

Prayer Concerns

~**Chester Lynd** had surgery for his pacemaker in Dallas on Tuesday. Doctors had to give him a temporary pacemaker for now due to an infection around his original pacemaker site. Additional surgery will be necessary to insert a permanent pacemaker on the other side. He expects to be in the Dallas hospital at least another week. Many prayers for Chester.

~**Dwight Painter** fell and broke his leg. They do not have to do surgery, but he will be at Encompass Rehab at least the next couple of weeks. Please add Dwight to your prayer list.

~Please pray for **Brenda Brown**. She is having muscle weakness in her legs. She will have more tests and possibly physical therapy coming up.

~**Kathryn Boerio's** mother finished radiation and will go back to chemo every other week. Continued prayers for Nancy Stewart.

~Please pray for a successful All-Church Retreat.

Happy Birthday:

Apr. 2: Anita Morton

Apr. 4: Hayley Webb

Apr. 6: Randi Boyd

Apr. 8: Melissa Bell



Our Calendar:

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

Children's Ministry News

- There are no Sunday AM classes due to the All-Church Retreat. Classes will pause our Fruit of the Spirit focus to study the resurrection on Easter Sunday.
- Make plans to join us at the egg hunt this Saturday for fun and fellowship.
- VBS is 9 weeks away, hard to believe! We are excited to learn more about Daniel and his courage in Babylon.

Hayley's Sunday AM class worked together to gently build strong towers. Children were taught that when we learn to be gentle, we can build strong friendships. Thanks to Hayley for teaching this group the importance of gentleness, a fruit of the Spirit.



VBS
June 4 – 7

Youth Ministry News

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

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**.

Join us for a youth devo at the Williams' house on **Sunday, April 23rd**!

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**.



Thank you to the Chaney's for hosting us last Sunday night!

Offering

March 26:

Contribution: \$8,243.25

eGive: \$2,625.00

Total: \$10,868.25

Budget: **\$6,341.00**

Be A Blessing: \$48.59

Lead Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903)

Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983)

Children's Education Coordinator: Jackie Lee (325-518-4767)

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

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

Nursery Duty:

self-serve (retreat)

Building

Lockup:

April: Chris Meeks

May: Matt Waldrip

Westgate Church of Christ

Sermon Title: Toward a New Definition

Scripture: Genesis 15: 1-6

After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

“Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.”

But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

Flowering of the Cross

On Easter Sunday (**April 9**) 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.



Easter Egg Hunt Saturday



The annual Westgate Easter Egg Hunt is **this Saturday, April 8, at 5:30 p.m.** at the Abilene Festival Gardens across from the zoo. Bring a brown bag dinner or take-out food for your family. **All are welcome** and encouraged to come for the fellowship time and to watch the children hunt for eggs. We are collecting eggs filled with candy or nonedible prizes ahead of time. If you are able, please bring a dozen filled eggs and place in the bin in the short hall.

April Sunday AM Adult Bible Classes

Modern-Day Heresies: The Fellowship Hall Class has been discussing how heretics throughout the centuries have challenged and shaped the Church. Now we will explore modern-day heresies. Some heresies may be needed to reform the church, some need to be combated, and others...we just might be guilty of. Join us in the **Fellowship Hall** in April as we explore what to do with these Modern-Day Heresies.

Nehemiah: Standing up for What is Right: Eric Gumm will continue leading this class in the **Auditorium** on Sunday mornings in April, exploring Nehemiah's calling to lead and serve and what it says to us today.

****These classes will not meet this morning due to the All-Church Retreat. Join us on **Sunday, April 9.***



Pizza! Pizza!

Come on out **this Wednesday night at 5:45 p.m.** for the first April Love Grub! Pizza, salad, fruit, and dessert will be served, and gluten-free and dairy-free options will be available. Please contribute a few dollars to cover the cost of your meal if you are able. After the meal, stay for Bible class.

Directory Update

Please contact the office if you would like Cara Hill's phone number.