

# Westworth Church of Christ



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Worshipping  
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**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.

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## ***Today's Message***

*Speaker— Max Pratt*



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*Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:15-17*

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### ***Lesson: Biblical Ways to Succeed in Christian Living***

- 1. Say something to God every day.**
- 2. Let God say something to you every day.**
- 3. Say something for God every day.**
- 4. Do something for God every day.**
- 5. Watch for His return every day.**

## *MARRIAGE—CREATED BY GOD*

*“But for Adam no suitable helper was found. So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of man’s ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of man, and he brought her to the man.*

*The man said, ‘This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called woman, for she was taken out of man.’ For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh. The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame”*

*Gen. 2:20-25*

I listened to a discussion addressing broken relationships. Primarily it was about how children and parents had become estranged from each other. Various reasons why this is escalating in our culture today compared to years gone by. There was some speculation as to what all was contributing to this current trend. The messages from the use of social media were suspect. The liberal views being taught and promoted by university professors were given a place in changing young minds to turn away from what they had experienced in their upbringing. Some discussion was given to toxic parenting. It happens, far too often, I am afraid. It was a healthy discussion. Suggestions were made to help break down whatever barriers had come about. Keeping the door open and letting that be known is essential.

I agreed wholeheartedly that the nuclear family is under attack. It has been for years and the result of its breakdown is being seen more vividly today. Maybe I missed it, for I didn’t hear everything shared in the discussion, but I didn’t hear much about the basis of the family as God designed it. God created the family setting because man was alone. His social needs were not met. God ordained marriage between man and woman for the purpose of supplying relations in humanity

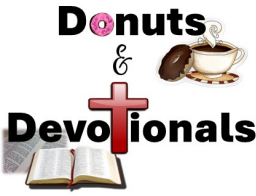
The departure from God’s design, the lack of Biblical teaching, acceptance and application, in my opinion, is the most obvious reason behind the breakdown of marriages, the separation in family relationships and lack of respect and communication. God has set the moral truths before us. Having His standards unifies us. Ignoring the basic values leads to failures.

*“What God has joined together let no man separate.” Matt. 19:6*

*Max*

## ...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 information and put it into practice.

This time also includes coffee and donuts. Everyone is encouraged to invite guests and join the study. Additional 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 July. Please keep this good work in your plans for sharing the bounty we receive from the Lord. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. 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** - - - Lots to enjoy

**TODAY —5th Sunday**—Salads for lunch today! Fellowship time and good food... what could be better? Everyone is invited—hope you will stay.

**July 4—Independence Day (Thursday).** If you are traveling or celebrating, please be safe.

**July 6**—40th Wedding Anniversary Celebration—Julie & Sharold Ferris (see page 7).

**July 21—3rd Sunday**— Fellowship 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:***

**Donna Simco**—Please pray for comfort and peace for Donna Simco and her extended family on the loss of her brother Nolan Williams on Tuesday, June 25. Nolan had been ill for some time. At his request, no funeral is planned at this time.

**Max, Juan, Ann. Ralph and all the extended family**—Please continue to pray for comfort and peace for the extended family following the loss of Joyce.

**Wanda Reynolds**— Wanda continues to recover from her recent health scare which we learned was Sepsis. She reports ‘noticeable’ weakness and that she tires easily. Please keep Wanda in your prayers for a return of her strength and stamina.

**Sharold and Julie Ferris**—**Julie** received word from recent tests that the nodule they were watching has not changed so they will revisit in 6 months. This is good news. Please pray for stability with no growth. **Sharold** continues preparation for back surgery. He is doing well. Please pray for his overall health. .

**Cheyenne Vickers**—Please continue your prayers for Cheyanne’s safety and increased faith while she is away at Army Basic Training in South Carolina. John Snell says she reportedly said she is having “fun”.

**Our “New” Brothers & Sisters**—Please keep those recently baptized, in your prayers for strength and growth in the faith.

**The Flaherty Family**—Continued prayers for peace and comfort for the family. Healing from such a tragedy requires prayers, time and patience as well as relentless exhibitions of love from their Christian family.

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

**David Burris** — David reports that he will have surgery to replace the plate in his head in mid to late August. Measurements for the new plate will be taken during a scan, then the plate must be custom made. Please continue prayers on his behalf, as well as Tracy and the whole family.

**Kim Turner**—Kim reports that her daughter Sara was to start a new job this week and was looking forward to different experience and new opportunities. Please continue prayers for Sara and granddaughters Blakely and Emma, for improved family situation/circumstances as well as prayers for Kim and her role in their lives.

**Max** - Recovery from his knee replacement is progressing slowly, but—according to his physical therapist—pretty much as would be expected. He is

## Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

almost done with scheduled physical therapy and will just need to continue the exercises on his own. Please continue to pray for Max's healing and comfort.

**John and Samantha Jewell et al**—They are now in Costa Rica, where they hope to learn how to help prevent child trafficking for application in Malawi. Please keep the whole family in your prayers for success as they continue to try to make a difference for God. (more info in "Bits & Pieces", pg. 7)

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

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

♦ 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 or fires.
- **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.
- **Children who may be food insecure as the school year ends.**

**Please make known your prayer needs.**

## July Birthdays

Jaeli Snell	01 July		Sharold Ferris	23 July
Justin Snell	02 July		Julie Ferris	26 July
Brian Flaherty	03 July		Ann Gray	27 July
Marty Montgomery	03 July		Juan Pratt	27 July
Kenzie Kirby	05 July		Carla Kerske	27 July
Wanda Reynolds	21 July		Hettie Keller	30 July

**Sharold & Julie Ferris 8 July**



*July Anniversaries*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ...

We want to think you from the bottom of our hearts for the care given to our family during Mother's illness and passing. Every prayer, visit, meal and card were deeply appreciated.

Mother loved this church and always considered it her home congregation. Thank you again for every expression of love shown to us.



Anita Gray  
Max & Juan Pratt & family  
Ralph & Paula Gray & family



**What's next for our Youth Program?**

**I'm not sure—BUT...**  
Do you have an idea for a service project you feel would provide growth for them? We're confident the kids will come up with plenty of FUN things and help will be needed with those things also.  
If you have an idea or want to help with our youth group in any way, please talk to Susan Flaherty or Kaylie Campbell.

**There's still time...**

To host a fellowship event this summer. June is done, but that still leaves July and August

If you have an idea for a fun fellowship event...whether here at the building, or at a location of your choosing...just set a date and ask for help if needed. Let's increase the opportunities to enjoy some time together with our "Family".

July							August						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	31

# Bits & Pieces

## A TIME TO CELEBRATE

On July 8, 1984, Sharold & Julie Farris were married. The family felt that 40 years together was worthy of celebration, and almost everyone would agree.



**That celebration is scheduled to occur on July 6, - THAT'S NEXT SATURDAY—2024, from 2pm-6pm in the activity building. The 'formal' invitation is posted on the bulletin boards.**

***RSVP is requested to Bethany Kurtz, 817-999-3763.***

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Samantha's latest blog can be read at:

[Global Reunion 2024 – HUGS for Tomorrow \(hugs4tomorrow.org\)](https://hugs4tomorrow.org)

They were encouraged to attend a “reunion” with other missionaries and she shares what a good idea it was, even though they resisted at first. You can always keep up with their work here:

Hugs4Tomorrow.org



The Jewells are moving to Costa Rica to work with a group there whose focus includes prevention of human trafficking.

The hope is to learn their methods and begin to apply something similar in Malawi to do more to protect the children there. Please keep them in your prayers for successful efforts and of course safety for the whole family.

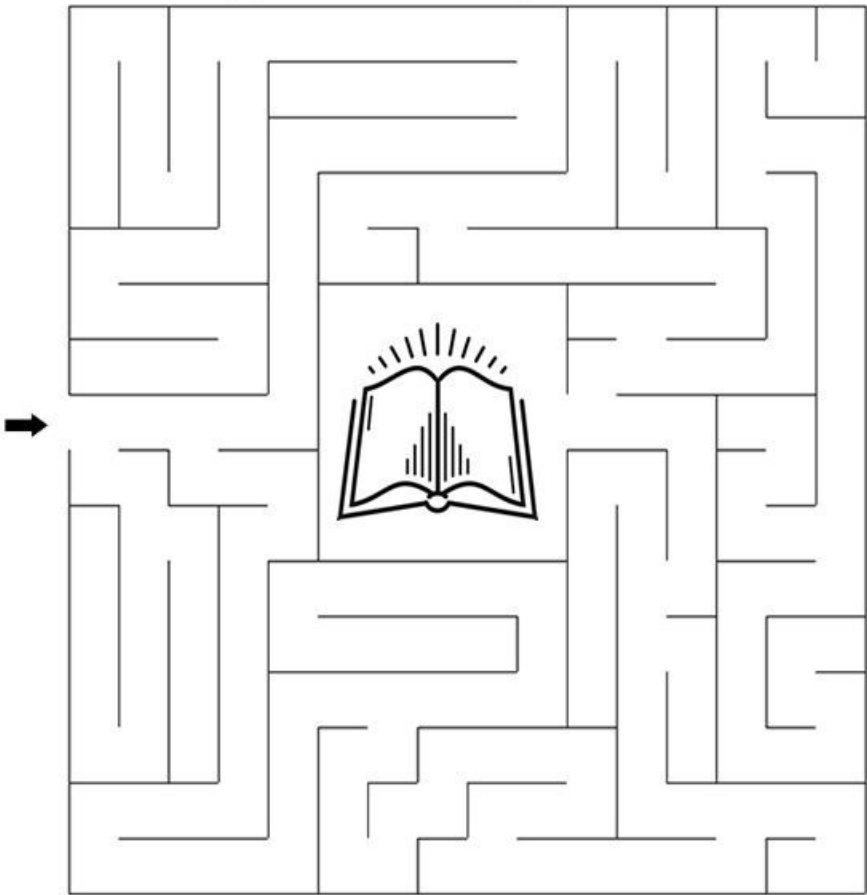
### Did you notice the clean windows???

Pat-on-the-back and “Thank you” to Eric Kreger for his hard work on the windows recently.



# Kids Pages

Looking for a Word from the Lord?







4to40



**Memory verse:**

**Ecclesiastes 12:13** — Fear God and keep his commandments.

## ***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, any time is a perfect time. 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—tracyrobertson1966@gmail.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"



**Next Men's Group → 7pm, July 2, 2024 ←**

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

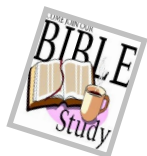
Many good conversations and biblical considerations are provoked when looking at things from someone else's viewpoint.

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

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

**→→Wednesday Night, July 3, 2024—CANCELLED←←**

**We'll see you again on July 10.**



Wednesday Night Bible Study is currently studying 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.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for July: Eric Kreger

<b>Date</b>	<b>Today—June 30</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>John Snell</b>
<b>Songs/Close</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Bill Jones</b>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>Johnny Box</b>
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>	<b>No Children's Church on 5th Sunday</b>
<b>Reading</b>	<b>Harley Boyce</b>
<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Max Pratt</b>
<b>A/V</b>	<b>Christi Kreger</b>

## COMING WEEKS

<b>Date</b>	<b>July 7</b>	<b>July 14</b>	<b>July 21</b>
<b>Open</b>			
<b>Usher</b>			
<b>Songs/Close</b>			
<b>Prayer</b>			
<b>Communion</b>			
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>			
<b>Reading</b>			
<b>Lesson</b>			
<b>A/V</b>			

Communion Preparation July: Laurice Reeves

# 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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