

Good morning and welcome to services! We wrapped up Lads to Leaders registration last Sunday evening and are excited to have 20 young people registered in various events. Our Storyline team filmed this year's video in record time! Now it's time to prepare for Bible Bowl, song leading and our convention puppet performance and to complete art projects and scrapbook. It's a busy season but one we really enjoy. This year's Chili Cookoff and Cake Auction is coming up next Sunday. All youth are needed to decorate, serve chili and help with the auction. We are so grateful to our generous congregation for their support and are looking forward to a great evening! Tonight we will be having a Super Bowl party at our house so we can catch the second half after worship. Please bring your favorite party food! Drinks will be furnished. Hope to see you then! DOUG

"We love, because He first loved us."

1 John 4:19





Forcing An Opinion

The late Dorothy Canfield Fisher once said, "To force an opinion is like pushing the magnetized needle of a compass around to where we wish the North Star stood." How abundantly this is demonstrated in religious matters. Webster defines an opinion as: "A belief not based on absolute certainty or positive knowledge, but on what seems true, valid, or probable to one's own mind." An opinion in religion is a belief people hold that is not sustained by a book, chapter and verse. There are many in religious matters that force opinions because of an improper attitude toward the scriptures. They have formed opinions such as "one church is as good as another", "instrumental music is acceptable in worship." These people do not misinterpret the scriptures - they admit what the Bible teaches, they simply do not feel that they are limited by the scriptures – hence, form an opinion which creates a factious body of people. Many are more prone to be POLITI-CALLY CORRECT and their opinions are the largest barrier to unity in the Lord's church. May it ever be said that we as a local church continue to teach and practice that which can be believed with absolute certainty and positive knowledge because it can be found in the book, chapter and verse. We do not force opinions – we stand for "what is written." Always have and always will regardless of what people think or say.

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Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening Wed: 7:00 PM

Valentine Luncheon



This coming Wednesday we will
have a Valentine
Luncheon in the activity
building for all retirees
in the congregation.
Ladies are asked to
bring a covered dish.
Meat will be furnished.
Plan to join us.

We hope you will plan to attend and enjoy the wonderful day with us.

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Valentine Luncheon this coming Wednesday, At noon, All invited! Chili Cookoff next Sunday night Attendance at Worship growing.



From Dan's desk:

Thanks to Ben Rhone for preaching for me last Sunday morning and for teaching the adults in the church auditorium. He did a good job and we appreciate Ben and his willingness to help. We were in New Diana at the Graceton Church Of Christ. It was good to be home on Sunday evening. Several plans have been made for the month of February. Remember the wedding for Rodney Covington and Robin Lindsay this Tuesday and then the Valentine luncheon on Wednesday in the activity building. Ladies are asked to bring a covered dish. Meat, drinks, etc. will be provided. On Sunday evening, one week from tonight the youth will host the Annual "Chili Cookoff and Cake Auction". Plan to sign up if you want to enter the chili contest or bake a cake for auction. It will be a great evening of fellowship. Make your plans to join us a week from tonight. Several have been in the hospital recently with various illnesses and for surgery. Let's continue to reach out to them and do what we can to help. We are approaching the middle of February. The time passes so quickly. It is great to see the attendance at services picking up and seeing visitors among us. Be sure to welcome them into our services. The contribution went over the budget last Sunday by \$1700.00 and that is wonderful. We appreciate the liberality of the congregation in terms of giving. Thanks for your continued faithfulness at the assemblies. We will watch for you tonight at 6 P.M. The topic of my lesson is taken from Zechariah 4:6-10 DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





DAVID CARDER continues to improve following brain surgery. JAMES SINGLETERRY is also doing better following recent hospitalization and heart procedure. LINDA HAWKINS is recovering from surgery last Friday JAMES HENRY suffered a detached retina and is recovering from eye surgery. **VERNETTA WALKER mother of** Dwight Franklin and sister of Lanova Mitchell is improving from her recent hospitalization in Tyler. She does have kidney cancer. **MONTY TODD**, son of Gary & Jan

Todd, broke his hip and is in Fort Worth.

JANE GRUMBLES is at home with Covid.

All others are improving.

THANKS

Thanks to the youth for hosting the "Ladies Brunch last Saturday with close to 40 in attendance. The largest group to ever attend. Some 20 young people signed up for "Lads To Leaders" this year. GREAT!

WHAT DO YOU TALK **ABOUT?**

Do we talk much about Jesus, the Bible, the church, etc., other than when we're together at the meeting house? Some can name every player on their favorite sports team, but can't name the twelve apostles! They know the numbers on the jerseys, but can't remember where key Bible passages are found. They can hold a lively conversation about the Super Bowl and what went right, and what went wrong; but they can't show a lost soul the Bible passages that teach how to be saved. What is important to you? Whatever you talk about. We talk about things that interest or concern us. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks" (Matthew 12:34). It is next to impossible to hold a conversation on a topic that doesn't interest you, or about which you know very little. We will make the effort to become informed in areas that are important to us.

Time, pleasure, and conversation are three criteria by which we can discern what things are truly important to us. Let's examine ourselves honestly, and then make whatever changes are needed.

Dan

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13:34

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Gerald Wilcher is back home but will have a heart procedure tomorrow in Tyler. Linda Hawkins had a surgical procedure on her leg last Friday. She is improving. Linda Lippold is improving at home.

Monty Todd, son of Gary & Jan Todd, broke his hip and is in Fort Worth.

Jane Grumbles is at home with Covid.

Nancy Miller continues to undergo heart tests and treatment.

David Carder is recovering from brain surgery. He is doing better at his home.

Kenneth Holland continues to have issues with COPD and remains at home.

James Singleterry is improving. He is home now following a heart oblation in Tyler last Monday.

Rick Giles is still having health issues at his home.

Fred King is recovering from neck surgery and he is recovering at his home.

Cindy Thornton is improving following eye surgery

Former members, Johnny and Carolyn have been having heart and neurological issues.

Hailey Tutt, friend of the Satterwhite family has cancer and asked for our prayers.

Becky Barnes great grandson is awaiting a bone marrow transplant.

Tracy Thornton, brother of Gerri Peoples, is in ICU after an emergency surgery to remove a cancerous brain tumor.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, has stage 4 cancer that has spread to her lungs.

Bryce Stewart former member is still undergoing tests and cancer treatment.

Jamie Flores, niece of Ann Sparks, is having health issues and requests our prayers.

Deborah Hagemeier (former member) has cancer and requests prayer.

Jerry Thornton of Canton, is undergoing additional oral cancer treatment.

Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, Joyce Matlock, John Mottern, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Lorelee Reeder, Irma Ray, Martha Sims, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff and Charlie Young. **NOTE:** We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. We need those of you who are acquainted with those on the prayer list to let us know when they are improving. If you know of someone who needs to be on the supplement prayer list or removed, please notify us in the church office.

THE ELDERS