

Good morning and welcome to services! We enjoyed a great week of fellowship and holiday fun this past week. Last Sunday evening we went to the Walk of Lights here in town and had a wonderful night looking at the Christmas lights and drinking hot cocoa. Friday evening our youth group hosted a parents' night out for kids up to 4th grade. We had Christmas crafts and games and everyone seemed to have a great time. Yesterday we took a trip to Six Flags for Holiday in the Park and had a lot of fun together. This Thursday we will be going and caroling to our members in local nursing facilities. Afterward we will all get together for hot chocolate and refreshments at our house. Hope you can join us! DOUG

"And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works," Hebrews 10:24 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.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT
If a tombstone is all that's left to remind the world we've been here, it's a grave mistake

Bibles that are falling apart usually belong to people who aren't.

Those who "cook up" stories often find themselves in "hot water".

God doesn't want shares of your life, He wants controlling interest.

Mobs seldom gather together to perform an act of charity.

To handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.

December 24, 2023

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"Thank God for the one night that changed the world"

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Merry Christmas 2023

From the Staff



***More activities planned
this week. We are glad
you have come to worship
today.***

From Dan's desk:



The activities continue. This is a good thing. Like young children, we all long for the holidays. Christmas is a joyous time when families and friends come together. A week from today will be Christmas Eve. Families will gather for the festivities of the season. Many will be out of town for the holidays. Let's remember to pray for all those who will be traveling. Please be reminded that we will not have services next Sunday evening. Many, as we stated, will be out of town and others spending family time with each other. Remember that we will be gathering at the home of David and Jennifer Sparks tonight following the evening service. David and Jennifer invite all of you to join us for a period of Christmas time fellowship. Please bring your favorite finger and enjoy the opportunity to be together again. It will be a joyous evening. We always enjoy this event each year and you will not want to miss it. Thanks to them for the wonderful invitation to be in their home. The Ladies Bible Class fellowship last Tuesday was great. The food and gift exchange was a fun time and we appreciate all the ladies for attending. Thanks to Jeanette Alford and Jill Camp for helping to organize this event. Thanks to Bill and Linda Hawkins for their help also. It was really nice. We appreciate you being here this morning and we hope to see each of you tonight at the evening worship service. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

***A PRAYER LIST IS AVAIL-
ABLE IN THE FOYER. PLEASE
BE SURE TO GET A COPY.***

**J.T. GRUMBLES is improving
following his knee surgery last
Monday.**

**CLARA DAVIS is also recover-
ing from knee surgery.**



**We will have a devotional on
Wed. 20th and 27th, due to
the holidays and several be-
ing out of town. Please make
a note of this change in
scheduling.**

Falling for Grace

Mark Twain was far from being a skilled Bible scholar, but he makes us think with these words about grace: "Heaven goes by favor. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in." Twain's words remind me of the Bible's message in Romans 3:10 and 23 — As it is written: 'There is none righteous, no, not one' ... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." And Ezekiel 18:4 and Romans 6:23a — the soul that sinneth, it shall die. .. For the wages of sin is death." The "death" in these and other passages is a reference to the eternal separation of the soul from God. This separation will occur at the final judgement and be maintained forever in the place Jesus called "hell." Hell is described by Jesus as indescribably horrible place with the "worm that does not die and the fire that shall never be quenched" (Mark 9:42 -48). The apostle John described it with the mind jarring, fear-inspiring phrase "lake of fire burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:20; 20:10, 14 15). It is the place where all those whose names are not written in the Lamb's Book of Life will be cast. Hell is too awful and fearful to completely comprehend, along with the thought God would be just and righteous if He sent us all there.

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Dec. 17th 2023

Kenneth Thomason, son of Jack and Mary Jo, is in an Irving hospital with a head injury.

Ann and Ken Holland both continue to have issues with COPD and eye issues.

Ed Compton is recovering at his home from recent surgery.

Mary Stech is improving at her home from a recent hospital stay.

Kenneth Thomason, son of Jack and Mary Jo, is in Irving hospital with a head injury.

Spencer Kieffer (friend) has lymphoma and asked for prayer.

Lori Tanner Richardson, cousin of Cindy Thornton, has breast cancer and asked for prayers.

Jeffery Wooden, son of George, is recovering from recent surgery.

Sue Smith, friend to several is recovering from surgery in Dallas.

Paul Cartwright is still undergoing tests.

Madison White, step daughter of Jamie White, is recovering from brain cancer surgery in Dallas.

Rusty McLen friend to others is having health concerns and surgery.

Mary Alice Largent's daughter, Jewel, is having health issues and asked for prayers.

Clara Davis had knee surgery this last week and is recovering at home.

J.T. Grumbles had knee replacement surgery and is improving.

Virginia Stanaland has been ill at home and awaiting surgery.

Buddy Townsend, brother-in-law of Dan and Audrey, is with hospice in Tyler.

Mary Stech in the death of her niece Ann Tillman services pending.

Diane Wilcher continues with health concerns.

Sherron Carder's daughter Shannon Carney is undergoing tests

Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is having health issues.

James, Angela and Anthony Birdow. All have health issues and need prayers.

Bob Monroe, former member has prostate cancer and is undergoing treatment.

Trent Barrett, son of Pat Barrett is recovering from an accident.

Angela Buddin, niece of the Cartwrights, has a brain tumor.

Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is still undergoing tests and treatment

Remember those in nursing homes and home bound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Jessie Kraus, George Lester (has moved to nursing home in Houston) Joyce Matlock, Annie Lee Birdow, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottorn, Martha Sims,

Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, 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 improve. Please notify us in the church office.