HABITAT

- Shift availability for volunteers start September 2 for framing and rafters.
- Visit volunteer.bloomerang.co/IE/vfzvrjeic20u87
- Select CCTV as your "role" during registration.
- Then choose your shift at:
volunteer.bloomerang.co/volunteer/#/shift-selection?k=vfzvrjeic20u87
- Once all spots are filled, additional volunteers can join the waitlist.
- Waitlisted volunteers should NOT show up for a shift unless they receive a confirmation email from Amanda Frangau, Habitat Volunteer Coordinator, that they have been moved off the waitlist and are officially scheduled.
- For more information about the construction tasks, email Jim Kern (jimkern43@gmail.com).

TO HELP FIX AND DELIVER LUNCHES TO OUR CCTV HABITAT WORKERS:

- Contact Patty Pridemore (pattypridemore@bellsouth.net) or Nancy Gregg (mission@tellicochurch.org).



The slab is poured, and everything is laid out for "wall day" to begin construction on the first house. Two additional homesites are soon to begin, including the CCTV sponsored homesite.

"Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:58

Volunteer Service Opportunities



SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK

Many of our CCTV mission partners receive food from Second Harvest that is distributed to those in need across the East Tennessee area. CCTV Mission Outreach has scheduled two workdays for both men and women to work in the warehouse in Maryville.

Wednesday, September 30 – 9am-Noon, followed by lunch at Smoky Mountain Brewery
Wednesday, October 28 – 9am-Noon, followed by lunch at Olive Garden in Alcoa



KAIROS MINISTRIES with MEN & WOMEN

On Sunday, September 13 we will have Mission Minute to share upcoming volunteer opportunities for outreach with Kairos Men (inside) and Kairos Women (inside and outside). CCTV Women's Ministry will be introducing new opportunities for service in partnership with Kairos Women (outside). Please be in prayer for these new outreach initiatives.



COMPASSION MINISTRIES FOOD BANK

Volunteers are needed to help distribute food at Compassion's First Baptist Church (FBC) location at 2085 Simpson Rd East, Lenoir City.

Thursday, September 10 – Local pantry at First Baptist Church (Lenoir City)
Saturday, September 12 – Mobile food pantry in Newport, TN
Thursday, September 24 – Local pantry at First Baptist Church (Lenoir City)

If you are interested in serving, contact Jerry Perata (calscreenguy@gmail.com) or Nancy Gregg (mission@tellicochurch.org).

CCTV Mission Fair - September 27

CCTV MISSION FAIR on Sunday, September 27 from 9:30am-noon. This will be a showcase of our mission partners, their ministries, and opportunities for volunteer service. It's always an informative and energizing day – make plans to be there to learn more about CCTV's mission outreach activities and how you can be a part of them! Our 2026 CCTV Mission Partners include:

Camp in the Community	Good Samaritan Center
CCTV Scholarship Program	Good Shepherd Center
Child Advocacy Center (CAC)	Iva's Place
Church World Services	Kairos - Men (Inside)
Compassion Ministries	Kairos - Women (Inside & Outside)

Lenoir City Schools Family Resource Center
Loudon County Habitat for Humanity
Loudon County Schools Family Resource Center
Orange Feather Education Foundation (Ghana)
Smoky Mt. Service Dogs
Young Life (Loudon)

Men's Ministry Kickoff Bonfire

MEN'S MINISTRY KICKOFF BONFIRE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - 5:30PM



SPECIAL GUEST:
TOM TURCHETTA

LOCATION: LOUDON, TN

COST: \$10/PERSON

SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX OR CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Join us on a local farm for roasting hot dogs and marshmallows in a fall kickoff event for CCTV men! This is also the date for the Tennessee vs Georgia Tech football game (7pm) at Georgia, so we'll have a TV ready for you to cheer on the Vols! Come join us for a "roaring good time!"

SPECIAL GUEST: Tom Turchetta was a two-year starting guard at the University of Miami (1970-71), co-captain of the team his senior year in '71. Prior to Miami, attended Taft (Calif.) Junior College and earned JUCO All-American honors. He spent more than 30 years coaching at the college level, including stints at Kentucky, Temple, Memphis, University of Texas-El Paso, Wyoming, and five years as an assistant at Pitt under legendary Coach Johnny Majors.

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

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



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

God and Dog

By Jeannine Wolf

My husband and I have had dogs, and even a cat, at one time during our married life. Some have been personal pets and others were service dogs in training. We have found, like many of you, that having a pet in your life enriches everything. Studies have shown that pets contribute to our overall well-being ensuring a better life with purpose and joy. After we turned in our last service dog, Steve and I were a little lonely. We stumbled across the following plaque on "Lessons We Learn from a Dog," and I just had to have it.

*Love Unconditionally
Be Loyal • Take a Nap
Have a Happy Attitude
Play is Good • Show Affection
Learn New Tricks, No Matter What Your Age
Delight In The Simple • Always Be Faithful
Protect Those You Love*

Pets enthusiastically show us great love and affection upon our return no matter how long we've been gone - whether a grocery store trip or cruise!! They accept us as we are, listen to our woes giving us their undivided attention with no judgement (and giving no advice). It is interesting to note that in many ways God does the same for us (and what a coincidence that 'God' spelled backwards is 'Dog'). And while we may receive great comfort and joy from our pets, sometimes we just need another human to care for us. A Stephen Minister can be that person for you being your ardent supporter and a compassionate listener. Please reach out to one of our Stephen Minister leaders or call the church office. We would love to provide that special caring.

Jan Elliott • Lori York • Jeannine Wolf • Marjorie Stephens

Congregational Care Updates

- Stephen Ministry commissioned nine new members that were sent to put their training to use this winter/spring.
- Twelve new Congregational Care Ministry slots were filled during the Ministry Fair on March 15. Prayer Shawl, Cookie Ministry, Bereavement Team, Soup Ministry and the Prayer Chain were the recipients of these new volunteers.
- The Prayer Shawl ladies were pleased to have received donated yarn and pre-made shawls this spring.
- A new support group, Love Without Limits, was started on June 11. LWL is a confidential circle for parents of adult children/grandchildren to share, listen and support one another in a spirit of love, faith and understanding. Attendees have shared and formed bonds with those who are going through similar difficulties.
- Another new support group will be starting in September, Cancer Support. Be looking for details.
- Grief Share held a program titled Living Without Mom around Mother's Day to benefit those grieving the loss of their mother.
- In June, the Homebound Outreach ministry delivered 34 loaves of volunteer baked sweet breads to our homebound congregational members. Thirteen volunteer drivers delivered the sweet treats.
- All remaining Congregational Care Ministries continue to fulfill their duties with steadfast commitment and faith that God will lead them to caring for His people.



Wishing Well Care & Share ONGOING COLLECTIONS

Items Accepted:

- Caps and Lids
- Cellphones
- Eyeglasses
- Ink Cartridges
- 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.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Fall Kickoff

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 | 2:00PM
CCTV FELLOWSHIP HALL

PERIOD POVERTY PACKING PARTY
Help us collect and pack feminine hygiene products and learn about period poverty.

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STARTING POINT

learn about us
meet new people
get connected

Sunday, September 13
Following Each Service • Fireside Room

COMMUNITY CHURCH
AT TELlico VILLAGE

tellicochurch.com

Spaghetti Supper

Thursday, September 17 ~ 4:30-6:00pm

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



No reservations needed.
Chicken & pasta also available.



COMMUNITY CHURCH
AT TELlico VILLAGE

Garage Sale

Saturday, September 12 • 8:00am - Noon

BENEFITING:



Loudon County
Habitat
for Humanity®

Community Church
at Tellico Village *Crafters*

Donation Drop-Off: Friday, September 11 • 8:00am - Noon

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED BOTH DAYS
Contact Kathy Blevins (865-250-0671), Patti Thompson (854-629-3157),
or Maureen Collins (315-729-0376) to volunteer.



LIVING IN LOVE: THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:00AM ♦ ROOMS 1A/B
Starting Sunday, September 13




CCTV CONCERT SERIES
2026-27



KNOXVILLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

KNOXVILLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Thursday, October 1 • 7pm • \$10
Tickets available at the church office starting September 10.

An Evening in Paris

A musical journey through the world's most romantic city, including Debussy's *Clair de lune*, Mozart's *Paris Symphony*, and selections from *The Phantom of the Opera*!

Featuring KSO Principal Oboe, Claire Chenette

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
TELLICOCHURCH.COM/GIVE

FINANCE NEWS

Alternative Ways of Giving

WHAT KIND OF ASSETS SHOULD I GIVE?

Appreciated investment property held more than one year, such as publicly traded stocks, mutual fund shares, bonds, and real estate, has tremendous tax advantages.

WHY GIVE GIFTS OTHER THAN CASH?

The tax code is very generous toward this form of giving. Giving the asset to the church and then letting the church sell it eliminates potential capital gains taxes and can increase after-tax proceeds when giving stocks, mutual fund shares, bonds, or real estate.

HOW DOES THE TAX BENEFIT WORK?

- Itemized Deduction: The individual or business is allowed to include 100% of the market value of most such assets as charitable contributions for tax purposes if held more than one year.
- Capital Gains: The transfer of property does not generate a capital gains tax.
- The church, as a tax-exempt entity, will realize the full market value, less transaction costs, at the time of sale without paying capital gains taxes.

HOW DO I GIVE OTHER THAN CASH GIFTS?

- For more information on how to give stocks, mutual fund shares, and bonds, please contact Shauna Oden (soden@tellicochurch.org).
- For specific or confidential questions, you should also contact your financial planner, CPA, or tax expert.

CHARITABLE ROLLOVERS

People aged 70 ½ and over can give through charitable IRA rollovers from traditional or Roth IRAs as part of their Required Minimum Distribution. Up to \$111,000 can be transferred directly to the church and is free from federal income tax (there may also be state income tax savings). Amounts given in this way count toward required IRA minimum withdrawal amounts for the year of the gift.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Shauna Oden (soden@tellicochurch.org) for more information about transferring stocks or other assets to the church.

PLEASE NOTE:

*Any discussion of tax treatment is not intended
and should not be considered as tax advice.*

Consult your personal tax professional for advice on your tax position.

Memorial Gifts



Bill Elmore
Muriel Fawcett
John & Lind Fleming
Charlene Barton

Joan Ewing
Linda Stickler
John & Pamela Stransky
Bob & Diane Mugge

Roger Ver Velde
Larry & Kay Tekker

Thank You

When I saw the beautiful flower arrangement, tears came to my eyes. I felt such love. Thanks again for your thoughtfulness.

Charlene Barton

What a wonderful surprise Sunday afternoon when there was a knock on our door with the delivery of the beautiful altar flowers! Thank you so much. All the prayers and calls have truly made a difference. What a caring and thoughtful church family we have!

Judy Finley

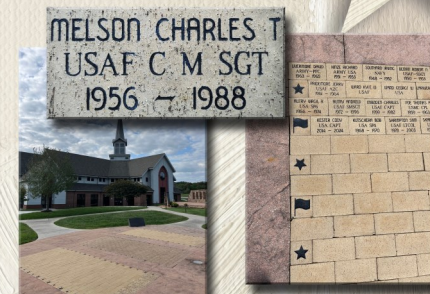
Thank you for the surprise of the beautiful flowers on a Sunday afternoon. What a lift when recovering from surgery. Your compassionate prayers for healing have given me comfort and strength. Thank you very much.

Susan Gates

Veterans Plaza

VETERANS PLAZA

As Veterans Day approaches, purchasing a brick paver will set in stone their service.



Order by September 11 for placement by Veterans Day.
Cost: \$150 Contact: Church Office (865-458-1516)



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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 Resumes September 13 at 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

Associate Pastor Rev. Dr. Matt Agnew

Interim Pastoral Care Pastor..... Rev. Ingrid Schalk

Pastor Emeritus Rev. Martin C. Singley, III

Office Manager Pat Ouderkirk

Technical Director Mark Townsend

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-12pm & 1pm-4pm and Friday, 9am-noon.

2026 Council Voting Members



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



(L-R): Laurie Feise - Congregational Care Team Leader
Leslie Shuman, Chair of Trustees
Judy Heard, Chair of Worship & Music Team
Kevin Flanagan, Chair of Mission Team

Spiritual Support

Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Monday at 7pm
Lower CLC

Al-Anon

Every Monday at 10am
Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall

Every Tuesday at 7pm
United Methodist Church - Loudon

Caregivers Support Group

(Includes Alzheimer's Support Group)
2nd & 4th Tuesday of month, 1pm
Lower CLC - Lynne MacConnell

Grief Support Group

Scott & Suzanne Duncan

Guy to Guy

Dave Lillemon

Hospitalization Support

Contact the church office

Lay Communion Ministry

In-home Communion
Contact the church office

Love Without Limits

2nd Thursday of month, 4pm
Fireside Room
Maurie Fiese

Parkinson's Support Group

1st Thursday of month, 1pm
Lower CLC
Kathy Milam

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).