

**Welcome!** We are thrilled that you have come to worship the risen Lord Jesus Christ with us today. If this is your first time in one of our services at The Community Church, we would like to get to know you better. Please

take the time to complete the guest card you were given upon your arrival and drop it in the offering basket or return it to a member of our guest relations team.

At The Community Church, we believe that we are part of God's redemptive story, a story that began long ago, and a story that will continue throughout eternity. We would love to have you join with us in this journey; in fact, we've been praying for people just like you to arrive. The good news is, this story is still being written, and there's room for your chapter!

**Our Vision:** Living beyond empty religion and the status quo of mediocrity, we envision a community where people *gather, grow, and go* with **passion** for Jesus and **compassion** for the hurting, broken, and lost — in Nashville and the world — through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Childcare is provided for children (*infants through age 4*) during the entire worship service. ReignForest Kid's Church for ages 5-11 is available upon dismissal by overhead projection.

## a note from our Pastor

**"An End to Pain"** *"Therefore prepare yourself and arise, and speak to them all that I command you. Do not be dismayed before their faces, lest I dismay you before them. For behold, I have made you this day a fortified city and an iron pillar, and bronze walls against the whole land – against the kings of Judah, against its princes, against its priests, and against the people of the land. They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you. 'For I am with you,' says the Lord, 'to deliver you'"* (Jer. 1:17-19). Jeremiah was called to preach to Judah at the very height of their unbelief and rebellion. He was sent to speak to people who didn't want to hear from him or the Lord who sent him. The leaders and people of Judah wanted to hear that all of the trouble surrounding them would go away and all would be well. But that was not the truth; and both God and his faithful prophets always speak the truth. This was a painful assignment. And the Lord was truthful about the difficulties Jeremiah would face in this mission. He told the prophet that the people would fight against him, but they would not prevail. God promises to be with Jeremiah, and ultimately, he would deliver him. Those words also apply to us. They tell us the answer to the problem of pain. God is with us, to save us and deliver us. Because of sin in this world, as long as we live in it, we will face pain, suffering, and trouble. But it is not the last word. This world is not the only life we have. We also have life in eternity because of Jesus Christ and in that life there is an end to pain. God's promise to the prophet did not mean that Jeremiah would not suffer in this life. He did. The Book of Jeremiah tells us and the accounts of Scripture teach us how Jeremiah was misused and abused by the people to whom he prophesied. History tells us that after the Exile, Jeremiah was killed by being placed inside a hollow log and then the log (and Jeremiah) was sawed in two. The redemption of Jeremiah came in and through Jesus Christ. The grasp of the violent comes ultimately to an end, but the grasp of God on his servant endures forever. *Pastor Charles*

## Upcoming Events / Opportunities / Interest

**Ladies Day Out at the Franklin Factory, Third Coast Clay Pottery**, Saturday, February 18 @ 10:00 AM. All ladies are invited, including our Young Ladies of the 412 Ministry! We will meet at Third Coast and have lunch at Stoveworks at the Factory. We hope all can come for this time of Fun and Fellowship. Please sign in the foyer so reservations can be made. *See Judy Blalock for more information.*

**Our church participates in the Kroger Card Program**, a program that provides income to the church via a rebate based on Kroger purchases by church members. This week the church received a check from Kroger in the amount of \$252. We need everyone to shop at Kroger and participate in the program so we can increase the amount of money that Kroger sends to us. If you are not participating in the program you need to. See Steve Horner for details. It is easy and does not cost you anything!

**Little Stars Class now in session** - Thank you to those who have graciously agreed to volunteer their time to minister. *You will be blessed as you teach these eager children about Jesus!*

**Thank YOU for Supporting Our Church's Youth Ministry** through our recent cake auction. Through your generous giving, we raised over \$1,400, which will go a long way toward furthering our ministry. May God bless you for your generosity!

**Guest Relations Ministry:** The Guest Relations Ministry serves as the front door to our church, welcoming guests and regular attendees alike. Greeters help our guests have a positive first impression of our church. We are in need of additional individuals to serve in this ministry. It is easy to do and takes very little of your time. Please pray and ask God if He would like you to be involved in this ministry and when He tells you yes, see Steve Horner to get involved.

**Men's Morning Prayer** - Lee Bartlett facilitates a men's prayer meeting at the church 6:30-7:00 AM, Monday thru Friday. If you're in the Brentwood/Franklin area or passing through on the way to work, please take the time to seek the Lord with your brothers.

**Children will Remain in the Sanctuary on this First Sunday of the Month** - Our children get an opportunity to experience the entire worship service on the first Sunday of each month. Kid's Church will resume next week. Nursery (infant - 2) and Little Starz (preschool) classes are still available. *Thank you to those who take time each week to teach our children - your commitment and willingness is so appreciated.*

**Ministry Opportunity at the Nashville Rescue Mission:** Pastor Charles preaches at the Nashville Rescue Mission on the third Sunday afternoon of every month. *Lives are being touched and won to the Lord!* If you would like to be a part of the ministry team, you would be most welcome. *See Pastor Charles to participate in this ministry..*

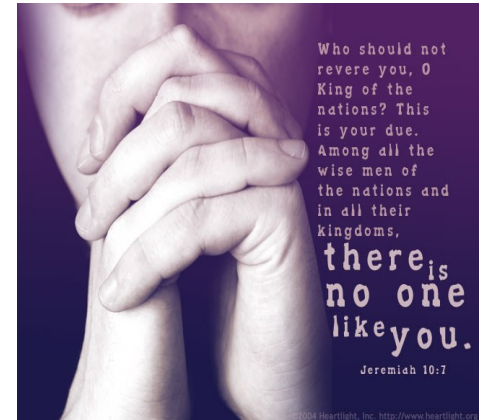
**Missions for Military Women / Men** - Our Ladies Ministries sponsors men and women in the military. Please continue to pray for Shawn Rackley, currently deployed in the Middle East. Shawn attended our church on several occasions and has been active in our youth group. His address is: IT3 Rackley, USS COMSTOCK, FPO AP 96662. *See Marcy Webb with questions regarding this missions opportunity and for additional information on how to support our military.*

## coming up this week February 5, 2012

<b>Sunday</b>	
Community Groups for All Ages	9:15am
Morning Worship	10:30am
Little Starz / Nursery	
Reignforest Kids Church ( <i>remain in service</i> )	
<b>Monday - Friday</b>	
Men's Morning Prayer	6:30am
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Fellowship Meal ( <i>menu in foyer</i> )	6:00pm
Adult Bible Study	6:45pm
Youth (Teen) Class	
Childrens' Class	
Nursery	

## Dates to Remember

<b>Feb 18</b>	Ladies Day Out
<b>19</b>	Nashville Rescue Mission



**Fellowship Meal Sign Up Sheets in Foyer** - A fellowship meal is served each Wednesday evening before service, please join us at 6:00pm to enjoy! If you would like to participate in food preparations, please sign up today in the foyer for the dish you would like to bring this Wednesday.

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