



THE WESTWORTH
WORD

WESTWORTH CHURCH OF CHRIST

Worshipping Serving Fellowship

Thank you for coming to worship the Lord with us today. If this is your first visit here, please honor us by filling out a visitor's card found on the back of each pew. Prayer requests you may have can also be made on the other side of the card. At the close of service, please put your card in the contribution box at the exit.

During the service we will celebrate communion. This is a time that we partake of unleavened bread and juice from fruit of the vine to remind us what Jesus has done for us. Communion is not only about Jesus' death, but his resurrection and triumph over death and sin. His resurrection is the source of our hope that God will one day fulfill His promise of eternal life through Jesus the Christ.

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Hebrews 4:12-13

¹² For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. ¹³ Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

≡Celebrate≡

JUNE BIRTHDAYS



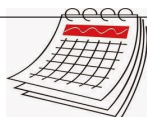
Max Parker	June 2	Ruston Kirby	June 24
Jim Allen	June 9	Janice Stanfield	June 26
Wayne Kreger	June 12	Doug Robertson	June 27
Donna Simco	June 13	Sherry Dunson	June 28
Dean Corder	June 22		

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Curtis & Sherri Dunson	June 4
John & Samantha Jewell	June 8
Tony & Carl Kerske	June 10
Tom & Wanda Reynolds	June 12
Marty & Blair Montgomery	June 17



Mark Your Calendars



- The 3rd Sunday in June - June 20 - is Father's Day. Let's plan the following **Sunday - June 27** - to celebrate fellowship with a "3rd" Sunday Lunch.
- **July 11** - The 2nd Sunday in July - this will be the Sunday before our Malawi pilgrims leave on the trip to visit the mission work there. Let's give them a proper send-off with a fellowship lunch after worship services.

Cards of encouragement...

For the upcoming trip to Malawi

Please bring cards with prayers or encouraging messages for Snoden and Susan. We will provide a "depository" for them, and they will be hand delivered by the group traveling to Malawi this summer.

Some guidelines to make it easier for Snoden & Susan:

- ***PRINT only please. (no cursive)***
- ***Nothing but the card - specifically, no cash.***

The church has some cards, if you would like to choose from our stock just contact Sherry in the church office.

Christian Education

Part eight in a series

Sunday School did not have a peaceful transition across the Atlantic like the Pilgrims did in 1620. While Robert Raikes was starting Sunday School in England in 1718 the American Colonies were engaged in a war for independence against England. The war formally ended September 3, 1783, with the signing of the Treaty of Paris. Though a school in Virginia was modeled on Raikes's idea in the 1780s, most Americans wanted nothing to do with things English.

When Sunday School did arrive in the 1790s, the impact was not nearly so profound as it was in England. One can think of several reasons for this: The colonists in America emphasized the importance of an educated population more than English society, the colonists believed children needed to be educated in the Scriptures as well as other subjects, and in the Colonies, there was no state church. These 3 things caused the American Colonists to have a deeper understanding, and respect for God and the Scripture. Sunday School for the Puritans in New England was pointless. They already had schools that taught students to read, write and to understand God's Laws.

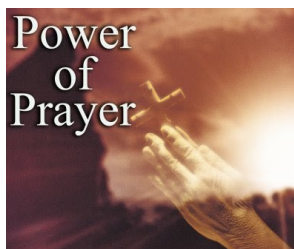
Eventually, however, Sunday School became adopted in most churches. It did have some positive aspects. Sunday Schools across the south were used to teach poor white families and slaves how to read and write. The schools were also used to educate poor children in the urban centers. As in England the United States Sunday Schools seemed to decrease the crime rate. One writer claimed that Christianity was saved in the United States by Sunday School.

But as in England with the popular idea of Sunday School came the strong urge for national organization and structure diminishing the autonomy of the local church. Soon large Sunday School societies and unions established doctrinal standards (Creeds), uniform curriculum and a monitoring system which caused local accountability to disappear. In addition to the loss of local control the effort to standardize Sunday School opened the door for secularization through the curriculum, and conventions. Increasing emphasis was placed on literacy instead of the Bible while state or national conventions dictated to the local churches what was taught. This intrusion into local religious life and teaching did not go unnoticed or unchallenged. Many of the churches rejected the curriculum and organizational control. Alexander Campbell, one of the founders of the Christian Church/Church of Christ/Disciples of Christ movement, wrote, "If children are taught to read in a Sunday School, their pockets must be filled with religious tracts, the object of which is either directly or indirectly to bring them under that domination of some creed or sect."

The effects of Sunday School have lasted long after it reached its zenith in the 1840s. During the 20th century 60-70 percent of church members in the mainline denominations were involved in Sunday School. The century saw many developments. Perhaps, the most important was the inclusion of adult Sunday School classes. The second was a rift among the churches over teaching methods and choosing whether to emphasize theology and biblical scholarship, or evangelism.

Next week we will look at the state of the church toward the last half of the 20th century and the beginning of the 21st century.

David Keller



Prayer Vigil for the Malawi travelers

As you know, the Jewell's and the Flaherty's are planning a trip to Malawi in mid-July to visit the Mission work there. Please consider how often we are exhorted to '*pray without ceasing*'

(a few examples):

Matthew 21:22

If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in **prayer**.

Acts 1:14

They all joined together constantly in **prayer**, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Romans 12:12

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in **prayer**.

2 Cor 1:11

as you help us by your **prayers**. Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favor granted us in answer to the **prayers** of many.

Eph 6:18

And **pray** in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of **prayers** and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on **praying** for all the Lord's people.

Have you signed up to be part of Prayer Vigil planned from 5pm July 11, 2021 through 5pm July 17? Sign up sheets are in South Foyer - or you can call the church office (817-738-7536) to reserve your spot, or even email the church westworthchurch@sbcglobal.net

Please plan to join this effort as we pray for safe travels and God's continued blessing on the Malawi Mission and everyone involved.



Let's Get Together

For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." – Matt. 18:20

Sunday Morning Services - 10:00am

Today's Scripture: Revelation 3:14-22

New Ladies Bible Study

Beginning: Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Elija - Faith and Fire by: Priscilla Shirer

Available at Amazon: link below

<https://www.amazon.com/>

[dp/1087715423ref=cm_sw_r_u_apg_gly_fabc_KECG160ncxh9vht6hmf](https://www.amazon.com/dp/1087715423ref=cm_sw_r_u_apg_gly_fabc_KECG160ncxh9vht6hmf)

For more detail contact Tracy Robertson

Phone: 817-308-0554 or

email: snowgirlntx@yahoo.com

Wednesday in-person Bible Study June 2021

7:00 PM - Activity Building

**David Keller continues to bring his knowledge and skill
to these studies during June**

THIS IS TIME VERY WELL SPENT! DON'T MISS OUT.

***Bring your dinner and join us at 6:30 for a brief time of
fellowship before the study begins***

Publications Available for you...

- ***Power for Today***, (July, August, September) is on the cabinet in the north foyer.
- The **Action** newsletter is also available for you. This is a publication of World Bible School in Cedar Park, Texas - a ministry of churches of Christ.
- ***The Christian Chronicle*** - is routed to the Trustees. And is available on-line at christianchronical.org

Other publications are also available in the North foyer.

Worship Schedule

Date	Today - June 6
Open/ Announcements	Mike Lisle
Usher	Brian Flaherty
Songs	Eric Kreger
Communion	Curtis Thompson
Prayer	TBD
Bible Story	Max Lisle
Reading	Randy Fetters
Lesson	John Jewell
Audio/Visual	Susan Flaherty

Upcoming

Service	date	June 13	June 20	June 27
Open/ Announcements		Randy Fetters	Curtis Dunson	Curtis Thompson
Usher		Eric Kreger	Randy Fetters	Max Lisle
Songs		Samuel Flaherty	Max Lisle	Curtis Dunson
Communion		David Keller	Johnny Box	Eric Kreger
Prayer		Cooper Thompson	Mike Lisle	Johnny Box
Bible Story		Curtis Dunson	Curtis Thompson	David Keller
Reading		Andy Jewell	Marty Montgomery	Ben Jewell
Lesson		Brian Flaherty	John Jewell	John Jewell
Audio/Visual		Christi Kreger	Brian Flaherty	Randy Fetters

Communion Preparation for June: Anita Gray