

# 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***

*Speaker— Max Pratt*

### **Series: To Know Our God—Lesson #4 Satan and His Demonic Work**

*Scripture: Job 1:6-11 & Rev 12:7-12*

- **SATAN IS OUR ACCUSER**
- **WE ARE IN A SPIRITUAL BATTLE**
- **THE DEVIL IS OUR ENEMY**
- **JESUS CAME TO DESTROY SATAN'S WORK**
- **HE IS THE FATHER OF LIES**
- **JESUS IS OUR ADVOCATE**
- **SATAN IS THE TEMPTER**

## LIVING IN A TROUBLING WORLD

***“In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” John 16:33***

Jesus spoke truth when he shared those words with his chosen disciples. Immediately after saying this to them, he bowed before the Father in heaven and prayed those men. We are included in the Lord's prayer as well. He prayed for us who would not walk with him on earth but would follow in his footsteps by faith. Jesus had walked on this earth and he knew well the kind of hostility, deception and hatred of men. He knew that he would be sending these men out into the world to share the Good News. He asked the Father to protect them. Living for Jesus, standing up for Jesus in a world that rejects the Lord and his moral teachings is a difficult task. We need the Father's protective care over us.

I am so thankful that we have the recorded prayer of Jesus asking our heavenly Father to shelter us from the evil one. Satan and all his followers attack the truth and anyone who stands upon it. The hymn helps us keep our vision clear. It says this world is not our home we are just passing through. That echoes the Word of God when it reminds us that our citizenship is in heaven.

Much of the hostility, anger, rage and division within our nation is there because some of us are holding up the Bible as the authority on right and wrong. Others are doing everything to destroy its influence upon our part of the world. The rejection of God's goodness and righteousness spread upon the hearts of men show the results. The old prophet Jeremiah spoke well: ***“I know, O Lord, that a man's life is not his own; it is not for man to direct his own steps.” Jer. 10:23*** From the days of Cain and Abel to this very day, mankind needs God's guidance to prevent the evil one's success. We have the word of Truth. It doesn't mean we will not face trouble, but we have the promise of God that he will never forsake us. I love to remind us:

***“We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.... If God is for us, who can be against us?... Shall trouble or hardship or persecution of famine or nakedness or danger or sword?... No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that***

***Living in a Troubled World*** (cont'd)

***neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor future, nor powers, neither height nor depth, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” From Romans 8.***

**Max**

**...ONGOING...**

**DONUTS AND DEVO'S (D&D)** weekly at 9:00 am in the activity building.



Each week Max leads a brief bible study with supporting materials, prior to morning worship services.

This time also includes coffee and donuts.

Everyone is encouraged to invite guests and join the study. If you've not yet joined ...hope you can make it

soon for additional study and fellowship.

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

Next delivery will be in August. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. This is definitely a blessing to both giver and receiver. Please keep this good work in your plans for sharing the bounty we receive from the Lord.



- WORDS-OF-WISDOM**—If you haven't taken advantage of this very easy ministry, now's the time. Signs are available in the activity bldg. You just have to grab one and 'plant' it in your yard. For more information, chat with Max.

**... Upcoming ...**

**Sept 29—5th Sunday Lunch**—This is one of the 4 months in the year with 5 Sundays. Be sure to mark your calendar for this extra opportunity to fellowship.

**Church Work Day— Saturday, Oct 19**—it has been 2 years or more since we scheduled a general work day. Put it on your calendar then put on your work clothes and be part of the day. This day is intended to do some “deep” cleaning or other maintenance items that are beyond weekly cleaning and repairs.

**Family Fun Event and Car Meet —Saturday, Nov 9**—more on pg 6.

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:***

**Jerry Heptner**—husband of Laurice Reeves’ cousin Suzanne from Smithville, TX — Jerry experienced a bad fall while on the job (for Enterprise Car Rental) recently, but was only able to see a doctor last week because of slow insurance response. They found his lower jaw was broken and he must have surgery right away, and his mouth will be wired closed for a few weeks. Please keep him in your prayers for successful surgery and recovery.

**Kelly Draper**— Mark Cohen’s sister—is at home and doing well. They are looking into some home health assistance to help with her full recovery. Please continue to pray for Kelly’s healing and comfort.

**Mike Lisle**—Knee repair (laparoscopic) surgery on Wednesday, 9/11 wet well. He was here last Sunday and seems to be “almost” ready to hit the golf course again. Please continue prayers for successful recovery.

**Bonnie Davis—Christi Kreger’s Mom**—Double Mastectomy/Breast Cancer surgery on Wednesday 8/21. The doctors are reviewing needed treatments.

**Maureen Fanta** - Breast cancer surgery went as expected. Doctors are reviewing additional treatment options for Maureen’s consideration. Please continue your prayers for her treatment and full recovery.

**Randy Binkley**—Randy was to see different wound doctor this past week for another opinion. The decision for Hospice care was postponed. Randy is optimistic and feels he will recover. Please keep him in your prayers.

**David Burris** — David seems to be making progress in his healing from the latest surgery. Please continue prayers for his complete healing and for Tracy and the family as they go forward.

**Ralph Gray**— is doing well and has been released to do about anything he wants. The next required surgery is scheduled in October. Please continue to pray for successful follow-up surgery.

**Sharold and Julie Ferris**—have returned safely from Michigan for Sharold’s mom’s funeral. **Julie** - please continue prayers for stability with no growth in the nodule they are monitoring. **Sharold** continues preparation for back surgery. He is doing well. Please pray for his overall health.

**Our “New” Brothers & Sisters**—Please keep those recently baptized, in your prayers for strength and growth in the faith, as well as all Christians for stamina to “run the race” successfully.

**Kim Turner**—Kim reports that her daughter Sara is still excited about her new job in a lawyer’s office with different experience and new opportunities. Please continue prayers for Sara and her daughters, Blakely and Emma, for

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

improved family situation/circumstances as well as prayers for Kim and her role in their lives.

**Max** - continues his healing from knee replacement. He took a fall while working at the “farm” and has a ‘knot’ that is persistent. A sonogram revealed a “potential” infection so he is taking antibiotics. Please continue to pray for Max’s complete healing and comfort.

**Juan**—had a medical issue this week and is taking a regimen of antibiotics to help relieve some infection and swelling. They are watching it closely. Please pray for healing from whatever this is along with comfort while healing takes place.

**John and Samantha Jewell et al**—remain in Costa Rico—their latest location for missionary work. Please keep the whole family in your prayers for success as they continue to try to make a difference for God. (more info in “Bits & Pieces”, pg .7)

**Andy and Lauren Jewell**—Lauren is expecting. Reports are they are having a girl who they plan to name “Cora”. Please pray for their young family.

**Families of Bob Lane, Samuel Flaherty, Joyce Gray, Nolan Williams, Randy Mason, Belva Swanner, Judy Rice, Kathy Lisle, Ana Ramirez &**

**Joyce Ferris**—Please continue your prayers for each of these families that they may have peace and comfort following the loss of loved ones.

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

- ◆ Pat Straw
- ◆ Jane Whitley
- ◆ Joyce Bennett
- ◆ Ernie Brawley

**Please include prayers for:**

- **Teachers and Students**—as the new school year gets into full swing please pray for a safe and encouraging learning environment.
- **Israel and Ukraine**—A cease to the war there and safety of Christian brothers and sisters and innocent civilians.
- **Church growth and leadership**—worldwide and especially here. Pray for the wisdom needed by our leaders to help us be the beacon of light for the world.
- **Civil leadership**—pray for upright leaders at all levels of government worldwide.
- **Parents**—pray for God’s guidance and blessing for parents as families strive to navigate these turbulent times.
- **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.**



# YOUTH NEWS

**Not sure what's next for our young folks. I do know Max has plans to utilize their youthful energy during the Nov 9 Family Fun event and Car Meet. Can't wait to see the results.**



**The Youth Group sponsors are reviewing potential activities—both fun and service projects.**



**If you have a suggestion or would like to help, please contact Susan Flaherty or Kaylie Campbell.**



## First "Annual" Westworth Church of Christ Family Fun Event and Informal Car Meet

**Saturday, Nov 9, 2024 — 10:00am—2:00 pm**

**Parking Lot—Westworth Church of Christ,  
5728 White Settlement Rd., Ft Worth 76114**



**This family event includes something for all ages.**



**Games and fun activities for the young ones, as well as games for young and young-at-heart adults.**

**Spread the word and invite family, friends and neighbors.**



**Plans are taking shape—join the fun!  
Be part of this "new tradition".**

# Bits & Pieces



Samantha's latest blog can be read at:

[My Short Career in Real Estate – HUGS for Tomorrow  
\(hugs4tomorrow.org\)](https://hugs4tomorrow.org)

You can always keep up with their work here:

Hugs4Tomorrow.org

The latest "great news" is from the Jewell's FaceBook page. ***"Hugs 4 Tomorrow and Hugs Academy will welcome 20 new students to the Malawi campus this Monday, September 16th. This year marks the grand opening of our Standard 6 (5th grade) classroom and another wonderful year of providing high risk, vulnerable children the opportunity to be nourished, educated and hear the gospel of Jesus Christ. We have also started the planning and research phase for constructing the chapel and dining hall at the center of the campus. The hope is to break ground close to the new year and be finished by mid year 2025."***

Hope you are taking the opportunity to enjoy Samantha's skills as a writer and story teller. The latest blog (website noted above) includes an interesting story associated with her brief early career in Real Estate.

Please keep them all in your prayers for successful efforts and of course safety for the whole family, as well as all those who are working with the kids in Malawi.

## September Birthdays

Joyce Bennett	16 Sept		Jane Whitley	19 Sept
Brodie Kirby	17 Sept		Jessica Snell	26 Sept
James Kreger	19 Sept		Stacy Fetters	26 Sept
Quinn Montgomery	19 Sept		D'Ann Bristol	30 Sept

## September Anniversaries

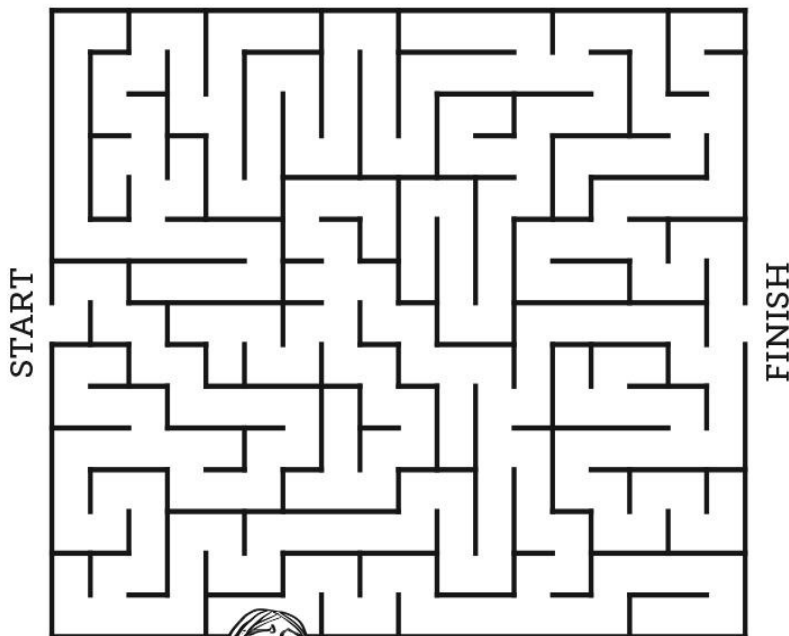
No known September anniversaries. Please let me know if that is incorrect.

*Sherry*

# Kids Pages

## JESUS HEALS THE SICK

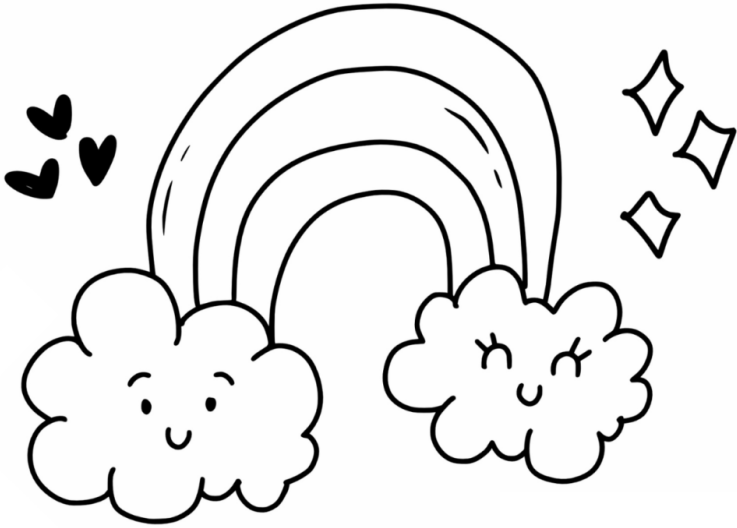
Help the Centurion find Jesus  
so his servant can be healed.







Crayons available  
in south foyer



I WILL GIVE THANKS TO YOU,  
LORD, WITH ALL MY HEART:  
I WILL TELL OF ALL YOUR  
WONDERFUL DEEDS.

PSALM 9:1

*Memory verse:*

**Colossians 3:16 - Let the word of Christ dwell in  
you richly**

# SCHEDULED STUDIES

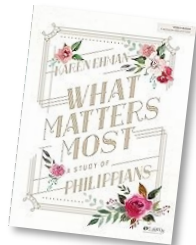
## Monday–Women’s Virtual Bible Study



**Weekly — 7:00 pm via Google meet**

**Current Study**

### WHAT MATTERS MOST— A Study of Philipians



Participants gain so much more than a time of study—the fellowship and support in the group is immeasurable, and something to be treasured. “Christian family time” is priceless and this is a standing invitation—join any time.

For information regarding materials and access (web-site and passcode) contact: Tracy Robertson at 817-308-0554— or—tracyrobertson1966@gmail.com

## Tuesday–Westworth Men’s Group (1st & 3rd Tuesdays)

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

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



**Next Men’s Group → 7pm, October 1, 2024 ←**

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 Tom Reynolds for more info.

## Wednesday Night Bible Study—Weekly @ 7pm—

Wednesday Night Bible Study group started a new study on Wednesday, Sept 11, in the activity building.

**New Study: 1 Kings — Led by Curtis Dunson**



Take advantage of another opportunity to fellowship with your Christian family while you study God’s word and its meaning for your life. **The invitation to join in is always open.**

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Trustee in charge for September: Brian Flaherty

<b>Date</b>	<b>Today—Sept 22</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>Mike Lisle</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Brian Flaherty</b>
<b>Songs/Close</b>	<b>Mike Lisle</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>David Keller</b>
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>	<b>Curtis Thompson David &amp; Hettie Keller</b>
<b>Reading</b>	<b>Ruston Kirby</b>
<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Max Pratt</b>
<b>A/V</b>	<b>Susan Flaherty</b>

## COMING WEEKS

Date	Sept 29	Oct 6	Oct 13
<b>Open</b>	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>		
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Eric Kreger</b>		
<b>Songs/Close</b>	<b>Curtis Dunson</b>		
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Johnny Box</b>		
<b>Communion</b>	<b>Curtis Thompson</b>		
<b>Bible Story Kids Church</b>	<b>5th Sunday— no children's church</b>		
<b>Reading</b>	<b>Tom Reynolds</b>		
<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Max Pratt</b>		
<b>A/V</b>	<b>Christi Kreger</b>		

Communion Preparation September: Wanda Reynolds



## 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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