

Good morning and welcome to services! We are so glad you are here. We had a great time on Sunday evening at the Walk of Lights. We saw so many pretty light displays and it's a fun way to spend an evening together. This Thursday night we will be going caroling to several nursing homes and assisted living facilities. We will start out at Dogwood Trails at 5:15 and after we finish caroling everyone will head over to our house for hot chocolate and refreshments. Hope you can be there! Registration for CYC is coming to a close. If you would like to join us in Dallas for CYC, please let us know. It is such an uplifting and fun weekend. The conference is held at Waterview Church of Christ and we will be staying overnight on Friday night at a nearby hotel. Let Alison or me know if you would like to attend. Have a great week! **DOUG**

"But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin." John 1:7

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."

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS LUNCHEON

The Tuesday morning Ladies class taught by Dan will have a year end Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday morning Dec. 17th All the ladies are asked to bring a covered dish and plan to stay for the fun, fellowship and gift exchange to follow.

A man had been shipwrecked on a remote island in the Pacific, and was alone for 20 years. When a ship finally arrived, his rescuers were impressed with the three buildings he had built and asked him about them. "Well," the man replied, "this is my house, and that building over there is my church. It's a wonderful church and I hate to leave it. "And what is the third building yonder?" a rescuer asked.

"Oh, that is the church I used to go to," the man replied.

Dec. 22nd 2024 Door Greeters Security Team Communion Preparation Frank & Laura Glenn

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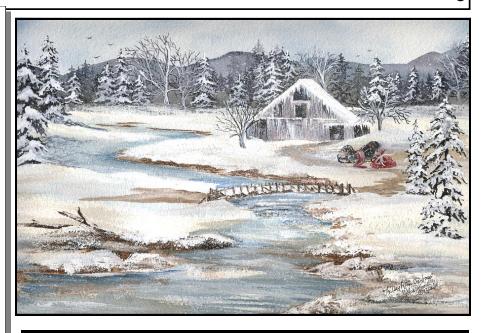
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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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



May God bless you during this season of joy and happiness. We hope that each of you have a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends. In Christian Rove, The Elders and Deacons

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The New Year is approaching fast. Start making your resolutions so they will be in place when the time comes.



From Dan's desk:

The year 2024 is coming to a rapid close and the church here has been blessed in so many ways by our loving Heavenly Father. As we approach the beginning of a New Year, it would be a great time for reflection in our lives. Have I been faithful to God in ALL things? Am I doing what I do out of love? Am I giving my BEST to God? God has asked us to love Him "with all our heart". Our nation is turning back to God, away from the nonsense of "woke-ism". Hopefully many have seen the light. This Nation, the U.S.A., is a nation that has been given numerous blessing by the Father above. May God help us to work together toward the cause of Christ in the coming New Year 2025. We hope that we will all do our best to honor our Lord and serve Him to the very best of our ability. If you have not been attending Bible class on Wednesday evening or Sunday night services, you are missing an opportunity to show God your BEST. Hope to see you at the 6 P.M. hour. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





EVA WALKER continues to improve following her recent surgery. She is in Tru-Care facility. RICK GILES continues to recover from recent hospitalization.

SCOTT DONALDSON, son of Bob and Mary Stech, is recovering from a heart procedure in Waco.

"USE YOUR THUMB?"

With his thumb, the hitchhiker-says. "You furnish the car, the gas and oil." attend to repairs and upkeep, supply the insurance, and I'll ride with you. However, if you have an accident,. I'll sue you for everything you have." 'That's pretty one-sided it seems to me. Think of hitchhikers in the church! They seem to say, "You furnish the building, the preacher, lights, air conditioning, the insurance, all the educational material. and take care of the general building upkeep; and we'll ride along with you. If things don't suit us, we'll complain, criticize, and probably hitchhike to another church. We'll give ten dollars to 'keep the record straight, but let others pay the BIG bills." Let's be careful that "bear our own responsibilities" (Gal. 6:5). We are "pilgrims" not hitchhikers (1 Pet. 2:11).

The Forgiven, Forgive

The forgiven forgive. At least that is God's plan. Joseph decided to follow God's plan of forgiveness. His brothers had mocked him, sold him, and lied about him. During the following years he served as a slave, prisoner, and finally an official in Egypt. During a terrible famine, his brothers in desperation, came to buy grain from Egypt. Although they didn't recognize him, he recognized them. He didn't seek vengeance, instead he made provisions for them and his father, Jacob, to move to Egypt. He and Pharaoh provided abundantly for them. But eventually Jacob died. The brothers became very nervous believing Joseph's kindness was only for his father. Would he strike back at them now that their father was dead?

Please Notice Joseph's answers.

Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive. Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones. And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them Gen. 50:19-21. Joseph Knew...Vengeance is God's Place. There are some shoes that are simply too big for us. Vengeance is God's, He will repay (Romans 12:9). When we fail to forgive, we create an environment to seek vengeance. God Works all Things Together for Good. Joseph knew his brothers plans were wicked, but God can always trump man's plans. Joseph knew God used their wicked plan (and Joseph's faithful service) to save many lives. Can you say, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose (Romans 8:28)?" If you are truly living according God's purpose, evil people cannot hinder you and God from filling His purpose! So there is no need to seek vengeance because God's plans will not be stopped! **SELECTED**

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Sunday Dec. 15, 2024

Scott Donaldson son of Bob and Mary Stech is improving following a heart procedure in Waco.

Tim Jones is still recovering from a fall that injured his head. He is home.

Eva Walker is doing better from recent hospitalization. She is in Tru-Care nursing facility.

Rick Giles remains ill at his home. He is out of the hospital.

Ann Sparks continues to do some better. She is home.

Kaliegh Cantwell, niece of Dennis and Roseana May, is improving and tests were good.

Rosanna May is having health issues with kidney stones want to remember her in our prayers.

Mary Alice Largent's daughter Jewel, and son-in-law Eric, both had surgery recently. Keep them in your prayers.

Mason Johnson (great grandson of Linda Johnson) continues to improve.

David Carder has been ill at home, but is undergoing tests & treatment.

Will Hawkins, son of Bill and Linda, is having health issues.

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.

Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is hospitalized in Memphis, Tenn.

Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues.

All others are improving at home.

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, 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.