



Go Tell it On the Mountain!

For Christ Our Savior is Born

Message from the Pastor

Running with Purpose, Slowing Down with Presence

This Advent season, we're called to live with intentional passion—running to those God places on our hearts, just as the father ran to his prodigal son, breaking cultural norms to demonstrate radical grace. But here's the challenge: in a world that says "hurry up," God says "slow down."



We must run to the right things—run to welcome the lost home, run to embrace the hurting, run with unashamed passion for Christ. But when we arrive, we must slow down and be fully present. Put down the distractions. Live in the peace, patience, kindness, and gentleness that comes from the Spirit.

The father didn't just run past his son—he stopped, embraced him, and celebrated with him. This season, run with urgency to those God puts in your path. Then slow down and show them Jesus. That's where real ministry happens—not in the hurry, but in the presence.

The Challenge: Attend church every Sunday during Advent. If we can prioritize worship in the busiest season, we can do it all year. Fight distraction, division, and desensitization by being present at God's table and in our homes—because faith begins not just in the pew, but around our tables.

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." - Ephesians 2:10

Event Information

Christmas Eve Service!

Come celebrate Christmas Eve with us starting at 5:30 PM!

When?

Wednesday, Dec 24, 2025, 05:30 PM

Important Dates in December

- **December 6th** – Church Decorating for Christmas at 9:30 AM. Join us as we prepare our sanctuary for the season!
- **December 7th** – King William Celebration of Song at 6:00 PM at Third Union Baptist Church. Come celebrate the joy of the season in music!
- **December 20th** – Christmas Caroling starting at 3:00 PM. See Renee Mills for details and to sign up.
- **December 21st** – Christmas Service (Youth-Led)! Our youth will lead us in worship as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.
- **December 24th** – Christmas Eve Service at 5:30 PM. Join us for this special candlelight celebration.



CONFIRMATION

2025-2026

We will start confirmation class in January for students in 6th-12th grade!

We will hold confirmation classes starting in January. Please email us if you have a child interested in being part of this program. We will then work on dates and times that work best for the group. The commitment will involve meeting twice a month. The first and third Sundays following our service.

What is a Confirmation Class?

Process:

The process of preparing for confirmation involves classes twice a month, a service project, and spiritual exercises and studies to help individuals deepen their understanding of the Christian faith and their own relationship with God.

What does it mean?

Membership in McKendree:

Through confirmation class, a person becomes a professing member of McKendree Methodist Church. This means they are fully integrated into the life of the church, with the rights and responsibilities of membership, including voting and participation in church activities.

Come and join the Choir! All levels welcome!

Practices are held Thursdays at 5:30 PM - Please reach out to Lynn Barbour with any questions!



Thursday Night Bible Study

Series 1 of Essentials of Faith

What Is a Christian?

6 Week Bible Study

Ask any group what it means to be a Christian, and we will hear different answers. But what unifies us? What are the basic characteristics of our faith that every Christian affirms? In this six-session series, Francis Chan will lead us in an exploration of key concepts common to all Christians through the centuries. No matter what divides us, we are united by these truths about the God we worship and our relationship with him.

Flexible Format: Our study is designed so anyone can join at any time - feel free to come when you're able! Whether you attend every week or drop in occasionally, you'll find meaningful content and warm fellowship.

Starting Date: January 15th

We can't wait to explore Christ together and see you Thursday nights!

Revival in King William!! Led by KWHS FCA Students!



McKendree Church Preschool!!!!

McKendree Church Preschool Set to Open September 2nd



Preschool Director Melissa McConville (right) and Administrative Director Ivey

Please see Full Story on page 14

Ribbon Cutting! MCP is now Open!

"We are so blessed and excited that all the prayers, hard work, and dedication have allowed McKendree to open its doors to the first ever class of preschoolers!"





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Most Sunday's we have Sunday School following our service at 10:45. (All are welcome)! Wee Worship (Our littlest members) Tweens (6-12th graders) Adult for the rest of us! Rooted In Faith- Deep Roots in KW!

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