



WELCOME VISITORS Thank you for joining us today to worship the Lord.

If you are looking for a supportive, Bible-based church family, we believe you have found it at Westworth. You are always welcome to be a part of the warmth and loving nature that is shown here. We have a place for you!

If this is your first visit here, please honor us by filling out a visitor's card found on the back of each pew. Any prayer requests may also be made on the flip side of the card. You may hand it to any member, place it in the contribution box at the front of the auditorium or simply leave it in the pew for us.

During the service we will celebrate communion. Communion is not only about Jesus' death, but his resurrection and triumph over death and sin. His resurrection is our source of hope that God will fulfill his promise of eternal life through Jesus the Christ.



Today from the Pulpit

Clean Communication

Speaker—Bob Mullen

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

Lesson Scriptures:

- Ephesians 4:29
- Ephesians 4:14-15
- Ephesians 4:25-27
- Matthew 18:15

Self Control

It is tragic that today there is so many who insist that our guns are killing people. It never has been the guns. It never will be the weapons of any kind that does the killing. All of those material objects cannot do any harm to anyone. Now, the guns in the hands of people can be used to kill. So can knives, automobiles, bomb materials, poisons and you name it.

It is all about what is in the heart of man that leads to the killing. Jesus addressed it when He taught this principle: ***“You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment.” Matt 5:21-22.*** Jesus exposes the sin of anger that leads to the overt act itself. Our Lord teaches us how to have good hearts and controlled actions.

The lack of self-control is so obvious today. The mass shootings reveal the fact that today people will use a weapon to kill friends, coworkers, classmates, family and just about anyone; known or unknown to them. I remember the days in our land when folks had guns but there was no danger in being a victim. The reason was the morals that God ordained for mankind influenced our whole society and were known as truth. Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit of God. Remove the influence of God and righteousness from within the heart and the result will be massive departures from truth. In Romans chapter one, the apostle Paul shares the results of the rejection of God and His Will in men’s hearts. It is an ugly, scary and dangerous place, when mankind loses moral conscience.

The influence of God’s Spirit is the only way men can live with self-control. ***“In your anger do not sin. Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.” Eph. 4:26-27. “Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for man’s anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires.” Jas. 1:19-20.***

“Live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature,,,,,The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.” Gal. 5:16, 22-23

Max Pratt

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. John 5:14



Members, families and friends in need of prayer:

Tom Flaherty—Brian's Dad. Tom is still having difficulty breathing after his recent heart valve replacement. Please pray for healing and strength.

Lee and Jane Hall—**Lee** continues to recover from recent surgery. Expect another month before released to work. **Jane** received good news on her recent biopsy. No skin cancer.

Nathan Keller - traveling to Malawi to visit the Namikango mission work. Please pray for a fruitful visit and safe travels.

Jessica Gunnels—Sarah Lisle's friend—UPDATE: Jessica received her new set of lungs earlier this week. She is not doing well as of Friday morning. A second surgery has been done that was postponed earlier because of excessive bleeding. Her kidneys are beginning to fail and she is not cognitively waking up and is not moving her extremities. Please continue to pray for Jessica and her family.

Joyce Gray—cognitive and physical decline.

Max, Juan and Ann—as they care for Joyce and her needs. Especially pray for Juan as she has been experiencing severe pain caused by sciatica.

Floretta Hubbard—ongoing health concerns.

Sharold Ferris—aneurism. Condition monitored by doctors.

Bob & Betty Lane—Bob's cognitive decline and Betty's role as caregiver. Especially while Betty is still recovering from her broken arm.

Joyce Bennett—on-going health issues.

Those in assisted living and unable to meet with us:

- ◆ Gracie Rhyne ◆ Dennis McMillion ◆ Jane Whitley ◆ Pat Straw

Please include:

- ◆ Church growth and leadership—here and at all the Lord's churches worldwide.
- ◆ Civil Leadership—pray for Godly leaders in all governments at all levels
- ◆ All parents—for guidance in all aspects of raising children.
- ◆ The children of our congregation, our neighborhoods and around the world.
- ◆ Children and teachers as the new school year will begin soon—mid August..

The world is not an easy place to navigate, but it is a privilege to pray for the needs of those we know and love—even those we don't know.

Please make your needs known.

What we want you to know about Westworth Church of Christ

We believe the gospel of Jesus Christ is the most important message for everyone in the world. Christ's message of salvation is packed with blessings for individuals, families, and community. Our mission is to share His gospel.

Our message comes from the inspired word of God. We teach that we are all sinners, and need saving from our sins. We are not saved by our own goodness or merit, but by the grace of God through our faith and obedience to the Gospel of Jesus. Jesus came to be our savior.

We believe...

- Jesus is the Son of God (John 11:27).
- in the Gospel Invitation (Matthew 11:28-30).
- the confession of our faith leads to our salvation (Romans 10:9-11).
- Godly sorrow turns a person away from sin to living a righteous life (Luke 5:32, 2 Corinthians 7:10).
- Baptism is one's new birth; when we bury the sinful man and rise up into a new spiritual life (Romans 6:3-5, 1 Peter 3:21-22).
- by living a faithful life God is glorified (Hebrews 13:15-16).

You are always welcome here. If you have any questions, or would like to know more about our beliefs please contact any member, call Max Pratt directly, or call the church office or to arrange time with him.

Leadership and Logistics

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Mark your calendars now

July 16—TODAY—3rd Sunday Lunch—Members and Visitors alike - please plan to stay and enjoy a fellowship meal following services.

July 18—Next Tuesday—Men's group begins a new study about Peter. All men—young and old—are invited to join in.

July 23—

John & Samantha Jewell here to share the latest from Malawi.

John has a great deal of information to share regarding all that has happened in the time since they left almost three and a half years ago.

John will provide the complete report including lots of pictures of the children and staff members, as well as the campus and other property.

A baked potato bar lunch will be provided for all who want to stay and enjoy a time of fellowship and “catching up” with John and Samantha, and get more detail about the work in Malawi.

Hope you will make time to hear the good report, as well as get an update on the plans currently in place to continue the progress already achieved.

July 30— 5th Sunday Lunch & “Singing” at Southside CoC

July is one of the few months with 5 Sundays and with the Texas Summer heat in full ‘bloom’ it will be a good day to spend time indoors and enjoying the company of your Christian Brothers and Sisters - as well as lots of good food.

— AND —

We have been invited to join Southside Church of Christ for a “Singing” at 3pm. What a great way to complete a day of worship and fellowship. Hope many of you will include this in your schedule for the day.

Soon—

Everyone who wants to will be able to have a *“Words of Wisdom”* sign for their front yard—like the ones Max displays beside his driveway. You will be able to make a choice for the first period of display, then periodically, everyone will bring back the one they have and we will swap out what we have for a different sign. The signs are “in work” and expect to have them available very soon.

STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday - Westworth Men's Group (1st & 3rd Tuesdays)



A new Study begins next Tuesday

The Apostle Peter

All are invited to join us in this research. Come share your knowledge with us. Help us learn from Peter's life how we can better serve God.

Next Meeting: ➔ July 18, 2023 ⬅ 7pm, Activity Bldg.

Wednesday Night Bible Study—Weekly @ 7pm—Activity Bldg.

July 12—2 Samuel

July 19—The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 6

July 26 —2 Samuel

Aug 2—The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 7

August 9—2 Samuel

Aug 16—The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 8



These mid-week sessions help lift your spirits for the remainder of the week. Join these opportunities to grow and learn together.

Thursdays Women's Virtual Bible Study

Each week — 7:00 pm via Google meet

Current Study:

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.

For information regarding access - web-site and passcode contact:

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Celebrate

July Birthdays

Jaeli Snell	July 1	Sharold Ferris	July 23
Justin Snell	July 2	Julie Ferris	July 26
Brian Flaherty	July 3	Ann Gray	July 27
Marty Montgomery	July 3	Juan Pratt	July 27
Kenzie Kirby	July 5	Carla Kerske	July 27
Wanda Reynolds	July 21	Hettie Keller	July 30



July Anniversaries

Sharold & Julie Ferris

July 8



Brief inspirational programs by Max,
available 24/7 at the following link:

<https://momentsofinspiration.org>

A few **MOI** quarterly reports are available in
the front foyer. Pick up one for more info.

COMMUNION & OFFERING

We have returned to the traditional method of serving communion each week—that is, we will be passing trays. For those who may still have concerns, a limited amount of disposable items are available.

Also, Zelle has been added as an optional way of making your donations directly to the church. Just use the church email:

westworthchurch@sbcglobal.net

James 4:1-3

¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for July: Curtis Dunson

Date	Today—July 16, 2023
Open	Randy Feters
Usher	Brian Flaherty
Songs/Close	Curtis Dunson
Prayer	Johnny Box
Communion	David Keller
Bible Story Kids Church	Randy Feters Sherri Dunson & Tracy Robertson
Reading	Cooper Thompson
Lesson	Bob Mullen
A/V	TBD

COMING WEEKS

Date	July 23	July 30	Aug 6
Open	Curtis Thompson	Mike Lisle	
Usher	Bill Jones	Jonathan Dun-	
Songs/Close	Samuel Flaherty	Curtis Dunson	
Prayer	Sharold Ferris	Tom Reynolds	
Communion	Tom Reynolds	Eric Kreger	
Bible Story Kids Church	Curtis Dunson / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson	No Children's church on 5th Sunday	
Reading	Jim Allen	Samuel Flaherty	
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	
A/V	Christi Kreger	Susan Flaherty	

Communion Preparation July: Anita Gray