

Westworth Church of Christ

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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

Speaker— Max Pratt

Series: To Know Our God—Lesson #5 Teach Me Your Ways

Scripture: Psalms 89:1-8 , 14-15

- **MOSES ASKED TO BE TAUGHT THE WAYS OF GOD**
- **THE RIGHTEOUS WAYS OF GOD**
- **FINDING FAVOR WITH GOD**
- **EVIDENCE OF A GENUINE FAITH JOURNEY**

I WILL HAVE HOPE IN HIM

“This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope. The Lord’s lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, says my soul, therefore I have hope in him. The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the person who seeks him. It is good that he waits silently for the salvation of the Lord.”
Lamentations 3:21-26

I cannot figure it out and I am pretty sure no one else can either. God uses great tragedy and evil people to accomplish his desired will. He does not condone evil but will use man’s evil ways to bring about his ultimate good. We suffer from every kind of hurt and harm that comes from wars, famines, floods, disease and you name it. Heart-aches come and we cannot answer why, why me, why now, why them..... I don’t know. Human suffering is as real as anything, and no one is immune. No matter how rich or powerful one happens to be there is no protection good enough to prevent the seemingly most unjust circumstances from coming our way. We are left hopelessly floundering with emotions that cannot be eased with any human reasoning.

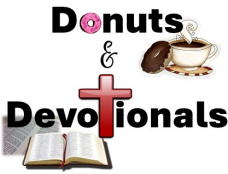
I believe that Jeremiah or whoever wrote Lamentations knew well the only source of dealing with sorrow and loss. From witnessing the destruction of God’s holy city, the Temple within it and the enslavement of God’s people by the hand of Babylon; the prophet had nothing but his hope in God left.

The bitterness of the affliction was so raw in his heart, no balm could be applied to ease the pain, except for the expectation of God’s salvation. Because God is faithful and is always faithful; and he knew it, his hope would be refreshed every day. God’s love and compassion never fails. His great love never ceases.

So, he would patiently wait upon the Lord to bring to fruition the salvation only he would provide.

That is it! We, who seek the Lord, place our trust in him. Our world and circumstances may never ever change as we would like and want, but God sustains us, providing the strength we need.

...ONGOING...



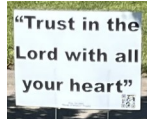
DONUTS AND DEVO'S (D&D) weekly at **9:00 am** in the activity building.

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 ...

TODAY—5th Sunday Lunch—This is one of the 4 months in the year with 5 Sundays. Hope you will stay and take advantage of this extra opportunity for 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.

Invitation—The church received an invitation to join South Main Church of Christ in Weatherford on **Saturday evening, Nov 9, 4-6 pm** for a **Praise and Harmony songfest**. This would be a wonderful way to finish the day of our Family Fun Event and Car Meet. The invitation can be seen on the hallway bulletin board.

Be sure to add Freddy and Connie's information to your directory.



Freddy & Connie Heller
608 Bayonet Dr.
Ft. Worth, 76108-4804
706-325-8735

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. At last word, there is no confirmed date for the surgery. Please keep him in your prayers for successful surgery and recovery.

Kelly Draper— Mark Cohen’s sister—is at home and doing well. She is able to be up and about at home. Please continue to pray for Kelly’s healing and comfort.

Mike Lisle—Knee repair wet well. He is “almost” ready to hit the golf course again. Please continue prayers for full recovery.

Bonnie Davis—Christi Kreger’s Mom—Double Mastectomy/Breast Cancer surgery on Wednesday 8/21. Bonnie traveled to Houston (M.D. Anderson, I believe) this week to investigate options for treatment. Please continue to pray for Bonnie’s recovery and future health.

Maureen Fanta - Breast cancer surgery went as expected. Maureen has decided to go forward with additional treatment as recommended by her doctors. Please continue your prayers for her treatment and full recovery.

Randy Binkley—Randy was to see be released home this past week. Home Healthcare will visit him at home on a regular basis. 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— 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.

Known Prayer needs and requests: (continued)

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

Max - recovery continues and it is now just a matter of time, like his doctors said. Please continue to pray for Max's complete healing and comfort.

Juan—is healing from the situation that caused her arm to swell and become painful. There was never a solid answer on what caused the problem. Please continue prayers for complete healing, with no return of the pain.

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 school year continues 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 is available at:

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

You can always keep up with their work here:

www.Hugs4Tomorrow.org

The latest "great news" is from the Jewell's FaceBook page. ***"Hugs 4 Tomorrow and Hugs Academy welcomed 20 new students to the Malawi campus on 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.

The water supply in the village is inconsistent and recently they had no water service for more than 4 days. They are in the process of building "holding tanks" to store water and avoid the disruption to their work when water service is unavailable.

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

D'Ann Bristol

30 Sept

October Birthdays

John Jewell	3 Oct		Caleb Dunson	17 Oct
Jane Underwood	4 Oct		Christi Kreger	19 Oct
Christian Lindsey	8 Oct		Curtis Dunson	23 Oct
Betty Lane	12 Oct		Randy Fetters	24 Oct
Tony Kerske	14 Oct		Lily Kirby	31 Oct

October Anniversaries

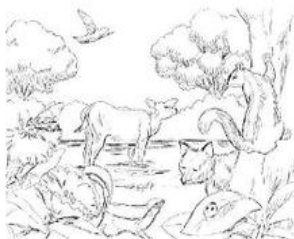
Doug & Tracy Robertson Oct 24



Kids Pages

Genesis - Creation

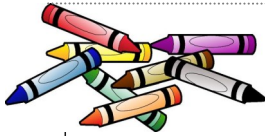
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1. _____ created on day four to rule the day
2. _____ God told the creatures to be _____ and increase in number
3. _____ these grew on day three
4. _____ flying creatures created on day five
5. _____ first man
6. _____ God made the animals according to their _____
7. _____ created on day one
8. _____ created on day three
9. _____ first woman
10. _____ created on day four to rule the night
11. _____ created on day two
12. _____ God rested on the _____ day
13. _____ swimming creatures created on day five
14. _____ land animals were created on this day

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| 1. Light | 5. Moon | 9. Adam | 13. Fruitful |
| 2. Sky | 6. Birds | 10. Eve | 14. kind |
| 3. Land | 7. Fish | 11. Seventh | |
| 4. Sun | 8. Plants | 12. Sixth | |

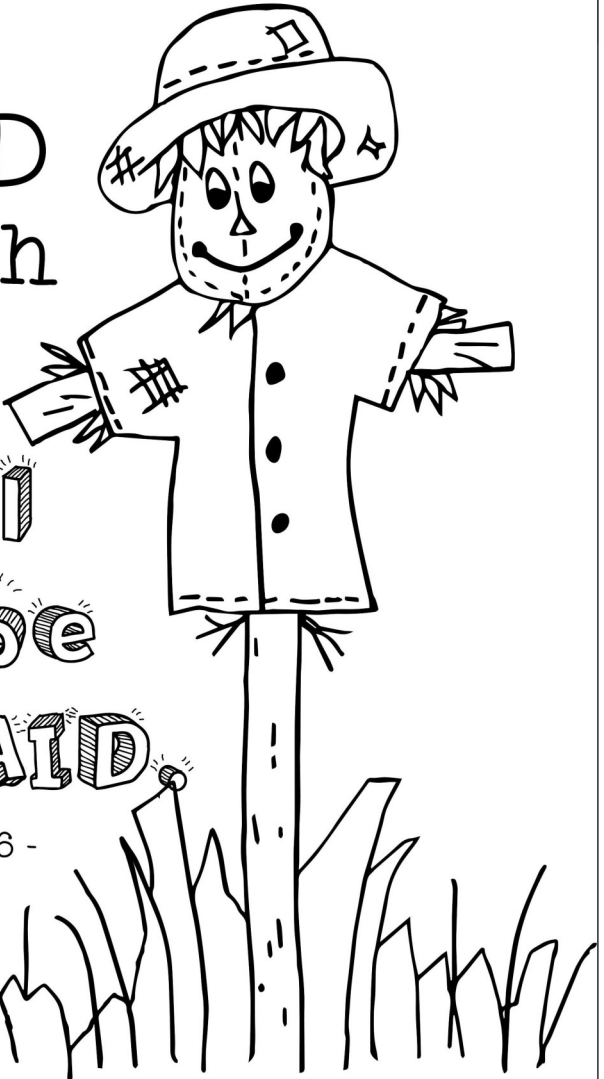


Crayons available
in south foyer

The
LORD
is with
ME,

I will
not be
AFRAID

- Psalm 118:6 -



Memory verse:

John 3:23 - Love one another.

SCHEDULED STUDIES

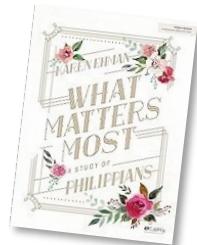
Monday–Women’s Virtual Bible Study



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.

Current 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 October: Eric Kreger

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

COMING WEEKS

Date	Oct 6	Oct 13	Oct 20
Open			
Usher			
Songs/Close			
Prayer			
Communion			
Bible Story Kids Church			
Reading			
Lesson			
A/V			

Communion Preparation September: Max & Juan Pratt



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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