

Church of Christ *Third and Kilgore*



Empowered by the Spirit

Witnessing to the World

Acts 1:8

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*We Welcome You to Worship
and Study God's Word With Us!*

Sunday

Bible Class 9:00 a.m.
Worship/Communion 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 7:00 p.m.

Devotional and Bible Classes

Tuesday Ladies Bible Class

has dismissed for the summer

Order of Worship

Call to Worship Hymn
Curtis Breshears

Announcements, Prayer & Reading
Jack Merrick— Isaiah 62:1-2

Songs of Praise

Communion Hymn

Communion Scripture
Ted Simons — Isaiah 62:3-4

Lord's Supper

Blake Martin
Adam Terry
Karl Terry (Bread)
Damon Terry (Cup)
Delbert Rector (Offering)
Leslie Rector

Pick Up Trays (Back)
Jim Chandler
Barney Francis

Song

Scripture Reading
Daniel Swinford— Luke 4:14-20

Sermon
"Favorable Times, Part 1"
Will Spina

Invitation Song

Closing Song

Closing Prayer
Buddy Blue

Pick Up Cards
Riker Beatty
Asa Terry
Tucker Pinkert

Greeters
Sharon Lieb
Leslie Creighton
Kercida Merrick

For the Record August 6, 2017

• Sunday AM Class	67
• Sunday AM Worship	130
• Sunday Retreat	50
• Sunday PM Worship	42



Life Groups have dismissed for the summer.

Other Meeting Times

SUNDAY EVENING – 5:00 p.m.

Open Prayer—Charles Terry
Song Leader— Craig Breshears
Sermon — Ted Simons
Closing Prayer—Dustin Cabeldue

WEDNESDAY EVENING

08/16/17 – 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Requests Dustin Cabeldue
Song Leader Lindsey Chisholm

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Becoming Like a Child

by Lora Chandler

He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. ~ Matthew 18:2-5

When I read the passage above, I think primarily of the innocence of children and how wonderful it would be if we could see the world through untainted eyes. Once a person has willfully sinned, the innocent purity that is lost can never be restored. I wish I could be like a child, but doubt, fear, and even despair take hold of me. When I need someone to depend upon, I stubbornly steel myself and grip my independence even tighter.

Recently my granddaughter, Ellie, was watching my daughter making breakfast and she said, "I wish I could be a mama!" Alisa asked her why and she said, "P-tuz I can make children's dinners!" She often expresses how she wants to be like her mama. Becoming like the one who provides for you is the purest response to love. We feel loved so we want to be like the one who gives it. The desire to imitate rests in the beauty of a child's heart.

Little children simply see they are helpless and need someone they can rely on to always be there for them. Within that protection, they are truly free – free to be joyful, excited, responsible, productive. Disappointment is fleeting and joy abounds. Ellie is only two and already she imagines what independence means. The other day, she said, "Mama, if I fell in the water I would float away and never be seen again. But, if you could poof yourself into a fish, you could swim out and save me!" She is coming to accept the reality that she could die or be "lost" to someone who loves her. She is imagining salvation stories to assure herself she'll never be separated from Alisa.

When we become adults, we long to be independent and we call that freedom. But, independence means all the risk is our own. Fear and worry, inadequacy and uncertainty render us unable to feel joy or any real happiness. We drift further and further away from God because we want to make our own way, take our place in the world, and leave our mark upon it. The longer we remain separated from Him, the less we believe in His protection and provision. We accept the lies as truth and God seems a foolish idea, a wish or a dream, more than a reality. We live behind a façade of bravery while believing at any moment we could be swept away and lost to the ones who love us. Independence is an illusion of freedom, a lie of the evil one. In truth, it imprisons us within the limits of our own abilities and binds us with fear of failure. We can't remember being a child, can't remember truly trusting someone else, can't remember what peace and security feels like. But, that is not Christ's will for us. His will is for us to trust like children do, love like children do, and rejoice like children do. We can't get a vision of what the kingdom of Heaven is like until we "change and become like little children."

When Jesus said "become like this child," He meant, "Trust Me to provide for you. Imitate Me by providing for others. Place your hope for salvation in Me and you will never be lost. No matter how the evil one accuses you... no matter how lost you feel... I can save you. You are safe in my care and have no need to fear."

Proverbs 22:17

"A merry heart does good like medicine"

ELDERS

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Colin Chandler	575-760-2129
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Johnny Lieb	575-760-7345
Adam Terry	575-760-6917
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DEACONS

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Kevin Breshears	575-276-8519
Joe Chandler	575-607-5817
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Delbert Rector	575-478-2390

MINISTERS

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Student Center	575-356-8342

Budget Report

Contribution 08-06-2017	\$6,441
Weekly Budget	\$5,600
Difference	+\$841
YTD Budget	\$179,200
YTD Contribution	\$177,449
YTD—Under Budget	-\$1,751

Mark 8:2

"I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat."

Church Pantry Shopping List

- Flour
- Corn Meal
- Canned Fruits
- Canned Meats
- Dried Milk



Prayer Requests

Gayle Ferguson – Providence Hospital. He is a little better.

Barry Sikes - recovering from having a skin cancer removed.

Juanita Barbee – Not doing well.

Joe Chandler – scheduled for foot surgery in Lubbock on September 6.

Javin Chandler – scheduled for surgery in Dallas on his cervical spine on September 18.

Jim Russell - home and doing some better but is not up to visits at this time.

Please continue to remember those with ongoing health problems: Kayce Archer, Leslie Bohm, Daryl & Gail Bond, Lucille Brooks, Joan Clayton, Jack & Geneva Dendy, Barney & Nico Francis, Warren Funk, Alice Gossett, Cliff & Betty Gossett, Joan Goynes, C.H. Hays, Wenonah Hunton, Geneva Judah, Johnnie Justus, Vicki Kelley, Gene Marshall, Marcel Merrick, Marie Roberson, Lenna Rolan, Audrey Russell, Linda Russell, Bill & Shirley Wahlman, James & Glenda Ward, Julie Webb, Lorene Wells, Maxine Wilhoit.

Family & Friends: Shannon Aguilar, Kellie Blair, Emma Blea, Bobby & Sheryl Borden, Mitzi Branscum, Eddie Burgos, Gregg Burris, Elma Cain, Donny Carpenter, Daegan East, Kylee Chandler, Jane Clark, Traci Clark (Paul's sister), William Collins, Mary Delgado, Eliza Dodd, Lavina Earwood, Sabrina Elliott, Jennifer Farrell, Gary & Cita Ford, Carlene Frasier, Roy Gaines, Cathy George, Larry Guthrie, Billy Hays, Charlotte Holmes, Bryce Howe, Jeremy Humphrey, Carrie Keeney, Judy Knight, Ralph Langley, Gary Lewis, Karen Lingar, Ashley Lopez, LaNeva Madden, Mary Cameron McCarty, Robin McKillip, Kim Merrick, Lexi Nixon, Candy Pena (Lorenza Marquez's sister), Sandra Pena (Lorenza Marquez's niece), Donna Poyner, Judy Reid, Gail Reynolds, Ron Riley, Daniel Saiz, Frank Sanchez, Kwayde Shearer, David Sikes, Adrian Stroup, Brady Stroup, Jack Tarver, Gail Terry, Gaynelle Thomas, Jenna Thomas, Ronnie Tipton, Kevin Trudo, Leflar Turner, Bill Valencia, Charles Webster, Jana Wells, Bill Whitt, Megan Wilson.

Privileged to Serve

August 20, 2017

Greeters (Before and After Classes)

Daizia Looney
Kasyn Creighton
Rheagan Purcell

Greeters (After Worship)

Everyone

**Announcements, Opening Prayer,
& Scripture Reading**

(Sunday & Wednesday)

Jim Chandler

Song Leaders

Todd Pebsworth (A.M.)
Hunter Terry (P.M.)
Johnny Lieb (Wed.)

Scripture

Buddy Blue

Communion Devotional

TBA

Prayers

Brent Hays (Closing A.M.)
Curtis Breshears (Opening P.M.)
Adam Terry (Closing P.M.)
Colin Chandler (Prayer Requests Wed.)

Lord's Table

Aiden Cabeldue
Tristan Shaw
Javin Chandler (Bread)
W.T. Whitecotton (Cup)
Seth Chandler (Offering)
Cobe Correa

Pick Up Trays

Trinity Watson
Eli Terry

Pick Up Cards

Orrin Chenault
C.J. Martin
Tryan Chenault

Lord's Supper—Sunday PM

Randy Dunson
Dustin Cabeldue

Lord's Supper to Shut-Ins

Charles Terry
Damon Terry

Announcements

Need Help Unloading

Todd Pebsworth's sister, Teri Pebsworth, is moving to Portales. They will be here this Sunday, August 13, arriving around 1:00 P.M. Todd is asking for volunteers to help unload the truck. If you can assist with this move and help welcome Teri to Portales, please go to Teri's new address, 1920-G South Avenue G at 1:00 on Sunday afternoon. Your help will be greatly appreciated!



Worship & Back to School Bash

Sunday, August 13, we will meet for worship at 5:00 p.m. followed by a fellowship and games. Meats, buns, condiments & drinks will be provided. Please bring sides and desserts.



Teenage Christian Conference

Saturday, August 19, the teens will be attending the Teenage Christian Conference in Denver City, TX.



End of Summer Cookout & Worship

Sunday, August 27, we will meet at Willow Bend for worship followed by a cookout. Meat, buns, condiments & drinks will be provided. Please bring sides and desserts.



New Members

Will, Christine, Jeffery & Anna Spina

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Teri Pebsworth

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Shining Jesus' Light in Portales

We received a donation from the Calvary Baptist Church and a note thanking us for the use of our building and especially the use of the kitchen and supplies for them to prepare a meal for the grieving family of Presley Morgan. They appreciated so much the love expressed in the way we graciously supplied what they needed.



Let God Define Good

Nothing in the Bible would cause us to call a famine good or a heart attack good or a terrorist attack good. These are terrible calamities, born out of a fallen earth. Yet every message in the Bible compels us to believe that God will mix them with other ingredients, and bring good out of them. But we must let God define good. Our definition includes health, comfort, and recognition. His definition? In the case of His Son, Jesus Christ, the good life consisted of struggles, storms, and death. But God worked it all together for the greatest of good: His glory and our salvation.

At some point we all stand at this intersection. Is God good when the outcome is not? Do you want to know heaven's clearest answer to the question of suffering? Take a look at Jesus!



by Max Lucado

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the
LORD
and a royal diadem in the hand of your
GOD.
Isaiah 62:3