

SHEPHERDS

Barry McDowell
Jimmy Neatherlin
J. R. Stroble

Our Door is Open

Anyone wanting to meet with our Elders is encouraged to contact any of the elders to set up a time.

Welcome to
Sunset Church of Christ



Building Bridges

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DEACONS

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Ministry Team:

Jill Crandall
Bruce Daughtry
Tammy Frintz
Brian McGonagill
Glen Moore
Eleanor Nelson
Mark Schinnerer
Charlie Weatherford

Sunday Services

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 am
Multi-Purpose Room-Matthew
Auditorium-
Morning Worship 10:00 am

Evening Worship
5:00 pm

Sermon Series: Blessed Are ? Study
of the Be-Attitudes

Wednesday Fellowship

Wednesday Night Meal
6:00 pm
Bible Class
7:00 pm

NOTES FROM THE ELDERS



Youth Group Packaging School Supplies to Give away

Back to School

We are proud of our Youth Group for collecting and delivering backpacks and supplies to our public schools. Thanks to Charlie and Kelly for leading the way!

Youth Minister

We continue to search for a new Youth Minister. We have postings on area web pages and are getting resumes in to review. Feel free to spread the word in our church community.

Minister Training

Based on input from many of you in response to the questionnaires, we will be sending Charlie to speaker training in October. And, since some asked in your responses, the elders have been mentoring and coaching Charlie since the beginning of the summer and will continue through the fall.

Preaching Schedule

One other common response in the questionnaires, was to give Charlie more time in the pulpit to continue to develop. We are planning a new schedule for the pulpit and will be rolling it out soon.

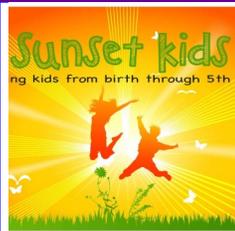
Prayers for Students and Teachers

We encourage everyone to continue to pray for our students and teachers as they begin a new school year. Please pray that they all stay safe, are productive in learning and that God's light shine for those who live in the dark. For some community families, their only chance to see Jesus is through us.

Change

Changes in many areas are coming and we ask that you embrace the changes and, as Brian says, turn us into the church that we ought to be.

Jill's Corner:



Bring Your Children to Jesus by Max Lucado

“Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord. Lift your hands toward Him for the life of your young children” (Lamentations

2:19).

Dads, we can do this. We can be loyal advocates, stubborn intercessors. We can take our parenting fears to Christ. In fact, if we don't, we'll take our fears out on our kids. Fear turns some parents into paranoid prison guards who monitor every minute, check the background of every friend. They stifle growth and communicate distrust. A family with no breathing room suffocates a child.

On the other hand, fear can also create permissive parents. For fear that their child will feel too confined or fenced in, they lower all boundaries. High on hugs and low on discipline. They don't realize that appropriate discipline is an expression of love. Permissive parents. Paranoid parents. How can we avoid the extremes? We pray.

Prayer is the saucer into which parental fears are poured to cool. Jesus says so little about parenting, makes no comments about spanking, breast-feeding, sibling rivalry, or schooling. Yet his actions speak volumes about prayer. Each time a parent prays, Christ responds. His big message to moms and dads? Bring your children to me. Raise them in a greenhouse of prayer.

When you send them off for the day, do so with a blessing. When you tell them goodnight, cover them in prayer. Is your daughter stumped by geography homework? Pray with her about it. Is your son intimidated by the new girl? Pray with him about her. Pray that your children have a profound sense of place in this world and a heavenly place in the next.

Brian's Corner

A Biblically Supported Idea

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away” (Luke 21:33 NIV).

Many times we wonder if an idea that came to us is an instruction from God, a deception from Satan, or just something we want to do. It is extremely important to recognize the difference and know how to discern God's voice, because it can have eternal consequences.

A lot of evil gets blamed on God when people say, “God told me to do it!” The Bible says in 1 John 4:1, “Don't always believe every message you hear just because someone says it is a message from God; test it first to see if it really is” (TLB).

God will never contradict his Word. Does that idea in your mind right now agree with the Bible? God doesn't say one thing and then change his mind and say another thing. If he said it, it's true, and it will always be true.

God is consistent. He isn't moody. He doesn't change his mind. He will never tell you to violate a principle that he's already given in his Word, the Bible.

So the first question you need to ask is, “Does this thought line up with what God has already said?” If what's in your mind contradicts something that God has already said in the Bible, then you know it's wrong.

Jesus said in Luke 21:33, “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away” (NIV). God's Word is eternal, because truth never changes. If something was true 5,000 years ago, it was true 1,000 years ago, it is true today, and it will be true 5,000 years from today.

People might say, “God said it, I believe it, that settles it.” No! God said it, and that settles it — whether we believe it or not!

If God tells you to do something, then he's never going to contradict it. The first question you must answer is, “Is this idea in harmony with the Word of God?”

- **What do you believe God has been telling you to do?**
- **Do those instructions contradict any part of the Bible? How do you know?**
- **How can you develop a deeper walk with God so that you more easily understand and discern his instructions?**

Prayer Request & Sympathy:

*We always thank
GOD for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

Sammi Harrington is in the hospital in El Paso.

Bill Harris had surgery this week for colon cancer.

Kathy McMahan is struggling with arthritis.

Lorie Mitchell has started cancer treatments.

Bernie Sanchez is having health issues.

Remember the following as they continue to heal: Ernestine Bryan, Becky Cunningham, Bruce Daughtry, Jan Groom, The Harrington's, Erma Waldrop,

and Dee Witherspoon.

Home Bound: Grace Autry, Bob and Velma Brown, Durees Carriaga, Vallaree Cherry, Audrey Fisher, Vivienne Garner, Enid Gates, Kay Oakley, Lee Richards, Richard Titus, and A.W. & LaDon Williams.

Prayer Connection Cards: Randy Blair, The Garret Family, The Hudman Family, Storms in the Phoenix area, and Tate.

We extend our deepest sympathy to **Eva Cruz** and **Martha Huereque** upon the passing of their aunt **Dominga Corona** on Friday, August 3rd. Services were held today. Please remember them in your prayers.



Announcements

CURRENT NEEDS

1. The **Blessing Box** is located out front on our big sign and people who need food just come get what they need out of it. You can help by bringing **non-perishable food** and placing it in the bucket in the foyer. If you'd like to make a **monetary donation** online, there is a line item set aside for that purpose or you can mark your check "Blessing Box" in the memo line and put it in the contribution plate or bring it to the office.
2. We also collect **toiletries** for the **homeless**. Please see the list that is on the bulletin boards around the building for the items that are needed. Eva Cruz and her crew bag them up and bring them to places around town. If you would like to help, get in contact with her.

Singing In The Clouds-September 15th

Sunset has had a tradition for several years of gathering at the Queen Campground in September for a special time of fun, fellowship and worship together. If you enjoy camping (Camping is available for trailers \$20 a night; for tent campers it's \$10 a night) or ATVing (We usually have a couple of rides during the weekend) or eating (We usually have a great meal, meat provided, and everyone brings side dishes and desserts) and worshipping (We will get together after the meal and lift our voices in praise to God who gave us life and the voice to sing praises with) and enjoy being God's people as we spend time together in the cool mountains. Set aside September 15th so you can be part of the fun! There will be more information in upcoming announcements and bulletins, and if all else fails, ask Virgil Smith!



The meal is at 6:00 pm and Bible class starts at 7:00 pm. Volunteers for Wednesday night meals are needed. The meal for this week is brisket sandwiches. Sign up on the calendar in the kitchen or call the office at 887-1278.



*Contribution For
Sunday, August 12, 2018*

Checks \$8,390.25	Average \$10,649.00	Wednesday, August 8	
Bills \$664.00	Weekly Budget \$11,166.00	Evening	106
Change \$1.35	Weekly + or (-) \$(517.00)	Sunday Morning	
Online Giving \$3,768.00	Kid's Cash \$199.91	Bible Class	116
Total \$12,823.60		Morning Worship	219
		Evening Worship	50

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Men to Serve for Sunday, August 19, 2018

Speaker: Brian McGonagill	Men To Serve	Greeter & Nursery Schedule	Communion Talk Schedule
Worship Leader: Mark Schinnerer	Communion: Jim Hughes		
Welcome: J.R. Stroble	Marty Jamieson	Greeters: Green Team	August 26th -Bruce Daughtry
Scripture: Aaron Irving	Mark Johnson	Welcome Desk: Marilyn Stade	September 2nd -Neil Dickes
Communion Service Kenneth Cruz	Joel Kirkes	Nursery Attendant: Marisa Deanda	September 9th -Jesus Fierro
	Cody Layton		September 16th -Andy Harris
	Barry McDowell		September 23rd -Johny Harris
	Jaime Medrano		September 30th -Kelly Henry
	John Mezger		October 7th -Aaron Irving
			October 14th -Mark Johnson
			October 21st -Joel Kirkes