



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

**Upcoming Events**

- June 6<sup>th</sup> – Spring Cleaning!
- June 7<sup>th</sup> – Senior Sunday
- June 12<sup>th</sup> – High School Trip to the Wichita Wildlife Refuge
- June 13<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Fishing at Meadowlake Park
- June 21-24 – VBS
- July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Youth Group 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party at Roger Owen's House
- July 5-9 – LCCC Xtreme Session
- July 12-16 – LCCC Junior Session
- July 19-23 – LCCC Senior Session
- July 24-25 – Float Trip

**Record for 5-24-20**

Morning Worship.....	128
Contribution .....	\$5,792.00
Budget .....	\$6,634.62

**Birthdays:**

**June:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bonnie Hilburn
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mandy Coker

**Anniversaries:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dennis & Renny Hartman  
57 Years!!

\* If anyone would like our old pews when we get rid of them, please let one of our office staff know.

**Order of Worship**

- Song Leader** ..... **Dee Plummer**  
..... Come Let Us Sing  
..... Come Now Is the Time to Worship  
..... Here I Am to Worship
- Welcome/Scripture:** James 2:14-18 ..... **Stephen Lincoln**
- Opening Prayer** ..... **Dudley Darrow**  
..... Create in Me A Clean Heart  
..... Jesus, Name Above All Names  
..... Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You
- Communion Talk** ..... **John Wright**  
..... As the Deer Thirsts  
#560 ..... Living by Faith
- Sermon:** Thru the Bible: The Church Grows ..... **Erik Granberg**  
#469 ..... Faith is the Victory
- Closing/Announcements** ..... **Gordon Jantz**
- Shepherd's Prayer** ..... **Brent Dittmeyer**

- Sound Booth** ..... **Sean Sellers**
- Slides** ..... **Chris Taylor**

**Sermon Scripture:** Titus verses 3-4

**Sermon Thought:**

God created us the freedom to choose to follow him or not. In Christ we have freedom the chains of human moral laws aimed at trying to be, "good enough." God's grace is the reason for this freedom. This freedom though, is not a license to live however we choose. Rather, it should lead to a life that is compelled to live self-controlled, upright and godly.

**Sermon Questions:**

1. What do you think it means to the average Oklahoman to be, "a good person,"?
2. What differences are there between a "good" person and a "righteous" person?
3. The topic covered these last 3 weeks of grace and works is one that has caused many divisions between Christians. What stands out to you from these lessons?

### New Prayer Concerns:

- **Jan Petrik** – monitoring hemoglobin levels
- **Brent Dittmeyer** – recovering from shoulder surgery
- **Debbie Martin** – personal issues
- **Jacqueline Anderson** – recovering from a mild heart attack, exploratory heart surgery, & childbirth
- **Randy & Paula Waters' unborn granddaughter** – former members; she has a heart valve problem and will potentially require surgery when she is 6 months-old
- **Wes Anderson** – friend of the Jantz Family; health issues
- **Margaret Oldham Family** – Bill Oldham's sister; passed - away Thursday
- **Lois Johnson (Hartsell's Wife)** – fell & broke her hip; had surgery and is in St. Mary's

### Next Week's (6/7/20) Servants:

- Song Leader:** Danny Powers
- Opening Prayer:** Sean Sellers
- Communion Talk:** Cory Moore
- Shepherd's Prayer:** Dan Kent
- Sound Booth:** Dee Plummer
- Slides:** Robb Mills

## Sowing Seed (Matthew 13:24-30) Defeating the Enemy

The Vietnam War was part of our National Defense Strategy to defeat Communism. It was spreading rapidly and the freedom we hold so dear was being threatened. The United States was focused on changing that trend. Even though history says we lost the war in Vietnam, I believe we won a more powerful war over Communism. That is the message I have shared with high school classes over the years when I was asked to speak as a military veteran. The spread of Communism was curtailed, and we seldom hear anything about it today. I stand by my message that we actually **defeated the enemy**.

In the same way, we might be tempted to say the farmer lost the war with the weeds sown among the good seed. They grew with the wheat and even flourished until harvest. And then – and then – along came the reapers to “gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned” (Matt. 13:30). Even though the weeds seemed to have won the battle, the farmer **defeated the enemy** by destroying them in fire. As we go through our spiritual lives, we also face many battles and it often seems like we have been defeated. We fall prey to our fleshly appetites and do things that conflict with God's Will. Our hearts get discouraged and we even want to give up, but I want to assure us that we too can **defeat the enemy**. As John writes, “For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever” (1 Jn. 2:16-17). Keep our eyes focused on Jesus and we will be victorious over the weeds of sin. When we remain faithful until death, we are then able to **defeat the enemy** (Rev. 2:10). My dear saints, don't give up for the eternal victory is ours through Jesus!

*Gordon Jantz*

### Summer Series

Our Summer Series Bible Classes will begin this Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:15. The theme this year is the Kingdom of Heaven. We will be studying the parables where Jesus teaches us about the Kingdom of Heaven by comparing life and events from this physical world with it. He takes the things we can see and know to show us how to live in the spiritual kingdom he has given us. We pray you will join us for this life changing study.

### Spring Cleaning

Our building needs a little TLC so this year's spring cleaning will be all outside! It will be this Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8:30 a.m. Please look at the list on the office window to see if there is anything you can bring from home (like a power washer) that would be helpful.



This year we have three graduating seniors: **Landon Geitzenauer, Zach Guymon, and Krese Smith!** Make sure you stop by the table in the foyer and write some encouraging words and your favorite scripture in their bibles. Next Sunday is Senior Sunday so plan to stay after worship to congratulate them!

## Youth Info



**June 12**, the high schoolers will be taking a trip to the Wichita Wildlife Refuge! The van will be leaving at 8:00 a.m. We will be hiking, and fishing so please bring the required materials. If your child is over 16, they will need a fishing license. Drinks will be provided.

**June 13**, the middle schoolers will be fishing at Meadowlake Park from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Please meet at the park. Parents are encouraged to come. Fishing equipment required but no licenses needed.



**July 2<sup>nd</sup>**, we will be having a 4<sup>th</sup> of July party at Roger Owen's house for the whole youth group! More details to come.

## Float Trip

Our second annual float trip will be July 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> this year! Everyone is welcome to come on this fun filled trip! We will caravan from the church building at 5:30 p.m. on the 24<sup>th</sup> and stay in a hotel in Tahlequah that evening. We will float the next morning (the 25<sup>th</sup>) and then arrive back in Enid late afternoon/early evening.

The cost is approximately \$60 per person which includes hotel and float costs. You are more than welcome to stay elsewhere and meet us at the river the morning of the 25<sup>th</sup>.

**There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome center. If you have any questions, please ask Stephen Lincoln.**

