



June 1, 2025

On the Horizon

Wednesday Night Bible Study – Resumes this week, on June 4.

Bar-B-Q – Join us at the Smiths' residence, on Saturday, June 7, at 4:00 PM. A sign up list for sides is in the foyer.

Community Caring Center – We have need for Ramen Noodles, canned meats, mac & cheese, soups, peanut butter, and jelly.

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, June 1

Bible Study at 9:45 AM

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Wednesday, June 4

Prayer & Bible Study at 6:30 PM

Saturday, June 7

Bar-B-Q at 4:00 PM

Pastor's Pondering

Amy and I watch a fair amount of historical dramas, some of which lead me to wonder just how much of the story I see is actually true. Inevitably, many things are not true—they are created for dramatic effect or because a particular character is more popular than another. It can be quite annoying to watch a character arc or see an event depicted as being “historical,” only to discover it never really happened, or that a character never even lived.

In light of these disappointments, it is nice to know that the Bible is not this way. While the authors do arrange events to suit their particular theological focuses, they do not make composite characters or invent fictitious characters because the real people were not entertaining enough, and the events described are not embellished for dramatic effect. It's not just based on a true story, it is actually true.

- Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

In **2 Timothy 2:8-14**, Paul reiterates the need to remember what God has done so that we might endure what will come as we follow Jesus.

June Memory Verse

Ephesians 6:12

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Physical Needs:

- Cindy Pratt's treatment for lung cancer (AC)
- Kathy Smith has stage 4 cancer (LH)
- Sheila Pierce has cancer spreading (TB)
- Dean has a terminal cancer diagnosis (MH)
- Robert is being treated for cancer (DC)
- Leah Iglesias received a difficult diagnosis (TB)
- Steven Wells' stage 4 prostate cancer is getting worse (LL)
- Kelly Spear's sister, Beth, has cancer (AC)
- Lillie DeRossett stopped all medical care (MH)
- Kelly Bickett has a blood clot in her leg (GL)
- Ben Price's broken jaw is wired shut (CR)
- Doug Cecil is receiving treatment for prostate cancer (DC)
- Beverly Tidwell's upcoming 6-month cancer scan (BT)
- Kaylee Bartell suffers from mood swings due to drug affects as a baby (BW)
- Hilda's mom has a blocked tear duct (HL)
- Dottie Blake has a blood clot in her eye (TC)

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- David C. suffers from PTSD and alcoholism (LL)
- Pat has poor mental health and alcoholism (TC)
- Hilda Lapointe's extended family (HL)
- Tiffany's mom is off her bipolar meds (GL)
- Julie & Juan have legal and familial issues (LL)
- James and Sharon Rollins as he cares for her
- John Bickett is taking care of his sister (GL)

Please send new prayers or updates to office@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us accurate with your updates!

World Events:

- War in Ukraine, for Christians to be faithful, specifically those believers in Chernivtsi
- Peace and justice for Israel & neighbors
- Remaining hostages in Gaza

Ministry Requests:

- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)
- Jane Sutton is on Hospice (MM)

In the Hospital:

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Families who have recently lost loved ones:

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Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Alex Grant - Army

Praises:

- Carolyn Rains had a good hip replacement surgery and is doing well (DC)

Special Days:

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Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

Giving Report for 5.25.2025

<u>Offering</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>World Missions Giving</u>	
General Offering Needs:	\$ 2,073.35	\$ 43,540.35	2025 Goal	\$6,000.00
General Offering Actual:	\$ 1,537.00	\$ 47,572.80	May Goal	\$2,500.00
Designated Offering:	\$ 210.00	\$ 4,230.00	Last Week	\$ 210.00
Total Offering:	\$ 1,747.00	\$ 51,802.80	Year To Date	\$2,430.00