

Westworth Church of Christ

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WELCOME VISITORS! Thank you for joining us today to worship the Lord. If this is your first visit here, please honor us by filling out a visitor's card found on the back of each pew. Your prayer requests may also be made on the flip side of the card. At the close of service, please put your card in the contribution box at the front of the auditorium as you exit.

During the service we will celebrate communion. (Sacraments are available on the table in the entry foyer.) This is a time that we partake of unleavened bread and juice from the 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 fulfill his promise of eternal life through Jesus the Christ.

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Ephesians 1:13-14

¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

Celebrate

October

Birthdays

John Jewell	3 Oct	Caleb Dunson	17 Oct
Christian Lindsey	8 Oct	Christi Kreger	19 Oct
Betty Lane	12 Oct	Curtis Dunson	23 Oct
Tony Kerske	14 Oct	Randy Fettes	24 Oct
Jonah Jewell	16 Oct	Lily Kirby	31 Oct



October Anniversaries

Doug & Tracy Robertson 24 Oct

Pour Painting...?

Want to find out more??

Sat., Oct 23, 2021, 1:00—4:00 pm, Activity Bldg

- Susan Flaherty can't wait to share this colorful and MESSY craft with you
- All ages are welcomed
- Canvases and paints will be provided and you'll end up with your very own creation to take home
- If you want to paint on anything other than canvas—say a pumpkin - you will need to bring that.



Mark your calendars for the next Fellowship Lunch

Sunday, October 31, 2021

Let's celebrate the season with a fellowship lunch on this 5th Sunday.

- We will have a special guest that day—Dema, a brother from the Ukraine work.
- There will be special "Treat" bags for youngsters.

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE BY THE WOMEN OF WESTWORTH—No. 6

Hannah – A woman of her word

Sherry Yates

In I Samuel chapters 1 and 2 we learn of Hannah. The favored, but barren, wife of Elkanah. His other wife, Penninah, DID have children and she taunted Hannah because she had no children in a time when children were greatly desired. (pretty sure you wouldn't hear "my body, my choice" in those times)

Hannah was unimaginably sad because "the Lord had closed her womb" (1 Sam 1:6). She prayed and prayed for a child – her utter despair brought bitter tears and a silent prayer to her lips. That prayer included a promise to God to give back to Him the thing she desired most in the world. On one occasion her fervent and desperate prayer was observed by Eli the priest who thought she was drunk and scolded her. Her response to Eli led him to pray that God would bless her with the desires of her heart.

And He did just that. Hannah gave birth to a son and named him Samuel "Because I asked the Lord for him".

Hannah was dedicated to her child and spent some time preparing him for the promised return to the Lord's service. Only when Samuel was weaned did Hannah accompany Elkanah on the annual journey to worship and sacrifice. On that trip she found Eli and handed Samuel over to him as promised.

In 1 Samuel 2 we find Hannah's prayer after she had relinquished Samuel. In this prayer we learn that "She who was barren has borne seven children" (1 Sam 2:5)

There are lessons in Hannah's story, of course.

Hannah didn't try to retaliate against the taunting of Penninah. Hannah suffered in silence and looked to the one and only source of resolution for her situation. Our lesson – do less blaming or complaining and more praying with patience to await the answer to those prayers.

Hannah kept her promise to God. When the time was right, she took the very desire of her heart and turned him over to someone else for teaching and training. As a mom, I seriously cannot imagine that. She only got to see him once each year at the time of sacrifice when she would take a new garment to him that she had made. (He was, after all, a growing boy). Our lesson – don't make

make promises – to God or humans – then fail to follow up as promised.

Hannah prayed for one child and God blessed her beyond what she asked for. It would have been interesting to know when those other children were born – was it before she took Samuel to Eli or only after she kept that promise (and by-the-way, how old was he when he was weaned). In our lives – understand that it ALL belongs to God. No matter what you ‘value or treasure’ in this world, giving it up for the glory of God will never leave you ‘wanting’. God provides abundantly. You can’t “out give” God.

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE BY THE WOMEN OF WESTWORTH

NEXT WEEK: Elizabeth

YOUTH EVENT

**Saturday, October 30, 2021—5:00 to 9:00 pm
(come-n-go)**



- Brian plans to put up a (movable) volleyball net next to the church
- There will be volleyball (duh!) and other outdoor games
- Food: Chili Bar—think Fritos, cheese and other ‘yummy’ toppings.
- Mark your calendars now and come join the fun.



See you there!



Don't Forget...

John's surgery is tomorrow

Samantha's surgery is complete, and the hope is by the time you read this she is at home recuperating.

John's surgery is tomorrow and if you have volunteered to provide meals or assistance during next couple weeks, please add those plans to your calendar so nothing gets overlooked.

Please continue to pray for a speedy recovery for them both. Thank you all for your willingness to serve.

Together

For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

- Matthew 18:20

Sunday Morning Services - 10:00am

Today's speaker: Trustees

Ladies Bible Study

(Virtually over Google meets)

Elijah—Faith and Fire by: Priscilla Shirer

(available on Amazon)

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

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The Chosen

Wednesdays — 7:00 pm

Next Wednesday our mid-week bible study will feature season 1, episode 3. This is more than “movie night”. The highly acclaimed series is being used as a resource for Bible Study. It is our hope that discussion after the viewing may help improve our understanding. There are many web sites with study materials designed to be used with this series. Thank you, Brian, for organizing this.

Invite your friends and family to join with us in the Activity Building to enjoy and learn from this worthwhile study.

We hope you will plan to join in on Wednesday nights. It will definitely be worth the time in your busy schedule.

- ◆ Food is provided beginning at **6pm** (to help folks add this special study time to their schedule).

Menu for 10/20 — to be announced

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Date	Today— October 17
Open/ Announcements	Curtis Dunson
Usher	Brian Flaherty
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger
Communion	David Keller
Prayer	Johnny Box
Bible Story	Max Lisle
Reading	Andy Jewell
Lesson/Sermon	Trustees
A/V	Susan Flaherty

COMING WEEKS

Date	Oct 24	Oct 31	Nov 7
Open	Curtis Thompson	Mike Lisle	
Usher	Bill Jones	Robby Robertson	
Songs/Close	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger	
Communion	Sharold Ferris	Max Lisle	
Prayer	Jim Allen	Tbd	
Bible Story	Brian Flaherty	Curtis Thompson	
Reading	Jonathan Dunson	Tbd	
Lesson	Max Lisle	Dema	
A/V	Randy Feters	Susan Flaherty	

Communion Preparation October: Wanda Reynolds