



June 24, 2018

### Scheduled Activities

Sunday, June 24

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Evangelism Training at 12:00 PM

Wednesday, June 27

Prayer Meeting at 6:30 PM

Soaring Eagles at 6:30 PM

Praise Team Rehearsal at 6:30 PM

Bible Study at 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 30

Evangelism Outing at 10:30 AM

### Pastor's Pondering

Do you know why we traditionally go to church at 11:00 AM? I once heard a talk by a dairy farmer in Colorado, and he explained that he wouldn't be getting to church any earlier, and not to expect him for evening services as he was busy milking by then. Churches throughout the world worship at 11:00 AM, not because it is in the Bible, not because it is what works for us, but because it is a tradition from our agricultural ancestry. Never mind that few of us milk cows today...

There are so many things that we do in church that boil down to this same idea. We are like the young lady who cuts the ends off her roast before cooking it, and her newlywed husband has the audacity to ask why. She has no idea, so asks her mom, who must go and ask her mom, who explains that the roasts did not fit her pot.

I sure would like to be in a church where you can ask "why," and where we can change something if it no longer applies to us. I like to think I am...

Am I?

- Blessings, David

### On the Horizon

Evangelism Training – This Sunday from 12:00—1:30 PM. Lunch is provided.

Evangelism Outing – Saturday, June 30, at 10:30 AM. We will go out in teams to observe and put into practice what we will learn this Sunday.

New Sermon Series – All through July, we will take a look at Jesus' Plain Talk from Luke 6. Did he really mean what he said, or was it just colorful metaphors?

Riverbend Preteen Camp – July 16–20 for children who completed grades 3–6. Cost is \$180 a child and we have space for more children. Please see Philippe Lalonde for details.

Eagle Mountain Arts Camp – Our 2018 camp is **THE SHOW MUST GO ON**, and will be in the evenings of July 29—Aug. 2. We still have room for more art and Bible teachers. Please sign up this Sunday!

### Worship Preparation

We finish up our look at Peter's Acts with his last mention in **Acts 15:6-11**. This passage may seem to be a repeat of chapter 10, but it is just the next step in the continuing struggle for a freeing gospel.

### Sunday Service Teams

Lead Greeter

Sharon Rollins

Nursery Ministry

Marie Hudson

Counters

Dennis Bedford & Lindy Hoyt

**Physical Needs:**

- Louie Lapointe's friend, Richard, is on waiting list for liver and kidney donor
- Dan Jansen, a missionary to Rwanda, is receiving treatment for depression caused by a vitamin deficiency
- Trish Raney will undergo surgery and chemotherapy for breast cancer
- Ginny Greenwood is receiving treatment for cancer
- Ed Hudson will treat blocked by-passes with medication
- Louie Lapointe's friend, Alison Butler was recently diagnosed with cancer
- Amy Cecil's friend, Amanda Officer, is beginning chemotherapy for breast cancer
- Hilda Lapointe's sister, Sonja Giron, is having stomach trouble
- Several of Hilda Lapointe's extended family members in Guatemala have been injured by the lava and ash from the volcano eruption
- Darrin Walker is receiving therapy after foot surgery and antibiotics for bone infection

**In the Hospital:**

- Robert Williams, Terry Williams' dad, had his lungs flushed out and is recovering
- Catherine Johns' step-mother, Jasna East, is recovering from surgery for pancreatic cancer, will need chemotherapy
- Carlton Berry, Brian's uncle, complications due to cancer treatment
- Amy Cecil's sister-in-law, Jasmine Frizzell, was induced for delivery on Thursday

**Praises:**

- Mike Frizzell's vertigo problems have stabilized
- Brian's uncle, Carlton Berry, is out of the ICU

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

**Personal Requests:**

- Those who are seeking employment
- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Loved ones struggling with broken relationships
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- For family members to endure the consequences of their actions with a positive spirit
- Chris is facing struggles with depression

**Ministry Requests:**

- Hailes Family in Madagascar
- Meagan Clark - in India with CSJ
- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

**In Nursing Care:**

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Oletha Oldham (Azle Manor)
- Charlene Bagby (Eagle Crest)
- Roy Trotter (Azle Manor)
- Darin Walker (White Settlement Nursing Cntr.)

**Families who have recently lost loved ones:**

- The family of Margaret Winterrowd

**Family members in the military:**

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Michael Britt - Navy
- Stephen Cecil - Air Force
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Alexander Cole - Air Force

**Special Days:**

- Deborah Bedford's birthday is on the 26th
- Barbara Pack's birthday is on the 27th
- Mike & Dalene Perrin celebrate their anniversary on the 29th
- Bobby & Barbara Pack celebrate their anniversary on the 30th
- James & Linda Musick celebrate their anniversary on the 1st

**Member Notices:**

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Please send new prayers or updates to pastor@embcm.com. Thank you for keeping us up-to-date with your updates!