

Westworth Church of Christ

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Worshiping
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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

“GOD IS FAITHFUL”

Speaker – Max Pratt

Scripture: Deuteronomy 32:1-4



- Sharing God's Faithfulness
- Evidences of God's Faithfulness
- How Great is God's Faithfulness
- We Worship our Faithful God!

Judas and Betrayal

“Just as He was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders. Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: ‘The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.’ Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, ‘Rabbi!’ and kissed him. The men seized Jesus and arrested him. Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Am I leading a rebellion, said Jesus, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled. Then everyone deserted him and fled.”

Mark 14:43-50

Judas did not live long after his greedy betrayal of the Lord. Perhaps he believed that the Lord would simply walk away from their chains and swords. Maybe he thought that nothing can possibly harm Jesus. He had seen far too many miracles to believe otherwise. And maybe he gave it little thought. He had his own money purse now. Whatever his thoughts, it was not long before he knew his deed helped to lead Jesus to the Cross. He despised the money and tried to return it. Unsuccessful, he went out and hanged himself.

The fate of Judas carries a terrible sin. He wanted relief from his deed, but there was none to be found.

Betrayal has a very sad ending to it. Husbands and wives find misery because of betrayal. Friendship is forever broken by an act of betrayal. Business partners find it impossible to repair what a betrayal has done to their relationship.

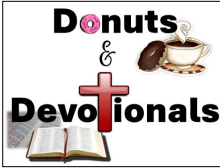
Greed was behind Judas’ betrayal of his innocent master. Lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes and the pride of life will bring about betrayal if it is allowed to run its course. Jesus came that we might overcome the power of sin and live above it.

Living a life filled with sin is a betrayal of the Lord Jesus. How can we live in such a way?

Max

CONTINUE TO GROW & SHARE ...

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



Sundays at 9:00 am in the activity building. Max presents informal studies every week at 9 am. Everyone is welcomed/encouraged to participate in this extra study. Donuts and breakfast beverages are included.

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

Please keep this good work in your plans to share the bounty we receive from the Lord. Your gifts are delivered monthly.

- **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/>



Our Students will soon begin classes for the 2025-2026 school year. Please give them encouragement and offer prayers for their success.

Here is a quick run-down ...

Oslo Lisle—Preschool—Whistlestop Preschool, Aledo

Quinn Montgomery—Kindergarten—Homeschool/Sonlight Coop

Peter Lisle—Kindergarten—Covenant Classical Christian School

Jack Lisle—2nd Grade—Covenant Classical Christian School

Jaquelyn Snell—6th Grade—Azle

Jewlianna Snell—8th Grade—Azle

Halleigh Robertson—9th Grade—Heritage HS, Midlothian

Jaedon Snell—10th Grade—Azle

Jaeli Snell—Senior—Azle High School



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— Please continue to pray for the process and for those who will be appointed.

Wayne Kreger—Wayne's procedure on Friday, 8/1 became complicated and the doctors only put the pacemaker in place. The planned ablation was postponed until he could gain some strength. Wayne remains in Harris hospital. He is in good spirits and improving daily. Please pray for Wayne's health & recovery.

Julie Ferris— Julie continues rehab therapy at the facility on Skyline Drive. She is improving daily, but more is needed before she will be released.. Please continue prayers for Julie's comfort and return to health, as well as strength for Sharold.

Debbie Highfill's sister, Janet - Janet continues her recovery at home, doing very well. Prayers of thanks for successful surgery, and continued healing.

Lee Hall—Recovery from eye surgeries is progressing nicely. His kidney issues are to be addressed next. Please keep Lee and Jane in your prayers.

Ronnie Cope's wife, Mary - Ronnie reports there have been no "bad" results so far. Doctors want to keep watching and plan additional tests—in Ronnie's words, "hopefully soon". Please continue to pray for Mary.

Kelly Draper—Kelly is now facing hip replacement surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

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:

Christi Kreger's 6 year-old nephew, Jack— Please continue your prayers for Jack and the family as well as the doctors who are treating the unusual condition he has been battling.

David Burris — recent removal of skin cancers seem to have set him back. Recently David said his migraine's have returned. Please keep David in your prayers.

Wanda Reynolds—Wanda reports that she is feeling better all the time. Please keep Wanda in your prayers.

Sharold Ferris—Sharold continues to recover nicely from recent hand surgery Please pray for complete healing for Sharold.

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.

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

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

♦ Pat Straw ♦ Jane Whitley ♦ Ernie Brawley

Please include prayers for:

- **Flood Victims and families** - please pray for the continued recovery/rebuilding efforts in central Texas.
- **First Responders and volunteers helping the flood victims**
- **Children and teachers**—as everyone begins preparations to return to class very soon.
- **Victims of the conflicts in the Middle East and Ukraine**
- **The President and all government leadership**
- **Young adults/couples who are beginning their adult walk**

Please make known your prayer needs.

Romans 12:9-12

⁹ Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

August Birthdays

Debbie Simco	8/4		Kaytlyne Kirby	8/12
Halleigh Robertson	8/7		Hannah Corder	8/17
Lillie Rollins	8/8		Jonathan Dunson	8/20
Sherry Yates	8/9		Jewlianna Snell	8/20
Floretta Hubbard	8/12			

August Anniversaries



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

**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. 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.

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.

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



It is not too soon to start thinking about this event. The meet will be tentatively October 10/4 or 10/11. 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.



Also remember, it will be a family fun day. Games, food and time together. Always a Great Time. All ideas about activities, etc., are welcomed. Just talk to Max. Additionally, of course, we will need everyone who is available to be here to help with various activities and to enjoy the days activities.

News Items

Read Any Good Books, Lately?

Let me present at least two for you to consider.

Others were probably aware, but I learned only last week of the published works of John Lisle (Mike and Lanette's other son 😊). John's success as a published author of non-fiction has actually been going on for a few years already.

His book: The Dirty Tricks Department: Stanley Lovell, the OSS, and the Masterminds of World War II Secret Warfare (*published in Feb 2024*) begins the story about a select group of secret scientists during WWII who were directed by US government officials to explore and develop "dirty tricks" for the OSS (the precursor to the CIA). The book is based on extensive archival research and personal interviews.

The most recent book: Project Mind Control: Sidney Gottlieb, the CIA and the Tragedy of MKULTRA (*a 2025 release*) picks up the story after WWII as the OSS morphed into the CIA. The "dirty tricks" continue with unwitting participants and torture-like experiments.

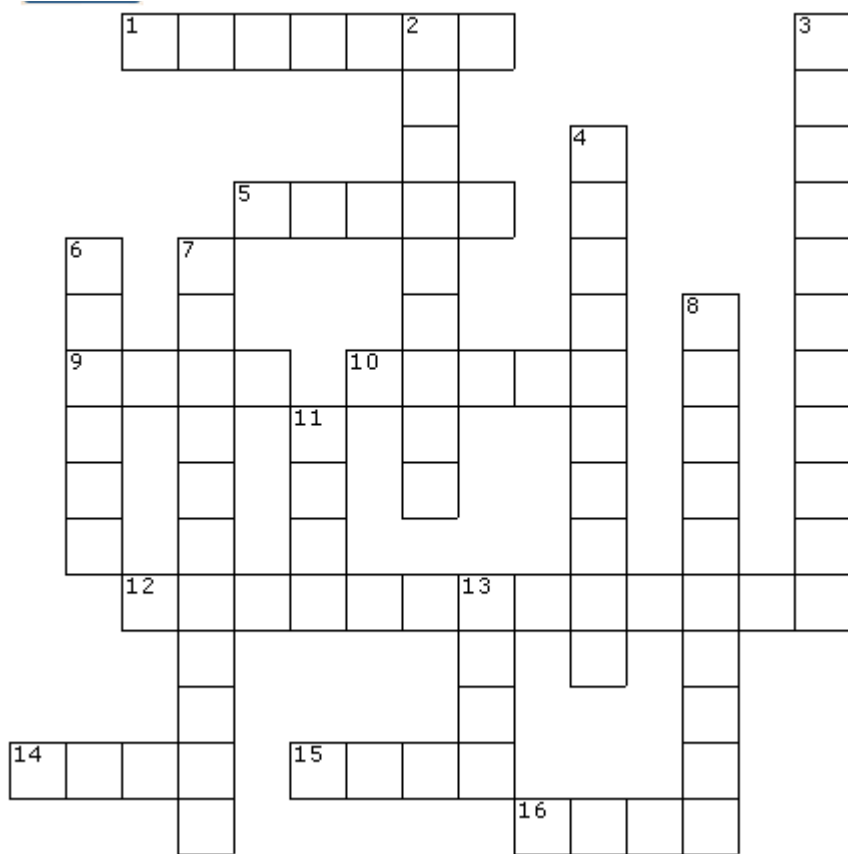
"John's book is based on thousands of pages of documents, including depositions uncovered in a long-buried lawsuit against the CIA. The Case never went to trial, but the words of MKULTRA's victims and it's perpetrators were found by Lisle preserved in documents donated to the Library of Congress after Gottlieb's death." Zach Freeman for "The Azle News".

As someone who likes history, I plan to read these intriguing-sounding books.

Based on the newspaper article—posted on the hallway bulletin board—John has plans for future books, the next of which may be more of an adventure story.

It is always nice to celebrate success with brothers and sisters in Christ and I know Mike and Lanette enjoy seeing John's success.

Kids Pages



ACROSS

- 1 Named for a tax collector
- 5 1st and 2nd ____ are named for Jesus' main disciple
- 9 Rhymes with "hark"
- 10 Named for Jesus' brother
- 12 1st and 2nd ____
- 14 Fourth Gospel
- 15 Book Named in a Beatles song?
- 16 1st, 2nd and 3rd

New Testament Books

DOWN

- 2 Letter to Ephesus
- 3 Letter to Philippi
- 4 Letter to Colosse
- 6 Sixth
- 7 Paul's letters to the ____
- 8 Last
- 11 Sounds like a chopping tool
- 13 Rhymes with "duke"



Crayons available in south foyer



Memory verse:

Matthew 6:34

³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow,
for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble
of its own.

SCHEDULED STUDIES

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

Next Study: TBD

The group has just finished studying 1, 2 & 3 John and are looking for the next topics/books/scriptures to explore.

ALL LADIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN—The fellowship and “sisterhood” found in this group is a treasure chest of support and encouragement. Please contact Tracy Robertson for website information and to be added to the text group.

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♦ **Westworth Men’s Group** **(monthly 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 1:00 pm)**

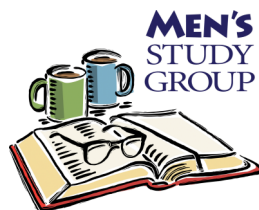
Continuing Study: **If** by Mark Batterson.

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

Next Session: August 19, 2025

The men’s group is also almost done with the review of this book and will be deciding what to do next. All men are encouraged to join this regular study. Suggestions for the next study are welcomed.

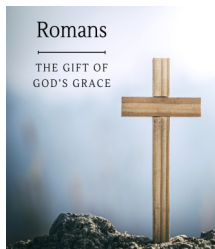
Similar to the ladies group—the additional fellowship and study time serves to bring us closer as family. See Bill Jones or Max Pratt for info.



♦ **Wednesday Night Bible Study— 7pm —**

Current Study: The Book of Romans

Led by David Keller



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.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for August: Curtis Dunson

Date	Today—August 10
Open	Eric Kreger
Usher	Brian Flaherty
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger
Prayer	Curtis Thompson
Communion	Bill Jones
Bible Story Kids Church	David Keller / Sherri Dunson & Tracy Robertson
Reading	John Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Christi Kreger

COMING WEEKS

Date	Aug 17	Aug 24	Aug 31
Open	Mike Lisle	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger
Usher	Sharold Ferris	Bill Jones	Curtis Thompson
Songs/Close	Mike Lisle	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger
Prayer	Curtis Thompson	Sharold Ferris	Max Lisle
Communion	Max Lisle	Mike Lisle	David Keller
Bible Story Kids Church	Curtis Dunson / Jonathan & Joslyn Dunson	Brian Flaherty / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson	Curtis Dunson / Susan Flaherty & Sherry Jones
Reading	Harley Boyce	Marty Montgomery	Joathan Dunson
Lesson	Max Pratt	David Keller	Mike Lisle
A/V	Sherry Yates	Susan Flaherty	Christie Kreger

Communion Preparation August: Jane Underwood



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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