

Good morning and welcome to services! We are so thankful to have FOUR new brothers and sisters in Christ! Last Sunday was a very happy one as Susan Lane, Brayden May, Kylin May and Judson May put on Christ in baptism. We rejoice with them in this most important decision! We are so looking forward to this evening's worship service led by our young men. We are so proud of you all! Next Sunday night, August 29th, we will go to Mazzio's after evening worship. Please bring money \$10 for pizza and a drink. Hope you can join us. Our annual Lads to Leaders Spaghetti Supper will be Sunday, September 5th, so please mark you calendars for a great night of fellowship and fundraising! DOUG

"Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." Romans 6:4



"The healthiest part of a donut is the hole. Unfortunately, you have to eat through the rest of the donut to get there!"

#### Is Life Unfair To Some?

Have you ever felt that life is unfair? For those of us who are committed to following the will and ways of Jesus, it's easy to get frustrated when people who don't care about Him seem to do well in life. A businessman cheats vet wins a large contract, and the guy who parties all the time is robust and healthy --while you or your loved ones struggle with financial or medical issues. It makes us feel cheated, like maybe we've been good for nothing. If you've ever felt that way, you're in good company. The writer of Psalm 73 goes through a whole list of how the wicked prosper, and then he says, "Surely I have cleansed my heart in vain" (v. 13). But the tide of his thoughts turn when he recalls his time in God's presence: "Then I understand their end" (v. 17). When we spend time with God and see things from His point of view, it changes our perspective completely. We may be jealous of the nonbelievers now, but we won't be at judgment time. As the saying goes, what difference does it make if you win the battle and lose the war? Like the psalmist, let's thank God for His presence in this life and His promise of the life to come (vv. 25-28).

**Corky Boyd** 

Aug. 29, 2021 Door Greeters Security Team <u>Communion Preparation</u> Danna Collins



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### **DO YOU NURSE A GRUDGE?**

How many of you remember the wedding of Prince Charles and Princess Diana in 1981. It was the grandest wedding maybe ever in history, with every head of state from every country in Europe, but one, in attendance. The one absentee was that of the King of Spain, Juan Carlos. He refused the invitation to the wedding of the century because of a grudge that dated back to 1704. Prince Charles and Diana would spend part of their honeymoon on the island of Gibraltar, which was seized by the British from the Spanish in 1704. This act committed almost 300 years earlier was still one the Spanish government held against the British government, and so the King was not going to the wedding. You would think two hundred and seventy-seven years would be long enough to forgive and forget. Forgiveness is something that sometimes does not come natural for us, but as Christians we are commanded to forgive. In Matt. 6:9-13, we find what many call the Lord's Prayer. Jesus instructs us to pray, "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." In verses 14-15, Jesus instructs us, "If you forgive men their trespasses vour heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." Jesus tells us that in order for God to forgive us, we must forgive others that have wronged us. One example for us to follow is that of the father in the story of the prodigal son in Luke 15:11-31. The father of the prodigal son forgave his son's selfishness and accepted him back joyously. One example for us not to follow is that of the unforgiving servant in Matt. 18: 23-35. His master who was owed ten thousand talents forgave the servant. After he was forgiven, he refused to forgive a man who owed him only little. These two parables along with the verses in Matthew teach us that God expects His servants to be forgiving people. We should be happy to forgive, as we have all had the joy of God forgiving us. As Jesus said, he who is without sin among you, throw the first stone. Maybe you hold a grudge in your heart toward someone. Isn't it time to let go of it. I am truly delighted that God does not hold a grudge against us when we sin and ask forgiveness. It is time to let go. DAN

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## From Dan's desk:

Last Sunday was a tremendous day for the Crockett Rd. Church of Christ. We are so happy about the four souls being baptized into Christ. Responding to the call of Christ was SUSAN LANE (our granddaughter). BRYSON, KYLIN and JUDSON who all responded to confess Christ and were all baptized for the remission of sins. These folks along with their parents and grandparents all drive over an hour to be with us in worship each Sunday. We commend you for your faith and love for God. On Sunday night, PAUL LEWIS from Jacksonville placed membership with the congregation here. Paul has been coming for some time and we are thankful that he made this decision to be a part of our fellowship at Crockett Rd. We welcome him as well as the others who made their decision. Our God keeps adding to the fellowship of believers in our church family. It is wonderful to be a part of such a wonderful vibrant fellowship of Christians. In spite of all the issues going on in our world, God is blessing His Church with both numerical and spiritual strength. I am looking forward to the young men conducting the service tonight. Doug has been working with them and they will be prepared to lead un in worship this evening. I hope that all of you will want to be here to support these young people. They are a blessing to our congregation. Thanks also to the parents who continue to motivate their children to draw closer to our Lord and be involved in the church here. See you all tonight at 6 P.M. DAN

### PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





### JOYCE MATLOCK has Covid-19

DWIGHT FRANKLIN has Covid-19 at home.

LARRY FINLEY has Covid-19. He is at home.

PHILLIP LASITER, (son of Charles and Billie Lassiter) had a defibulator implanted last week in Mother Francis Hospital in Tyler.

Prayer list available in the foyer.

RESPONSES BAPTIZED SUSAN LANE BRAYDEN MAY KYLIN MAY JUDSON MAY PLACING MEMBERSHIP PAUL LEWIS 259 County Road 3208 Jacksonville, Texas 75766 Phone 214-792-0729 WELCOME TO EACH OF

### "THE NEEDS OF MAN TODAY"

"We do not need more national development; we need more spiritual development. We do not need more intellectual power; we need more spiritual power. We do not need more knowledge; we need more character. We do not need more law; we need more Christianity. We do not need more of the things that are seen; we need more of the things that are unseen" (President Calvin Coolidge) Corresponding to the above thoughts, the Bible says, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth...but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven....Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" "Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth" (Col. 3:2). "We look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal" (2 Cor. 4:18). The next time you hear some hedonist humanist tell us that we need more money for welfare, more funds for education, more tax revenue for more police and jailhouses, you might remember what our real needs are. It is because we lack what is pure and true that we need more money for depraved deadbeats. It is because we have distributed condoms rather than moral conviction that we need more cash for welfare programs. It is because we have spoiled our children with a false sense of freedom and an illusory concept of "self esteem," and have not spanked them with the law of discipline and virtue and that's why we need more police and penitentiaries. May God give us the strength to help our children develop spiritual character. When we do so, we will change America as we now know it. **ADAPTED** 

# Aug. 22, 2021 PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Joyce Matlock has throat cancer and will undergo treatment soon. She also has Covid-19 Dwight Franklin has Covid-19. He is at home recovering Larry Finley has Covid-19 and recovering at home. Mary Jo Thomason is having therapy treatments on her legs Joyce Ferrell, Mary Stech's sister is with hospice in Waco. Jerry Thornton of Canton, has begun cancer treatment in Canton Leielani Leonard, mother of Adam Krumnow, is undergoing cancer treatment Martha Sims has neuropathy and has asked for our prayers Gregg Gurganus is improving from Covid-19 Prayers for Jerame Gipson in death of his aunt. Virginia Stanaland having issues with shoulder rotator cuff John (Dale's brother has been placed with hospice. Ann Mottern in the death of her brother Bob Herrington. Lorelee Reeder's back surgery is indefinite at this time. Christine Oliphant– friend to many– has breast cancer& undergoing treatment Leo Brooks, infant nephew of C.T. and Haley Brooks is improving at home. Emily Davis (granddaughter in-law of Ann and Kenneth Holland) has brain cancer and Kenneth is still having breathing issues. Charles and Billie Lassiter were involved in an auto accident, but doing better. Coy Chapman is with hospice care at his home. Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer Joe Radford( friend to many) is improving at home from recent stroke. Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers. They need our prayers. Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, James and Irma Ray, Patsy Bush, and Gary and Emalie Tuschoff

**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