



**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**

HOPE Group-6-8 p.m.  
(Eat before you come.)

**Upcoming Events**

**Sept. 30** – Bedlam Blood Drive  
**Oct. 5** – Westview Boys' Home Grocery Truck

**Record for 9-13-20**

Morning Worship..... 123  
Contribution ..... \$6,565.00  
Budget ..... \$6,634.62  
Households served at Pantry..... 58  
Total people served at Pantry..... 167

**Birthdays:**

**September:**

**20<sup>th</sup>** Dianna Simmons  
**24<sup>th</sup>** Casey Elledge  
**25<sup>th</sup>** Landis Fuksa  
Sean Sellers  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Pam Denney  
Bill Oldham  
Krese Smith

**Anniversaries:**

**September:**

**22<sup>nd</sup>** JR & Carol Baxter  
48 Years!!  
  
Jim & Mandy Coker  
13 Years!!

**Order of Worship**

**Children's Worship**..... **Derek Tinius**  
**Welcome/Scripture** ..... **Stephen Lincoln**  
**Opening Prayer** ..... **Sean Sellers**  
**Song Leader** ..... **Beau Brownell**  
#869..... We're Marching to Zion  
#790..... Lord Take Control  
#376..... He Paid a Debt  
**Communion Talk**..... **Robb Mills**  
..... **Dismiss Children**  
#922..... Jesus Paid It All  
#648..... Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus  
#539..... Higher Ground  
**Sermon** ..... **Erik Granberg**  
#346..... He Lives  
**Closing/Announcements**..... **Gordon Jantz**  
**Shepherd's Prayer** ..... **Dan Kent**  
  
**Children's Worship**..... **Mandy Coker**  
**Nursery** ..... **Reeta Williams**  
**Sound Booth** ..... **Dudley Darrow**  
**Slides** ..... **Chris Taylor**

**Sermon Scripture:** Luke 9.51-52

**Sermon Thought:** When Jesus resolutely set his face toward Jerusalem, remember that he was human. He felt pain, had friends, places he enjoyed going in nature and felt fear. To turn his back on all of that was not easy.

**Sermon Questions:**

1. How did others respond to the steadfastness of Jesus?
2. What areas do you see Christian's struggling to remain steadfast in their faith?
3. What repercussions might result from followers being more resolute? Benefits?

### New Prayer Concerns:

#### All those affected with COVID-19

**Barbara Weise** – Karen Manley's mom; is now in skilled nursing recovering from kidney failure

**Dawn Webb** – waiting on results from a large nodule on her thyroid

**Chuck Haws** – being tested for autoimmune diseases

### Next Week's (9/27/20) Servants:

**Song Leader:** Glenn Walker

**Opening Prayer:** Dudley Darrow

**Communion Talk:** Marion Howell

**Shepherd's Prayer:** Brent Dittmeyer

**Sound Booth:** Jim Coker

**Slides:** Mandy Coker

**Nursery:** Kim Tinius

**Children's Worship:** Derek, Kim, Nate Tinius

Please let Robb Mills know if you can teach any Wednesday night classes coming up.

### Sunny and 75

If you asked a bunch of people what their favorite weather is, I have a hunch that they are going to say, "sunny and 70-80 degrees". It's beautiful weather. You can be outside all day and never really get hot. It's happy weather and if you are fortunate enough to find a gentle breeze, it's almost perfection. We have finally moved into this wonderful time of year again. Pay attention as you drive around and you'll see lots of people going on walks, riding bikes, and kids playing on the neighborhood streets or crowding the playground. Subconsciously, we all enjoy this weather and want to get those last few, fun outdoor things going because we know that soon the weather will turn from beautiful and sunny, to overcast and rainy, or maybe even snow. While winter has its own merits, it usually is a time where we are all stuck inside because it's not fun to be outside for very long. That is why late summer and early fall are so busy. We're making the most of the time we have left.

As Christians, we all understand that life goes through seasons both physically and metaphorically. We all go through "grow periods" where things are working out well. We're happy, and we're enjoying life. But, we all also go through "low periods" where life gets hard and you lose a loved one, or you get fired from your job, you get sick, or the worst of all, you get weak in your relationship with God. That's why as Followers of Christ, when we go through that perfect weather and we're in that grow period, we need to soak it in, bask in the **Son**, becoming encouraged and strong. Make the most of the good time we have because there will always be another low period where we feel weak and we are susceptible to attack. We need to be fortifying our soul and building our defenses so we can outlast the bad weather. Satan preys on the weak, so when you feel low you need to pray all week and draw closer to God. We need to stay within our defense, so we don't become another sheep devoured by the roaring lion of despair. The **Son** is shining in His perfect might and His powerful light. **Grow**.

**1 Peter 5:8** "8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour."

Stephen Lincoln



It's officially #BEDLAM at Oklahoma Blood Institute, and blood donors are needed to help rebuild the blood supply in response to the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. Donors will receive a free t-shirt of their choice, OU or OSU. Oklahoma Blood Institute supports the inventory for patients in more than 160 hospitals, medical facilities and air ambulances statewide. All donations for donors 18+ will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies to identify potential convalescent plasma donors.

The North Garland Blood Drive will be **Wednesday, September 30, from 5-7:30 p.m.** in the foyer. Sign up for a time on the welcome center.

### Westview Boys' Home Truck

The Westview Boys' Home truck will be here October 5<sup>th</sup>! Let's help fill up the truck! Here is our list of food we need to donate: tuna, white sugar, vegetable oil, Vienna sausage, mandarin oranges, assorted box Jell-O, beef/chicken broth, powdered Gatorade, baked/refried beans, crunchy peanut butter, powdered/brown sugar, 16 oz./24 oz. Picante sauce, evaporated/sweetened condensed milk, and 100% fruit juice.