

Good morning and welcome to services! We are so glad you are here. I know everyone is looking forward to school winding down. We don't have a lot of activity planned as school winds down, but when summer break starts we will have a lot of opportunities for fun and fellowship! Be sure to pick up a summer calendar from the youth board. Also, if you are interested in going to camp, early bird pricing ends May 31. If you desire to go to camp but are concerned about the cost, please let me know and we can utilize the youth fund to pay for camp. We hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:8 NKJV

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. "It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts." Thanks again for coming.

"LITTLE THINGS"

The story is told of a giant tree in Colorado, which fell to the ground after having stood majestically on a hill for over 400 years. A mere sapling when Columbus landed in San Salvador over the centuries it had been struck by lightning 14 times, braved great wind storms, and even defied an earthquake. In the end, however, it was killed by some little beetles. Boring under the bark, they chewed away its mighty fibers until one day that lordly king of the forest came thundering down. So, too, apparently insignificant things often make substantial inroads into our spiritual lives, and if left unchecked may cause our downfall. The idle word spoken, the prayer time omitted, and the occasional fleshly pleasure indulgences — these things "spoil" the vineyard much more than we realize. If Satan gets an entering wedge on inconsistency, the leverage he then has is unstoppable.

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May 21th 2023 **Door Greeters Security Team Communion Preparation ROY DAVIS**

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Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening Wed: 7:00 PM

"WHY DO WE HAVE MOTHER'S DAY?"

Because every child that has a mother that loves them, is blessed. They are blessed because they need a mother to kiss their boo boos, wipe their tears, and listen to their stories. They need mothers to take them to the ballgame, make them cookies, and read them stories. Every child that has had their heart broken and cried their tears on their mother's shoulder, knows how important being a mother is. The writer of Proverbs 31 speaks of the courage and wisdom of a good mother. We men need someone to help us make it through this life, and to be our companion. We realize the sacrifices you make for us in giving us children, being our friends, and sharing your lives with us. Genesis 2:20 tells us God made woman to be a "help meet" (KJV) or companion, comparable to man (NKJV). God knows that man needs all the help he can get. Because as we grow up and see our parents get older, we understand the sacrifices they made for us. When their daughters start to have their children they realize what they put their own mothers through. When we see the smiles of our children we understand what our mothers saw in us. Because when we see our mothers work to make the home a happy place we understand the importance of that home. When you did work out of the home, we understood the home was still more important than the job. Many of us learned the importance of God by observing our godly mothers. I doubt if Lois and Eunice realized what Timothy would eventually become, but the reason he became such a godly man is because of his godly mother and grandmother, 2 Timothy 1:5; 3:14-15. In short, the reason we still have "Mother's Day" is because most of us understand just a small amount of how great they are and we want to say "thank you" for being our wives and our mothers.

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY Fellowship luncheon next Sunday following morning worship.



From Dan's desk:

Thank you for being present today. Today is Mother's Day and we are happy to have all Mothers in the service today. Motherhood is a blessing to the human race. Next Sunday following the morning worship service we will have our annual Spring fellowship luncheon. We honor KYLI Davis, daughter of ROY AND DEANNA DAVIS on her forthcoming graduation from high school. We are happy for her upon this great achievement. You will have a time to visit with her out in the activity building. KYLI is a sweet young lady and we are confident that she will do well in life. We offer her our congratulations. Children's Bible Hour held its last meeting of the season last Sunday evening. We appreciate all those who have worked hard in this program throughout the year. The ladies Bible class held its last meeting until September. Thanks to all the ladies who have participated. This summer Cheryl Ellis will be holding devotional studies every other week. The ladies are invited to participate. Several events are planned for the congregation during the summer months, including guest speakers on the second Wednesday of each month. See you tonight at 6 P.M. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





GAYLE HAMILTON will begin rehab on her knee this coming week.

DOUG SUMRALL is recovering at his home from recent surgery. GLENDA BASKIN is improving following surgery last Monday. LIZ MISSILDINE is recovering from surgery recently PAUL CARTWRIGHT had surgery this last week. He is recovering. GERALD WILCHER has come home from the hospital in Athens with Hospice.

LINDA WILSON is also recovering from eye surgery this last Thursday in Tyler.

PRAYER LIST IS AVAILABLE IN FOYER.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to TRISTAN BROOKS on be inducted into the Jr. Honor Society at Palestine I.S.D. last week. We are so proud of him.

"A SQUASH OR AN OAK?"

By Wade Webster

James A Garfield noted, "When God wants to grow a squash, He grows it in one summer; but when He wants to grow an oak He takes a century."

Personally I like squash. As a teenager, I could eat it as fast as my mother could fry it. It was delicious. However, I don't want to be a squash. Squash vines can be pulled up easily and stomped down quickly. They are here in the summer and gone by fall. I want to be an oak. I want to have deep roots and rugged strength. I want steady growth through multiple seasons.

President Garfield's point is well made, isn't it? You can't grow oak trees or men quickly. It takes time to grow things that endure. Understanding this, we need to be patient with children and new converts. It will take some time for them to reach maturity. However, if they desire to grow, they will eventually get there (1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:18; 2 Tim. 2:15). With time, they will go from children tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine, to men who cannot be moved (Eph 4:14-16; Ps. 16:8; 21:7 46:5; 55:22; 62:6).

As elders, preachers and Bible school teachers and parents our goal is to help the young to grow into mighty oaks spiritually. In order to do this, we must feed them a balanced diet of God's word (1 Tim. 6:3; 2 Tim 1:3). Are we presently producing squash or oaks? For sure, time will tell. Let's do all that we can to pass the test of time.

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Liz Missildine is recovering from surgery recently.

Glenda Baskin is recovering from surgery on her foot this last week.

Gwynette Sturgess is scheduled for brain Surgery on Tuesday in Tyler.

Kenneth Holland continues to have issues with COPD in I.C.U. at the local hospital.

Gayle Hamilton had knee replacement surgery recently and will begin rehab.

Doug Sumrall is recovering from recent surgery. He is at home.

Gwen Sturgess will have a surgical procedure on her brain on May 25th in Tyler.

Paul Cartwright continues to recover from recent surgery this last week in Dallas, Texas

Prayers for Wanda King in the death of her brother Fred King this last week.

Kara Lehberg cousin of Eva Walker has multiple health issues.

Shelia Thompson's granddaughter, Kymber (8 months old) has stage 2 cancer and the family request our prayers.

Jeffery Wooden, son of George Wooden has cancer.

Linda Wilson is recovering from eye surgery this last Thursday.

Becky Barnes' great grandson had a bone marrow transplant. He is under observation.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, has started taking medication to shrink and slow down the cancer.

Sharron Grizzle has liver cancer, and asked for prayers.

Bryce Stewart former member is still undergoing tests and cancer treatment.

Jamie Flores, niece of Ann Sparks, is having health issues and requests our prayers.

Deborah Hagemeier (former member) has cancer and requests prayer.

Jerry Thornton of Canton, brother-in-law of Bill Rawson has bone cancer & requests prayer.

Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Joyce Matlock, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Lorelee Reeder, Martha Sims, Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff and Charlie Young. **NOTE:** We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. We need those of you who are acquainted with those on the prayer list to let us know when they are improving. If you know of someone who needs to be on the supplement prayer list or removed, please notify us in the church office.

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THE ELDERS