

Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family! Please continue to pray for those of our number who have the coronavirus. We will continue to assess the situation and hope to enjoy some activities mid December. Even though we are not having youth activities, there are many ways you can draw close to GOD. "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8

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Laughter Is The Best Medicine



"I'm from the Government — We have reports that this church discriminates against sinners!"

THOSE TO SERVE FOR

A.M. Opening

- 6 Don Smith
- 13 Carl Rutledge
- 20 Jack Thomason
- 27 Henry Baker

A.M. Closing

- Doug Sumrall
- Doug Lowe
- Bill Rawson
- Jim Ricard

P. M. Opening

- 6 Ben Rhone
- 13 Doug Rader
- 20 Gary Missildine
- 27 Dwight Franklin

P. M. Closing

- Brandon Franklin
- Billy Lane
- Dale Sparks
- Cory Camp

Serve Communion

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| Clint Satterwhite | Jerame Gipson |
| Mike Whitley | Austin Evans |
| J. T. Grumbles | Tom Watson |
| Adam Krumnow | Garrett Krumnow |

TO PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER

- 6 David & Jennifer Sparks
- 13 Doug & Kayeann Lowe
- 20 Jerame Gipson
- 27 Brandon & Holly Franklin

If you cannot serve, be sure to call the church office and let us know in plenty of time to secure someone to fill your place.

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Dec. 6, 2020

Door Greeters
Security Team

Communion Preparation
David and Jennifer Sparks

Gospel Worker

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MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel
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Doug Rader
Youth Minister

ELDERS

Dwight Franklin
Dan D. Manuel
Dale Sparks

DEACONS

Henry Baker
Steve Camp
Kyle Lock
R.D. Prince
Doug Rader

SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder
Beth Freeman

MISSIONS

Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX
Jose Cuadras— Mexico
Hershel Bearden—India
Steve Handley—Prison Min.
Central TX Children's Home—Buda, TX
Tipton Children's Home
Tipton, OK
GBN T.V. NETWORK
GIVE ME THE BIBLE—T.V.
FOX 44 KWKT—Waco, TX
KTAL NBC Channel 6
Texarkana-Shreveport, LA.
KFXK FOX 51 Tyler
NBC 28 KYLE, Bryan—College Station, TX.
FOX 29 KSVP Lake Charles, La
ABC 10 KTEN Sherman-Tx
KTXD— 47 Dallas, Texas

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

THE CHURCH THAT JESUS BUILT

The Church of Jesus Christ is always under attack. God calls upon us to rise to defend the Truth and the One who gave it. The church Jesus built, the one you read about in your New Testament was designed to be always and everywhere in constant confrontation with the wisdom and the ways of the world (1 Cor. 1:20-25). The idea was not to be converted to the culture, but to convert the worldly culture to belief in and acceptance of God. But today too many of us seem to be making peace with the ungodly world. Even many of the known to be conservative churches have not only modified their worship styles and moral standards, but their message too, to conform to the world's demands. It seems the idea is for the church not to confront the contemporary evil culture, but to seek its acceptance and approval. Too many others have decided to remain neutral; to just sit this fight out. Still others are saying what a young preacher said to me recently, "You're concerned about something with no cause! God is still in control of this world, so everything is going to be alright." Yes! My friend, God is still in control. So wake up! He who is in control warns us in Psalm 9:17: *"The wicked shall be turned into hell, And all the nations that forget God."* Churches of Christ simply MUST get our gospel message out to the people who live in those houses that line the streets and roads of our American cities and towns. I'm encouraged and optimistic! There's the sound of an awakening! God's people are equipped to win the battle over evil. Read 2 Corinthians 10:3-6. God calls on all of us to awaken to the responsibility of standing for the Word of God and the Church that Jesus built. He gave His life for the Church and for that reason we must not defer or neglect the challenge that is before us. The future of the church, our children and generations yet to be born will be determined by what we do today to keep the church pure and strong in the faith "once for all that was delivered to the Saints".
Jude 3. DAN

One Baptized from watching the Church Youtube channel.



From Dan's desk:

I hope that each of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. I know that many were unable to go to their extended families and join them as we usually do on "Thanksgiving". I still hope you were able to make many memories that you will treasure in your heart for many years. God continues to bless each of us and we are indeed thankful for His blessings. Thanks to the men who led us in worship last Tuesday evening and to those who came for the service, we are grateful. Dwight and I met with Dr. Greg Hortman from Longview last Friday at the church building and he was baptized. I had conversed with him last week. He called and wanted us to know that he had been watching and listening to my sermons on Youtube and has become convinced that he needed to be baptized. He is a Pediatric Physician in Marshall, Texas. We are so thankful for his conversion and dedication to God. It is wonderful to know that others are listening. Thanks again to Dwight for placing them on the Church Youtube channel. It is amazing how our Lord God works in the lives of people. We appreciate all of you who are in attendance this morning. It shows a tremendous amount of Faith on your part to be present. Our fears are conquered when we trust God. Our sympathy is extended to Bro. Robert Johnson (minister at the Longview Church of Christ. His wife Karen passed away last week in Longview with the Coronavirus. Our prayers are with this family. He has spoken for us in days past. See you tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

BETH FREEMAN has begun radiation in Dallas. She is taking chemo locally.

AMY PARKER (daughter of Rita Taylor) is in the hospital in Tyler with Covid-19 Pneumonia.

BRANDYN GIPSON is having tests in the hospital locally.

THOSE WHO HAVE, OR HAVE HAD the coronavirus are all improving at home: Camp Family, Grace Gurganus, Andrew and Makena Shields, and Eva Walker. Many are out because they are quarantined.

PRAYER LIST IN THE FOYER- Get a copy of those who have continuing illnesses

STOCK POT DONATIONS

A box has been placed in the hallway near the office for donations to the Stock Pot. Our congregation prepares the meal every Monday and at this time of the year donations are not as plentiful. You can help by bringing 5 regular cans of food, 1 institutional can or a \$5.00 donation.

RESPONSE

BAPTIZED

**Dr. Greg Hortman
Longview, Texas**

CONGRATULATIONS

To Cindy Pace on the birth of a new granddaughter **Paisley Lynn** born last Monday in San Antonio. Maternal Great-grandmother is Lanova Mitchell. We are happy for them all. Mother Chastity and baby girl are all doing fine.

Our sympathy is extended to Tim Jones in the death of his sister Mrs. Gaylon Layton of Arlington, Texas. She passed away this last week and services were held in Arlington last Monday.

LIVING THE GOOD LIFE

King Solomon was a wealthy man, but in many respects he lived a miserable life. In Ecclesiastes 4:8 we read "There is one alone, without companion: He has neither son nor brother. Yet there is no end to all his labors, Nor is his eye satisfied with riches. But he never asks, 'For whom do I toil and deprive myself of good?' This also is vanity and a grave misfortune." The message that "life at the top", may not be all it's cracked up to be, likely proving more lonely than lovely. It may cost more than we ought to pay to get and stay there. And on the way up, we may leave behind the people we love. Financial freedom may come at the price of family and friends. It has for many. Riches may crowd out relationships. A career may take over my life and sever my deepest human connections. We may lose riches money can never buy or replace. John D. Rockefeller summed up the grand, miserable life: "The poorest man I know is the man who has nothing but money." Be careful on your way to the top. Like so many others, you may end up living a grand, miserable life. "The good life" is based on a good relationship with God and others. DAN

