

Westworth Church of Christ

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Westworth
Word*



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!

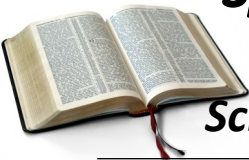
If this is your first visit here, please honor us by filling out a visitor's card found on the back of each pew. Any prayer requests may also be made on the flip side of the card. You may hand it to any member, place it in the contribution plate when passed, or simply leave it in the pew for us.

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

"RESPECTING LEADERS"

Speaker – Max Pratt



Scripture: John 13:1-17

- Joyful Work—*Hebrews 13:17*
- Respect Leaders—*1 Thessalonians 5:12-13*
- Willing Servants—*1 Peter 5:1-4*

Planting Spiritual Seeds

Paul was very busy helping Timothy and Titus carry out the needs of the church. He laid out the qualifications of men who would serve as elders and those who would be serving the Lord as deacons. Timothy serves the church in Ephesus and Titus was left in Crete to do the same work as an evangelist. He writes to both men regarding their duties to set the leadership in order among the churches.

The apostle sets in both letters the virtues and behaviors of those who would be among the members of the church to serve as an elder or a deacon. How thankful we are to know the necessary character and behaviors of those who will lead the church of God.

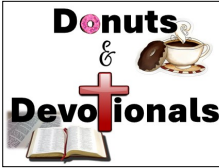
Paul writes: **“Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task.” (1 Tim. 3:1)** I remember the conversations Juan and I had with Bro. Nelan Bahlman and his wife Celesta years ago. They were a young couple when they moved to Robert Lee, TX. They lived there for a number of years before moving to Winters. At the time of our move to Ballinger, Nelan served the church as an elder. We became close friends as well as coworkers in the church. The conversation I remember was how they told us about an elderly lady who was a member of the congregation in Robert Lee. She (I cannot remember her name) often would talk to them about preparing themselves for church leadership. It must have had a lasting effect on them. Long before we moved to our work at Ninth Street in Ballinger, Nelan had served as a deacon and was serving as an elder. They had made the preparations necessary. Thank the Lord for that dear elderly sister who planted the seed in their hearts to serve the church. Every time I read that passage, I recall their recounting and telling us about what seed she planted in their hearts.

Last Sunday morning, Max Lisle commented to me as we watched the boys swing: ‘we should have some good leaders in about forty years’. It is never too early to plant the seeds for future leaders.

Max

CONTINUE TO GROW & SHARE ...

- **DONUTS AND DEVO'S (D&D)**



Sundays at 9:00 am in the activity building. *For a time D & D will be devoted to studying qualifications and responsibilities of church leadership as we proceed with selection and installation of new elders and deacons.* All

members are encouraged to be part of this study to prepare ourselves to select and help the best leaders available. Donuts and breakfast beverages are served.

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

Deliveries are made monthly and your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please keep this good work in your plans to share the bounty we receive from the Lord.

- **WORDS-OF-WISDOM**—Signs to “Plant” in your yard are available in the activity building conference room.



- **Weekly Sermon always available**— The lessons/sermons from previous weeks are always available on the church website at:

<https://www.westworthcoc.org/sermons-3/>



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

Information on the mission is available at these websites. John and Samantha are always happy to answer your questions.

Samantha's FaceBook page:

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

HUGS for Tomorrow website: [Hugs4tomorrow.org](https://hugs4tomorrow.org)

DonorSee website: <https://donorsee.com/jewell>

HUGS for Tomorrow Photography—Something New—Samantha's global pictures available for purchase. All proceeds go to HUGS.

<https://hugsfortomorrow.smughug.com>

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:

Church Leadership—Efforts are underway to establish elders and deacons. Please pray for the process and those who will be appointed.

Joe Campbell—Joe is at home for further healing. He will soon see an oncologist to plan treatments. Please continue prayers for Joe's recovery and Melva's well-being.

Wanda Bryant—had another skin cancer removed on Tuesday and even though it was larger than anticipated, the removal was successful and she continues to heal. Pray for Wanda's complete recovery and comfort.

Lee Hall—had cataract surgery and cornea replacement surgery on 6/11. Doctors are pleased with the results. Pray for complete healing.

Ronnie Cope's wife, Mary - A recent CT scan revealed a small suspicious growth on her pancreas. They are still awaiting a biopsy and results. Please pray for Mary (and Ronnie) that the doctors will determine the right treatment to restore her health.

Debbie Highfill—suffered a serious dog bite on Saturday, 6/14. The wound was treated, and they are waiting on evaluation of the dog to determine if more treatment is necessary. Please pray for Debbie's healing and that no more serious treatments will be required.

Wanda Reynolds—Please keep Wanda in your prayers for complete recovery from her recent health issues.

Christi Kreger's 6 year-old nephew, Jack—Jack's cortisol levels have begun to improve. The doctors are hopeful this will continue. Please continue your prayers for Jack and the family as well as the doctors.

Debbie Highfill's sister, Janet - Janet is still waiting for scheduling of a partial thyroidectomy. Please continue your prayers for Janet's overall health.

John & Samantha Jewell & Ben—The Jewells (including Andy, Lauren and baby Kora) are returning to the states on July 1. They will live in Homestead, Florida (Miami area) where John has accepted a job as a minister and Bible Teacher at the school operated by the church where he will be preaching. Please pray for their successful/uneventful relocation, as well as success in the new roles they have accepted.

Missy Sherrill (Wanda Reynolds' daughter) - recovery from health issues and a successful job search.

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

Kelly Draper—continued recovery from back surgery.

David Burris — Dave is experiencing some new issues and recent tests have been inconclusive. Please pray for healing and improved health.

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

Sharold Ferris—Hand surgery on 5/19. The cast has been removed, and exercises were prescribed. Please pray for complete healing for Sharold.

Julie Ferris—Julie has been feeling a bit “shaky” lately and is conferring with doctors in search of the cause and solution. Please pray that she will find a ‘fix’ and will feel better very soon.

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

Malawi Mission work—Please pray for all those who are working for the children in Malawi.

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

♦ Pat Straw ♦ Jane Whitley ♦ Ernie Brawley

Please include prayers for:

- **Children with Summer Food insecurity**—The school year has ended and many children face food uncertainty during the break. Please pray for resources and those who serve these needs during the summer.
- **Conflict in the Middle East Ukraine**—Pray for a cease to hostilities in these regions and the return of prisoners-of-war to their loved ones.
- **The President and all government leadership**—Please pray for strength and wisdom 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.

July Birthdays

Jaeli Snell	Jul 1
Justin Snell	Jul 2
Brian Flaherty	Jul 3
Marty Montgomery	Jul 3
Kenzie Kirby	Jul 5
Wanda Reynolds	Jul 21



Sharold Ferris	Jul 23
Julie Ferris	Jul 26
Anita Gray	Jul 27
Juanita Pratt	Jul 27
Carla Kerske	Jul 27
Hettie Keller	Jul 30

July Anniversaries

Sharold & Julie Ferris

July 8



Communion Service for Residents at Eagle Crest Villa



2:30 PM

Every Sunday

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113 Denver Tr.

Azle, TX

This service for the residents at Eagle Crest continues weekly.

Thank you to all those who regularly participate in this work. Everyone is invited to join this service and help lift the spirits of the brothers and sisters there. The group of residents who participate are always glad to see us and to have the opportunity to sing a couple of hymns, hear some words of encouragement and take communion.

This service also raises the spirits of those of us who are able to attend the gathering on Sunday afternoons.

If you would like to join the group just arrive at the site a few minutes before 2:30 or contact Max Pratt, Mike Lisle, or Brian Flaherty if you need more information.

Hebrews 13:15-16 (NIV)

¹⁵ Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. ¹⁶ And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Future Events and Special Dates

June 29—5th Sunday Lunch (TODAY)

Conveniently, June has 5 Sundays so we still get to enjoy the good food and fellowship.

July 4 (Friday) - Independence Day

A time to be thankful for our freedoms.



July 12, 6 pm (Saturday)—How About an Ice Cream Social?

Put this on your calendar and bring ice cream (home made if possible) and accompanying items, and enjoy a summertime refresher as well as fellowship time.



July 20—3rd Sunday Lunch



Lets keep this one **COOL** (think salads/sandwiches). We've done this before and mid-summer seems to be the ideal time to repeat. Bring your favorite salads/sandwiches and desserts to share.

New Ideas??? (I know you must have amazing ideas)

Do you have an idea for a fellowship event—a repeat of something we've done in the past or something new to enjoy—please let it be known and let's have some new fun together.

Directory Additions/Updates

As most everyone knows, Jonah is now “Home” in Texas and has stated his desire that Westworth be his home church again. We are happy to have Jonah back with us. In case you missed it last week, be sure to add his contact information below to your church directory.

Jonah Jewell

Phone: 531-250-9708

Email: jnhjwll@gmail.com

Additionally, we've been reporting that John & Samanta, Ben, Andy, Lauren and Kora will be returning to the US on July 1. Be sure to update their address in the “Remote Members & Friends” section of your directory.

John & Samantha Jewell and family

17700 S.W. 280th St.

Homestead , FL 33031

Kids Pages

For example, F → → ↓ = Q

Puzzle #1

1. S ← ← ↑ = ____

2. G ↓ ↓ ← = ____

3. L → ↑ ↑ ↑ = ____

4. O ↑ ↑ → = ____

5. F → → ↑ = ____

6. J → → → = ____

7. V ↓ ↓ ← = ____

8. Z ↑ → ↑ → = ____

9. P ← ← ↑ = ____

10. Q ↓ ← ← = ____

11. M ↓ ↓ → = ____

I	G	E	C	X	D
K	H	P	W	V	Y
H	X	R	Y	M	T
F	L	Z	E	K	C
D	T	Q	H	O	E
N	J	W	S	U	B

Jesus said, "I am 1 2 3

4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 ..."

Do you know where this verse is located?



Crayons available in south foyer

Happy 4th of July



Memory verse:

Psalm 33:4 (NASB)

For the word of the LORD is upright,
And all His work is *done* in faithfulness.

SCHEDULED STUDIES

Monday—Women's Virtual Bible Study **Weekly — 7:00 pm via Google meet**

Current Study: *The Book of 1 John*

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. The fellowship and “sisterhood” found in this group is a treasure chest of support and encouragement.



Tracy Robertson 817-308-0554
or tracyroberston1966@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, July 1, 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 Max Pratt for more info.

Wednesday Night Bible Study— 7pm —

Roots—Our Church History



On Wednesday we are learning about the reformation and the beginning of the Church of Christ that we know. Everyone is always welcome to join us.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for July: Eric Kreger

Date	Today—June 29
Open	Eric Kreger
Usher	Curtis Thompson
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger
Prayer	Max Lisle
Communion	Mike Lisle
Bible Story Kids Church	Curtis Dunson / David & Hettie Keller
Reading	Jonathan Dunson
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Susan Flaherty

COMING WEEKS

Date	July 6	July 13	July 20
Open			
Usher			
Songs/Close			
Prayer			
Communion			
Bible Story Kids Church			
Reading			
Lesson			
A/V			

Communion Preparation July: David & 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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(<https://www.facebook.com/westworthcoc/>)