

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: Philippians 2:1-11

Lesson: The Mind of Christ Be Like-Minded/Having the Same Attitude of Christ

- TRANSFORMED INTO HIS LIKENESS
- Christ is The Perfect Example
- TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF THE MIND
- MINDS SET ON WHAT THE SPIRIT DESIRES
- THINK ON THESE THINGS

Jesus is the Answer for the World Today

"And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us." II Cor. 5:19-20.

Before Jesus suffered, died was buried and rose again, He spent years preparing His apostles to be 'fishers of men'. He called the fishermen to leave their nets and undergo the intense training to be the voice in the world that carried the Good News of salvation. From its very beginning the church has always been the movement to carry the Gospel of Jesus to every generation.

When the persecution arose in Jerusalem, the disciples were scattered to many places. The record of Acts tell us: "Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went." Acts 8:4. That began the testimony of Christians to the glorious hope offered through the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus.

In his great sermon on the mount, Jesus identified His followers in this way: "You are the salt of the earth....You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matt. 5:13-16.

We have called it the great commission given by Jesus to His disciples just prior to His leaving this earth, where He now sits at the right hand of God: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." Matt. 28:19-20. From the first century until the end of time, the church of our Lord will carry the message of the Cross to the world.

Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:5 Since we have been set on our coarse of telling the Gospel to our world today, we must be mindful of every avenue through which we can share it. We should also be aware that each of us in our own individual lives will have the duty and privilege to be God's voice whispering His love, testifying of His grace and shouting out the blessed hope of our salvation.

...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 is 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.

• **TODAY—3rd Sunday**— Fellowship lunch. Hope everyone is planning to stay and enjoy the good food and fellowship.

Psalm 46:1-3

¹God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

- ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
- ³ though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

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:

Families of Bob Lane, Samuel Flaherty, Joyce Gray and Nolan Williams— Please continue your prayers for each of the families. Our small group experienced too much loss this year and in each case, the families' grief continues for much longer than the services, flowers and expressions of condolences. The prayers that are offered are, no doubt, heard by God and felt by the families.

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 - please continue prayers for stability with no growth in the nodule they are monitoring. **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.

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 her daughters, 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 pretty much as would be expected. He is done with scheduled physical therapy and will 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)

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

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 |
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| 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 | Happy Birthday | Carla Kerske | 27 July |
| Wanda Reynolds | 21 July | | Hettie Keller | 30 July |

August Birthdays

| Debbie Simco | 04 Aug | Floretta Hubbard | 12 Aug |
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| Halleigh Robertson | 07 Aug | Kaytlyne Kirby | 12 Aug |
| Lillie Rollins | 08 Aug | Jonathan Dunson | 20 Aug |
| Sherry Yates | 09 Aug | Jewlianna Snell | 20 Aug |

August Anniversaries

David & Hettie Keller 2 Aug
Ruston & Kaytlyne Kirby 16 Aug
Curtis & Sarah Thompson 27 Aug





A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL



Our more 'senior' youth were treated to a day at NRH²O water park in North Richland Hills on Monday, July 15.

Each was allowed to bring a friend and 5 chaperones joined in the fun for a total of 16 in the group.

From all reports, they had a great time and thought the effort of the

Spaghetti Supper was worth it. The water park was a significant upgrade to their original objective of playing miniature golf!

The younger members of the youth group (and their parents) have not yet decided what activity they will enjoy. The mom's reminded our youth sponsors that the ages of this group did not require quite the same level of activity as the older ones. When that decision is made, and the activity done, we'll be sure to provide pictures and tales of the adventure.

More Musings by Max

I often receive email requests from MOI listeners to pray for family members and friends

of the individuals. I am always encouraged by the attentive care being given. Prayer is an important part of our ministry one toward another. Asking for prayers is an expression of faith in God hearing and answering the requests made. Not knowing the individuals and very little of the circumstances doesn't matter so much. We offer prayers up, knowing God knows it all. He has promised to listen to the prayers of his people when we ask in faith.

Our own prayer list is evidence of the care we have for our own spiritual family. We are blessed to have many prayer warriors among us who approach the throne of God caring for others. I commend our group for keeping in mind each other's needs. As we walk through the circumstances of our lives, knowing we have brothers and sisters helping us cope with losses, both physical and emotional pain, troubles we face from an un-

Bits & Pieces



Samantha's latest blog can be read at:

Border Run – HUGS for Tomorrow (hugs4tomorrow.org)

You can always keep up with their work here:

Hugs4Tomorrow.org

Hope you are taking the opportunity to enjoy Samantha's skills as a writer and story teller. The latest blog (website noted above) takes you along on an 8 hour bus ride, just to cross the border into another country, then within hours, board the bus again to return to Costa Rica—It's a Visa thing. The Jewells are, as always, quickly making new friends and contacts in their new home; learning the culture and all the while planning and working for the children in Malawi.

Please keep them in your prayers for successful efforts and of course safety for the whole family, as well as all those who are working with the kids in Malawi.

"Musings"- continued

kind world are made much easier to bear.

On the other side of the pain and problems there is the sharing of beautiful fellowship. We celebrate together the special occasions among us. To be honored at weddings and for wedding anniversaries, birthdays, graduations along with the thanksgivings for healing and health is another way of caring for each other.

There is never a baptism into Christ that happens without the joy of the Lord being shared in that great decision and confession of the Lord. We rejoice along with the angels in heaven over the faith we have in the saving grace of our Lord and Savior. When a brother of sister is restored to an active, serving ministry in the church, the prayers are offered with thanksgiving.

Let me encourage every one of us to be fully engaged in encouraging one another. Let us be like Barnabas, who truly was a 'Son of Encouragement'. It will make a difference not only for the harmony and health of our congregation, but also in us individually.

Max



Kids Pages

BIBLE HIDDEN OBJECT PUZZLE

Find the hidden objects.



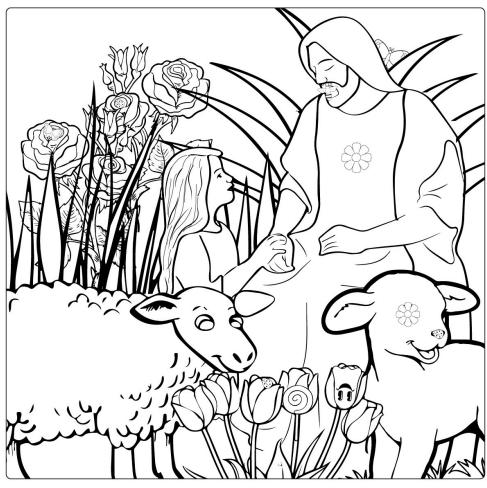
















Memory verse:

Ephesians 6:1 — Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

SCHEDULED STUDIES

Monday-Women's Virtual Bible Study

Weekly — 7:30 pm via Google meet Current Study: currently reviewing options for the next study period.

All ladies are encouraged to join this weekly study. Any time is a good time, but with a new study about to begin, this is the perfect opportunity to be part of this group. 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

<u>Tuesday-Westworth Men's Group (1st & 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, August 6, 2024 ←

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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 Bible Study group 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 21 Mike Lisle Open **Brian Flaherty** Usher Mike Lisle Songs/Close **Sharold Ferris Prayer** Communion **Curtis Thompson** Curtis Dunson / **Bible Story Sherri Dunson &** Kids Church **Tracy Robertson** John Snell Reading **Max Pratt** Lesson A/V **Susan Flaherty**

Trustee in charge for July: Eric Kreger

COMING WEEKS

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| Date | July 28 | Aug 4 | Aug 11 |
| Open | Eric Kreger | | |
| Usher | Curtis Thompson | | |
| Songs/Close | Eric Kreger | | |
| Prayer | Max Lisle | | |
| Communion | David Keller | | |
| Bible Story Kids Church | Max Lisle / David & Hettie Keller | | |
| Reading | Marty Montgomery | | |
| Lesson | Max Pratt | | |
| A/V | Christi Kreger | | |

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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