



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 you can hand it to any member, place it in the contribution box at the front of the auditorium or simply leave it in the pew and we will collect it.

During the service we will celebrate communion. 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. (Sacraments are available on the table in the entry foyer.)

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Worship Services:	Sunday, 10:00 am
Men's Group:	1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 pm
Bible Study:	Wednesday 7:00 pm
Ladies Virtual Study:	Thursday, 7pm via GoogleMeet

What's your 'Word'

Through the years, I've noticed that every year when January comes around, I start to see a myriad of new ads – a lot of them. A majority seem to focus on miracle weight-loss products, gym memberships, or smoking cessation products/programs. It's the time for a fresh start, a 'Do-Over'. People want to remake themselves because they're dissatisfied with the status quo.

One change I've noticed in recent years is that a lot of people have begun posting on social media their 'Word' for the year. Instead of the traditional New Year's Resolutions, like losing weight, exercising more, stopping smoking, or getting organized - they come up with a word to focus on in the coming months. Sometimes it's things like Joy, Family, Determined, Peace. I've even seen bracelets you can order, customized with your word so you can look at it any time you want to be reminded of what you want to focus on. It's not a bad idea. Somehow, a word doesn't seem as daunting as a hard core 'resolution' can be. But it's still a resolution. There's a goal to focus on and achieve. We 'resolve' to change and/or grow. For some people, coming up with a word helps them center their focus and energy. It can pinpoint the areas that may have been neglected, bad habits that developed, or growth that hasn't been fully embraced.

As humans, we tend to need something concrete, a specific plan - structured, organized - to accomplish a long-term or permanent goal. God knew this. Look at what he provided - a step by step guide with examples and instructions for us to follow; as well as to challenge and inspire us. You'll never find a more thorough, perfect "How To" manual. Our Holy Bible. But – like any set of instructions, you have to read them to be successful. After all, with a goal as all-encompassing as eternal life, it's bound to get confusing and intimidating at times...yes? Sometimes we will do things backwards or get ahead of ourselves. The Bible is there to guide us through it all, one step at a time, to perfect completion. Spending time in The Word is one of the most powerful tools we can utilize.

When (not if) we make a mistake, aren't we lucky that as Christians we get a 'Do-Over' - Every. Single. Day? We get to start fresh any time we need to by simply following our How-To instructions laid out by God Himself. Confess. Repent. Ask forgiveness. God not only accommodates us but *REJOICES* that we asked for His help. How awesome is that?

So – even though we're well past the time of New Year's Resolutions, do you have a Word? A daily resolution, so to speak? It's never too late. Spend some time in God's Word and see if there is anything that speaks to you, or like me, steps on your toes. Mine, you may ask? Well, it's **FROZEN**. I know, right? What in the world? If you know me, or even if you don't know me that well, I tend to be very OCD (except I'm actually CDO - so the letters are in order *As They Should Be!*) I do, however, have some areas in my life where I've let resentment and discontent build and fester. In searching through my life instruction manual, a.k.a. The Bible, I read in Matthew 18:21-22:

21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? 22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.

Hmph! Definitely stepped on my toes and made me take stock of my attitude and actions and why I continue to have built up resentment. I got my how-to instruction right there in black and white. So how to explain my choice of word - **FROZEN**. It came to me when I was trying to find a word to focus on (release, relinquish, forgive and forget, etc.) yet none of them quite covered it. After much thought and self-reflection I realized that I kept repeating the same thing in my head. I needed towait for it.....



Let it go, Let it go...



and just Let God!

Tracy Robertson

THIS IS THE DAY!!



Hope everyone has planned to stay after services and join the celebration for Max and Juanita Pratt.

We are so thankful to have them here with us and this is an opportunity to especially express that gratitude. We know how easily we get 'comfortable' and forget to express our appreciation.

There is a receptacle for Cards of encouragement and welcome for Max and Juanita on a table in the activity building.

There is also be a \$ Tree for anyone who wishes to participate.

We are glad you are here today, and please stay for lunch and fellowship following services.

What can we do together?

With the improved weather—and we all know how brief that window can be—do you have any favorite fellowship activities you would like to see planned in the near future?

We are always open to ideas about activities to bring us together to share a little time and maybe a few laughs; good-hearted competitions, or even some work to benefit those who need a little assistance. Please let one of the Trustees or Sherry know your ideas.

Thank you - Keep up the good work

Food was delivered to Southside Church of Christ this past week.

Thank you to everyone who took time to do a little extra shopping for this good work.



Southside is considered an 'inner-city' church and the area around their facility is occupied by many very poor citizens, even a homeless population. They distribute food each week on Tuesday from 10:00 am to Noon. Because of the on-going need, their pantry needs help.

We will continue this contribution to their pantry so, if you would, please put this need on your 'list' for maybe a monthly (or as often as you can) contribution.

If you would like to see more information about Southside Church of Christ's programs for the community, their web site is:

<https://www.sscofc.org>

Happy Milestones

May Birthdays

JoAnn Anthony	May 23
Tracy Burris	May 26
Amanda Moore	May 31

May Anniversaries

Matthew & D'Ann Bristol	May 17
Hudson & Daniella Flaherty	May 17

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW

Tuesday - Westworth Men's Group



All men of the congregation, friends, neighbors and family are invited to join the men's group on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month.** Currently they are looking at concepts and ideas in the book:

IN A PIT WITH A LION ON A SNOWY DAY by Mark Batterson

Next Meeting: ➔ May 2, 2023 ⬅ 7pm, Activity Bldg.



It is never too late to join any of the studies and fellowship listed here.



Wednesday Night Bible Study—

Each week @ 7pm—Activity Bldg.

Current study: 1 & 2 Samuel

This is a great opportunity to learn more from God's word and enjoy casual fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ.



Thursdays Women's Virtual Bible Study



Each week — 7:00 pm via Google meet

For information regarding access - web-site and passcode contact: Tracy Robertson at 817-308-0554— or—snowgirlntx@yahoo.com

A new study begins May 4:

Gideon—Your Weakness. God's Strength
by Priscilla Shirer

- All ladies are welcomed to join this group at any time.
- Learning and fellowship from the comfort of your own home.
- Book available from Amazon, Mardels, or Lifeway.

May

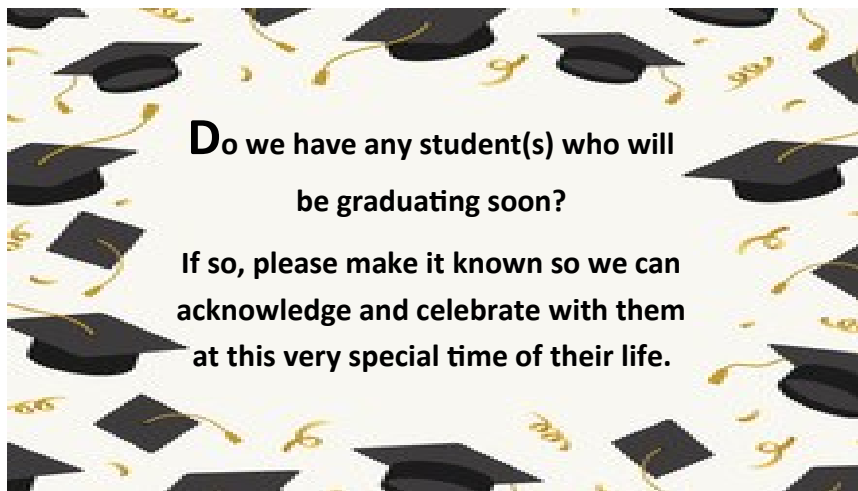


Sunday, May 14—Mother's Day

Sunday, May 21—Third Sunday Lunch

Monday, May 29—Memorial Day

Late May and Early June—Graduation days for many high schools and colleges in the area.



Hey Kids—Riddle me This

- 1) What do they call pastors residing in Germany?
- 2) On his ark, how many of each animal did Moses bring?
- 3) I can look like a T, I can look like an X. I can be found on chains, hung around people's necks. What am I?
- 4) Which biblical character grew up without parents?
- 5) Instead of going to Nineveh, I decided to bail. Thrown overboard while out to sea, I was swallowed up by a whale. Who am I?

1) German Shepherds. 2) None, Moses didn't have an ark. Noah did. 3) a cross.
4) Joshua, Son of Nun (Joshua 1:1). 5) Jonah.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for May: Eric Kreger

Date	Today—April 30
Open	Curtis Thompson
Usher	Brian Flaherty
Songs/Close	Curtis Dunson
Prayer	Samuel Flaherty
Communion	Johnny Box
Bible Story Kids Church	Max Lisle / Tracy Robertson & Sherry Dunson
Reading	Jaedon Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Susan Flaherty

COMING WEEKS

Date	May 7	May 14	May 21
Open	Brian Flaherty	Curtis Thompson	Randy Feters
Usher	Samuel Flaherty	Eric Kreger	Brian Flaherty
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kerger
Prayer	Tom Reynolds	Bill Jones	Sharold Ferris
Communion	Bill Jones	Johnny Box	Mike Lisle
Bible Story Kids Church	Eric Kreger / David & Hettie Keller	Max Lisle / Blair Montgomery & Sara Lisle	Eric Kreger Shery Jones & Susan Flaherty
Reading	Marty Montgomery	James Kreger	John Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	Max Pratt
A/V	Christi Kreger	Randy Feters	Christi Kreger

Communion Preparation May: Janice Stanfield