



July 28, 2024

On the Horizon

Fellowship Meal – This Sunday, please bring a dish to share with others, as we gather after Morning Worship.

Ministry Conference – We will meet at 1:00 PM this Sunday, after the Fellowship Meal.

Wednesday Night Bible Study – We will resume our Bible study on Wednesday, August 7.

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

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, July 28

Bible Study at 9:45 AM

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Fellowship Meal at 12:00 PM

Ministry Conference at 1:00 PM

Pastor's Pondering

In his speech at the Republican National Convention, JD Vance made a statement about wanting America “to thrive for centuries to come.” That phrase stood out to me because I struggle to envision America existing for another 60 years, much less thriving “for centuries to come.”

I am sure part of my limited view of the future has to do with my understanding of nations and history, but I also think my eschatology affects my view. I expect Jesus to return some day. Looking at the world, I genuinely wonder how much longer it will be until He returns. My view of the future is limited because I believe Jesus will soon interrupt that future with His own plans.

Many in our country, and indeed the world, do not see an end in sight. For them, this existence is all we have, and it shows. We approach life differently when we believe in God's intervention and end.

- Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

We conclude our study of church leadership by looking at the example set by those who would lead, in keeping with the spirit of [Philippians 3:17-21](#).

July Memory Verse

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Physical Needs:

- Mike Perrin has stage 4 bone cancer (DC)
- Chris Lawry has lung cancer (EF)
- Cindy Pratt's treatment for lung cancer (AC)
- Kathy Smith has stage 4 cancer (LH)
- Linda Carrillo is suffering from liver disease and strokes (MC)
- Jesus Carreon, Sr. has a brain tumor (FC)
- Aly Biller has another tumor on the other side of her brain (MH)
- Sean will have surgery for a brain tumor (LL)
- Bryan Conkling has pneumonia (TB)
- Beverly Tidwell is being treated for cancer (BT)
- Sheila Pierce has cancer spreading (TB)
- Dean has a terminal cancer diagnosis (EH)
- Stacey has breast cancer (BT)
- Alex Grant has stress related nerve pain (BT)
- Robert is being treated for cancer (DC)
- James Musick has a torn meniscus (JM)
- Leah Iglesias received a difficult diagnosis (TB)
- Hilda Lapointe has Covid (HL)

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- People suffering from addictions
- Brandon, nephew of Doug (LL)
- Jane Sutton struggles with Dementia (MM)
- David C. suffers from PTSD and alcoholism (LL)
- Noah is looking for a new job (GL)
- Jennifer T. is going through a divorce (AC)
- Jason has family troubles (LL)
- Patricia has poor mental health (TC)

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

World Events:

- War in Ukraine, for Christians to be faithful, specifically those believers in Chernivtsi
- Peace and justice in Israel & Gaza
- USA Elections and leaders

Ministry Requests:

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

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Charlene Bagby (Azle Manor)
- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)

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:

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Special Days:

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

Giving Report for 7.21.2024

| Offering | Last Week | Year to Date | World Missions Giving | |
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| General Offering Needs: | \$ 2,121.43 | \$ 61,521.47 | 2024 Goal | \$6,000.00 |
| General Offering Actual: | \$ 1,338.00 | \$ 57,828.27 | July Goal | \$3,500.00 |
| Designated Offering: | \$ 150.00 | \$ 3,040.00 | Last Week | \$ 150.00 |
| Total Offering: | \$ 1,488.00 | \$ 60,868.27 | Year To Date | \$1,895.00 |