



# WESTWORTH CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE WESTWORTH  
WORD

Worshipping Serving Fellowship

**T**hank 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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## 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.

## Phil 4:6-7

<sup>6</sup>Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

# ≡Celebrate≡

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jaeli Snell	July 1	Wanda Reynolds	July 21
Justin Snell	July 2	Sharold Ferris	July 23
Brian Flaherty	July 3	Julie Ferris	July 26
Marty Montgomery	July 3	Anita Gray	July 27
Kenzie Kirby	July 5	Carla Kerske	July 27
Jane Miller	July 8	Hettie Keller	July 30
Collin Parriette	July 15	Sarah Robinson	July 30



## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Sharold & Julie Ferris July 8

### *Fellowship Meal*

- **July 25** - After the many 'surprises' and altered plans recently, let's plan once again to share a fellowship lunch on the last Sunday in July.

### **Directory information updates...**

A copy of your current contact information is in your mailbox. It's a small slip of paper, so you may have to look twice. (everyone I know as a "member" or "regular" here has a mailbox.)

This slip contains the information we have for you currently, and there is space below for any updates, additions, corrections. If any changes are needed, please note on the slip or card and return as noted below.

Your email address is especially important as everyone is on a distribution list for important broadcast email messages.

Please review this information - **AND EVEN IF IT IS CORRECT** - sign it and place it in the box provided for that purpose close to the contribution box as you exit the building. Or you can hand it directly to me.

If I have missed anyone, my apologies. I have placed some cards next to the return box for your use, so you can be included on the next directory distribution.

Thanks, *Sherry*

## **REFLECTIONS**

Recently I have been listening to John Jewell's sermons after the boys go to bed. I am learning from the intended lessons but have also come to realize that I didn't pay much attention to these messages when they were first presented.

I attempted to justify my lack of focus by thinking 'well you are wrangling two children while listening.' This justification caused embarrassment. We are all God's children. He 'wrangles' us daily. We always expect and appreciate God's full attention. It does not seem right to use caring for my children as an excuse to ignore my 'parent.' God.

I am reminded of Revelation 3:16 which states "So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spit you out of my mouth."

Hot for God is ideal. That is where you are fully engaged in worshipping Him. Being cold towards Christianity is second best. Even if you are arguing against God, you are at least actively engaging in thought regarding religion. This may eventually lead you to being hot.

Lukewarm is worst. Comfortably going through the motions without spiritual engagement leaves no room for growth. I have come to realize that this is where I have been for the last three years. I wonder if anyone else feels that way.

One thing I have noticed in listening to John's sermons is that he often apologizes for the length of time. He also indicates a desire to please us. This is **not** a reflection upon John, but upon us as a congregation. Preachers are a vessel of God. They should not be meant to feel torn between serving God or serving us. Though guidelines are necessary for running a business - are we being too presumptuous attempting to give time constraints and rules to God's message? And in doing so are we letting our lukewarmness prevent us from growing in our relationship with God?

If you find that you are more focused on how long the sermon will be; what words will be used in invitation; or if John is performing to **our** standards, rather than the message itself - then maybe you are lukewarm. You too may be going through the motions of church as I have.

Self-reflection is never comfortable. Especially when that was not the lesson you anticipated learning. It is a true blessing though when you humble yourself to the necessity of a spiritual recharge. It may be just the thing you need to get back on track to being hot for God...and just in time for summer. 😊

*Sarah Lisle*

*(Sarah provided this articles a few weeks ago, about the time David Keller's series on Christian Education began. Isn't it interesting how meaningful words and messages are not constrained to the moment, but continue to convict and inspire us no matter when we are afforded the opportunity to read them.*

*Thank you, Sarah. )*

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**We are, once again, in need of  
articles for the bulletin!**

As a result of David Keller's informative series of articles on Christian Education through history, and Sarah Lisle's willingness to share her inspiring thoughts above, I haven't had to "nag" in several weeks.

However... Here I am again!

Recent events in our world have provided cause for reflection and subsequent actions that may have led to change, improvement, adjustment, consideration - use whatever word you prefer. How can you share what you have 'learned' through these challenging times? A Bulletin article with your reflections could be just the means you need to express a concept that has come to you during this time.

Your submission is welcomed and I look forward to sharing what you have to say in our Bulletin.

Thanks

Sherry

# ***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: John 14:15-21**

## **Ladies Bible Study**

**Elija - Faith and Fire by: Priscilla Shirer**

Available on Amazon

*For more detail and information on how to join contact Tracy Robertson*

*Phone: 817-308-0554 or  
email: snowgirlntx@yahoo.com*

## **Wednesday in-person Bible Study July 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*

## Worship Schedule

Date	July 18
<b>Open/ Announcements</b>	Curtis Thompson
<b>Usher</b>	Max Lisle
<b>Songs</b>	Curtis Dunson
<b>Communion</b>	Eric Kreger
<b>Prayer</b>	Johnny Box
<b>Bible Story</b>	David Keller
<b>Reading</b>	Ben Jewell
<b>Lesson</b>	John Jewell
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Randy Fetters

## Upcoming

date	July 25	Aug 1	Aug 8
<b>Service</b>			
<b>Open/ Announcements</b>	Johnny Box		
<b>Usher</b>	Curtis Dunson		
<b>Songs</b>	Eric Kreger		
<b>Communion</b>	Mike Lisle		
<b>Prayer</b>	Tom Reynolds		
<b>Bible Story</b>	Randy Fetters		
<b>Reading</b>	Jim Allen		
<b>Lesson</b>	John Jewell		
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Christi Kreger		

Communion Preparation for July: Donna Simco