



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

Welcome Back!!

Easter Egg Hunt after worship elementary age & below

Upcoming Events

- May 10 - Mother's Day
June 6th - Spring Cleaning!
June 7th - Senior Sunday
June 21-24 - VBS
June 14-20 - LCCC Junior Session
July 5-11 - LCCC Xtreme Session

Record for 4-26-20

Contribution \$5,660.00
Budget \$6,634.62

Birthdays:

- May
4th Alan Lawrence
5th Amarah Granberg
6th Macy Mills
7th Charlotte Owen

Order of Worship

Song Leader Glenn Walker
#31 Be Still & Know
..... Rejoice in the Lord
#238 You Are the Song That I Sing
Welcome/Scripture: Stephen Lincoln
Opening Prayer Matt Nichols
..... Great Are You Lord
..... Break My Heart
#383 Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross
Communion Talk Terry Sherrill
#794 Unto Thee, O Lord
#294 You're the One
#959 Just a Little Talk with Jesus
Sermon: Rejoice in the Lord Always and Again I Say Rejoice! Erik Granberg
#381 Years I Spent in Vanity
Closing/Announcements Gordon Jantz
Shepherd's Prayer Dan Kent
Sound Booth Robb Mills
Slides Dee Plummer

Sermon Scripture: Philippians 4:4

Sermon Thought: "Always," is a strong word and to think about rejoicing always may seem impossible. There are oftentimes I don't feel like rejoicing. Those are mostly short temporary times though. As followers of God, we have a reason to be able to always rejoice: the fight has already been won. During this quarantine, many have turned their thoughts to God. I hope that as we turn our thoughts to God, it is out of rejoicing rather than fear.

Sermon Questions:

- 1. What gives you great joy in the Lord?
2. What gets in your way of continual rejoicing?
3. In what ways can we be a source of calm and comfort so the world can learn to rejoice?

New Prayer Concerns:

- **Les Swart Family** – recovering from his passing
- **Joyce Rutledge** – on hospice care (Gordon ministers to her)
- **Jeffery Smith** – Trey Johnson's dad, is now on hospice care
- **Jim Osburn** – having a stress test this Thursday
- **David Androes** – friend of Debbie Martin; being treated for congestive heart failure & fluid on his lungs
- **Pat Meek** – waiting on the results of Covid-19 test; has been running a fever
- **Shala Fuksa** – Landis & Renee's daughter-in-law; completed the clinical trial for her brain tumor at MD Anderson. She is at home now and needs prayers for pain management.

Next Week's (5/10) Servants:

Song Leader:	Robb Mills
Opening Prayer:	Roger Unruh
Communion Talk:	Dan Kent
Shepherd's Prayer:	Pat Meek
Sound Booth:	Terry Sherrill
Slides:	Todd Anderson

Forgiveness (Matthew 18:21-35) Forgiving Others

Forgiveness is another aspect of life that most of us struggle with. When we have been wronged or a loved one has been injured, our first reaction is to get back on them – to retaliate in some manner. Then there are times when we say we forgive someone, but we don't forget what they have done to us. That is why we often hear the expression "forgive and forget" when there is a need for true forgiveness. In spite of how difficult it is to forgive, there are still amazing stories of forgiveness. In these cases, it is only through the power of God that this wonderful deed of love, mercy and grace can be carried out. It is only in him that we have the courage and strength for **forgiving others**. The Lord tells us "*For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more*" (Heb. 8:12).

Jesus teaches us the eternal importance of **forgiving others** through his parable of the king who wished to settle accounts. He forgave a servant who owed him a large sum, and this servant then went out and demanded full payment of a small amount from one of his fellow servants. Not a good move! "*And in anger his lord [the king] delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart*" (Matt. 18:34-35). The Lord's prayer also teaches us "*And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven others*" (Matt. 6:12). Jesus goes on to tell his disciples, "*For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses*" (Matt. 6:14-15). Do you get the point? **Forgiving others** is not an option! It is an essential element of our eternal salvation. Let us practice **forgiving others** from the heart.

Gordon Jantz

Welcome Back!!

What a joy to be back worshipping together! To keep everyone as safe as possible, here are a few precautions we have put in place as we reopen. We encourage you to sit with just your family, spaced throughout the auditorium. Sunday classes will not begin until June 7. There will be no children's church or nursery until tentatively July. Individual communion cups will be available as well as a lock box for offerings. In June (tentatively), Sunday classes will begin. Wednesday classes will begin without dinner and life groups can begin. Then hopefully in July everything will be up and running as normal, including Wednesday dinners and potlucks. We will keep you updated if plans change.

Tie Dye Party!

This Friday, the 1st – 5th grades will be having food, a devo, and a tie dye activity! To social distance, there will be two sessions. One from 3-5 p.m. and the other from 5-7:30 p.m. Please bring your own apparel, and make sure to let Stephen know when session your child will be attending.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Chad & Jessica Allred! They were married here a few weeks ago and baptized a few weeks before that. What an exciting month for them! If you would like to send them a card, here is their address:

Chad & Jessica Allred
212 W. Poplar Ave.
Enid, OK 73701

Needed

Eugene and Rosalie Stetnish have moved! Their new address is 610 N. 6th St. Fairview, OK7 73737. They are in need of a refrigerator that is under five feet tall and a law mower. If you have either of those things to spare, please let Gordon know.