

# Westworth Church of Christ

The  
Westworth  
Word



*Worshipping  
Serving  
Fellowshipping*

**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 plate when passed, 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's Message***

*Speaker—Max Pratt*

*Great Statements of the Bible—#4*

*Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

**Lesson: Trust In The Father and In Me**

**The Focus of Our Series**

**Biblical Great Statements**

**The Critical & Emotional Setting**

**Principles**

**Promises**

## REBUILDING WALLS

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***“So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart.”***

***Nehemiah 4:6***

The Scriptural account of the walls of Jerusalem being rebuilt under the guidance and encouragement of Nehemiah is amazing. So many obstacles were present to stop it. It was a huge task in and of itself. The ruins had been as they were for so many years. But the need was great and what was needed was a vision and leadership to gather the people together and inspire within the desire to make a difference. The change in the conditions would bring a confidence for God’s people. Security would bring abundant blessings

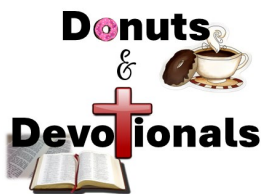
One man made the difference. When Nehemiah heard of how God’s holy city lay in disgrace, he set his own heart in going there to bring about change. But it took more than just one man. It took all the hands that would move the stones and lay them upon one another. It would take the dedication of many and the united work to accomplish the work. It happened because the people set their hearts upon the work.

Rebuilding is not always about stones being moved from one place to another. Rebuilding relationships, rebuilding the culture, rebuilding the values of a country to truth and righteousness takes more than one. God has always called his people to join together to accomplish his will on earth. Let us rebuild our nation upon godly principles that will bless us with a much better place to live. It must begin with a mind set that stirs the heart. Work follows the decision of the heart. When opposition comes, we must remember that God is with us. They prayed and they stood against the enemy. So must we to rebuild the character God desires for our land, the security of our marriages and families. It begins with one’s own heart that is touched. Nehemiah asked to be sent. He altered his own life to bring blessings to many.

***Max***

# THINGS WE'RE DOING

- **DONUTS AND DEVO'S** scheduled weekly at 9:00 am in the activity building. If you've not yet joined this study...hope you can make it soon. Additional fellowship and study time is a blessing.



Each week Max leads a brief bible study prior to morning worship services.

The topic for the study time has been:

## "The Church in God's Scheme of Redemption"

A page of material is included to augment the discussion and help us remember the information and put it into practice.

This time also includes coffee and donuts. We hope many will take the opportunity to increase your study of the scriptures along with time for expanded fellowship with brothers and sisters. Everyone is encouraged to invite guests. So set your alarms a little earlier and join us.



- **Food Items for Southside Church of Christ food bank** - Your continued generosity toward this ministry brings honor to The Lord. The folks at Southside never fail to express deep appreciation for our participation in this work. Tentative delivery to Southside Church is on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, but you can bring your donation at any time.

- **WORDS-OF-WISDOM**—A number of signs are available, allowing you to rotate your 'yard' message to passersby. Signs are in the activity bldg.



- **March 17—today**— 3rd Sunday Lunch. We are moving the fellowship lunch one week. **Next Sunday—3/24**— be sure to bring your favorite foods and let's wish a fond farewell to Randy and Stacy Feters.



We will miss them and want to take one more opportunity to share a fellowship meal with them. Hope your making plans to be here.

- **Easter Sunday—March 31**— Max will be speaking in Ballinger, so Bob Mullen will be in our pulpit that day. It is also a 5th Sunday, but we will NOT have our usual 5th Sunday Lunch.

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:***

**Betty Lane**— Bob was laid to rest on Thursday this past week and we feel the loss along with his immediate family. Please continue to pray for Betty and the entire family for God's peace and comfort going forward.

**David Burris** — David is still working on recovery from the ordeal he has faced for such a long time. Please continue prayers on behalf of David, Tracy and the whole family.

**Jessica Snell**—is scheduled for surgery on her shoulder in the next week or two. Please pray for successful surgery and speedy recovery for Jessica.

**Justin Butteris** - (Jessica Snell's boyfriend) was inducted into the U.S. Air Force on Tuesday last week. He was to report to San Antonio for basic training. Please add Justin to your prayers for safety and success in his service.

**Darla Thornton**—Darla has made an amazing recovery from her surgery and is now 'carefully' enjoying some solid foods. Please keep Darla in your prayers for complete recovery, and for no future recurrence.

**Janice Stanfield**—Janice has been able to return to worship, but still has some more healing before she is completely over this. Please continue prayers for complete healing.

**Sharold Ferris**—Continued prayers, please as Sharold meets with doctors to address other health issues. He is doing well, but complete recovery from his most recent surgeries will take a while. Please pray for his overall health.

**Wanda Bryant**—is at home and managing, but still needs to gain strength before she is back to her normal. Please continue to pray for Wanda's well-being and increased vitality.

**Kim Turner**—has requested prayers for her daughter, Sara and granddaughters Blakely and Emma, for improved family situation/circumstances as well as prayers for herself and her role in their lives. Kim has expressed her appreciation and asked that we please continue to remember this family in prayer.

**Ernie Brawley**—Ernie continues his long healing process and is settling in to his assisted living apartment. I know he would enjoy cards and phone calls. Please pray for Ernie's comfort during his prolonged recovery.

**Joyce Gray**—Joyce's overall condition is deteriorating rapidly. She has very limited mobility on her own. Recently, the bad days out-number the good days. Please continue to pray for Joyce and for all those who provide her care

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

**John and Samantha Jewell et al**—Pray for John and Samantha and the work in Malawi. Also for John's brother and dad who are both in very poor health.

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

John has asked for intense prayer for Jonah and all he faces. Please keep all of the family in your prayers for strength, comfort and peace.

**Rain**—Give Thanks for the blessing of recent rains and the continued blessing of more to fill the lakes and reservoirs. And on the other hand, pray for relief from the severe weather in other parts of the country.

**Wildfires Victims in the Panhandle**—The panhandle is still at high risk for more wildfires and the destruction that has already occurred will require many months/years of recovery and rebuilding. Please pray for all those who have lost homes and possessions that they will have strength and the resources to rebuild and restore the land and that the fires can be extinguished soon.

**Those in assisted living** and unable to meet with us:

- ♦ Pat Straw                      ♦ Jane Whitley                      ♦ Joyce Bennett
- ♦ Dennis McMillion      - Dennis remains in a nursing home for rehab and wound care. Please pray for healing from the surgery and his overall health so he may return to the group home.

**Please include prayers for:**

- **Israel and Ukraine**—Safety of Christian brothers and sisters and innocent civilians.
- **Church growth and leadership**—worldwide and especially here. Pray for the wisdom needed by our leaders to help us be the beacon of light for the world.
- **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. Pray for young people who are beginning their adult walk, that they will resist the devil and always seek God’s will.
- School teachers, administrators and staff as the school year progresses.

**Please make known your prayer needs.**

Pat Straw	Mar 2
Richard Hromek	Mar 3
Ben Jewell	Mar 3
Lanette Lisle	Mar 5
Jacquelyn Snell	Mar 7
Cooper Thompson	Mar 8

Abbey Kreger	Mar 9
Sarah Thompson	Mar 12
Max Pratt	Mar 13
Debbie Highfill	Mar 21
Mike Lisle	Mar 23
Ernie Brawley	Mar 29

**Birthdays**

Mike & Lanette Lisle	Mar 15
Max & Sarah Lisle	Mar 21



## Passover



**Exodus Chapter 12** identifies and defines the Passover as God laid out his plans for his people, in leading them out of Egypt.

**According to:** [www.chabad.org](http://www.chabad.org)

Passover is celebrated by Jews every year

On the first two nights of Passover (just the first night in Israel), Jews hold a Seder.

After candles have been lit, they enjoy a

ritual-rich 15-step feast, which centers around telling the story of the Exodus. Some highlights include: Drinking four cups of wine, dipping veggies into saltwater, children kicking off the storytelling by asking the Four Questions (Mah Nishtanah), eating matzah and bitter herbs, and singing late into the night.

On Passover, Jews may not own or consume *chametz*, anything containing grain that has risen. This includes virtually all breads, pastas, cakes and cookies. Prior to the holiday, homes are thoroughly cleaned for Passover, kitchens are purged and the remaining chametz is burned or sold.

Following the intermediate days, when work restrictions are somewhat relaxed but *chametz* remains forbidden, they celebrate the final two days of Passover (just one day in Israel), during which they look forward to the future redemption through Moshiach (Messiah).

Would you like to experience a Passover meal?

David Keller is planning a Passover meal on Friday, April 26. The intention is to get some idea about what the celebration included—it's about more than the food. **A sign-up sheet is in the north foyer for anyone who would like to participate.** A sign-up is necessary to know how much of certain foods will be needed.

**More details will be provided as the event gets nearer.**

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**SummerExcitement**

Summer Excitement 2024 is scheduled for June 16-21, in Lubbock, TX.

If you know of a student between 8th & 12th grade who would like to attend, please contact Max or one of the trustees.

# Bits & Pieces

Conditions in Malawi are very challenging.

Recently the government there devalued their currency by more than 40%, making their difficult lives even more difficult. Please keep Snoden and his family in your prayers, as well as Abraham who works with Snoden to manage the mission. The situation in Malawi is dire and the mission is working hard to help wherever possible. Please continue to pray for the mission and all who are working there on behalf of the children.



## Don't Forget...



**House to House  
Heart to Heart**

To pick up extra copies of The Westworth edition of

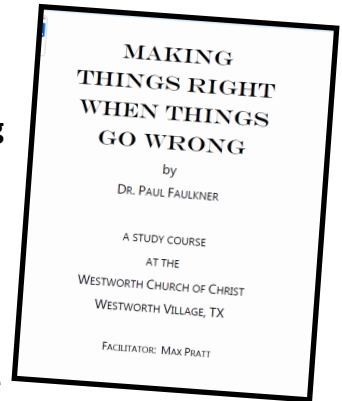
"House to House, Heart to Heart"

and share with family and friends.

Also... don't forget to sign up for the seminar:

### **Making Things Right When Things Go Wrong**

Scheduled on Wednesday evenings beginning March 20, continuing for six weeks through April 24, 2024, 7-8:30 pm. This workshop will substitute for our 'normal' Wednesday evening bible study. It is open to all members and guests. A sign-up sheet is in the south foyer —to make sure materials are available for everyone.

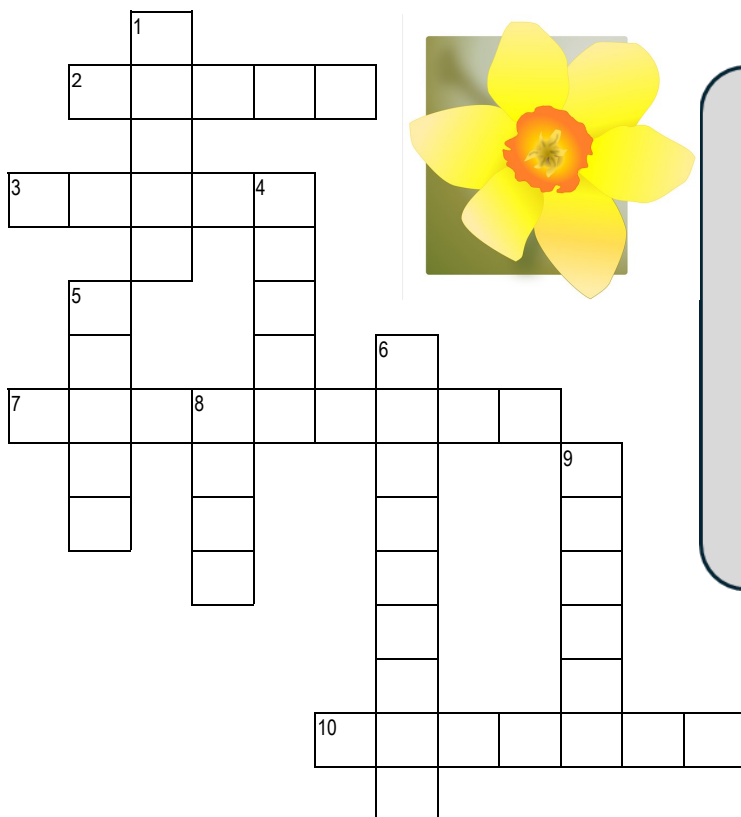


### **John 14:1-3**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

# Spring Crossword

*Solve the crossword using the list of words and the clues*



**blossom  
chicks  
daffodils  
daily  
frogspawn  
grow  
lambs  
March  
nests  
seeds**

## Across

- 2 Baby sheep born in spring
- 3 Birds build these to lay eggs in
- 7 You might see this in ponds in spring.
- 10 Pink and White flowers that grow on trees.

## Down

- 1 Flower which you can make into chains
- 4 We plant these to grow fruit and vegetables.
- 5 A spring month
- 6 Plants start to \_\_\_\_\_ in spring.
- 9 Baby birds are called \_\_\_\_\_.



# Kids Page



## Memory verse

**1 John 5:3** — This is love for God: to obey his commands.

## SCHEDULED STUDIES

### Monday—Women's Virtual Bible Study

Weekly — 7:00 pm via Google meet

**Current Study:** *The Parables of Jesus*

Until a new book is chosen for study, the ladies are studying the parables of Jesus. This will take a few weeks, and all ladies are welcome and encouraged to join.

Even meeting remotely... the fellowship of this study session provides encouragement to all who participate.

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

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



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

Current Study: **If** by Mark Batterson.

*"Trading Your 'If Only' Regrets for God's 'What If' Possibilities"*

**Using Romans 8 as the blueprint  
for "What Ifs"**

Last Week, it was Romans 8:1—

*"There is now no condemnation".*

*If that bible principle is true, so is the fact that our condemnation is not seen by God. We continue to fight this attack on us by Satan because we lack the faith to live "with no condemnation". God turns a blind eye to confessed sins.*

*Next session we read "for those who are in Christ". Satan, the enemy of our soul, knows our weaknesses. He uses them to neutralize our confidence. Come see another way to resist and become an instrument for God's use.*



**Next Session: ➔ 7pm, March 19, 2024 ⬅**

### Wednesday Night Bible Study—Weekly @ 7pm—

Beginning Wednesday, Mar 20, 7:00–8:30 pm

**"Making Things Right When Things Go Wrong" (see P 7)**



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for March: Brian Flaherty

<b>Date</b>	<b>Today—March 17, 2024</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Brian Flaherty</b>
<b>Songs/Close</b>	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Tom Reynolds</b>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>Curtis Thompson</b>
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>	<b>Mike Lisle / Sherri Dunson &amp; Tracy Robertson</b>
<b>Reading</b>	<b>Jaedon Snell</b>
<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Max Pratt</b>
<b>A/V</b>	<b>Randy Fethers</b>

## COMING WEEKS

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mar 24</b>	<b>Mar 31</b>	<b>Apr 7</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>	<b>Samuel Flaherty</b>	
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Bill Jones</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>	
<b>Songs/Close</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>	<b>Samuel Flaherty</b>	
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Max Lisle</b>	<b>Brian Flaherty</b>	
<b>Communion</b>	<b>Johnny Box</b>	<b>Randy Fethers</b>	
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>	<b>Curtis Dunson / David &amp; Hettie Kel- ler</b>	<b>5th Sunday— no Children's Church</b>	
<b>Reading</b>	<b>Brian Flaherty</b>	<b>Marty Montgom-</b>	
<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Max Pratt</b>	<b>Bob Mullen</b>	
<b>A/V</b>	<b>Christi Kreger</b>	<b>Christi Kreger</b>	

Communion Preparation March: 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.

 Leadership and Logistics 

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