

Good morning and welcome to services! We had a great time making chili, serving chili and loading/unloading cans all to benefit The Stockpot. We are so appreciative of the crew from Crockett Road that cooks each Monday at The Stockpot and are glad to support this great community program. Next Sunday, November 14, our youth group will be hosting the Widows and Widowers Thanksgiving luncheon. Please plan to stay after morning worship to serve. Hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him and bless His name.”
Psalms 100:4

“Give It Your Best”

This expression basically means that if you are not willing to work hard and suffer a little for your efforts, then you are not going to accomplish very much. Just doing the easy and simple exercises that don't challenge one's body won't lead to lasting results. The same principle is true in life as well. In order for one to be productive in business, for example, one must be willing to make sacrifices of time and money; one must make an effort in order to do well. The more we put into a relationship the better it is going to be. The parent who makes an effort to spend time with his children is going to have a better relationship with his child than the parent that doesn't. Should it cause us to wonder, when we come to the spiritual world, that if we don't make an effort at serving the Lord that we're not going to get anything out of our relationship with God? The same principle is true here as well. “No pain, no gain.” Sometimes I think that people expect church to be some kind of spiritual playground where we can just relax and have fun in the glow of God's goodness. While I certainly believe that coming to church can be rewarding, it doesn't quite work like a playground. Our worship and service requires of us some effort, both mentally and physically. The more effort we put into our worship and service, the greater our relationship with God will become. DAN

Rejoice or Wail?

“Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ” - Galatians 6:2.

ONE of the most prevalent spiritual ailments is self-pity. It begins when we turn our minds inward on self. It ends in the conviction that God or fate or luck has singled us out as a striking case of misfortune and injustice. We feel aggrieved and resentful as we plod wearily and gloomily along the road that leads to despair. Paul has given us a hint of a cure, when he says, “Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” What we really crave is a lot of very soft and sentimental sympathy from those who will weep over us and weep with us. What we need is to turn our eyes outward toward other people. We are not pleased, but we are shocked and rebuked to discover that there are always sadder cases than our own; that there are so many people who need our help when we thought that we needed theirs. We begin by adding their burdens to ours and cutting the sum in two. We find rich fellowship and deep joy in suffering for and with others. We learn to like people we never liked before because we are kind to them. We feel ashamed to tell of our own miseries. Our burdens grow strangely light and unimportant. We get a song of rejoicing for our wail of despair.

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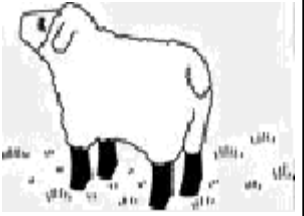
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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Sheep Don't Wallow

There was a lamb and its mother. The lamb passed a pigpen each morning on the way to the pasture with its mother. Watching the pigs wallow in the mud seemed like such fun, and on an especially hot day the lamb asked his mother if he could jump the fence and wallow in the cool mud. She replied, “No.”



Then the lamb asked, “Why?”

The mother just replied, “Sheep don't wallow!”

This didn't satisfy the lamb. He felt she was just over-restrictive. So as soon as the mother was out of sight, the lamb jumped the fence and ran to the pigpen. He was soon feeling the cool mud on his feet, his legs, and soon his stomach. After a few moments, he decided he had better go back to his mother, but he couldn't. He was stuck.

Mud and wool don't mix. His pleasure had become his prison. He cried out and was rescued by the kindly farmer. When cleaned and returned to the field, the mother said, “Remember: sheep don't wallow.”

Sin is like that. It looks so nice, we may think we can escape when we wish, but it is not so. Pleasures often become prisons.

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**NOVEMBER has arrived.
 “Trunk and Treat”
 went great last Sunday night.
 Great to see you all today.**



From Dan's desk:

The month of November has arrived. That means the Thanksgiving Holiday is soon approaching. Sometimes we sit and wonder, “where did the time go”. The year has actually flown by it seems. So many good things have happened in spite of the Pandemic and other issues that have happened. We hope and pray that the New Year that is approaching will bring many good things to us all. This year we have had some 38 responses to the invitation. Thirteen have been baptized, twenty have placed membership and 5 have asked for the prayers of the church through public responses to the invitation. This is great. God has really blessed His church at the place and we are so thankful. The future continues to be bright. Our church attendance in Bible class and worship times has increased greatly over last year. Even though many are still not coming to class and worship, we hope and pray that with the lessening of the pandemic, they will feel comfortable in returning to be with us. “Trunk and Treat” last Sunday evening was great with many participating. The recent Monday Night For The Master program as well attended with some 51 present for the meal and activities here at the church building. Thanks you all for coming. We will not have Monday Night For The Master again until the month of January. We always take a hiatus during the months of November and December because of the holidays. Thanks for coming this morning. See you tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
 IN OUR PRAYERS**

LORELEE REEDER had additional surgery this last Weds. In Tyler.

LINDA LIPPOLD continues to improve at home from recent hospitalization in Tyler.

GERALD WILCHER is still ill at home and undergoing kidney tests.

J.T. GRUMBLES has Covid-19 and in recovering at his home.

All others who have been ill are improving at home.

SYMPATHY

To AUDREY MANUEL in the death of her niece, MIRANDA SAMFORD this last week in Longview. Services were held on Thursday in Longview, Tx.

**SINGLE AND SINGLE AGAIN
 LUNCHEON**

Next Sunday Nov. 14th immediately after the worship service the youth group will be hosting a luncheon for all the singles and single again in the congregation.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS LUNCHEON

The Ladies Bible class will have a Baked Potato and Salad Luncheon a week from this Tuesday Nov. 16th. Thanks to EVA WALKER, RENEE' WHITLEY, JANETTE ALFORD and GAYLE HAMILTON for food preparation.

The Urge to Worship

The urge to worship is an inherent inclination to show reverence and respect. Sometimes it has nothing to do with anything biblical, like God. Since man has existed he has worshipped something – his ancestors, plants, the moon, stars, sun, trees, fire and even himself. When men turn from God, Paul said they “exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever” (Rom. 1:25). The creation of images and idols is known as idolatry – condemned severely in scripture (1 John 5:21). Christians worship God alone (Matt. 4:10; John 4:23-24). Because the Bible has the only true information about God, the way Christians worship must be dictated by the truth of God’s word. That worship is not the result of inward impulse, but conformity to what God himself has allowed in his word. But still there is an inward urge to worship. When trouble strikes, the urge to turn to God is natural. It is wrong to limit to troublesome times. Jeremiah rebuked the idolatrous Jews as those who, “say to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto me, and not their face; *but in the time of their trouble* they will say, Arise, and save us” (Jer. 2:27). Whether it be idolatry or infidelity, it satisfies only in tranquil and prosperous times. No sooner does trouble come, than the deep conviction of the existence of a God, which is the witness for Him in our heart, resumes its authority, and man prays. May God help us to have the desire to worship Him regardless of the situation in our lives. **SELECTED**

Nov. 7th 2021

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Joyce Matlock is recovering from her recent treatment. She is home.

Jerry Thornton of Canton, is undergoing cancer treatment in Canton

Kenlee Harbour will have stomach surgery on Dec. 3rd in Dallas.

Leielani Leonard, mother of Adam Krumnow, is undergoing cancer treatment

Lorelee Reeder had additional back surgery this last Weds. In Tyler, Texas at U.T. Medical Center.

Glenda Baskin is recovering from a recent fall.

Linda Lippold is doing better from recent hospitalization. She is home improving.

Christine Oliphant has breast cancer& undergoing treatment

Randy Foreman is having Kidney Surgery Tuesday in Dallas, Texas.

Audrey Manuel in the death of her niece Miranda Samford in Longview, last week.

Gerald Wilcher is still undergoing kidney problems at home.

Emily Davis (granddaughter of the Hollands) has brain cancer

Kenneth Holland is still having breathing issues.

Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer

Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer

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

They need our prayers. Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, James and Irma Ray, Patsy Bush, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff and Martha Sims.

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. The

Elders