



We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events

Life Groups

Upcoming Events

- Aug.29-** Wed. Meal; Sloppy Joes, Chips, Veggies, Dessert
- Sept. 2-** Fall Quarter Begins
- Sept. 3-** Labor Day; Office Closed
- Sept. 5-** Wed. Meal: Tator-Tot Casserole, Salad, Bread, Dessert
- Sept. 12-** Wed. Meal; Baked Potatoes; Salad, Dessert
- Sept. 19-** Wed. Meal: Sour Cream Chicken Enchiladas, Coleslaw, Hot Rolls, Dessert
- Sept. 26-** Wed. Meal: Pizza, Salad, Fruit, Dessert
- Sept. 30-** 5th Sunday Singing in Hennessy
- Oct. 29-** Alva Bible Chair Lunch

Congratulations to Madison Solis on the arrival of her new baby boy, Merik Solis, born 8/21/18. He weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19 ¾ in. long. The proud grandmother is Debbie Martin.

Congratulations to JR and Carol Baxter on their new great grandson, Oliver Shane Baxter, born 8/21/18. He weighed 8 lbs. and was 25.5 in. long.

Order of Worship

Song Leader	Dee Plummer
#794	Unto Thee, O Lord
.....	Days of Elijah
.....	Here I Am to Worship
Welcome/Scripture: Psalm 46	Erik Granberg
Opening Prayer	Gene Denney
.....	Break My Heart
#180	Jesus Is Lord
Communion Talk	Danny Powers
Jim Long	Shawn Tuohy
Roger Unruh	Jim Osburn
#346	Dan Kent
.....	Brett Thornton
.....	Cory Moore
.....	He Lives
.....	Dismiss Children
#712	Jesus Is Coming Soon
Sermon	Erik Granberg
#570	A Beautiful Life
Welcome/Announcements	Erik Granberg
Shepherd's Prayer	Dan Kent
Children's Worship	Wendy Taylor
Nursery	Jeanita Meek
Sound Booth	Brian Wright
Slides	Terry Sherrill
Lock Up	Cory Moore; Bill Oldham

Sermon Scripture: Galatians 5:13

Sermon Thought: Daily disciples should be people who serve. The Bible has a great deal to say about servanthood because the central theme of the Bible is the servant of all-Jesus Christ. "For even the son of man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many," Mark 10:45. When we give Jesus Christ his rightful place as Lord of our lives, his lordship will be expressed in the way we serve others.

Sermon Questions:

1. Does service come naturally to you or is it more of a decision you have to make?
2. In what ways are there different kinds of service?
3. What attributes does service help cultivate in our lives?

New Prayer Concerns

Youth and Family Minister Search
Hartsell & Lois Johnson-declining health

Beverly Carroll-recovering from knee surgery; in Garland Road Skilled Nursing #424

Cissy Duarte-in St. Mary's Long Term Acute Care (LTAC) #4211 No visitors at this time

Record for 8-19-18

Bible Class.....	87
Morning Worship	150
Life Groups	28
Contribution	\$2,907.46
Budget	\$6,634.62
2018 YTD Cont.....	\$195,407.56
2018 YTD Bdgt.....	\$218,942.46

Birthdays

August:

26th Ken Edwards

27th Ally Coker

28th Connie Johnson

31st Terry Gordon

Anniversaries

August:

9th Gene & Pam Denney

13th Trenn & Judy Watson

15th Jim & Geneva Osburn

19th David & Luann Burford

23rd Joe & Cissy Duarte

23rd Bill & Susan Oldham

25th Roger & Charlotte Owen

Love

“The Light of Life”

“And God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light” (Gen. 1:3). The first act of creation was to bring forth light so the rest of creation could have life and be fruitful. It continues to amaze me how much a small speck of light shines forth in total darkness. We need light to see where we are going. Light makes things grow and it casts a wonderful aura of beauty on everything that surrounds us. One of my favorite times doing farm work at night was to see the first glimpse of dawn as the sun began to bring its glorious light on a new day. I might add that the magnificent sunsets that close out our day of light also communicates something very special to us. It is the promise that there is another day coming where the sun will give us **the light of life**.

God, who is love, gives us light that reflects his glorious love for all of creation. In the light that surrounds us, we can see the glory of his divine presence. God’s love gave us another powerful light that gives us hope and promise of an eternal life with him. It is his only Son, Jesus (Jn. 3:16). Jesus was intimately involved in creation, and then left the glory of heaven to take on human form and give his life as a ransom for our sins. He is now the **light of our spiritual lives**. As John writes, “In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it” (Jn. 1:4-5). We have **the light of life** because of what God has done for us, and we now carry that light to a dark and dying world. The love we have for our fellow man propels us to “let our light so shine before men, that they may see our good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven” (Matt. 5:16). They see in us the dawning of another glorious day – a day of hope and promise because of the salvation we have in Christ Jesus our Lord – **the light of life!** **Gordon**

Anniversaries

We would like to start celebrating anniversaries along with birthdays! If you would like your anniversary added to the monthly calendar, please write the date you were married on your attendance card. We have several listed to the left that will be celebrating or have already celebrated this month.

Door Locks

In the next few weeks, we are going to begin locking the outside doors 15 minutes after services begin for safety. Ushers will be available to let people in and out as needed.

Two Ladies Classes Beginning in September

Wednesday night Ladies Class will begin on September 5 at 6:15 p.m. We will explore the Beatitudes and how each one shows Jesus’ attitude, the attitudes of different women of the Bible, and what our attitudes will be as we strive to look more like Jesus. Lesson booklets will be provided.

Tuesday morning Ladies Class will begin on September 11 at 10 a.m. We will be using another set of videos from Linda Smith called “Tell Me the Story, History through History.” Through the videos and our class discussion we will learn about ancient cultures and catch glimpses of Jesus revealed in the pages of the Old Testament. When completed, we should have a better understanding of how the Old Testament relates to the New Testament as well as to our lives today. Lesson books may be purchased if desired.