

Good morning and welcome to services! Thank you to everyone who joined us Tuesday night for Summer Youth Series. It was postponed and rescheduled at the last minute, so our group enjoyed dinner together in Tyler. We are looking forward to this week's SYS at Broadway Church of Christ in Tyler. We will leave the building at 5:15 on Tuesday evening to head that way. Each week SYS is a great spiritual boost for those who attend, with a great lesson geared toward teens and fantastic singing. If you are a young person we hope you'll make it a point to attend and we hope all parents will encourage their children to attend. Thanks to all who helped with yesterday's car wash. We really appreciate Lisa Krumnow's efforts in identifying young people in need and the time she puts into shopping for them. Our mission trip to Central Texas Children's Home is this weekend! We will leave Friday at 1:00 and will return Sunday afternoon. We will have a brief meeting in the middle school classroom following this morning's worship service for those going on the trip. Hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

LAUGH A LITTLE

"I loved the dress that I bought at a flea market. It fit perfectly, and the skirt was a swirl of intricate pleats. I wore it confidently to an evening party and glowed when a woman exclaimed, "Oh, how stunning!" Yes, I was grinning from ear to ear, until she added cheerfully, "Hang on to it, honey. Pleats will come back someday."

Your Car Warranty Is Expired!

I am willing to go out on a limb here and guess that everyone reading these words has been robo-called multiple times regarding their car's expired warranty coverage. It's a national phenomenon. They must be selling lots of warranties or else these calls would cease. The solicitations come at all times of the day from unrecognized numbers both near and far. Even car owners who have cars still under factory warranty get these calls. And to top that, people with no car at all get these calls! Every car in America should be fully covered with a bumper-to-bumper warranty by now, if only owners would sign up and pay their premiums. Au-to repair shops may fill up with lots of work, so you might need to call ahead and make an appointment as soon as possible. What if Christians were as interested in recommending the gospel as these guys are at pushing car warranties? No, we should not make nuisances of ourselves, but we are a very long way from that happening, to be sure. Yet, shouldn't we promote the salvation of souls with fervor and dedication— at least as much as if we were selling some product we think everyone must buy?

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

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 jeans. 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 world-class 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. I 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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Watermelon supper enjoyed by all who stayed. Welcome to our worship services today.



From Dan's desk:

Without the "powerpoint" last Sunday, God Word was proclaimed on the 4th of July 2021 our nation's birthday. For over 245 years since that first continental congress met the constitution of the United States of America still remains strong and vibrant. Thank God for this priceless document that has served our country so well. The Word of God (The Bible) has been the supreme book that tells of our freedom in Christ. Gal. 5:1 "Stand therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ has made you free.." The watermelon supper last Sunday evening went well with a large number of members staying for the fun, fellowship and delicious watermelon. We are grateful for all who stayed. Thanks to all those who stayed to help clean up afterwards. (Charles, Mike Whitley, Clayton Collins, Steve Camp, David Sparks, Dan Hughes, Jerame Gipson and others) The clean up was not as timely as in previous years. I guess we are becoming less messy. We always look forward to the time of our nation's birthday when we gather as a church family to enjoy this time of fellowship. The Teacher's appreciation dinner went great. A big thank you to the Rader family along with other parents and youth who hosted this event. We have 41 in attendance and the food was great and the fellowship equal to it. We are already approaching mid-July. It is hard to believe that we are this deep into the summer months. Please be reminded that ROBERT JOHNSON will be our guest speaker in our summer series this Wednesday night. His lesson consistent with our theme "Spiritual Vision", will be "Open my eyes that I may behold wonderful things in thy law". Robert is from Longview and will do a great job. Plan to be present. We hope to see each of you at the service tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

LORELEE REEDER will be having back surgery in a couple of weeks. Continue to remember her in your prayers.

JOYCE MATLOCK has throat Cancer and will begin treatment soon.

JOYCE FERRELL, sister of Mary Stech and former member here, is critically ill with hospice in Waco.

A prayer list in available in the foyer of those with ongoing illnesses.

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. Thanks again for coming.

The Miraculous Cane

Bent over and obviously in pain, the old man with a cane hobbled laboriously through the sanctuary and into the preacher's office while his friends waited. Ten minutes later he came out, walking upright and moving with grace and speed. "Good gracious," someone asked "Did the preacher heal you by faith?" "No," the old man said with a smile. "He just gave me a cane that wasn't six inches too short!"

What Character Do We Have?

Lily Tomlin said something funny about politicians and about those who elect them in the following - little joke. She said, "Ninety-eight percent of the adults in this country are decent, hardworking, honest Americans. It's the other lousy two percent that get all the publicity. But then, we elected them." My apologies to the many sincere, decent, hardworking politicians in America. Elected officials have a very difficult job. They live in a fish bowl, and a scandal -hungry media is always nearby, just waiting to whiff something rotten and smelly so they can splash the stink on screens and in headlines for all the world to see. And the public always seems eager to sniff it up. Tomlin's joke brings a smile to our faces due to the fact that political scandal is, sadly, a reality and a fairly routine part of public life in America. America's leaders can at times be a pretty rotten bunch. But that's only half the story. As Lily said, we elected them! Could it be the character of America's leaders is a reflection of the character of America's general public? President James A. Garfield (who was also a Gospel preacher) once made this pointed and uncomfortable statement about where the buck really stops: "The people are responsible for the character of their Congress. If that body is ignorant, reckless, and corrupt, it is because the people tolerate ignorance, recklessness, and corruption. If it be intelligent, brave and pure, it is because the people demand these high qualities. . . If the next centennial does not find us a great nation . . . it will be because those who represent the enterprise, the culture, and the morality of the nation do not aid in controlling the political forces. As America observes her 240th birthday, let us remember this timeless principle - "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:14). SELECTED

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lorelee Reeder has been undergoing additional tests on her back and will have surgery soon.

Glenda Baskin is recovering from surgery in Christus hospital in Tyler.

Joyce Matlock has throat cancer and will begin treatment soon.

Christine Oliphant- Frankya Cooper's daughter and friend to many- has breast cancer& undergoing tests

Mary Ann Colling (Doug Rader's mother) recovering from heart procedure at home.

Virginia Standand is recovering from a fall. She is at home improving.

Coy Chapman is with hospice care at his home.

Mary Jo Thomason is having therapy treatments on her legs

Loretta Young recovering from having a pace maker implanted and is better.

Emily Davis (granddaughter in-law of Ann and Kenneth Holland) has brain cancer Kenneth is still have breathing issues.

Ike and Joyce Weatherly are both having health issues.

Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer

Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer

Joe Radford(friend to many) is recovering from brain surgery he is doing much better.

Please remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers. They need our prayers. Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Ola Pearl Reeves, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Ruby Merritt, James and Irma Ray, Emalie Tuschoff and Patsy Bush.

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