



*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.



From the Pulpit Today
Speaker— Max Pratt

Lesson: Lazarus and the Rich Man

Scripture: Luke 16:19-31

- Who Would You Rather Be?**
- Parable or Not!**
- What Were the Problems?**
- What Lessons Do We Take Away?**

HE DID EVIL IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD

“In the thirty-ninth year of Azariah king of Judah, Menahem son of Gadi became king of Israel, and he reigned in Samaria ten years. He did evil in the eyes of the Lord. During his entire reign he did not turn away from the sins of Jeroboam son of Nebat, which he had caused Israel to commit.”

II Kings 15:16

I told Curtis after our study last Wednesday evening that I do not enjoy the study of some of Israel's history, and particularly the record of the divided kingdom. There is far too much violence. And way too many evil leaders. It makes for a very sad record of God's people. This time frame tells repeatedly that the kings did evil in God's sight. That was the norm. Israel had been led away into idolatry by Jeroboam. At the death of Solomon, the nation of Israel was split. Judah and Israel each had their king. The Northern tribes of Israel were led to worship the golden calves that Jeroboam set up and ordained a whole new order of sacrifices. This is what is referenced in the text. Jeroboam caused people to worship idols. The high places remained for generations. Successive kings continued to do evil.

The whole historical account of Israel and Judah is depressing. God had made such great and wonderful promises to his people. If only they had been faithful, the story would have been so much different. God was forsaken and idols were chosen. It began with Solomon who erected alters to the gods of his foreign wives. The spiritual adultery went on for centuries.

We are spiritual Israel. God has chosen us in His Son, Jesus. Jesus is our King, and we have been invited to share in the wonderful promises made in His name. If we are to learn anything from Israel's past, we must see their sin of unfaithfulness. The picture from Scripture is that Jesus is the bridegroom, and the church is His bride. We are to live faithfully to Him.

“Be faithful even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life.” Rev. 2:10. That is the promise from Jesus. He spoke and John recorded his words. We live by faith and are certain of God's faithfulness in keeping His Word. To help us on our journey we have this instruction: ***“Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down***

He Did Evil in the Sight of the Lord (cont'd)

at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.” Heb 12:1-3

I pray we are writing a history of the Lord's church by following the Lord's will in our lives, turning away from any form of worship to an idol such as self-gratification, love of money, the praise of men.

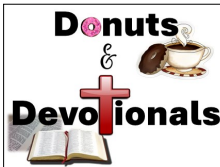
“Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For everything in the world---the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does--- comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.”

1 John 2:15-17

Max

... GOOD THINGS CONTINUE ...

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



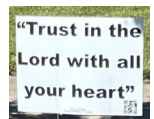
This weekly study continues. Everyone is encouraged and welcomed to join this weekly gathering for study and brief fellowship prior to morning worship service.

Donuts and coffee etc., are part of this early time together.

- **Food Items for Southside Church of Christ food bank**

Deliveries are made each month and your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please keep this good work in your plans for sharing the bounty we receive from the Lord. Southside never fails to express their gratitude. The latest “Thank You” from them is on the hallway bulletin board.

- **WORDS-OF-WISDOM**—Signs to “Plant” in your yard are available in the activity bldg. If you have one already, is it time for a new message to passers-by? It's good to keep the



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:

Deborah White Tallant (life-long friend of Tracy Robertson)—battling Stage 4 Bladder Cancer. After a couple days to address pain meds and for dehydration, she is at home again with some improvement. A CT Scan was scheduled for this week in hopes of seeing progress. Her husband, Tony, is also dealing with his own Melanoma and will soon need a dangerous and complicated surgery. Please pray for both Debbie and Tony that treatments will provide positive results. Please keep the whole family in your prayers

Christi Kreger's 6 year-old nephew, Jack—Jack is experiencing an unknown, but potentially very serious condition. Doctors are slowly eliminating possible causes. Please pray that the cause and solution will be found soon and he will experience complete recovery.

Wanda Reynolds' daughter Missy—Missy is still at her daughter's. She has made some progress but still has a way to go before she is back to her "normal". Please continue praying for Missy's recovery and improved health. Also include Missy's daughter, Trinity, who has recently had a bout with the flu.

Please continue your prayers for these folks for complete healing and health:

Kelly Draper—continued recovery from back surgery.

Bonnie Davis, Maureen Fanta and Kelsey (Mason) McDowell—Breast Cancer surgery and treatments. Kelsey & Maureen are both experiencing severe side effects from the treatments. Please continue your prayers for best results and less pain and nausea from the treatments.

David Burris — continued healing from his long ordeal.

Sharold Ferris—overall health issues and anticipated back surgery.

Julie Ferris— Latest review of nodes revealed no change, (good news) and the next review will be in one year—really good news.

Kim Turner's daughter and granddaughters—improved family conditions.

John & Samantha Jewell—successful mission efforts in Malawi.

Families of all who have lost loved ones in recent months.

Our "New" Brothers & Sisters—here and in the Lord's churches everywhere.

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

- ◆ Pat Straw
- ◆ Jane Whitley
- ◆ Ernie Brawley

Please include prayers for:

- **RAIN**—Thanks for what we've received and prayers for more.
- **Teachers, Students and Parents**—for wisdom and patience in training kids

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

- **Israel and Ukraine**—A cease to the war there and continued return of the prisoners-of-war to their family and loved ones.
- **Church growth and leadership**—worldwide but especially here. Pray for our leaders that God will provide all their needs as they serve, and that we may be an encouragement for them.
- **The new President and all government leadership**—As the new president and his officials begin their work for the country, pray for strength and wisdom for him and for all who serve in government positions.
- **Young adults/couples** who are beginning their adult walk, pray that they discern the truth and always seek God’s will.

Please make known your prayer needs.



**House to House
Heart to Heart**

Westworth will sponsor another issue of House to House Heart to Heart in March 2025. The topic for the issue is

“Do We Obey the Ten Commandments Today?”. We have arranged to have it sent to the same postal area as before. There will, of course, be issues for all our members, and you may take any extras for family and friends. Plans are to sponsor a total of 4 issues during 2025.

February Birthdays

Samantha Jewell	Feb 24
Jaedon Snell	Feb 28
Tommy Bennett	Feb 29



March Birthdays

Pat Straw	Mar 2	Sarah Thompson	Mar 12
Ben Jewell	Mar 3	Max Pratt	Mar 13
Richard Hromek	Mar 3	Harley Boyce	Mar 20
Lanette Lisle	Mar 5	Debbie Highfill	Mar 21
Jaquelyn Snell	Mar 7	Mike Lisle	Mar 23
Cooper Thompson	Mar 8	Earnie Brawley	Mar 29

March Anniversaries

Freddy & Connie Heller	Mar 12
Mike & Lanette Lisle	Mar 15
Max & Sarah Lisle	Mar 21



Communion service for residents at Eagle Crest Villa



2:30 PM

Every Sunday
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113 Denver Tr.
Azle, TX

We learned there are approximately 10-12 Church Members who currently reside at Eagle Crest Villa, an assisted living facility in Azle, TX. Our own Pat Straw is a resident there. She made it known that the church members there would like to have the opportunity to take communion.

Max has visited with the staff at Eagle Crest and made arrangements to hold a brief devotional and offer communion, every Sunday afternoon at 2:30, in the facility Activity Room.

Mike Lisle will help in this effort, and we feel sure there are others who would like to be part of this ministry. This could even be just as a visitor to this group of Christians during this short service.

Please contact Max or Mike if you can be part of this good work.

Colossians 3:16

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

www.Hugs4Tomorrow.org



Great Progress has been made on construction of the chapel. Be sure to check-out the video of students gathering in the (under construction) chapel for prayer before class at this site:

<https://www.facebook.com/samantha.m.jewell/videos/1013486227301728>

John and Samantha plan to be here on Sunday, March 9. He will provide his latest report, following a fellowship meal.

Please continue to pray for the efforts on behalf of the children and those caring for them.



Looking Forward

Some dates to note on your calendars

March 9	Daylight Savings Time Begins (Spring forward)
March 9	* Jewell's here with update on Malawi * Fellowship Lunch (replaces 3rd Sunday lunch)
March 17-21	Public Schools Spring Break
March 20	First Day of Spring (are you as ready for this as I am?)
March 30	5th Sunday Lunch
April 2, 9, 16, 23	Special Wednesday evening program Christ's Cross—His Resurrection—His Ascension
April 6	Westworth Church of Christ Corporate meeting immediately following morning worship services
April 20 (3rd Sun)	Easter
April 27 (4th Sun)	Fellowship lunch

Kids Pages

BibleWise

How David Became King

1 Samuel 16

Read the story of how David was chosen to be King.
Fill in the blanks below using the words in the word bank.

God tells Samuel to fill his _____
with _____ and travel to see
_____ of Bethlehem.

God instructs Samuel to take a
_____ with him to sacrifice. He
will show Samuel whom he wants to
_____ when he arrives.

Samuel thinks God might choose
_____ to be king. However, God
tells Samuel that he cares what is in
a man's _____ and not how he
looks.

Samuel asks Jesse to fetch his
_____ son who was in the
_____ tending the _____.

Then God tells Samuel to _____
and anoint _____ for he is to be
King.

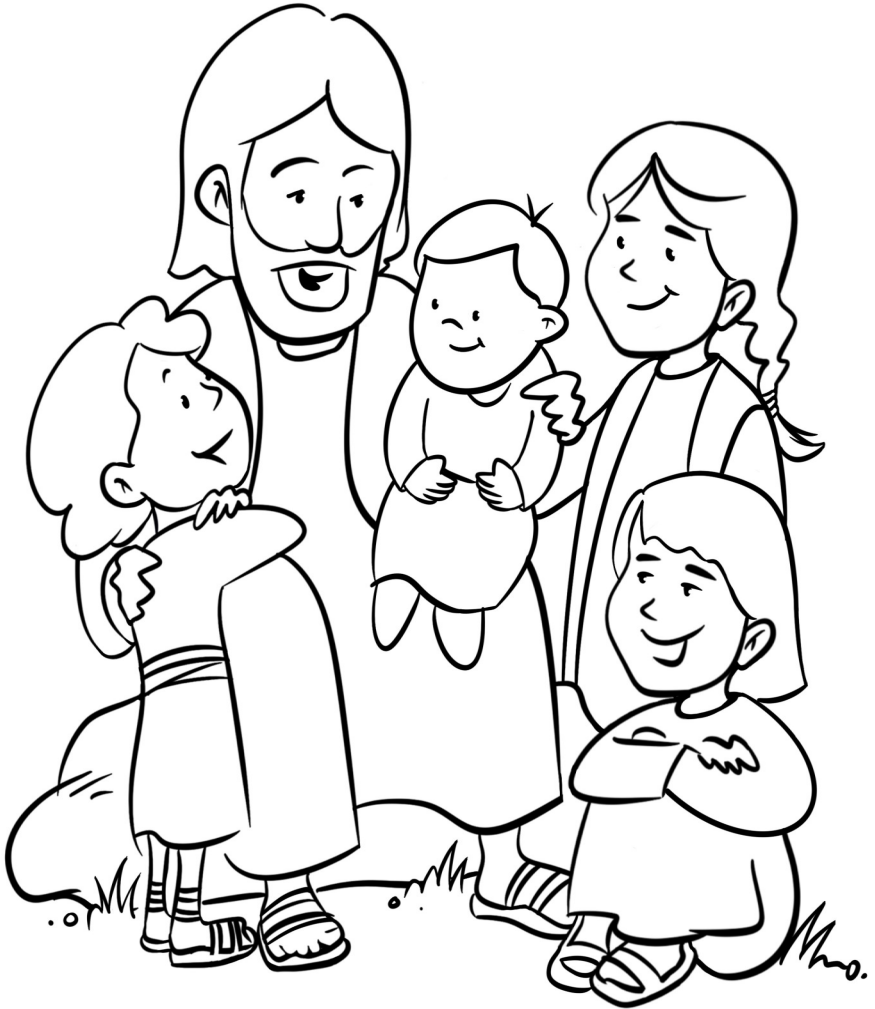
WORD BANK

RISE	DAVID
ANOINT	HORN
HEART	FIELD
JESSE	SHEEP
HEIFER	ELIAB
YOUNGEST	OIL





Crayons available in south foyer

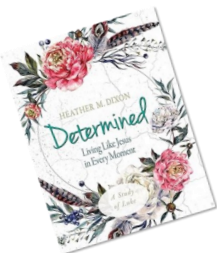


Memory verse:

John 14:6 — Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

SCHEDULED STUDIES

Monday–Women’s Virtual Bible Study Weekly – 7:00 pm via Google meet New study -



DETERMINED: Living Like Jesus Every Day

Next session will be Mon, 2/24, when the group will return to the regular evening schedule (7:00 pm)

If you have not been part of this group before but would like to join—AND ALL OUR LADIES ARE WELCOMED TO JOIN—please contact Tracy Robertson for website information and to be added to the text group.

Participants gain so much more than a time of study—the fellowship and support in the group is immeasurable, and something to be treasured. “Christian family time” is priceless and this is a standing invitation.



Tracy Robertson 817-308-0554 or tracyroberson1966@gmail.com

Westworth Men’s Group (monthly 1st & 3rd Tuesdays)

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

“Trading Your ‘If Only’ Regrets for God’s ‘What If’ Possibilities”

Next Session: 1:00 pm, March 4, 2025

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.

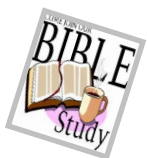
Similar to the ladies group—the additional fellowship and study time serves to bring us closer as family. See Bill Jones or Tom Reynolds for more info.



Wednesday Night Bible Study— 7pm —

Current Study: **2 Kings — Led by Curtis Dunson**

Take advantage of another opportunity to fellowship with your Christian family while you study God’s word and its meaning for your life. **The invitation to join in is always open.**



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for March: Eric Kreyer

Date	Today—Feb 23
Open	Curtis Dunson
Usher	Bill Jones
Songs/Close	Curtis Dunson
Prayer	Max Lisle
Communion	David Keller
Bible Story Kids Church	Brian Flaherty / Brian & Susan Flaherty
Reading	Marty Montgomery
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Sherry Yates

COMING WEEKS

Date	Mar 2	Mar 9	Mar 16
Open			
Usher			
Songs/Close			
Prayer			
Communion			
Bible Story Kids Church			
Reading			
Lesson			
A/V			

Communion Preparation March: 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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