

“WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS”

(Romans 11:11, 17-23)

I. No Matter Your Past, God Wants You

II. Growth is Necessary for Survival

III. Resources to Help

TODAY'S GREETERS: Travis & Jessie Key

SUNDAY AM BIBLE CLASSES

Auditorium - Adults (Doug Boyle)

NO TEEN CLASS TODAY
Please join the auditorium class.

WEDNESDAY PM - December 4th

Greeter	Frosty Munsell
Song	Aaron Boyle
Scripture (1 Cor. 2:6-10)	Alec Boyle

WEDNESDAY PM BIBLE CLASSES

Auditorium - Adults (Greg Waide)
Daniel's Prophecies & God's Sovereignty

Teen Room - Teens (Ray Rose)

Fellowship Hall - Ladies Class (Fern Boyle)
Biblical Geography

BLAST Class - PreK - 6th (December 4th: Carolyn Rehmel)

NEXT SUNDAY - December 8th

Greeters	Greyson Waide & Luke Rehmel
Announcements	Dan Biby
Songleader	Greyson Waide
Scripture Reading/Prayer	Alec Boyle
Lesson	Ray Rose
Communion	Bill David Walker
Closing Prayer	Travis Key
PM Songleader	Alec Boyle
PM Prayer	Frosty Munsell
PM Lesson	Ray Rose

ELDERS *Elder of the Month - December

Doug Boyle *Greg Waide



DEACONS *Responsible for locking the building - December

Tim Ford - Audio-Visual/Technology *Roger Gaddie - Building/Communion Svc
Tim Rehmel - Education

If you ever miss a robo-call from the church, you can hear the most recent message again by dialing: 1-877-333-9336.

PULPIT MINISTER - Ray Rose SECRETARY - Jennifer Waide

Office Hours: Mon, 8:30-12:30; Wed - Fri, 8:30 to 4:30 Notary services are available in the of-

	SUNDAY		WEDNESDAY	
	Bible Classes	9:30 am	Mid-Week Boost Meal	5:30-6:30 pm
	AM Worship	10:30 am	(During the school year)	
	PM Worship	5:00 pm	Bible Study 	7:00 pm

December 1, 2024 • Alec Boyle

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Uncanny Valley

My subject today is rather unusual for a church bulletin, but I want to discuss a human condition that's beginning to create a groundswell of anxiety and dread within society. As God-fearing Christians, however, we need to recognize it as an excellent opportunity to share the peace that obeying the Good News brings.

First coined in the 1970s by Japanese roboticist Masahiro Mori, the "uncanny valley" is the psychological phenomenon describing the feeling of uneasiness or even revulsion people experience when they encounter something that's almost human, but not quite.

This fear can be brought about by any humanoid robots like Ameca, Optimus, and Walker X. These machines make us uncomfortable because they look *almost* like us. Further, they have no soul, no consciousness, and they don't know right from wrong.

Bringing it closer to God's realm, an AI-enhanced robot named "Mindar" acts as a priest in the 400-year-old Buddhist temple in Kyoto, Japan. Metal-head Mindar delivers sermons, interacts with worshippers, and, ahem, forgives sins (Mark 2:7).

AI-augmented robots are here... currently, there are an estimated 3.5 million units in use worldwide. That number *will* grow exponentially. As a result, humankind is already beginning to transcend the line between fear of job loss and fear of personal safety.

So, therein lies our opportunity to share the *Holy Scriptures*. We must remember and exemplify our own peace and joy from eternal salvation through Jesus Christ. Anything we face in the secular world is of no consequence. That's the solution.

Unlike even the most-realistic robot, we're made in God's image (Genesis 1:27). And, when we're immersed, we receive God's gift of the Holy Spirit, a blessing that machines can't experience (Acts 2:38).

Besides, we have our own valley to look forward to...
The Paradise Valley.

—in His service, dan

PRAYER LIST:
 Ray Rose.....He had a seizure Tuesday night and broke his foot.
 Garry Osburn.....He has not been feeling well this week.
 Family of Todd Decker (Nephew of Patsy Gritz).....He passed away this last week. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Zane Johnston (Mother of Carolyn Rehmel).....Her procedure on Wednesday went well. They were able to remove the blockages in her leg, which will hopefully help her toe heal. She will see a foot doctor on Friday.

The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Ronda Kendrick.....She is in Bass, Rm 209 with a serious infection.
 Robby (Friend of Jesse Haynes).....He is having heart issues.
 Jeanette Norton (Doug's mom).....She is having financial difficulties.

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| Dennis Biby | Tanner & Baleigh Black | LeAnna Colby |
| Vivian Durham | Roger Ediger | Endicott Family |
| Tom Gaul | Mike Goodpasture | Eldon & Patsy Gritz |
| Mike Hager | Richard & Donnita Kliewer | Yee Kow Lee |
| Sam Lyons | Dwayne McLerran | Brandon McNaughton |
| Larry Miller | Daniel Osburn | Chris Strate |
| Leatha Summers | Connie Walker | Misty Walker |

LADIES NIGHT OUT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday, December 10th
6:00 pm, Fireside Room
Dirty Santa Gift Exchange
Bring a wrapped gift (\$5-10 limit)

Please bring finger foods and/or desserts.
There will be a hot chocolate bar & games!



TODAY,
 Jeff & Polly Watkins!

care & share
Bill David & Connie Walker

DAYS IN GOD'S WORD
(November 17-23)
 Number of days: 179
 Slips turned in: 29

SUN PM SCHEDULE:
TONIGHT - Greg Waide
 Dec 8th - Ray Rose
 Dec 15th - 3rd Sunday Singing
 Dec 22nd - Ray Rose
 Dec 29th - Doug Boyle

OUR RECORDS
 Week of November 24, 2024

Bible Class.....	54
AM Worship.....	82
PM Worship.....	44
Contribution.....	\$3,987
Wed PM.....	25

MAKING DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

- MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:**
- Elio Vergara - Panama
 - Eduardo Bulnes
 - Baxter Institute, Honduras
 - Andrew Boyle
 - Memphis School of Preaching
 - Jonathan Crowell - World Bible Institute
 - Southern Africa Bible College
 - HBS
 - Garriott Road Prison Ministry
 - Lariat Creek Christian Camp
 - Future Teacher Training Camp

ORDER OF WORSHIP - Dec 1, 2024

AM ANNOUNCEMENTS - Tim Rehmel
 ELDER WELCOME/PRAYER - Greg Waide
 1 Cor. 15:50-58

SONGLEADER - Doug Boyle
 789 Father
 778 Be With Me, Lord
 396 No Not One
 316 Jesus Paid It All
 717 We Will Stand
 800 What a Friend We Have In Jesus

SCRIPTURE/PRAYER - Frosty Munsell
 Rom. 11:11, 17-23

LESSON - Alec Boyle
 "What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

801 Where No One Stands Alone
 356 I Believe In Jesus
 LORD'S SUPPER - Ron Scott
 738 Take the Name Of Jesus With You
 CLOSING PRAYER - Travis Key

PM SONGLEADER - Greyson Waide
 467 We Have An Anchor
 976 I Shall Not Be Moved
 PRAYER - Travis Key
 EQUIPPING THE SAINTS: Greg Waide
 "I Shall Not Be Moved"



THURSDAY,
 Chris Stratel

FRIDAY,
 Doug Boyle!

SATURDAY,
 Susannah Waide!

Saturday, December 14th
2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

The Encouragement Ministry will be making gift baskets, and everyone is invited! Cookies and hot beverages will be served.

M MIGHTY
MEN'S MENTORING CONFERENCE
 Theme: Identity
 Saturday, February 1, 2025
 New Location:
 Wylie Church of Christ, Wylie, TX
 Early Bird Registration: \$25
 Visit WylieChurchofChrist.org
 or Facebook.com/MightyMentorCom

BLAST
 Teachers are needed to take turns teaching the BLAST class on Wednesday nights during the Winter Quarter. A sign-up sheet is on the west credenza. Please sign up if you can take a turn or two!



VERSE OF THE WEEK:

1 Corinthians 15:58

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not [in] vain in the Lord."

The Hearts in Harmony Encouragement Ministry has provided a mailbox and Christmas cards on the east credenza. Christmas cards can be left for our members and frequent visitors. Cards will be delivered to shut-ins.

For the last several years, members have sent Christmas cards to the men who attend Ray's class at the prison. Those interested in continuing this tradition can get a list of attendees and the new address from the Encouragement room or speak with Kay Scott.

DECEMBER

- 4th 5:30-6:30 PM, Mid-Week Boost, Fellowship Hall
- 10th 6 pm, Ladies Night Out Christmas Party, Fireside Room
- 14th 2 pm, Making Gift Baskets, Fellowship Hall - All are invited to help!
- 15th 2 pm, Christmas Caroling - Meet at the building.
- 25th Merry Christmas! No services on this Wednesday night.
- 28th 2 pm, Wedding & Reception for Zachariah & Alexis (Goben) Lockhart

JANUARY

1st No Services on this Wednesday night.

MID-WEEK BOOST

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH
 5:30-6:30 pm Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK'S MENU: Meatloaf

COST: Suggested donation of \$5/adult; \$3 (12 & under); \$20 max



POWERFUL PRAYER WARRIORS,

Please pray specifically for these three students:

- Aaron Boyle** - Son of Doug & Fern Boyle
- Kinslee Cummings** - Granddaughter of Frosty Munsell
- Lauren Burchel** - Daughter of Darin & Robin Burchel

THIS WEEK'S CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READING:

- December 1 1 Corinthians 12-14
- December 2 1 Corinthians 15-16
- December 3 2 Corinthians 1-4
- December 4 2 Corinthians 5-9
- December 5 2 Corinthians 10-13
- December 6 Acts 20:1-3; Romans 1-3
- December 7 Romans 4-7

SHUT-INS:

- Lester Cook, Enid Senior Care, Rm 116
- Virgie Lee, The Commons, Rm 305
- Zane Johnston, The Commons, Rm 108
- Ken Strever, Garland Rd Nursing & Rehab, Rm 521-B

