

Good morning and welcome to services! We are so glad you are here. We had such a wonderful response to our care package drive and we know it will be a great encouragement Thanks so much to everyone who took part in giving and in sending personal notes. Next Sunday is our annual single and single again Thanksgiving luncheon. Each year this is such a fun project, so come next Sunday morning to Bible class ready to decorate and make the final preparations for the meal. CYC registration is open and we hope you will consider making this trip to Dallas in January. This year's theme is 'Look Up' : thinking Like Jesus. The event will be held at Waterview Church of Christ and we will be staving at the nearby Doubletree on Friday night. This is such an uplifting and transformative weekend and we would love to see everyone in our youth group grow spiritually from this experience. See Alison or me for more information! Hope everyone has a great week!

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"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus," Philippians 2:5

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. "It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts."



A young man was being interviewed for a job. The employer held a glowing letter of reference and complimented the potential employee on such an impressive letter. With modesty came the reply, "I'm glad you liked it. I wrote it myself" Pride goes before destruction (Proverbs 16:18), and it also goes before a lot of hot air. The world is filled with puffed up people who hold themselves in the highest esteem. But in 1' Corinthians 4, the apostle Paul is addressing a puffed up church! "Now some are puffed up" (verse 18; also verses 6, 19). The Corinthians were a proud, haughty, puffed up bunch. They felt good about themselves. As a matter of fact, they felt better about themselves than the Lord did! They had written their own glowing letter of reference, had read it, and were very impressed with what it said. In 1st Corinthians 4:7-13 Paul gives a pointed portrayal of just how puffed up they were. They saw themselves as "full, rich, reigning as kings, wise, strong, distinguished." Study carefully and you will find this is a case where an inspired Bible writer uses sharp irony (an expression in which the intended meaning of the words is the opposite of their usual sense). Paul employs this technique in an effort to puncture their puffed-up pride and bring them back to spiritual reality ." .

> Nov. 24th 2024 **Door Greeters Security Team Communion Preparation** Mark & Lisa Lambert



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1717 Crockett Road; P.O. Box 288 Palestine, Texas 75802 903/723-6291 www.crockettroadchurchofchrist.org Thief In The Night "For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the

Lord so comes as a thief in the night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2). A thief does not call you on the phone and tell you that he is going to rob you tonight. When he robs you, you wake up in the night and he is there. The same will be with the appearance of the Lord at His second coming. No one knows when our Lord will come again. It will be a total surprise. Jesus says, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of Heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mark 13:32). When our Lord comes, it will happen in a split second. "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (1 Corinthians 15:52). We must constantly be prepared for the Lord's coming again. We will not have any time to get ready or change after He does come. "Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you" (Revelation 3:3). We must be ready now. "Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk and they see his shame" naked (Revelation 16:15). "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect" (Matthew 24:44). Our Lord's coming will be a great and wonderful day for those who are prepared, but for those who are not prepared it will be horrible and beyond description (Revelation 1:7).

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Thanks for being present this morning. Wednesday night service schedule will change on Nov. 26th <u>Only.</u>



From Dan's desk:

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching. On Tuesday evening before Thanksgiving, we will amend the schedule on Weds. Night. Instead of meeting on Weds. Night Nov. 27th we will instead meet on Tuesday night Nov. 26th that week. We will all meet in the church auditorium for a Thanksgiving devotional. The men of the church will lead that service. We hope you will plan to be with us for a wonderful evening worship service as we reflect on the goodness of our Father in Heaven. We all have so much to be thankful for in this life and this would be a great time for us to meet collectively and honor our God for all His bounties. When we view the history of our nation and the church, people paused long enough to recognize from whom their blessing came and stopped long enough to give glory to the God of Heaven. Don't let Thanksgiving Day just be a day of football and friends and family gathering for a festive meal. Let us stop and say, "Thanks you Lord for all you have done to make our lives better on this earth". Continue to pray for the less fortunate of our world. We have been placed here on this earth to serve one another and also serve our God. AMEN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES <



MASON JOHNSON. great grandson of Linda, is recovering from cranial surgery. **DAVID CARDER remains ill at** home. **DOUG LOWE** will have a heart valve replaced this Weds. Nov. 20th in Tyler. **BOB STECH** had a heart procedure this last Tuesday. LANOVA MITCHELL remains ill at her home. She is now with hospice.

Pray for all of these.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP Tuesday Dec. 3rd

The Annual Christmas fellowship dinner will be held this year on Tuesday night, Dec. 3rd.



The event will be catered and there will be a list on the bulletin board for you to sign soon. A great menu is planned. More about this soon.

"PROCRASTINATION"

It is funny (in a sad way), however, how many will get priorities confused. Many understand the importance of not procrastinating when it comes to matters of money. They will get their bills paid on time and in the mail. They will not be negligent to transfer money out of stocks and into bonds before the market changes. They will go to the gas station at midnight if it will save a few cents on the gallon before the price increases the next day. Funny (!?) how we see the importance of not procrastinating when it affects our pocketbooks! How much more important are our souls and the souls of those around us? Such actions expose our true priorities and will leave us without excuse in the judgment. In the scriptures we find several procrastinators. There was a young man who told Jesus he would follow Him, only he first needed to tend to family matters (Matthew 8:21, Luke 9:59-62). There are those who will procrastinate doing good because of their lack of faith in the second coming (Matthew 24:48-51). Perhaps the best example, however, is that of Felix, who said in response to Paul's preaching, "Go thy way for this time; and when I have a convenient season, I will call thee unto me." Paul declares in 2 Corinthians 6:2 "Now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." Putting off the Lord's work to some future day may temporarily resolve whatever problem we think we have, but it will not resolve that problem eternally, it will only create greater, insurmountable problems.

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sunday Nov. 17, 2024

Lanova Mitchell has been placed with hospice at her home. Delmer and Linda Wilson's daughter Jennifer, has been ill and going through surgery and a number of health issues. Rick Giles is improving and doing better at his home. Doug Lowe has been undergoing tests on his heart in Tyler. He will have a heart valve replacement on Nov. 20th in Tyler. Ann Sparks continues to do some better. She is home. Kaliegh Cantwell, niece of Dennis and Roseanna May, is undergoing tests in Austin and we want to remember her in our prayers. Donnie Wells is cancer free. We are so happy for him. Kay Henry, friend of several at Cayuga School, suffered a heart attack. Irene Cooper, mother of Cheryl Ellis is having health concerns and asked for our prayers. Mason Johnson (great grandson of Linda Johnson) had surgery recently but is improving. David Carder has been ill at home, but undergoing tests in Athens. Roy and Deanna Davis on the birth of a new granddaughter, Olivia Jane, born recently, to Justin and wife. The baby is still in the hospital, having been born prematurely. Sharon Hammond recently had eye surgery, but improving. Will Hawkins, son of Bill and Linda, is having health issues. Bob Stech had his heart shocked back in rhythm this Tuesday. Bryan Titlow, cousin of Jim Ricard, has cancer & is undergoing treatment. Ann Holland continues to have health issues at home. Jay Mays, relative of Doug Lowe, has cancer, and desires prayers. Lori Tanner Richardson, cousin of Cindy Thornton, has breast cancer. Prayers for Bill Ridgeway, brother-in-law of Dan Manuel. He is with hospice. Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is hospitalized in Memphis, Tenn. Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues. Remember those in nursing homes and home bound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Joyce Matlock, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Martha Sims, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, Charlie Young, Johnny Jenkins, Ken Holland and Cecil Stanaland. **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. Please notify us in the church office.