

Good morning and welcome to services! We had so much fun last night at Elkhart church of Christ. We so appreciate the young people at Elkhart inviting us. Last Sunday night's Super Bowl was a fun game to watch, and it was even more fun watching it together. Thanks to everyone who brought food. Next Sunday night is our annual Chili Cook-off and Cake Auction. We hope all our young people can stay after services that evening to help serve chili. This event is always a lot of fun and our congregation is always so generous in their donations in our cake auction. Hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught. abounding in it with thanksgiving." Colossians 2:6-7

### "REACHING FRIENDS WITH THE GOSPEL"

We only need look at the record of evangelism in the book of Acts to see that even first century brethren had to find alternate ways of reaching the lost. On the day of Pentecost, and for a time thereafter, public "street preaching" was done with great effectiveness. They even held the equivalent of protracted gospel meetings, preaching "daily in the temple," as well as teaching "in every house" (Ac. 5:42). However, as we read on in Luke's account we see less public preaching in favor of more person-to-person evangelism being done. I am convinced that the best way to reach the lost in this world is through friendship evangelism. Friends reaching friends with the saving message of Christ. How many friends have you reached with the gospel? Isn't it time to start? DAN

### DON"T JUDGE BY APPEARANCE

Two businessmen were traveling by train to an important business meeting. In the seat opposite them was an old man with a shaggy beard, dressed in a tattered sweater and ieans. Throughout the ride the two told each other crude jokes about bums and tramps, with particular reference to the chap in the next seat. When they arrived at the meeting they discovered this "tramp" was a worldclass scholar and the meetings' keynote speaker. Realizing he had heard everything they said on route, they apologized.

"It is not my forgiveness you need," he responded, "but the forgiveness of all the common people you hold in such disdain."

Sadly, many are disrespectful to their fellowman based on outward appearances. attended a Lectureship once, and as the speaker of the hour was about to take the platform, I said to myself, "He looks like a country bumpkin. This is sure to be a boring sermon." To my surprise it was one of the most powerful sermons I can remember hearing. You can't always judge a book by its cover. Perhaps we should heed the following words: "for man looketh on the outward appearance, but Jehovah looketh on the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7). Perhaps the following exhortation should be heeded as well: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets" (Matthew 7:12). SELECTED

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

### "ONLY PEACE FROM GOD"

There have always been times of peace and war. Solomon said: "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven...a time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace" (Eccl. 3:18). As long as free-thinking people with different priorities and ideals exist, war and strife will exist. Peace is a costly thing! Our nation has not become the nation that it is without many battles, sacrifices, blood and tears of our forefathers. Our nation has always been peace loving. Wars have been fought because of unrest and ulterior motives of other countries trying to disturb or rob our nation of its privileges. The world has been a constant battleground for thousands of years. How can we achieve that peace we all so much crave? God is the author of peace (1 Cor. 4:33; Rom. 5:33) and until His will is embraced by mankind, there will be no peace, "For He is our peace...and came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh" (Eph. 2:14, 17). As Jesus was preparing for His departure to be with God, He told His disciples: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (Jn. 14:27). He brought that peace by the cross, "...having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself (Col. 1:20). "Peace is: the normal, non-warring condition of a nation, a group of nations, or the world; a state of mutual harmony between people or groups; freedom of the mind from annoyance, distraction, anxiety; tranquility, serenity, silence, calm or quiet." Some see our biggest problem with Russia or other nations. Society's problem is that we are not at peace with self; when not at peace with self, nothing else can be right because we are constantly looking through jaded windows. ARE YOU AT PEACE? DAN

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# Ben Rhone To speak this morning and Dwight Franklin to speak tonight. David Sparks on Weds.



## From Dan's desk:

I am in Lufkin this morning in a Gospel Meeting with the Angelina Church of Christ. This meeting has been scheduled for a long time. Ben and Dwight will be filling in for me today and I am grateful for their willingness to help. David Sparks will teach the Wednesday night class. They always do a great job and are always willing to step up and help when needed. I will look forward to being back with you all next Sunday. We appreciate you being present this morning and we know that you will be blessed by being here today. The congregation here has been involved in numerous activities over the last several weeks and several other events are planned for the rest of the month of February. The year 2022 is marching on and the Lord's church here at Crockett Rd. is being blessed in many ways. Souls are being saved and others placing membership with us and asking for the prayers of the congregation here. The Pandemic seems to be waning and hopefully things will be back to normal soon. We are grateful for the support that the church has given over the last two years during this difficult time of the Coronavirus. Please notice elsewhere in the church bulletin other events that are forthcoming and we hope you will want to participate as much as possible. We are grateful for the cooperative spirit that prevails and the sweet spirit so often demonstrated by those in the congregation. Thanks again for coming today. We know you will be blessed and favored by God for being present with the Body today. DAN

### PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

DAVID MITCHELL continues Rehab in Tyler at Christus Mother Francis Hospital.

JANETTE ALFORD is recovering from shoulder surgery recently in Tyler.

JAMIE HUGHES is recovering from Covid.

FRED KING is having heart tests.
HENRY & SONDA BAKER both
have Covid. They are much better.

All others who have been ill are better. The prayer list is available in the foyer with names of continuing illnesses.

### UPCOMING EVENTS PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY

### **FEBRUARY**

- 20 Raylee Nash Baby Shower today. 2-4pm
- 27 Youth Chili Cookoff hosted by the youth after evening service.
- 28 Monday Night for the Master. Plan to join us for all of these activities

### **BABY SHOWER**

There will be a baby shower honoring RAYLEE NASH (young baby girl of Bret Nash) in the activity bldg. today from 2-4 P.M. All ladies are invited to attend.

### "THE CHURCH IN YOUR HANDS"

**D**uring Bible classes, a member walked down the hall between the classrooms. As he passed by one of the elementary classes he heard two youngsters talking in very serious tones.

"Watch it, young man!" "What?"

"You've got the church in your hands!"

Before he looked further into the situation, the member noticed that the young boy had a model of a church building that has been put together with great delicacy and care. It was a very delicate model the young boy wasn't treating it so carefully. His classmate sternly reminded him of something he considered important. What about that? Who has the church, not a model of it, but the church here at Crockett Rd. in hand? We all know the answer to that. The church of today is growing older in age. As we all reach the end of our earthly journey we should be more concerned than ever what will happen in the coming generations, should the Lord extend time. There is a sentiment found in the Psalms that reflect the right procedure.

"Walk about Zion, and go round about her; number the towers thereof; mark ye well her bulwarks; consider her palaces that ye may tell it to the generation following" (Psa. 48:13-14). Never let be our fate that which befell Israel. "And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers; and there arose another generation after them that knew not Jehovah, nor yet the work which he had wrought for Israel" (Judges 2:10).

When you think about it, these thoughts should impress parents with the task of being sure your children are faithfully in Bible study, worship, and family devotions. Pray and study at home regularly. Be faithful in attendance of Bible class and worship. I can think of nothing that offers more assurance that the hands into which we pass the church in the next generation. DAN

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### PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lanova Mitchell has blood clots in her lungs and is undergoing treatment for this as well as for a recent fall. Jerry Thornton of Canton, is undergoing additional cancer treatment of the brain & bones in Canton Jamie Flores (relative of Dale Sparks) is being tested for possible MS. Lyndon Holmes (father of Katie Holmes) will have back surgery next week. Jamie Hughes is recovering from Covid this last week. She is much better. Heather Smith, is also recovering from Covid this last week. She is home. David Mitchell remain in Christ Mother Francis Hospital in Tyler for rehab. He is some better. Lisa Lambert, Mark Lambert, and Myrtice Cobb, her mother are better from Covid. Oleta Lambert, mother of Mark Lambert in Mabank nursing home seriously ill. Carlton Brooks (grandfather of C.T. Brooks) is improving in rehab. Sharron Grizzle (friend to many) is having health issues and request prayers. Arlene Cooper also request prayers. She is in the local hospital. Jane Grumbles is recuperating at home from a recent fall. Henry and Sonda Baker had Covid, but are much better. Fred King is having heart tests this week. Christine Oliphant is doing well following chemo treatments. Don Lewis, father of Paul Lewis is better and is back home now. Bryce Stewart (former member) has cancer and requests prayer. Ben Rhone has been undergoing shoulder test this last week. Janette Alford is recovering from shoulder surgery recently in Tyler.

Kenneth Holland is still having breathing issues.

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

Emily Davis (granddaughter of the Hollands) has brain cancer.

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