

Westgate Church of Christ

Welcome Members and Guests



All-Church Retreat Starts Saturday

Get ready for some fun and relaxation! The retreat is coming this weekend, **April 1 – 2**. If you told us you were coming but haven't paid yet, you can get an envelope from the table in the short hall, enclose your payment, and put it in the lockbox on Brady's office door. See the inside of the bulletin for details, and please ask Brady or Jill if you have any questions.



Next Sunday

~There will not be any Bible classes at the church building **Sunday, April 2**, but there will be a guest preacher for those members and guests who do not make it out to the All-Church Retreat in Leuders. Worship will start at the regular **10 a.m.** time.
~If you are able, even if you can't make it out to the whole retreat, come out Sunday (248 FM 142, Leuders) for the worship service at **10 a.m.**, the kickball game (or kickball game-watching), and lunch.



Brown Bag Fellowship This Week

March has a 5th **Wednesday night (3/29)**, so we're going to have a Brown Bag Fellowship. You can pack a sack lunch at home or run by a fast-food place and pick up food, and then meet up at the building at **5:45 p.m.** to eat together and fellowship before class at **6:45 p.m.**

Easter Egg Hunt Coming Soon

Two weeks from today is Easter Sunday. The Easter Egg Hunt will be the night before Easter, **Saturday, April 8, at 5:30 p.m. at the Festival Gardens**. If you have children participating in the hunt, please drop off a dozen filled plastic eggs per child in the collection bin in the short hall. You're also welcome to bring eggs even if you don't have kids taking part.



Sermon Title: The False Self

Scripture: Matthew 23: 27-32

"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.

"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You build tombs for the prophets and decorate the graves of the righteous. And you say, 'If we had lived in the days of our ancestors, we would not have taken part with them in shedding the blood of the prophets.' So you testify against yourselves that you are the descendants of those who murdered the prophets. Go ahead, then, and complete what your ancestors started!"

Prayer Concerns

~**Brenda Brown** is having muscle weakness in her legs. She had an MRI, but they were unable to determine the cause. She will have more tests and possibly physical therapy. Please pray for strength and good answers for Brenda.

~Our sympathy to the family of **Jim Hill**. He passed away on Sunday, and the memorial service was Friday at Westgate. Please add **Cara Hill and Mackenzie and Isabella Stotts** to your prayer list.

~**Chester Lynd** had to go back into the hospital on Thursday for pacemaker adjustments. Please remember him in your prayers.

~Please remember **Eric Robinson** in your prayers as he struggles with nerve issues in his arm.

~Please keep praying for **Jackie Lee** and Ray and Dawn Cornutt and family as they grieve the loss of Logan.

~The All-Church Retreat is next weekend. Please pray for a successful retreat.

~Julie Conly (**Jerry Varnado's** daughter) is dealing with metastatic colon cancer and appreciates our prayers.

~Continued prayers for **Kathryn Boerio's** mom and dad, Myron and Nancy Stewart.

~Please remember to pray for **Megeste Pierre** and the situation in Haiti.

Those unable to join us:

~Laverne Horn
~Ethel Gumm

Ongoing prayer concerns:

~Peggy Allen
~Deana Frazier
~Bill Jackson
~Nell Hopper
~Dwight Painter
~Chester Lynd
~Melody Loveland
~Steve Henderson
~Donna Scott
~Steve Smith
~Patsy Williamson
~Jim and Joyce Waddell
~Mickey Walker
~Ron and Geraldine Hill

Missionaries:

~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX
~Megeste Pierre—Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

Thank You Note

Dear Westgate family,
Thank you for the many ways you supported our family through Logan's cancer journey. Logan appreciated each card and every prayer on his behalf. Many thanks for all the texts, calls, cards and for the beautiful plant. Thank you for your prayers and words of comfort as we grieve, yet walk this path of trusting GOD and believing His promises.
Love,
Jackie and Cornutt family



How to Apologize

(from Brady) After the message on March 5th about owning mistakes and admitting wrong, one of our members showed me the book *How to Apologize* by David LaRoche. It is a cute children's book that teaches a simple truth everyone should know. Unfortunately, many adults haven't grasped what it teaches; so, it's really a book for everyone. Follow the QR code to read the book on YouTube or better, go buy it on Amazon.



Flowering of the Cross

On Easter Sunday (**April 9th**) we will participate in the Flowering of the Cross tradition. We will cover a barren cross with beautiful flowers which represents the Resurrection and God's ability to bring beauty out of brokenness. We will have flowers at the building to cover the cross with, but bringing your own flowers that are meaningful to you is encouraged.





Happy Birthday:

Mar. 28: Kathryn Boerio
Mar. 30: Hess McSherry
Mar. 31: Trevor Meeks
Apr. 1: Avery Williams



Happy Anniversary:

Mar. 27:
Mark & Brenda Brown
Mar. 31:
Jeremy & Rachael Lee



Our Calendar:

Mar. 26: Youth Group devo @ the Chaney's house **6 – 8 p.m.**
Mar. 29: Brown Bag Fellowship **5:45 p.m.**
Apr. 1 – 2: All-Church Retreat
Apr. 5: Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**
Apr. 8: Easter Egg Hunt at Festival Gardens **5:30 p.m.**
Apr. 9: Easter Sunday
Apr. 19: Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**
Apr. 30: Brisket Burn/Youth Auction after services
May 14: Mother's Day
May 21: Graduation Celebration
May 25: Clyde ISD Graduation
May 26: Wylie ISD Graduation
May 26 – 27: Abilene ISD Graduation
May 29: Memorial Day
June 4 – 7: VBS

All-Church Retreat Information

Theme:

The theme of this year's All-Church Retreat is "The Mirror." One of the hardest things to do is self-examine, to look in the mirror and objectively see who we really are. But this is where real transformation happens. The Sunday message last week and this week explore this, then we will unpack it with intergenerational activities on the retreat. One of the best ways to truly see yourself is through relationships with others. Please plan to learn about yourself, others, and God.



Time:

Check-in: **11:00 a.m. — noon**
Saturday, April 1
Check-out: **1:00 p.m.**
Sunday, April 2

Place:

Big Country Baptist Assembly

Optional things to bring:

Bible (digital or otherwise)
twin bedding (if you have 2+ kids)
bikes, scooters, outdoor toys
lawn chairs
fishing equipment
board games
snack or dessert to share
(They have towels, pillows, and queen-size bedding.)

SCHEDULE

Saturday

11:00 Arrival
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Opening Session (upstairs meeting room)
2:00 – 5:00 Free Time (paintball, rock wall, archery, axe throwing)
5:00 Second Session
6:15 Dinner
7:30 Campfire Devo (amphitheater)
8:30 Kids Storytime, free time, games

Sunday

8:00 Breakfast
9:00 Prayer Scavenger Hunt
10:00 Morning Worship (upstairs meeting room)
11:00 Kickball
12:00 Lunch

Children's Ministry News

- In John 8:1-11, religious leaders trying to trap Jesus bring him a woman who was caught in sin. The law says she should be stoned to death. Jesus handles the situation with gentleness, not condoning the sin but sending her accusers away and treating her gently. Jesus' gentleness was not weak, it empowered Him to handle tough situations. Classes explored gentleness as a fruit of the Spirit today.
- Bible Verse: **"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!"** (Galatians 5:22-23)
- Thank you to Becki for teaching 4th and 5th graders about Samson last Wed. PM. Adam and Clair will lead a study on the brothers, Cain and Abel, next week. Appreciation to each of our Bullies of the Bible teachers.
- There will be no Sunday AM Bible classes next week due to our church retreat.



Children drew their faithful friends before a review of the story of David and Jonathan.

Youth Ministry News

Join us on **Sundays at 9 a.m.** and **Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m.** for class.

We are having a youth devotional **tonight** at the Chaney's house from **6 – 8!**

Please register for Camp Beloved and Beyond by **April 1st** if you want to go! Ask Clay if you have any questions.

It's time to start thinking about the items and services you want to provide for the Youth Auction! Auction items will be due **Sunday, April 16th**.

Please mark your calendar for the weekend of the Youth Auction and Brisket Burn (**April 29th – 30th**). There will be a work day on **Saturday the 29th**.

The youth group girls are never too old to enjoy the playground at Blue Sky!



Services at Westgate: Sundays—Bible Class **9:00 a.m.**,
Worship **10:00 a.m.**, Wednesdays—Bible Class **6:45 p.m.**

Church office: (325)692-2300
westgatecofc@gmail.com

Offering:

March 19:
Contribution: \$3,610.25
eGive: \$3,190.00
Total: \$6,800.25
Budget: **\$6,917.00**
Be A Blessing: \$18.97

Lead Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903) pbhorner@gmail.com

Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu

Children's Education Coordinator: Jackie Lee (325-518-4767)
lee-jacqueline@sbcglobal.net

Elders: Randy Bibb, Jim MacDonald, Steve Stovall, Troy Tom

Deacons: Manny Carneiro, Jon Cogburn, Eric Gumm, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, Matt Waldrip

Nursery Duty:

Linda Jones

Building Lock-up:

March: Adam Lott
April: Chris Meeks

Blessing Box

Counting:
Luke McFarlen
Liam Meeks