

“WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS: FRIEND OF SINNERS”

(Luke 1:26-37)

TODAY'S GREETERS: Ron & Kay Scott

SUNDAY AM BIBLE CLASSES

Auditorium - Adults (Doug Boyle)
The Life of Paul

NO TEEN CLASS TODAY
Please join the auditorium class.

WEDNESDAY PM - December 25th

NO SERVICES ON THIS EVENING

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



NEXT SUNDAY - December 29th

Greeters	Lynda Malaska & Jan Tinsley
Announcements	Tim Rehmel
Songleader	Ron Scott
Scripture Reading/Prayer	Dan Biby
Lesson	Andrew Boyle
Communion	Garret Wyman
Closing Prayer	Bill David Walker
PM Songleader	Greyson Waide
PM Prayer	Roger Gaddie
PM Lesson	Doug Boyle

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 office.

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

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Restoring the Wanderer

(Jas. 5:19-20)

James talks about how faith can make a difference in our daily life (instructing us in the truth about trials, the use of the tongue, hearing and doing the will of God, loving our neighbor, etc). At the end of his letter, he shows us that he was not just giving an academic analysis but a call to action. Those who have strayed from the truth of the gospel must be brought back!

The possibility of wandering away (v. 19). James clearly teaches that a Christian can stray from the truth. He's not talking about open rebellion here but a gradual drifting from the truth. That's how most folks stray. They gradually drift away. The Bible clearly teaches that we can drift from the truth (Heb. 3:12-13; 1 Cor. 10:1-13; Col. 1:21-23). There are many other verses that I could use to support that one can fall from grace.

The responsibility of restoring the wanderer (v. 20). Too many of us think of Christianity as a "lone ranger" type thing, as if we do not need each other in our struggle against evil. Nothing could be further from the truth. The responsibility to bring those who stray back to the truth falls upon all of us. It's not always easy to do, but we must! Let me give you a few steps: (1) Go! Most fail here. (2) In a loving way, ask him or her, "What's going on?" (3) Share some Scripture about God's love for them. (4) Read 1 John 1:9. (5) Ask them if they are ready to come back home. (6) Pray with them.

The results of restoring the wanderer (v. 20). James says, "Let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins" (Jas. 5:20). This verse expresses the seriousness of wandering away from God. James says we will save a soul from death. The result is the salvation of a soul!

Do you know someone who has wandered from the faith? Are you concerned enough to go and bring them back?

God bless, *Ray*

Prayer List

Norita Strever.....She is sick with covid.
Sharon Harold.....She is sick with covid.
Kay Scott...She had her semi-annual scans this past week, and the scans were clear and bloodwork negative. Praise God for this news!

Zane Johnston...The surgery to remove two of her toes went well on Wednesday. She was released from the hospital on Friday.

Kelly Winters...Her surgery on Wednesday went well. The tumor they removed was larger than expected, but they do not expect to find that it is cancerous.

Tina Wilder (Sister-in-law of Teresa Rose)...Her bones are aching, and she is unable to eat. She had bone scans this past week and more have been ordered.

Ray Rose...He got his stitches out and a new cast put on Thursday, but they said the break is unique and his foot will not be healed for a year!

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Dennis Biby	LeAnna Colby	Lavon Cook
Vivian Durham	Roger Ediger	Faye Gash
Tom Gaul	Mike Goodpasture	Eldon & Patsy Gritz
Mike Hager	Richard & Donnita Kliever	Yee Kow Lee
Sam Lyons	Dwayne McLerran	Brandon McNaughton
Larry Miller	Daniel Osburn	Michelle Raney
Chris Strate	Leatha Summers	Connie Walker
Misty Walker		

Next Sunday morning, we will have guest speakers!
 Zachariah Lockhart will be teaching the auditorium Bible class, and Andrew Boyle will be preaching for us.



NEXT SUNDAY: 5th Sunday Special Contribution
 All funds given will go to 2025 General Missions.

care & share Frosty Munsell

DAYS IN GOD'S WORD

(December 8-14)

Number of days: 152
 Slips turned in: 27

SUN PM SCHEDULE:

TONIGHT:

Devotional in Fellowship Hall

Dec 29th - Doug Boyle

Jan 5th - Ray Rose

Jan 12th - Ray Rose

OUR RECORDS

Week of December 15, 2024

Bible Class.....	47
AM Worship.....	76
PM Worship.....	41
Contribution.....	\$3,842
Wed PM.....	49

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 22, 2024

AM ANNOUNCEMENTS - Doug Boyle
 ELDER WELCOME/PRAYER - Greg Waide
Hebrews 11:1-16

SONGLEADER - Ron Scott
610 I Love My Savior, Too
800 What a Friend We Have In Jesus
316 Jesus Paid It All
148 I Keep Falling In Love With Him
 SCRIPTURE/PRAYER - Tim Rehmel
Luke 1:26-37; 2:11

LESSON - Ray Rose
 "Friend of Sinners"

934 Softly and Tenderly
287 There Is a Redeemer
 LORD'S SUPPER - Garry Osburn
647 Soldiers Of Christ, Arise
 CLOSING PRAYER - Frosty Munsell

3-5 PM Shepherds' Christmas "Come & Stay"
 Fireside room
5 PM Devotional in the Fellowship Hall



Baby Shower Honoring Garret & Ashley Wyman
 Saturday, January 11th, 2-4 pm, Fellowship Hall
The Wymans are registered at Amazon.

Zachariah & Alexis (Goben) Lockhart, along with their families, request the honor of your presence at their wedding ceremony!

This Saturday, December 28th
 2:00 pm
 Garriott Rd Church of Christ
 Reception to follow



Zippy & Lexi

Please RSVP to Lexi at 580-478-8066 as soon as possible!



HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25th - NO SERVICES
 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31st - 7 PM, MID-WEEK DEVOTIONAL
 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31st - 8 PM, NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY
 WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1st - NO SERVICES

MIGHTY
 MEN'S MENTORING CONFERENCE
 Theme: Identity
 Saturday, February 1, 2025
 New Location:
 Wylie Church of Christ, Wylie, TX
 Registration Cost: \$30 + fees = \$35.01
 Visit WylieChurchofChrist.org
 or [Facebook.com/MightyMentorCom](https://www.facebook.com/MightyMentorCom)

Happy Birthday
THURSDAY, Jace Wieden!
SATURDAY, Alyssa Boyle! Sam Lyons!

Ladies, if you were in charge of a Hearts in Harmony ministry in 2024, please complete the evaluation form in your binder and return your binder to the office by December 31st.



VERSE OF THE WEEK:

Hebrews 11:3

"By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible."



DECEMBER

22nd 3-5 pm, Shepherds' Christmas Come & Stay, Fireside room
25th Merry Christmas! No services on this Wednesday night.
28th 2 pm, & Reception for Zippy & Lexi (Goben) Lockhart
31st 7 pm, Tuesday Night Mid-Week Devotional
 8 pm, New Year's Eve Party - Bring finger foods & games!

JANUARY:

1st No Services on this Wednesday night.
11th 2-4 pm, Baby shower honoring Garret & Ashley Wyman

MID-WEEK BOOST

BOOST WILL RESUME JANUARY 8TH!



POWERFUL PRAYER WARRIORS,

Please pray specifically for these three students:

Alyssa Boyle - Daughter of Doug & Fern Boyle
Sophia Nelson - Granddaughter of Frosty Munsell
Jackson Blythe - Grandson of Marshall & Joy McCoy

THIS WEEK'S CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READING:

Dec 22..... Hebrews 11-13
 Dec 23..... 2 Timothy 1-4
 Dec 24..... 2 Peter 1-3; Jude
 Dec 25..... 1 John 1-5
 Dec 26..... 2 John; 3 John
 Dec 27..... Revelation 1-5
 Dec 28..... Revelation 6-11

SHUT-INS:

Virgie Lee, The Commons, Rm 305
 Zane Johnston, The Commons, Rm 108
 Ken Strever, Garland Rd Nursing & Rehab, Rm 521-B

