# Westworth Church of Christ

## The Westworth Word

Worshiping Serving Fellowshipping

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

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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—Mike Lisle

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-10



# Lesson: Matthew Chapter 6

- Giving to the Needy
- Prayer
- Fasting
- Treasures in Heaven
- Worry

# A Note from Max

First of all I want to thank every member for the encouragement as I have my surgery and the prayers you have offered on my behalf. It is such a rich blessing to have so many loved ones in Christ who share our faith together. You are truly a blessing not only to me, but to everyone that God brings into our fellowship.

The second thought I have to share is the joy of last Sunday's worship time, fellowship and the witnessing of the name of Jesus confessed by five of our young folks and their baptism into Christ. We were blessed to share this with many of their family members who came to visit our worship and encourage their children and relatives in the Lord.

We are all very proud of Jaedon, Justin, Cheyenne, Jaeli and

Harley. We will be praying for the Lord's Spirit to grow daily in their lives as they walk with the Lord.

For anyone who did not know Bro. Brian Flaherty baptized his nephew Baylor on Sunday evening, April 28<sup>th</sup> here at the building. After some sharing with Baylor, he wanted to be obedient to the Lord's command in baptism immediately. Brian, Susan, Baylor's mother Amy and I



gathered at the building to witness and encourage another young man in his faith in the Lord.

A final thought is that God is working in our church family. We can rejoice that God's love and mercy is being shared more and more. Let us be of good courage as the Lord guides us daily in serving him in the greatest work on earth. Let us all share in the blessings coming from our Savior.

# ...ONGOING...

#### DONUTS AND DEVO'S (D&D) weekly at 9:00 am in the activity building.



Each week Max leads a brief bible study prior to morning worship services. Material is provided to support the discussion, help us remember the infor-**Devotionals** mation and put it into practice.

> This time also includes coffee and donuts. Everyone is encouraged to invite guests and join the study. Ad-

ditional fellowship and study time is always a blessing. If you've not yet joined this study...hope you can make it soon.

Any time is the perfect time to join in this weekly additional study and fellowship time with brothers and sisters in Christ.

- Food Items for Southside Church of Christ food bank Next delivery will be in May. Please keep this good work in your plans for sharing the bounty we receive from the Lord. This is definitely a blessing to both giver and receiver.
- WORDS-OF-WISDOM—A number of signs are available. Bring back the one you currently display and swap for a different one, giving someone else the opportunity to use the one you return. Signs are in the activity bldg.



Upcoming - - -

- May 12—Mother's Day—TODAY. Hoping all our ladies—whether mothers or not—have a blessed day.
- May 19—3rd Sunday Fellowship Lunch. Next Week—hope you have made room in your day to join the opportunity for fellowship.
- May 27—Memorial Day. The "official" start of the summer season. If you have travel plans, please be careful and have a good time.
- June 1—Family Game Night—although not in "May" Max and Sarah Lisle will host this evening of fellowship and fun for all our families and friends.

**Deuteronomy 3:16** Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them. for

the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

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:

**Our "New" Brothers & Sisters**—As mentioned in Max's note on page 2, please be in continual prayer for all these, as they begin their new journey of growth and seeking the truth in Christ.

**The Flaherty Family**—Continued prayers for all the family for peace and comfort as they deal with life without our dear Samuel.

**Sherry Jones**—She is doing remarkably well following neck surgery to fuse vertebrae. Please continue prayers for her complete healing.

**Betty Lane**— Please continue prayers for Betty and the family as they adjust to life without Bob.

**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.

**Sharold and Julie Ferris—Sharold** continues preparation for back surgery. He is doing well. Please pray for his overall health. **Julie** is still waiting on results and more information about the unwelcomed news regarding her latest cancer screening. Please keep Julie in your prayers also.

**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 healing process and is settling in to his assisted living apartment. It was good to see him out briefly recently. 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. Bad days continue to 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. Max - his knee replacement surgery went well and he is was released Tuesday

after a brief blood pressure issue. He is at home recuperating. Please continue to pray that Max will heal quickly and completely, with minimal pain and down -time.

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

John and Samantha Jewell et al—as they prepare to move to Central America and remotely expand their work for the children in Malawi. Construction has recently started on a 5th grade classroom at the school, and John and Samantha are joining a special mission to learn how to help prevent trafficking of children for application at the school.

**Andy and Lauren Jewell**—Lauren is expecting. Please pray for their young family.

Those in assisted living and unable to meet with us:

Pat Straw
Jane Whitley
Joyce Bennett
Ernie Brawley
Please include prayers for:

- Israel and Ukraine—A cease to the war there and 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.
- Storm Victims—All who have been in the path of recent severe storms.
- Civil leadership—pray for upright leaders at all levels of government worldwide.
- **Parents**—pray for God's guidance and blessing for parents as families strive to navigate these turbulent times.
- Young adults/couples who are beginning their adult walk, pray that they discern the truth and always seek God's will.
- School teachers, administrators and staff as the school year has only a short time left on the year.

#### Please make known your prayer needs.

Tracy Burris Jane (Yates) Hall Amanda Moore May 26 May 28 May 31



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



COME PREPARED TO HAVE SOME FUN!

# Time for a Directory Update



**LAST CALL** — It's time to make sure your contact information in the church directory is up to date.

Please use the space below to provide any updated information.

(just write your update below, remove this page from the bulletin and put it in the contribution tray.)

# Bits & Pieces



Looking for ideas... and those who might like to organize some youth activities

# All of our young people are about to have time on their hands during the summer break.

Do you have an idea for some activity or service project that you think would be a good fit for Westworth youth—and maybe even those 'not so young'.

<u>On Sunday, May 19,</u> Susan and Brian invite you to meet with them and discuss potential ideas and maybe even make some preliminary plans. Please bring your ideas and willingness to help with projects. Join them in the conference room after the lunch.



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

Registration is open thru May 15. If you know of a student between 8th & 12th grade who would like to attend, please contact Max or one of the trustees.

The church will cover the cost of registration and we know the program is enjoyed by all who attend.

If you would like more information, visit the website below:

#### https://summerexcitement.com

If you missed John and Samantha Jewell's update on the plans and current activities at the Malawi Mission, please visit the HUGS for Tomorrow website at

Hugs4Tomorrow.org

Samantha's blog posts are available through the website also. Just look for "Blog" at the top of the page , left of the "Donate Now" button. These usually contain the latest ad greatest.



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Memory verse:

**Isaiah 43:5** — Do Not be afraid for I am with you.

# SCHEDULED STUDIES

### Monday–Women's Virtual Bible Study

### Weekly – 7:30 pm via Google meet

**Current Study:** Personal testimonies of faith— "Aha" moments to share and how those moments tested and strengthened our Christian walk.

All ladies are encouraged to join this weekly study, and this is a perfect time, as a new study period is beginning. Participants gain so much more than a time of study. As with most of our activities, the fellowship and support in the group is immeasurable, and something to be treasured.

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

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

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

Current Study: <u>If</u> by Mark Batterson. "Trading Your '**If Only**' Regrets for God's '**What If**' Possibilities"



# Next Men's Group → 7pm, May 21, 2024 ←

The Men's group continues to review and consider the concepts presented in this book.

Many good conversations and biblical considerations are provoked when looking at things from someone else's viewpoint.

Join this group for additional insight and a time of fellowship.

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

On May 15, the Wednesday Night Bible Study will return to the book of Hebrews led by David Keller. Take advantage of another opportunity to study God's word and get thoughts on how to more effectively apply the word to your life. Hope you will join soon.



Sunday, May 12, 2024

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for May: Curtis Dunson	Date	Today—May 12
	Open	Eric Kreger
	Usher	Bill Jones
	Songs/Close	Eric Kreger
	Prayer	Curtis Thompson
	Communion	TBD
	Bible Story Kids Church	Max Lisle / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson
	Reading	Sharold Ferris
	Lesson	Mike Lisle
	A/V	Sherry Yates

### COMING WEEKS

Date	May 19	May 26	June 2
Open	Curtis Thompson	Brian Flaherty	
Usher	Brian Flaherty	Curtis Thompson	
Songs/Close	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger	
Prayer	David Keller	Sharold Ferris	
Communion	Max Lisle	Bill Jones	
Bible Story Kids Church	Sharold Ferris / Sherri Dunson & Tracy Robertson	Curtis Dunson / David & Hettie Keller	
Reading	Cooper Thompson	Jaedon Snell	
Lesson	Max Lisle	Max Pratt	
A/V	Susan Flaherty	Christi Kreger	

Communion Preparation May: 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.

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