

# Westworth Church of Christ



**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 box at the front of the auditorium 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. (Sacraments are on the table in the entry foyer.)

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**Worship Services:** Sunday, 10:00 am

**Men’s Group:** 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 pm

**Bible Study:** Wednesday 7:00 pm

**Ladies Virtual Study:** Thursday, 7pm via GoogleMeet

# My Apologies

Tracy Robertson

Most of you know that I'm a teacher. I teach Science (yay!) - 8th grade. (I'm used to the collective groan/sympathetic nod at this point, lol). I sometimes even get a 'Bless your heart'. It's okay, I get it. They are a tough lot to deal with most days. Not little kids anymore, but not quite adults either...With a whole MESS of hormones to knock them off balance. They remind me of the response Eema (voiced by Della Reese) gave in the animated movie "Dinosaur" when asked what a Carnotaur was "...A mouth full of teeth with a bad attitude!" But, I digress.

Recently, during my conference period, I heard a teacher in the hallway speaking a little loudly and I assumed she was having a *Come-to-Jesus* moment with a student. Turns out, she was actually on the phone with her son, who had gotten into a bit of trouble at his school. Let me tell you, she was taking no prisoners! D (her first initial) was sorely irritated to find out that her son had disrespected his teacher - somewhat loudly - in class. D has high expectations and standards for her children, much as our God does for us, and she let him know in no uncertain terms what she thought about the entire incident. One phrase she directed at him seemed to jump out at me. When she listed out to him what he needed to do to make amends, D told him an apology to his teacher was needed, as well as his classmates. She then told him, "And it better not be some mealy-mouth, mumbly 'sorry' or 'my bad', while staring at the floor. Especially when his disrespect had been plenty loud for all to hear. D told him: "Let your apology be as loud as your disrespect!" \*\*\**Mic drop*\*\*\*

I'll say it again – Let Your Apology Be As **Loud** As Your **Disrespect**. Can I get an 'Amen'?! Yaaasssss!!!

Now at first, I just took this in the context it was given. Then, it began to dawn on me - how many times have I disrespected God and then wanted to mumble a hasty apology and 'forgive me'? We (and by that, I mean ME) often take it for granted that God will forgive anything we ask. He is the Master of extending grace and mercy. But doesn't He deserve an apology (repentance) that matches our disrespect (disobedience)? In Malachi, the Lord accuses Israel of bringing Him blemished offerings: "'When you bring blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice crippled or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?'" says the Lord Almighty." In effect, their apology was nowhere near as loud as their disrespect.

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We may not be required to present sacrifices in the same manner anymore, but we do need to present ourselves to God when we sin; and doesn't He deserve to hear it "Loud and Proud" when we 'apologize' for messing up (again) and ask for His forgiveness? Any time we find ourselves needing to apologize and ask for forgiveness – from God, our family, our friends, our coworkers - it needs to be presented honestly, with humbleness; but directly, and with accountability. A true and sincere apology or repentance means we will do our utmost NOT to repeat the offense. But aren't we lucky that if, no make that **when**, we do sin, we have a loving God that will listen and then forgive. Again and again and again. So when that happens, I'm going to do my utmost to recall my new self-directive:

*Let My Apology Be As Loud As My Disrespect*

# Happy Milestones

## May Birthdays

JoAnn Anthony	May 23
Tracy Burris	May 26
Amanda Moore	May 31



## May Anniversaries



Matthew & D'Ann Bristol	May 17
Hudson & Daniella Flaherty	May 17

# May



**Sunday, May 14**—Mother's Day

**Sunday, May 21**—Third Sunday Lunch

**Monday, May 29**—Memorial Day

**Late May and Early June**—Graduation days for many high schools and colleges in the area. If you are graduating—or have a graduate in your family please be sure to let us know.

# STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

## Tuesday - Westworth Men's Group



All men of the congregation, friends, neighbors and family are invited to join the men's group on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month**. Currently they are looking at concepts and ideas in the book:

**IN A PIT WITH A LION ON A SNOWY DAY** by Mark Batterson

**Next Meeting: → May 16, 2023 ← 7pm, Activity Bldg.**



It is never too late to join any of the studies and fellowship listed here.



## Wednesday Night Bible Study—Weekly @ 7pm—Activity Bldg.

May 10—2 Samuel	May 17—The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 2
May 24—2 Samuel	May 31—The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 3
June 7—2 Samuel	June 14 —The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 4
June 21—2 Samuel	June 28 —The Chosen, Season 3, Episode 5



*Take advantage of this opportunity to learn and enjoy fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ.*

## Thursdays Women's Virtual Bible Study

Each week — 7:00 pm via Google meet

**Current Study: (beginning 5/11/23)**

**Gideon—Your Weakness. God's Strength**  
by Priscilla Shirer



- All ladies are welcomed to join this group at any time.
- Learning and fellowship from the comfort of your own home.
- Book available from Amazon, Mardels, or Lifeway.

For information regarding access - web-site and passcode contact:  
Tracy Robertson at

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## LET US PRAY

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

1 John 5:14

rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer

Romans 12:12

### **Our members, families and friends who need prayer:**

**Bob & Betty Lane**—Betty's arm is healing slowly. Bob's condition remains about the same.

**David Keller's sister—Marta McKay** (and family), whose husband Gordon passed suddenly last Sunday in Colorado Springs, CO.

**Joyce Gray**—whose health continues to decline.

*Please keep all these in your prayers. If you would like to add any long-term or other needs please give information to Max or one of the Trustees. We know prayer is powerful and are honored to include any needs you have as we lift up our prayers to God.*

Those in assisted living and unable to be with us:

- ◆ Gracie Rhyne
- ◆ Dennis McMillion
- ◆ Jane Whitley
- ◆ Pat Straw

Don't forget to include

- ◆ School teachers who are just about to finish up another school year.
- ◆ The Students who are taught by those teachers, especially those about to graduate and begin the next phase of their lives.
- ◆ All emergency and first responders who put themselves in harms way daily.
- ◆ Church leadership—here and at all the Lord's churches.
- ◆ Church growth worldwide.

Time spent in prayer is essential to our Christian walk. We are all encouraged to pray and to seek prayers for the things we feel we need.

Please make your needs known.

# Want to hear more from Max?



Did you know that Max produces a regular radio broadcast? He has been the voice of Moments of Inspiration for many years. The MOI programs are broadcast worldwide

If you would like to hear any of the programs, they are available online at

[Moments of Inspiration](https://momentsofinspiration.org) (<https://momentsofinspiration.org>)

Each program is a little less than 15 minutes and includes a brief message by Max. What an excellent addition to your 'coffee break'.

When you need a brief "pick-me-up" with inspirational songs and an uplifting reminder of where your strength lies, remember a message from Max—taken from God's word—is always just a couple of clicks away.

Moments also has a Facebook Page—Moments of Inspiration

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## **Romans 12:2-4**

<sup>2</sup> And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

<sup>3</sup> For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. <sup>4</sup> For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function,

# Make your plans now!

ICE CREAM! - - - GET YOUR ICE CREAM HERE!

Let's have a "Singing" and then enjoy some time together eating Ice Cream!!

Date: Saturday, June 10, 2023

Singing: 6:00 pm (60-90 minutes)

Ice Cream Supper: Following singing



We will be inviting guests from other congregations, and please be sure to invite your family, friends and neighbors.

Let's enjoy some fellowship and wonderful home-made (if possible) ice cream.

# We are searching...

## What can we do together?

Still looking for ideas for fellowship events—do you have any favorite fellowship activities you would like to see planned in the near future?



We are always open to ideas about activities that bring us together to share a

little time and maybe a few laughs; good-hearted competitions, or even some work to benefit those who may need a little assistance. Please let one of the Trustees or Sherry know your ideas.



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for May: Eric Kreger

<b>Date</b>	<b>Today—May 14</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>Curtis Thompson</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>
<b>Songs/Close</b>	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Bill Jones</b>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>Johnny Box</b>
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>	<b>Eric Kreger / Sherry Jones &amp; Susan Flaherty</b>
<b>Reading</b>	<b>James Kreger</b>
<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Max Pratt</b>
<b>A/V</b>	<b>Randy Fetters</b>

## COMING WEEKS

Date	May21	May 28	June 4
Open	Randy Fetters	Curtis Thompson	
Usher	Brian Flaherty	Randy Fetters	
Songs/Close	Eric Kreger	Samuel Flaherty	
Prayer	Sharold Ferris	Max Lisle	
Communion	Mike Lisle	David Keller	
Bible Story Kids Church	Eric Kreger Shery Jones & Susan Flaherty	Brian Flaherty David & Hettie Keller	
Reading	John Snell	Jaedon Snell	
Lesson	Max Pratt	Max Pratt	
A/V	Christi Kreger	Susan Flaherty	

Communion Preparation May: Janice Stanfield