

Westworth Church of Christ

Worshiping
Serving
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*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!

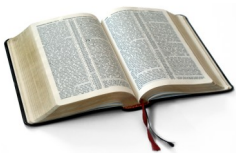
If this is your first visit here, please honor us by filling out a visitor's card found on the back of each pew. Any prayer requests may also be made on the flip side of the card. You may hand it to any member, place it in the contribution plate when passed, or simply leave it in the pew for us.

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

"OUR LIVING HOPE"

Speaker – Max Pratt



Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-7

- **A Vast Difference**
- **We Are People of Faith**
- **We Live In Hope**
- **We Are Truly Blessed**

Days of the Judges

“And the Sons of Israel departed from there at that time, every man to his tribe and family, and each one of them went out from there to his inheritance. In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes.” Judges 21:24-25

With those words the Bible’s book of Judges ends. It had not been long since the people of Jehovah had received their promised land by God’s great provision. In that time, the people did what they thought was right from their own thought. They had no king. But the problem was not that they had no king. God would have directed their steps, but they were not giving heed to God’s commands. Living in the days of the Judges would have been difficult.

Reading a recent article, my preacher friend was writing about the immorality of our day. He said it appeared we were now living like those in the days of The Judges. The moral code of God has been rejected, and people are living according to what they believe is right in their own eyes. This is the reason there are so many broken relationships and homes. This is the reason why there are diseases that plague our world today.

God set His commands before us to protect us from such great losses. Living by His rules is a means of being protected from the world’s problems. Our Creator knows best how we are to live and care for one another within our families and in our communities. Sadly, our young folks are growing up in a world that declares God’s ways are not useful. The temptation to live as one pleases is very strong.

God has always watched for His Creation. He sets boundaries for us to follow for our good. His ways are higher than our ways. To submit to God’s ways is to have freedom from the corrupt world we live in.

Max

OUR CONTINUING WORKS

- **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/>

3rd Sunday Lunch — SEPTEMBER

Plan to make this one even more special.

We will celebrate the official ordination of our Elders and Deacons with this fellowship lunch.

Hope everyone will make plans to join this lunch as an extension of our celebration and appreciation of the newly ordained leaders.

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Our shared celebrations bring us closer as a family of believers.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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:

Donna Simco—Donna spent almost 2 weeks in rehab after the fall that resulted in a broken ankle. She was to be released on Friday, 9/5. She seems to be doing very well, but will be using a wheel chair for a while. Please keep Donna in your prayers.

Church Leadership — Please continue to pray for the leaders who have accepted these roles.

Jim Davis—Christi Kreger's dad had a major heart attack while on an international cruise. After hospitalization and waiting for medical release to travel, they were able to return home late last week. Please keep Jim, Bonnie (Christi's Mom) and their whole family in your prayers.

Kelly Draper—Mark Cohen's sister, Kelly had hip replacement surgery on Monday, 8/18. She is recovering at home, already able to get up on her own. Please keep her in your prayers.

Wayne Kreger—Wayne is now at home with Brian and Susan, and able to be in worship services. Please continue prayers of thanks for Wayne's progress, and for his continued health & recovery.

Julie Ferris— Julie's progress and recovery seem to be going well and she is able to attend worship services. Please continue prayers for Julie's recovery and Sharold's strength.

Lee Hall—Lee had his second cornea replacement and cataract surgery on Wednesday. The first one went very well and Jane and Lee are both hoping for a repeat. 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.

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 — continues recovery efforts from his lengthy ordeal. Please keep David in your prayers.

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

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

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.

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 all the families affected as well as the continued recovery/rebuilding efforts in central Texas.
- **First Responders and volunteers helping the flood victims**
- **Children and teachers**—As the new school year begins, please pray for all the students and teachers.
- **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.

Philippians 4:4-6

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

September Birthdays

James Kreger	19 Sept	Jessica Snell	26 Sept
Quinn Montgomery	19 Sept	Stacy Feters	26 Sept
Jane Whitley	19 Sept	D'Ann Bristol	30 Sept



September Anniversaries

No known anniversaries in September. If I have missed someone, please let me know.

Leadership Ordination Service

On Sunday, September 21, the selected leaders will be officially ordained as Elders and Deacons for the church. Everyone is encouraged to attend worship service and be witness to this special occasion. It is also 3rd Sunday so our fellowship lunch will be a special celebration of the occasion.

*Ordination in the biblical sense refers to the act of officially setting apart individuals for ministry or service within the church.*¹ The men listed below have agreed to serve in church leadership/shepherd roles. As members of their “flock”, please pray for their strength and wisdom in these roles.

¹ Biblicalchronology.com

<u>Elders</u>	Bill Jones	<u>Deacons</u>	Curtis Dunson
	David Keller		Eric Kreger
	Max Pratt		Marty Montgomery
			John Snell

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.

**2nd Annual Westworth CoC
Car Meet & Family Fun Day**
It's Less Than 1 Month from Now
Saturday—October 4—10 am to 2 pm.

Not only is the event an opportunity for car enthusiasts to show their “prized” possessions, it will also be a family fun day including Games, Food and time together.

***Immediately following worship services today—
before everyone scatters for lunch—there will be
a meeting in the activity building for EVERYONE
WHO IS INTERESTED IN HELPING PLAN AND
EXECUTE THIS EVENT.***



We hope everyone will be available to be here on 10/4 and help with various activities as well as to enjoy the days fellowship.

The banner shown below should arrive soon (scheduled delivery 9/12) and will be displayed on the church lawn as an invitation to the community. There are copies of flyers in either foyer. Please take as many as you can distribute, to help advertise the event ‘far and wide’.



Westworth
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Annual Car Meet and Family Fun Day

First Saturday of October

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Food - Games - Fun for Everyone
Everyone is Invited

www.westworthcoc.org

Contact:
817-738-7536

Kids Pages

Books of the Bible
Word Scramble

1. NJOH
2. NAORMS
3. ITTMYOH
4. LMIENOPH
5. ARLOEEIVNT
6. NLASCOSIOS
7. NLISASHNEATSO
8. ASEJM
9. TPEER
10. HERSWBE
11. EPESHSAIN
12. AITNSNROCIH
13. PPLINIPSIHA
14. TISTU
15. LANAAGTSI
16. RPETE
17. TWMHTEA
18. DJUE
19. NHJO
20. MAJSE

Word Bank

- CORINTHIANS

GALATIANS

PETER

JOHN

JUDE
- COLOSSIANS

THESSALONIANS

MATTHEW

TIMOTHY

JAMES
- PHILEMON

TITUS

EPHESIANS

PHILIPPIANS

REVELATION
- JAMES

ROMANS

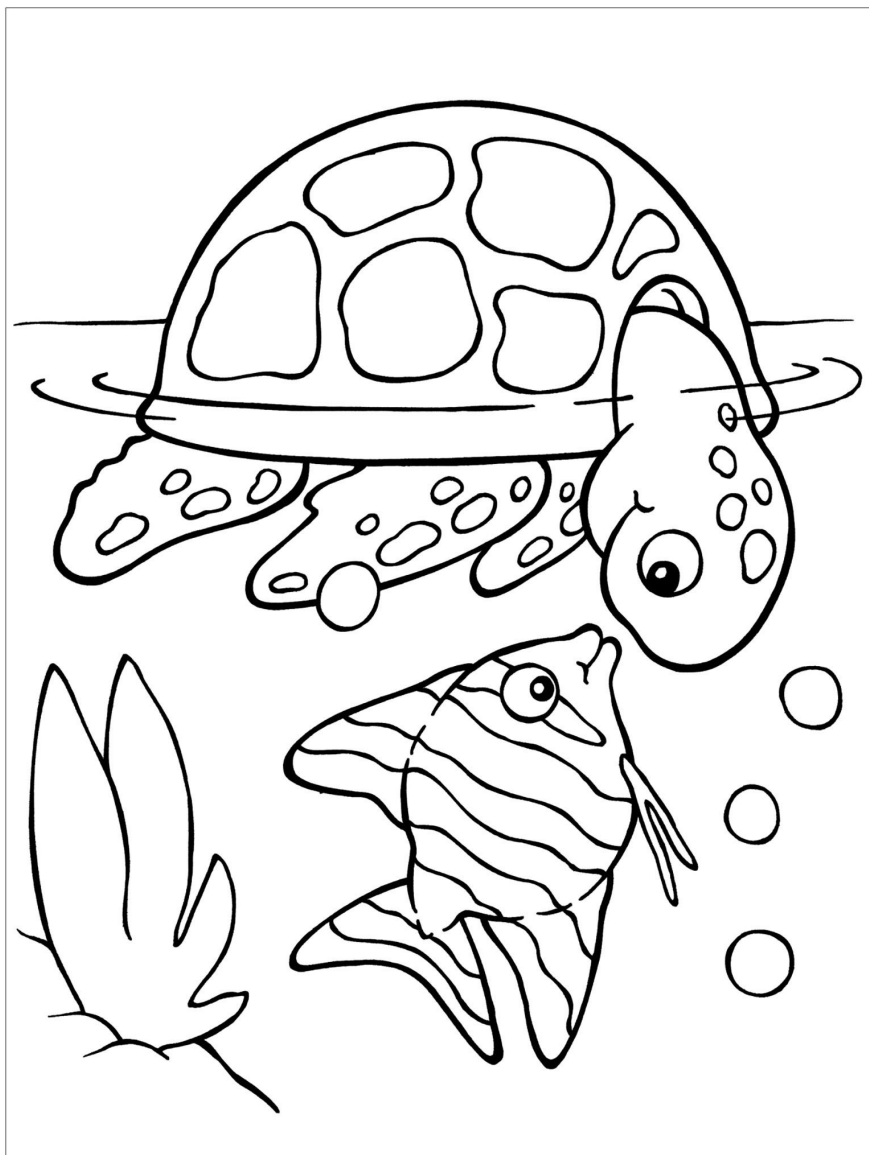
PETER

JOHN

HEBREWS



Crayons available in south foyer



Memory verse:

Psalm 112:1

Praise the Lord. Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in His commands.

SCHEDULED STUDIES

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

Next Study: *Titus*

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.

Tracy Robertson 817-308-0554
or tracyrobertson1966@gmail.com



♦ **Westworth Men’s Group**

Weekly—Day of the Week and time are “in work” - but it will be in the evening

Next Study:

Expect the Light *by Gene Shelburne*

Next Session: TBA



In the hope that more men will be able to participate, The Men’s group has decided to move to a virtual format, using Zoom meetings.

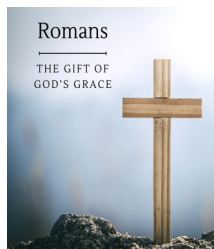
If you would like to participate, please make sure Bill Jones has your email address so he can send a link to the meeting. Scheduled day is yet to be determined — whether Monday evening or Tuesday evening.

Books are available in the office (see Sherry).

♦ **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 September: Eric Kreger

Date	Today—September 7
Open	Eric Kreger
Usher	Curtis Dunson
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger
Prayer	Marty Montgomery
Communion	Bill Jones
Bible Story Kids Church	Mike Lisle / David & Hettie Keller
Reading	John Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt
A/V	Christi Kreger

COMING WEEKS

Date	Sept 14	Sept 21	Sept 28
Open	Mike Lisle	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger
Usher	Bill Jones	Dave Burris	Brian Flaherty
Songs/Close	Mike Lisle	Curtis Dunson	Eric Kreger
Prayer	John Snell	Sharold Ferris	Johnny Box
Communion	Curtis Thompson	Max Lisle	David Keller
Bible Story Kids Church	Max Lisle / Jonathan & Joslyn Dunson	Brian Flaherty / Laurice Reeves & Tracy Robertson	Curtis Thompson / Blair Montgomery & Sarah Thompson
Reading	Justin Snell	Marty Montgomery	Jaedon Snell
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	Max Pratt
A/V	Brian Flaherty	Susan Flaherty	Christi Kreger

Communion Preparation September: Jonathan & Joslyn Dunson



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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