



September 30, 2018

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, September 30

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Monday, October 1

Ladies' Evening Bible Study at 7:00 PM

Royal Ambassadors at 5:30 PM

Tuesday, October 2

Riverbend Men's Fish Fry at 12:00 PM

Wednesday, October 3

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, October 6

Family Kickball League at 4:00 PM

On the Horizon

Riverbend Men's Fish Fry – This Tuesday, October 2, from noon till 10:00 PM. We still need fryers; aid your brothers!

Family Kickball League – The season begins this Saturday at 4:00 PM. Gather a team or join one that is already formed! It is for all ages and skill levels.

Coat Drive – The Women's Ministry is collecting coats through October for the Union Gospel Mission. Place coats in the box next to the shopping cart.

Good Neighbor Blitz – Join Servolution on October 12 or 13 to revitalize homes in Azle. See Pastor Brian for details and sign up at the greeter table.

New Sermon Series – Through October and November, we will be studying the book of Malachi as we look at "Restoring Worship."

Pastor's Pondering

I killed a fly the other day. I wonder what God thinks about our killing his creations like that. I know He allows us to kill animals for food, He established that after the flood, but what about killing because you are annoyed? Jesus said that a sparrow doesn't fall to the ground that God the Father is unaware of it. Being the awesome God He is, I can't help but think He knows when each fly is swatted, each mosquito is crushed. What does He think about it?

My take is that the world is a fallen place; everything is corrupt. Our enmity with these pests is not how God created it to be, but His grace is sufficient enough to forgive us for our wanton destruction of His creation. He does not destroy us as we destroy flies. Instead, He sent His son to redeem us and to eventually restore all of creation, even flies. - Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

We finish our series on Jesus Said... in **John 15:12-17**, a command to love one another. To get the whole picture, look at **13:31-15:17**.

Sunday Service Teams

Lead Greeter

Tom Beaman, Jr.

Nursery

Maria Carter & Ali Carter

Children's Church

Amy Cecil

Counters

Lonnie Hoyt & Bonnie Jones

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
- Louie Lapointe's friend, Alison Butler was recently diagnosed with cancer
- Amy Cecil's friend, Amanda Officer, is undergoing chemotherapy for breast cancer
- Hilda Lapointe's sister, Sonja Giron, is having stomach trouble
- Linda Wells, wife of Tom Beaman's friend, Jerry Wells, is being treated for breast cancer
- Pat & Ricky Ladner's multiple health problems
- Darin Walker is receiving medication to mitigate his dementia
- Jerry Wells will have surgery to repair an abdominal aneurysm
- Eura's daughter-in-law, Mary Cole, had a procedure on Thursday to enlarge her esophagus

In the Hospital:

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Praises:

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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
- Residents in the path of Hurricane Florence

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)

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

- Brian Berry's uncle passed away last Saturday

Family members in the military:

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

Special Days:

- Carolyn Rains' birthday is on the 3rd
- Mytyl Tatro's birthday is on the 3rd
- Kathryn Cecil's birthday is on the 4th

Member Notices:

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