CHURCH on the BLUFF

Ordinary people serving an extraordinary God

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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART

Jesus said to his disciples: "Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble." Luke 17:1-2

Think things can't get crazier? Think again. I came across a video of a clearly transgender person gleefully affirming that being transgender is part of the plan of God because God is transgender. You read that right. This person had evidently been reading a gross mistranslation of scripture that has been making the rounds lately, saying that the Holy Spirit is a female. Therefore, it stands to reason that God is transgender. This is just another attempt of humans twisting the scripture to say what they want it to say.

In ancient writings words were said to be masculine, feminine, or neutral. In Hebrew, the word "spirit" is said to be feminine. In Latin it is masculine. In Greek it is neutral. But the chief liar has grasped hold of the "feminine" thing and is deceiving folks with heresy…again. When Jesus spoke of the coming of the Holy Spirit, He called the Spirit "he". Case closed.

God has presented Himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. But we can barely fathom the fullness of His essence. He is not a created being with a particular sex or gender. But He did create two humans with somewhat of His image inherent in their creation. But because He created two (and only two) genders doesn't mean that He vacillates between sexes at His whim. He created Adam…a male…and Eve…a female. They were created differently for a reason. Satan is doing all he can to deceive mankind into thinking God has human characteristics and thus acts like us and thinks like us. Therefore, we can, and will, create a God in our minds that approves all human vanities and desires.

God is not "non-binary", "transgendered", "bi-sexual", "queer" or any sexual term. He is the great I AM, creator and sustainer of all that exists. If He presents Himself in the masculine in each of His manifestations, then we had better stick to that. To do otherwise is pure blasphemy. And there is a dire warning to those who teach such falsehoods: Jesus said to his disciples: "Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble." Luke 17:1-2

Bro. Tony

Church Events

Monthly:

High School Senior Recognition Throughout the Month

- **May 10th - Bluff Perk**
  Mother's Day Edition
  ****Men Cooking****
- **May 13th - Business Meeting**
- **May 25th – Memorial Day**
  Office Closed
- **May 26th -Coffee, Cake & Chat**
- **May 27th -Fellowship Meal**

Weekly:

Sundays
Bible Study - 9:00 AM
Worship - 10:00 AM

Wednesdays
Bible Study & Prayer - 6:30 PM
Choir Practice - 7:15 PM

Office Hours 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM
Monday-Thursday

Bluff Perk
Mother's Day Edition
May 10, 2026
8:15-8:45 AM

The Men will be cooking on this day.

BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 13, 2026 6:30 PM

We would like to recognize and thank Angie Barber for her tireless contributions to Church on the Bluff. Each month she leads a card making class for the ladies, not only from Church on the Bluff, but anyone in the community is also invited. This takes a lot of planning and preparation to make this a successful event each month. Angie also decorates the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall for each season. In addition, she makes the bread for each Lord's Supper. Thank you Angie for all of these things mentioned and much more!

Happy Birthday!

MAY

7 Ted Knight
8 Natalie Fleming
9 Erika Powers
13 June Calloway
15 Martin Lee
29 Kaylan Denison
30 Harry Adams
30 Debbie Norris
30 Bob Tyson

Prayer & Bible Study
Wednesdays
6:30 PM

ANGIE BARBER
Children's Director
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