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# Westworth Church of Christ

The Westworth Word

Worshiping
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

Scripture Reading: Job 3:1-11

Lesson: Have You Considered
My Servant Job?

Job—Is It Well With Your Soul?

Job 42:1-6—It Is Well With My Soul!

Is It Well With My Soul?

### Marriage—Designed 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

The crowds were overflowing in the streets of some city, I failed to obtain the location. What caught my attention was the vast numbers that filled the streets. Flags were flying. Banners were displayed in many ways. It was a parade. Folks were celebrating. There were lots of smiles and laughter. Then from that scene came a speech. The main point of what was said: "be yourself". Decide to stand firm on who you are.

Not only did God create the marriage relationship, He also designed it. To help prevent man from living alone without a suitable helper, God design woman for him. God's design compliments His creative work. It did not in any way contradict nature.

Hear these words recorded to guide Christians in God's holy ways: "Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral." Hebrews 13:4 Living outside of God's design for humanity in the marriage relationship not only dishonors what God made for the benefit of mankind, but it violates and contradicts God's creation.

The sexually immoral have been present among mankind since the time of Abram & Lot. Lot chose to live in the fertile valley of Sodom. Referring to Lot's experience there, the apostle Peter teaches how God can save the righteous from the destruction of lawless people. "God condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by burning them to ashes and made them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly, and God rescued Lot, a righteous man, living among them day after day, tormented in his righteous soul by the lawless deeds he saw and heard...." Il Pet. 2:6-8

God joins together man and woman to be husband and wife. It torments my soul to see and hear how God is so dishonored by so many folks in our world today.

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 bless-

ing. 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 - - -

Much less scheduled for July (so far). If you would like to host a fellowship event for the congregation at any time, please make the plans and let it be known. If you need help it can certainly be arranged.

- July 13—Special Birthday Celebration—Wanda Reynolds 80th
- July 21—3rd Sunday— Fellowship lunch.

#### Celebration of Life—Nolan Williams

Donna Simco's brother's "Celebration of Life" service is scheduled as follows:

Date: Saturday, July 20, 2024

Time: 2:-00 pm

Location: The Hills Church, Keller Campus

2525 Florence Rd. Keller, TX 76262 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. Information regarding his "Celebration of Life" can be found on page 3.

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 bout with Sepsis. She reports improvement with some continued weakness that results in tiring easily. Please keep Wanda in your prayers for a return of her strength and stamina.

**Sharold and Julie Ferris—Julie** and her doctors continue to monitor a nodule for any change or growth so they will revisit in 6 months. Please pray for stability with no growth. **Sharold** continues preparation for back surgery. He is doing well. Please pray for his overall health.

**Cheyanne 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, as well as all Christians for stamina to "run the race" successfully.

**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 recently started a new job 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 need to continue the exercises on his own. He reports a reduction in the constant pain he had been experiencing. 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 combat 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	Happy Birthday	<b>Sharold Ferris</b>	23 July
Justin Snell	02 July	Birthday	Julie Ferris	26 July
<b>Brian Flaherty</b>	03 July		Ann Gray	27 July
<b>Marty Montgomery</b>	03 July	99	Juan Pratt	27 July
Kenzie Kirby	05 July	8	Carla Kerske	27 July
Wanda Reynolds	21 July		Hettie Keller	30 July

Sharold & Julie Ferris 8 July





## We NOW know who to call when we want to raise \$\$

#### The Youth \$paghetti \$upper was a RE\$OUNDING \$ucce\$\$.



When all was said and done—all the plates served, all the dishes washed and all the donations counted... WELL... more than \$1,000 was deposited for the Youth Summer activities.

Thanks to everyone who participated and supported the kids.

From the Hosts (Quinn Montgomery, Jack and Peter Lisle and Jaedon Snell), to the Head Chef (Jaeli Snell); Sous

Chefs (Harley Boyce & Jaedon Snell); Expos (Halleigh Robertson, Justin Snell, Jack, Quinn and Peter) Servers (Jaedon, Jew-

lianna, & Jaquelyn Snell and Justin Butteris), everyone brought their "A-



game" to the event. The food and fellowship were great!

They have not yet announced what "fun" activity they plan, using the proceeds from the evening, but I'm sure they have earned whatever it is.

Their next service project has not yet been determined, but if you have an idea that you feel would provide growth for them please talk to Susan Flaherty or Kaylie Campbell.

Can't wait to see what our outstanding young folks do next!

### Psalm 46:1-2

- <sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.
- <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

### Bits & Pieces



The Family of Wanda Reynolds invites you

to come celebrate her 80th birthday!

Date: Saturday, July 13, 2024

Time: 12 Noon to 3pm

Location: Westworth Church of

Christ Activity Bldg.

Mexican Buffet will be served





Samantha's latest blog can be read at:

<u>Global Reunion 2024 – HUGS for Tomorrow</u> (hugs4tomorrow.org)

You can always keep up with their work here:

Hugs4Tomorrow.org

The Jewells are now in 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.

The initial trip from the Nashville area to Costa Rica was not without it's challenges. John's wallet was stolen before they even left the country! This of course presented the issue of cards and ID's contained in the wallet. As far as we can tell, so far, there have been no fraudulent charges on the cards that have of course now been cancelled.

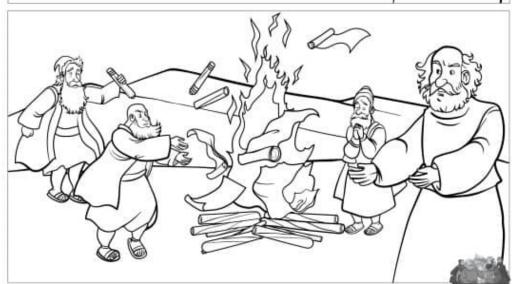


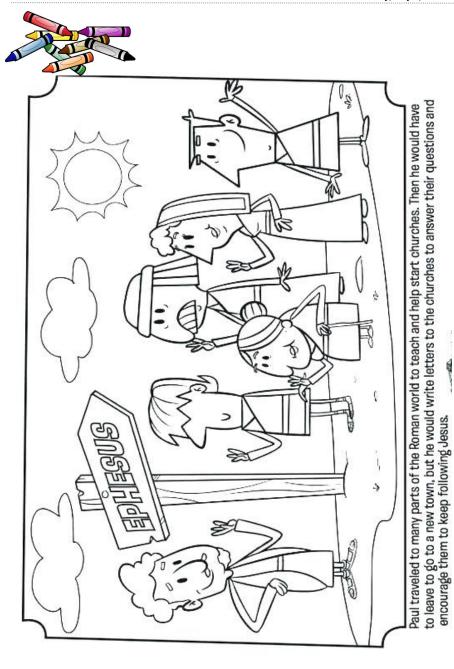
### Kids Pages

# THE ADVENTURES OF PAUL MIRACLES & RIOTS

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.







### Memory verse:

**Psalm 150:6** — Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

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

Next Men's Group → 7pm, July 16, 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 10, 2024

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**

Date	Today—July 7
Open	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>
Usher	Eric Kreger
Songs/Close	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>
Prayer	Tom Reynolds
Communion	Bill Jones
Bible Story Kids Church	Curtis Thompson / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson
Reading	Jaedon Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Sherry Yates

Trustee in charge for July: Eric Kreger

### COMING WEEKS

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Date	July 14	July 21	July 28
Open	Eric Kreger	Mike Lisle	Eric Kreger
Usher	Bill Jones	Brian Flaherty	<b>Curtis Thompson</b>
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger	Mike Lisle	Eric Kreger
Prayer	Brian Flaherty	<b>Sharold Ferris</b>	Max Lisle
Communion	Johnny Box	<b>Curtis Thompson</b>	David Keller
Bible Story Kids Church	David Keller / Susan Flaherty & Sherry Jones	Curtis Dunson / Sherri Dunson & Tracy Robertson	Max Lisle / David & Hettie Keller
Reading	Tom Reynolds	John Snell	Marty Montgomery
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	Max Pratt
A/V	Christi Kreger	Susan Flaherty	Christi Kreger

Communion Preparation July: Laurice Reeves - 11-

### 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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