CHURCH on the BLUFF

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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. Psalms 139:13

I had a visitor, David Cost, who works with Life On Wheels. The same day, I had lunch with Randy Wolf. Randy is a Gideon (who has visited our church on several occasions). Randy volunteers at the Sav-A-Life organization just down the road from the church. These organizations are both dedicated to helping women who are in a crisis situation with pregnancies. They offer help and advice, especially in discovering alternatives to abortion. Sav-A-Life is a brick and mortar building on Vestavia, while Life on Wheels has two mobile units that travel to different locations. I applaud both organizations and those two men who dedicate their time and effort to providing help and information for women.

In case you haven't noticed, I abhor abortion. I feel for women who find themselves in a situation where they feel an abortion is their only recourse to an unexpected and/or unwanted pregnancy. For the overwhelming number of women who choose abortion the decision is gut-wrenching and seen as a last resort. God still loves those who had to make the decision, as do I. And I truly hope that their repentance comes forth and secures the forgiveness that every sinner needs. The blood of Christ covers all sin…even the taking of an innocent life. And that is what abortion does.

Those calloused hearts that cry out for abortion at any time for any reason use euphemistic language to try to lessen the horror of what they call for. "It's women's healthcare" (what about the baby's health care?) "My Body, My choice" (they're not dissecting *her body) "it is just a clump of cells" (we are all just a clump of cells). But the fact of the matter is an abortion ends a life. An innocent life. It may be harsh to say so, but it is murder. There is a living human being in the womb, and some kill it.*

Some would say that we who oppose abortion are trying to force our religious beliefs on people. Science, however, says that life begins at conception. And I do know un-religious people who have enough common sense to know that and want to protect the life of the child in the womb. Know this, though, the absence of that scientific fact would not permit me to disregard what the Bible says about the beginning of life: "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be."

Who has the authority to say that something God created has no worth or value? Certainly not you or me.

Psalms 139:13-16 NIV

Say good things about your Savior and His Church on the Bluff

Bro. Tony

August:

- ◊ 9th: Bluff Perk 8:15 AM
  Ladies Bible Study 5:00 PM
- ◊ 16th: Ladies Bible Study 5:00 PM
- ◊ 22nd: Faith Class Luncheon
- ◊ 23rd: Church Council-Yearly Planning Meeting after Worship Pizza Provided
- ◊ 25th: Coffee, Cake & Chat
- ◊ 26th: 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

Prayer & Bible Study
Wednesdays
6:30 PM

Happy Birthday!

AUGUST

7 Noah Burg
8 Karen Knight
9 Ben Burford
27 Jack Farmer
28 Karen Jones

Join us on Sundays at 5:00 PM for this Bible Study
July 19th-August 16th

Fellowship Dinner
Aug 26th
6:00 PM

Coffee, Cake & Chat
Aug 25th
10:30 AM

Upcoming Meetings

Business Meeting	August 12, 2026	6:30 PM
Church Council	August 23, 2026	After Worship
	Yearly Planning Meeting	