



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

Nehemiah—Man of God

Scripture: The Book of Nehemiah

Speaker—Max Pratt



Reading: Nehemiah Chapter 1

Lessons from Nehemiah

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| a. Nehemiah cared | d. Faced the challenges |
| b. A man of prayer | e. Motivated & united God's people |
| c. Personal involvement & sacrifice | f. Great renewal & revival came |

ORDER OUT OF CHAOS

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.”

Gen. 1:1-2

From these, the first words of the Bible, God is credited with bringing order to an otherwise disordered world. He brought light into the darkness. He created life to fill the emptiness. He brought organization and form out of the formless chaotic world we now live in. So, God is Creator. He creates a world that is wholesome and useful which functions in such a way that life is maintained. The prophet Isaiah shares his own witness of Creation:

“For this is what the Lord says---He who created the heavens, He is God: He fashioned and made the earth. He founded it: He did not create it to be empty but formed it to be inhabited---He says: ‘I am the Lord, and there is no other’.” Isa. 45:18

God is a God of order. His creative work was a progression that led to the order of all things on earth and in the heavens. Because of His setting forth the separation of light and darkness, land and sea, then the space and place for life to be sustained sets in motion the order of the world. And God saw that all was good.

Life's order is good. God made it that way. When our lives are ordered it is also very good. Disorder and chaos do not have the quality of providing a good outcome. Structure is something God can bring into our lives. Have God's light shine upon your life and bring you out of the darkness! It will make such a huge difference in the quality of your life. Remember, He is still The Creator. His Spirit hovering over our spirits is needed to bring order out of our chaos.

Max

What's Happening

W-o-W—"Words of Wisdom" signs are available for anyone who still does not have their **WOW** in place.

Thurs—Oct 5—Westworth Village Community Fall Festival—5:30—7:30 PM in Melva Campbell Park, 311 Burton Hill Rd., (behind city hall). We will have a booth at this event to share information with the community. Please contact one of the Trustees if you can be available to help and share your ideas for the things that might be included in the booth. This is an excellent opportunity for visibility to the community and to welcome folks in person.

Sun—Oct 8—Dema will be here and plans to report on the current work in the Ukraine. For this occasion, we will move **"3rd Sunday (10-15) Lunch"** to the 2nd Sunday.

Tues—Oct 10—Next scheduled delivery of food items to Southside Church of Christ. Thank you for your continued generosity to this effort.



October 15—After morning services—Fall Fest planning meeting. Everyone who is interested in helping with Fall Fest, please meet in the activity bldg. for a brief meeting to plan this community event. **Be thinking about what you would like to do. There will be a way for everyone who is interested to help—some big jobs, some not so big.**

Sun—Oct 29—5th Sunday Lunch. One of those months that presents an extra opportunity for fellowship and good food.

Ukrainian Change Cans

Have you picked up your Ukrainian Change Can?

This annual campaign provides much needed help to our brothers and sisters in this war-torn area.



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



Known Prayer needs and requests:

Wayne Kreger—Went to the hospital on Thursday with low blood pressure and trouble breathing. As of Friday, he was scheduled to be in the hospital one more day in order to run tests and adjust medications accurately.

Les Pratt—(Max's brother) - Les has been having some kidney issues for a time now. Last week he was taken to the hospital and surgery was done on Friday to address kidney stones and infection that was present. At print-time, there was no word on the outcome of the surgery. Please keep Les and his family in your prayers.

David Burris— UPDATE: David has received the report from the latest scan. Doctors have identified where the leakage is (again) and are making the plan to "fix" it. Tentatively—the procedure is planned for 3rd week of October, including replacing the necessary plate. Please continue to pray for David and Tracy and family.

Tom Flaherty—Brian's Dad. As reported on 9/24, Tom's condition appears to be getting worse, and they asked for prayers that "God's will be done." Please continue to pray for peace and comfort for the family.

Jessica Gunnels—Sarah Lisle's friend— At last report, Jessica seems to be making good progress. Her length of time breathing on her own is increasing. They had planned a visit by her little boy last week. Please continue your prayers for Jessica and her family.

Joyce Gray—UPDATE: Joyce fell last week, fracturing a vertebrae in her spine and spent a few days in the hospital. On Thursday, Joyce was moved to a rehab facility on Oakmont Blvd., for help with some level of recovery. Please continue to pray for Joyce.

Max, Juan and Ann—As they adjust to Joyce's changing circumstances. Juan's arthritis has begun to be an issue again. They anticipate a trip to get special treatment sometime in October.

Ernie Brawley—Continues his recovery from cataract surgery.

Floretta Hubbard—Has moved to her Son's home (Greg Stephens) in Bowie Texas. Her spirits are definitely lifted with grandchildren and great-grandchildren close by.

New Address: 299 Pink Wilson Rd., Bowie, TX 76230

Sharold Ferris—Sharold continues to be up and about—with caution. Please continue prayers for Sharold's overall health.

Bob & Betty Lane— UPDATE: Bob was unresponsive on Thursday morning and was transported to the hospital where he was admitted. Betty is still

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

working on recovery from pain in her hips that may take 8-9 months, according to the doctors. Please keep Bob and Betty in your prayers.

Joyce Bennett— Her condition remains unchanged. She would greatly appreciate calls from Christian brothers and sisters.

Rain—We've been blessed with a bit more rain recently. Prayers of thanks are in order as well as prayers for more rain and improved weather conditions as we move into fall.

Those in assisted living and unable to meet with us:

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

Please include prayers for :

- **Church growth and leadership**—pray for God's guidance and blessings on efforts to grow the Lord's church. Pray for wisdom for our leaders.
- **Civil leadership** - pray for upright leaders at all levels of government.
- **Parents**—pray for God's guidance and blessing for parents as families strive to navigate these turbulent times
- School teachers, administrators and staff as the new school year progresses.

Please make known your prayer needs.



October Birthdays

Christian Lindsey	Oct 8	Christi Kreger	Oct 19
Betty Lane	Oct 12	Curtis Dunson	Oct 23
Tony Kerske	Oct 14	Randy Feters	Oct 24
Caleb Dunson	Oct 17	Lily Kirby	Oct 31

October Anniversary

Doug & Tracy Robertson Oct 24



We have received an invitation to the Fall Festival at Southside Church of Christ, scheduled for Sunday, November 5, 2023, 2:00-5:00 pm. Activities include the following:

2:15-3:00 – Trunk-or-Treat
3:15-3:45 – Cake Walk
4:15-5 – Sack and Spoon Races
 Other activities will be ongoing.

More details at: SSCOFC.ORG/FALLFESTIVAL

STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

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



Current study:

The Apostle Peter—his life & ministry
All are invited to join us in this research. Come share your knowledge. Help us learn from Peter's life how we can better serve God.

Next Meeting: ➔ Oct. 3, 2023 ⬅ 7pm, Activity Bldg.

Wednesday Night Bible Study—Weekly @ 7pm



A new study began on September 20.

"Surprising Facts about Church History"

"Come to Bible Study and discover and discuss surprising facts about Church History you may not have known. " - David Keller

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



For information regarding materials and access
(web-site and passcode) contact:

Tracy Robertson at 817-308-0554— or—snowgirlntx@yahoo.com

James 5:13

¹³Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for October: Curtis Dunson

Date	Today—October 1, 2023
Open	Curtis Thompson
Usher	Eric Kreger
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger
Prayer	Jim Allen
Communion	Johnny Box
Bible Story Kids Church	Curtis Thompson / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson
Reading	Jaeden Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Christi Kreger

COMING WEEKS

Date	October 8	October 15	October 22
Open	Brian Flaherty	Randy Fetters	Curtis Thompson
Usher	Curtis Thompson	Brian Flaherty	Bill Jones
Songs/Close	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger	Samuel Flaherty
Prayer	Mike Lisle	Johnny Box	Sharold Ferris
Communion	Bill Jones	David Keller	Tom Reynolds
Bible Story Kids Church	Brian Flaherty / Susan Flaherty & Sherry Jones	Randy Fetters / Tracy Robertson & Sherri Dunson	Curtis Dunson / David & Hettie Keller
Reading	John Snell	Cooper Thompson	Jim Allen
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	Max Pratt
A/V	Randy Fetters	Susan Flaherty	Christi Kreger

Communion Preparation October: Hettie Keller

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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