

NEWS



About Our
Charlestown
Road Family

When you pray, please remember...

- **Bennett Jacob Fravert:** born to Jacob and Emily on Tuesday
- **Pedro Espinoza's mother, Berta:** recovering from surgery in Mexico to address a brain bleed
- **Sammy Martin:** scheduled for a procedure on April 29 to address a tumor on the wall of his bladder
- **Ellie Schafer, the Holders' granddaughter:** cancer treatments
- **Pregnancies:** Haleigh Curry (**July**); Brittany Morris (**October**)

Those with ongoing health difficulties:

Debbie Bratcher
Alma Churchman
Sharon Gardner
Paula Graf
Steve Greene
Paul Hoke
Sam Jeffers

Mark Lewis
Steve Orthober
Debby Ricketson
Shirley Roberts
Scott Schulz
Bob Thomas
Freedia Zurschmeide



Now is the time to put Vacation Bible School on your calendar and plan to join us: **June 21-24**. Shawn Jeffries is scheduled to present a series called "Journeying Together" for our high school students and adults. Our theme for our youngest ages is

Journeys for Jesus: Into Cities, Homes & Hearts, revolving around the journeys of Paul in Acts. From teachers to decorators to moving crews, there is much to do. If you'd like to help in any way, please see Jason Hardin.



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on social media

The **Heaven Bound** podcast
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays



Sundays:

9:30 AM - Worship
10:45 AM - Bible classes
5:00 PM - Worship

Wednesdays:

7:00 PM - Bible classes



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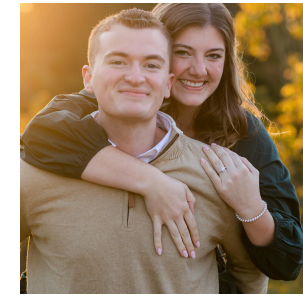
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Getting to Know the Crows

We're excited and thankful to have Carson and Lauren Crow with us today. Carson will preach this morning, teach our adult Bible class (including 5th-12th Grades) in the Auditorium, and preach this evening at 5:00 PM. Take a moment to learn a little about them...



Where did you grow up? Lauren grew up in Birmingham, Alabama. I spent most of my childhood growing up in east Tennessee (Kingsport), and moved to Birmingham when I was 12. It was that year Lauren, alongside her family, was converted which resulted in us both being the new kids at the Vestavia church of Christ together. We became best friends and soon after, high school sweethearts.

How long have you been married? Nearly 3 years (June 9).

How did you become Christians? I grew up in the church and was baptized by David Banning. Lauren's family, before coming to Christ, had dipped their toes in every branch of western denominationalism. Lauren remembers worshiping with, for brief stints, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, and Lutheran congregations. Fortunately (we'd argue providentially) their neighbors, the Jones, were faithful Christians. They, alongside the Vestavia preacher Jason Cicero, patiently evangelized for years until eventually the Vanfleets accepted the invitation of Jesus to be baptized.

To our guests...

WELCOME

We're glad you're here today. Here's what you can expect in our **Sunday morning assembly:**

- Welcome
- Song
- Prayer
- Song
- Lord's Supper song
- Lord's Supper
- Song
- Sermon
- Invitation song
- Closing song
- Closing prayer
- Announcements

We're thankful you're here. Please take a moment to tell us a little about yourself using this QR code...



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IT'S SAFE WITH ME

- BRINGING BACK CONFESSION -

"As recently as the 1950s and 1960s, researchers said about _____ of American Catholics went to confession at least once a year. A RealClear Opinion Research survey last year found that only _____ said they went to confession at least once a year and _____ said they never do. Catholic canon law teaches that every Catholic is "obliged to confess faithfully his or her grave sins at least once a year."

Becoming A Trenches Teammate: A Church Of Confession:

- My _____ Matters

"A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy person keeps a secret."
(Proverbs 11:13)

- My _____ Matters

"Correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth." (2 Timothy 2:25)

- My _____ Matters

"Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working." (James 5:16)

What led to you dedicating your life to preaching? I get to talk about the gospel for a living? Come on! Don't pinch me. I also felt an obligation, instilled within me from a very early age by the very effective preaching of David Banning, to take up the mantle of faith that older preachers have so faithfully carried.

What do you like to do for fun? I love to play fetch with my Golden Retriever, Kennedy. After work I'll typically go to the gym with my friends. Recently I've gotten the cursed golf-bug and so I've been consistently getting to the driving range. But, in my opinion, nothing is more fun than Saturdays in the Fall watching college football.

"Someday, we hope to..." visit all the national parks, perfectly replicate Chuy's creamy jalapeño dip in our own home, and run a half-marathon before we turn 30.

Do you have a favorite Bible verse? A favorite hymn? "As The Deer" is the hymn that was being led while I got baptized, so it has a special place in my heart. Favorite Bible verse is 1 Timothy 4:16; the passage is framed on my desk at which I write my sermons.



SMALL groups

Friday (6:30 PM):

- The **Young Families Group** will meet at Jimmy & Shelley Polk's house

Sunday evening, April 26:

- The **Encouragement Group** will meet at Dana Shaffer's house