Westworth

Church of

**Christ** 

The 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 "Paul's Farewell to Elders at Ephesus" Speaker – Max Pratt

Scripture: Acts 20:17-24

- Paul's Ministry at Ephesus
- · A Warning: Savage Wolves are Coming
- From Your Own Number Will Distort the Truth
- Be on Your Guard!
- Committed to God and His Word

## Be Shepherds of the Church of God

"Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he purchased with his own blood." Acts 20:28

This passage of Scripture is where the apostle Paul is speaking to the elders of the church in the city of Ephesus. Paul had worked with these men for some three years. He knew them well. He was meeting with them on his way to Jerusalem. He sent for them, and they met at Miletus. His purpose was to share his instruction and encouragement with these church leaders.

These men had witnessed Paul's great work among the Gentiles in that area of the world. He dealt with the unbelieving Jews. He had taught in the school of Tyrannus and the Word of God spread throughout Asia Minor. Paul's ministry had great success at this place.

Now he is on his way to Jerusalem and the Holy Spirit has revealed to him along the way that prison and hardships were facing him. He told them that he knew those with whom he had worked and preached would not see his face again. This was his final opportunity to give them the encouragement they needed to do their work as leaders for the church.

His own life and work among them provided a great example. Paul was a wonderful servant of the Lord. He was not deterred from going on to Jerusalem even though many tried to keep him from placing himself in such danger. His encouragement provided a great blessing to these church leaders.

God will help us as we serve Him faithfully and hold to the truth. As we select and ordain elders we are seeking men who will watch themselves and oversee the church as well. Pray God will give our congregation those men who are willing and eager to lead us, committed to God and the Word of His grace.

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. It is not too late to join this study to prepare ourselves to se-

lect 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

**DonorSee website:** https://donorsee.com/jewell

**HUGS for Tomorrow Photography**—<u>Something New</u>—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 had an appointment with the Oncologist on Wednesday, to review potential treatment options. Please continue prayers for Joe's recovery and Melva's well-being.

**Wanda Bryant**—continues to recover from the removal of several skin cancers. Healing is going pretty much as expected. Pray for Wanda's complete recovery and comfort.

**Lee Hall**—had cataract surgery and cornea replacement surgery on 6/11. Doctors removed stitches this week and they 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**—is healing nicely from the serious dog bite earlier this month. The dog was quarantined and showed no signs of rabies—SUCH GOOD NEWS. **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. The nodules that are still present are creating serious discomfort and concern. Please continue your prayers for Janet's overall health.

**John & Samantha Jewell & Ben**—The Jewells should be beginning the 'settling in' phase after their very recent move to Florida. Please pray for their success in their new home and 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.

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

#### Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

**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		<b>Sharold Ferris</b>	Jul 23
Justin Snell	Jul 2	Happy &	Julie Ferris	Jul 26
<b>Brian Flaherty</b>	Jul 3	Birthday	Anita Gray	Jul 27
<b>Marty Montgomery</b>	Jul 3	Dirujoay	Juanita Pratt	Jul 27
Kenzie Kirby	Jul 5	( To you	Carla Kerske	Jul 27
Wanda Reynolds	Jul 21		Hettie Keller	Jul 30

### July Anniversaries

**Sharold & Julie Ferris** 



# Communion Service for Residents at Eagle Crest Villa



2:30 PM

**Every Sunday** 

113 Denver Tr.

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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.

### 1 Corinthians 12:27-28 (NIV)

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. <sup>28</sup> And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues.

#### **Events to Look Forward to**



# Ice Cream Social 6 pm Saturday July 12

As our weather returns to the *Texas Summer* setting on the dial, what better way to help beat the heat than with some cool creamy treats/indulgences.





Bring your favorite ice cream (homemade or otherwise), toppings of choice, and let's remember "the good old days" and briefly forget the calories.

Invite family and friends to share this sweet time with us.

# 3rd Sunday Lunch July 20—after AM Worship

Again—as our weather does what it always does—we will plan to have a meal with minimal to no heat.

Sandwiches and/or Salads will be the order of the day.



The possibilities are endless, and we may find a new favorite as we share this mid-summer meal.

Mark your calendars, and invite friends and family to be part of the fellowship we share.

# Late Summer/Early Fall (Sept/Oct) 2nd Annual Westworth CoC Car Meet

It is not too soon to start thinking about this event. Keep it in mind, and spread the word—especially if you know a "Car Guy" who might like to bring his "labor of love" and brag about it a little.

More information to come, as dates and plans are finalized.

### **Directory Update**

In case you missed it last week-

John & Samantha Jewell and family 17700 S.W. 280th St. Homestead, FL 33031

# Kids Pages

Creation: Day 5

Use this code to find out what God created on the fifth day of creation.

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#### Memory verse:

Psalm 145:8-9

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. <sup>9</sup>The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

### 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 tracyroberson1966@gmail.com

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

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

### Next Session: 1:00 pm, July 15, 2025

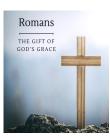
The Men's group continues to review and consider the concepts presented in this book. Many good conversations and biblical considerations are provoked when looking at things from someone else's viewpoint.



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 —





If the New Testament were a Christian's Constitution then Romans is our Bill Of Rights for Paul explains in no uncertain terms that we are FREE from sin. Come join us on Wednesday nights as we examine Romans to better understand these freedoms.

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	Date	Today—July 6					
Eric Kreger	Open	Curtis Dunson					
	Usher	David Burris					
	Songs/Close	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>					
. July:	Prayer	Sharold Ferris					
Trustee in charge for July:	Communion	Max Lisle					
	Bible Story Kids Church	Brian Flaherty / Sherri Dunson & Tracy & Halleigh Robertson					
	Reading	<b>Marty Montgomery</b>					
	Lesson	Max Pratt					
	A/V	Susan Flaherty					

# COMING WEEKS

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Date	July 13	July 20	July 27				
Open	Eric Kerger	Mike Lisle	Eric Kreger				
Usher	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>	Bill Jones	Brian Flaherty				
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger	Mike Lisle	Eric Kerger				
Prayer	Marty Montgomery	John Snell	Johnny Box				
Communion	Bill Jones	<b>Curtis Thompson</b>	David Keller				
Bible Story Kids Church	Mike Lisle / Jonathan & Joslyn Dunson	Max Lisle / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson	Curtis Thompson / Susan Flaherty & Sherry Jones				
Reading	Harley Boyce	Justin Snell	Jaedon Snell				
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	Max Pratt				
A/V	Christi Kreger	Brian Flaherty	Christi Kreger				

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.

### స్థాన్లు Leadership and Logistics అంతా

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