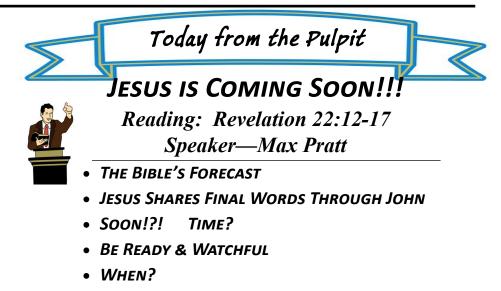


#### WELCOME VISITORS! Thank you for joining us today to worship the Lord.

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.



# KIND & WISE WORDS

"A word aptly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver. Like an earring of gold or an ornament of fine gold is a wise man's rebuke to a listening ear." Prov. 25:11-12

The Bible shares so many thoughts and instructions about the use of our tongues. It tells how deadly words can be. Judgmental, harsh, unkind and thoughtless words can destroy relationships. But then, there are the words that console, encourage and give wise counsel. The difference is night and day. The brightness of the sunshine warms us. The light shines brightly and we see clearly. T he darkness of night is a cover that makes for difficulty in many activities.

While we heed the warnings from the Lord about the poison that can come off our tongues, we should be mindful of how healing our kind and wise words can be. The season of thanksgiving brings out more gestures of gratitude from us. We are made aware of the need for an attitude of gratitude. The product is to be more sympathetic, considerate and helpful.

The manner of sharing a rebuke can be a great blessing to one ready to receive the help offered. Whether it is with our children, coworker, employee, brother or sister in Christ we should be slow to speak so that our words can come from wisdom.

To have kind and wise words to share our hearts must be shaped by the same. Jesus said, "No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. P eople do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briers. The good man brings good things out of the good stored in his heart, and the evil man brings out the evil stored in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks." Luke 6:43-45

The woman who was caught in the act of adultery and brought to Jesus heard the accusations from those who condemned her. Their hearts were set on trapping Jesus to accuse Him and pass judgment on Him also. But when they were all gone and only Jesus was left with the woman, His words were not full of judgmental accusations. Rather Jesus gave her kind and wise counsel. *"Neither do I condemn you, go now and leave your life of sin." John 8:11.* The Pharisees had not good within the heart. Only good was to be found in the heart of our Lord. Let us imitate Jesus.

# ON THE CALENDAR!!

**Sunday, November 12—Trustee's Meeting** — TODAY immediately following services. If you have questions or concerns for our leadership, please be sure to let them know.

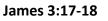
Sunday, November 19—3rd Sunday/Holiday Lunch—Still need a couple of individuals who are willing to cook a pan of dressing/stuffing to accompany the Turkey. As has been our tradition, everyone else will bring side dishes and desserts.

Thursday, November 23—Thanksgiving Day. The holidays are upon us.

**Looking Ahead**— rather than 5th Sunday (12/31) lunch in December let's celebrate the new year with a games, food and fellowship. More details as it gets closer.

## Items to keep in mind...

- Ukrainian Change Cans—the annual campaign to help with efforts in the Ukraine. Still available in either lobby.
  - Food Items for Southside Church of Christ food bank especially considering the holiday season.
    Next delivery will be Nov 14. (next Tuesday)
- WORDS-OF-WISDOM—is it time to change your WOW sign for a different bit of Wisdom? There are plenty of signs available in the activity bldg. so you can keep the message fresh for those who may be driving in your neighborhood. Bring back the one you have so others can use it.



<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then

peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup> Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.







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:

**David Burris**— David had the long anticipated surgery on Nov 2. He did well, and seemed to be making real progress. He was released from the hospital last Sunday. THEN on Monday, Tracy contacted Max to say they were headed back to the hospital. Unexpected "leakage" was occurring and causing concern. A scan was done on Monday to try and locate the source. No word on results. Hope to know more at service time. Please continue to pray for full recovery for David, as well as prayers for the family.

**Tom Flaherty**—Brian's Dad. Tom's condition remains about the same. Please continue to pray for comfort and healing for Tom and the whole family.

**Jessica Gunnels**—Sarah Lisle's friend—Jessica continues her struggle to recover from lung transplant #2. Her battle is far from victory. Please keep Jessica and her family in your prayers.

**Joyce Gray**—Joyce remains at the rehab facility. There was a doctors appointment this week, but nothing really came of it. There has been very little healing of the fracture. Much is 'up in the air' at this time. Please continue to pray for Joyce.

Max, Juan and Ann—As they adjust to Joyce's changing circumstances.

**Sharold Ferris**—Sharold continues to be up and about—with caution. Please continue prayers for Sharold's overall health. Their sweet therapy dog is almost back to her "perky self".

**Bob & Betty Lane**— Bob remains at home under hospice care. His condition continues to deteriorate. Betty continues as Bob's primary care giver, even with hospice workers coming by twice each week. I know Betty would appreciate calls and words of encouragement along with your prayers.

John and Samantha Jewell et al—Pray for John and Samantha and their efforts on behalf of the young people at York University. Also please continue your prayers for the work they oversee in Malawi—Snoden and his family, as well as all the children that are part of that program.

**Rain**—prayers of thanks are definitely in order, along with prayers for more to fill the lakes.

Those in assisted living and unable to meet with us:

Dennis McMillion
Pat Straw
Jane Whitley
Joyce Bennett

#### Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

#### Please include prayers for :

- Israel and Ukraine -Safety of Christian brothers and sisters and innocent civilians in these war-torn areas.
- **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.
- Travelers—Any who may be traveling—especially during the holidays.
- 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 school year progresses.

#### Please make known your prayer needs.



# STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

## <u> Tuesday - Westworth Men's Group (1st & 3rd Tuesdays)</u>



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: -> JANUARY 2024 -7pm, Activity Bldg.

The men's group will break until after the new year.

## Wednesday Night Bible Study-Weekly @ 7pm

### "Surprising Facts about Church History"



Did you ever say "God Bless you?" Did you ever wonder where that saying came from? Nope, not in the Bible. If you think the Early Church Fathers are irrelevant today. Think again. You owe all of your "God Bless yous" to the man who first used the word

"trinity" in connection with the concept of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. His name was Tertullian and he lived around A.D. 200. Wednesday nights at Bible Study we are tracing the journey of our faith from the death of Jesus through the years till 2023. Come see what other old ideas are put in a new light. *David Keller* 

## Thursdays Women's Virtual Bible Study

#### Each week — 7:00 pm via Google meet Current Study: <u>Gideon—Your Weakness. God's Strength</u> by Priscilla Shirer

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



# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

		Date		Today—November 12		
Trustee in charge for November: Brian Flaherty		Open Ci		urtis Thompson		
	Usher		Bill Jones			
	Songs/Close		Curtis Dunson			
	Prayer		Wayne Kreger			
	Communion		Johnny Box			
	Bible Story Kids Church		Brian Flaherty / Susan Flaherty & Sherry Jones			
	Reading		Jaedon Snell			
I	Lesson		Max Pratt			
	A/V		Christi Kreger			
			COMING WEEKS			
Date		Nov 19		Nov 26		Dec 3
Open		Brian Flaherty		Curtis Dunson		
Usher		Brian Flaherty		Jonathan Dunson		
Songs/Close		Samuel Flaherty		Curtis Dunson		
Prayer		Mike Lisle		Johnny Box		
Communion		David Keller		Tom Reynolds		
Bible Story Kids Church		Max Lisle / Sherri Dunson & Tracy Robertson		Eric Kreger / David & Hettie Keller		
Reading		John Snell		Justin Snell		
Lesson		Max Pratt		Max Pratt		
A/V		Susan Flaherty		Randy Fetters		

Communion Preparation November: Janice Stanfield

## 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.

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