

The Grapevine

What a wonderful time we had on **Anniversary Sunday**. Without the hard work Anniversary Committee and everyone who pitched in we would not have had such a special day. Thank you all for your dedication.

As I thought about Anniversary Sunday, I realized that the story of our church is the story of the Church on a small scale. First of all, we are a part of something that started long before us. Whether you became a part of Cove Spring Church in the 1930's or three months ago you became a part of something that originated long before you came on the scene. In the same way when you became a part of the Church you became a part of something that has been going on for 2,000 years, and really much longer than that. The Church is the continuation of the people of God. The Scriptures





teach that God has had a people in the midst of the world since the beginning of the human race. What a privilege it is for us to be included in the people of God.

Secondly, we are a part of something that is on mission. God is a God who is on a mission. All through the Scriptures we see that God is on a mission to rescue people from darkness and bring them into the light of the knowledge of His Son. This is why God put His Church in the world. This is why God put Cove Spring Church in Elizabeth Township. He put Cove Spring Church here to shine the light of the good news that all people may come into relationship with Him through His Son. Eugene Peterson said it this way "The Church is a colony of heaven in the country of death." What a privilege it is to join God in His mission.

Finally, we are a part of something that will endure. But at the end of time as we know it, it will be the kingdoms of this world that fade away and only the Church will go on into eternity. What a privilege it is for us to be a part of something that will truly last.

Faithfully, Pastor Greg

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Joys and Concerns

JOYS

- Congratulations to Josh & Leanna Hershberger on the birth of their son, Henry!
- Jenny Petrick's biopsy was benign
- Crystal Ayers returning to work

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

- Our Nation
- The family of Eldon Luttrell
- Cyndi Rose cancer diagnosis
- Catey Denson- horse riding accident
- James & Mathias Hoffman
- Suzan Suber
- John Jess

IMPORTANT DATES

OCT 5: WORLD WIDE COMMUNION OCT 6: DEACON BOARD MEETING

OCT 12: PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY

OCT 12: COVE SPRING KIDS OCT 12: PARENT'S BIBLE STUDY

OCT 14: CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING *7pm, all are encouraged to attend

OCT 19: YOUTH GROUP, 5 PM *help with Harvest Party

OCT 19: HARVEST PARTY 5:30p at the church

OCT 30: GENERAL FUND OFFERING

Happy Birthday!

Lauren Wright, Jennifer Bailey, Phyllis Bair,
Rebecca Rife, Rita Miller, Zeke Milledge, Sharon
Holzen, Hayden Willis, Allen Benham, Beth
Dunivan, Paul Hershberger, Mallery Laughman,
Abigail Hilliard, Dee Dee Meyer, Michael Kemp,
Bub Tackett, Anita Csikos, Lois Swallow, Ava
Walters, John Jess, Cyndi Rose, Brian Bensman,
Rebecca Russell, Tammy Parke, Dick Hill, Ethan
Hershberger, Jim Shellhaas, Bonnie Sutherly,
Weston Sandberg, Madelaine Laughman, David
Swigart, Diana Wilhelm, JoAnn Williams, Melonie
Benham, Steve Yantis, Oliver Horner, Stacy
Landis, Linda Shellhaas, Tiffany Hilliard



Josh & Leanna Hershberger, Justin & Meg
Hershberger, Michael & Charlotte Kemp, D.J. &
Marissa Zerkle, Bradley & Destiny Knife
Josh & Lauren Stevens, Brian & Kim Harbison,
Devon & Kelly Sentman, Matt & Katie Clevenger,
Jordan & Sarah Miller, Brian & Jennifer Bowman,
Lee & Debbie Shellhaas, Randy & Lynda Mott,
Bill & Marisa Roeser, Garrett & Grace Sprankle,
Jim & Debbie Faulder, David & Kathy Sturman



Sunday, October 19, 5:30pm at Cove Spring Church

We will have games, donut eating contest, scavenger hunt, pumpkin decorating, along with food and drinks.



Everyone is invited! Kids costumes are encouraged. Adults can join the fun as well.



COVE SPRING KIDS

OCT 12: Cove Spring Kids

OCT 19: Harvest Party, 5:30pm

NOV 9: Cove Spring Kids

NOV 16: Christmas Program practice

will start during Jr. Church each

Sunday

DEC 7: Final Program practice

and Pizza party 10:30-11:45

DEC 14: Christmas program

Cove Spring Kids is for children in pre-k through elementary. Please join us!



YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group Upcoming Events for the 2025-2026 year



- OCT 19: Help set up Harvest party and run games 5-7 pm
- NOV 23: will help set up Nativity scene and carry up Christmas decorations (time TBD)
- DEC 14: Youth will lead church service.
- DEC 7th, 14th, 21st Christmas Card delivery
- JAN 18: Grocery Shopping for Community Food Truck boxes.
- FEB 15-16th: Lock in at church
- MAR 17: Work Fletcher Food Pantry 4:45p
- APR 9: Pickleball Plex TIME TBA

Youth group is for Jr High & High School age youth.

Please join us!

IN NEED OF DONATIONS

The Blessing Box (Our Food Pantry) is being used on a regular basis and items are needed



- CANNED OR BOXED FOODS
- SOUPS
- OATMEAL
- VEGETABLES, FRUITS



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We gather every **Wednesday at 12:30pm** in the church basement. We are doing a study on the book of Acts. All ladies are welcome to join us!

PARENT'S BIBLE STUDY

Parents, please join us on Oct. 12 after church. We meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month while the children are at Cove Spring Kids.

SERVING USHERS

OCT – Lee Shellhaas, Dick Hill NOV – Jay Benham, Zane Baughman

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Women's Fellowship will meet on Oct. 14 at 10am for a work meeting. Please bring something to share for lunch.

CHOIR PRACTICE. WED. 7:30 PM

Choir practice is every Wednesday at 7:30 pm. We would love to see some new faces!



DENIM PLACEMATS AND RUGS FOR SALE!

From the loving hands of
The Women's Fellowship group, these
handmade rugs and placemats are made
of 100% recycled jean material.

They last a lifetime and can be tossed into a washing machine for clean up. All proceeds from the sale of these items goes towards church missions.

Purchases can be made at church or you can contact
Jill Benham at 937-266-4456





Denim Rugs are \$31 to \$34 Denim placemats are \$12 ea.



OCTOBER 2025

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Co Pa				Women's 1 Bible Study 12:30pm Choir Practice 7:30pm	2	3	4
	5 World Wide Communion	6 Deacon Bd. Mtg 7pm	7 Women's Fellowship 10am	Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir Practice 7:30pm	9 Desserts for Miami East Football team by 3pm	10	11
	LOVE 12 Offering Pastor Appreciation Sunday ove Spring King Trents Bible Stu	ds	Church Business Mtg. 7pm	Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir Practice 7:30pm	16	17	18
	Church Harvest Party 5:30pm at the church		21	Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir Practice 7:30pm	23	24	25
	General Fund offering	27	28	29 Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir Practice 7:30pm	30	31	

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized,
every one of you, in the name of Jesus
Christ for the forgiveness of your sins.
And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
-Acts 2:38

