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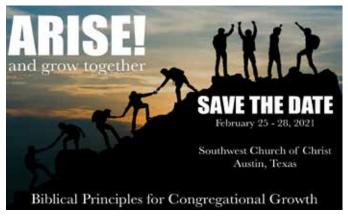
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Craig Williams (11), Alan Putnam (12)

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Wendell Evans (15)



THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

Brett Gerhardt-brett.gerhardt15@gmail.com

VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Jan 14: Mark & Karen Speir Jan 21: Brett & Gretchen Gerhardt

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

Jan: Volunteers As Needed

WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITES

SUNDAY: Bible Classes 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM TUESDAY: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May), Men's & Ladies' Bible Classes WEDNESDAY: Bible Classes, 7:00 PM

RECORD FOR 1.03.2020

BIBLE CLASS: 109 AM ASSEMBLY: 125 PM ASSEMBLY: 104 WEDNESDAY: 77 CONTRIBUTION: \$9,371

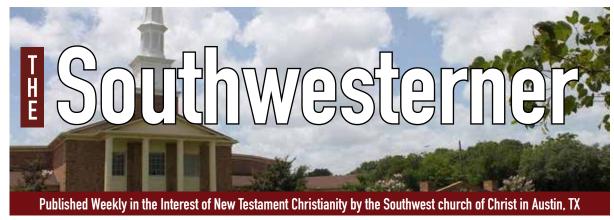
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ELDERS: Brett Gerhardt Bill Siebert Mark Speir

PREACHER: Cody Westbrook



Steven Lloyd, Director Clay Bond, Assoc. Director



3 QUESTIONS ABOUT BAPTISM

Cody Westbrook

hat is baptism? The word means "to dip repeatedly, to immerse, to submerge" (Thayer). Scripture defines and illustrates the action for us. In Romans 6:3-7 Paul says that in baptism we reenact the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. The old man dies and is "buried with him through baptism into death that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Rom. 6:4). Colossians 2:12 says we are "buried with him in baptism, in which you also were raised with him through faith in the working of God." Baptism is a burial with Christ in water—not a dipping or sprinkling.

Why is baptism important? Consider Colossians 2:12. The larger context of this passage, verses 11-13, tells us clearly that the purpose of baptism is the forgiveness of sins. Verse 11 speaks of "putting off the body of the sins of the flesh" and verse 13 concludes the thought by stating, "And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, he has made alive together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses." See also Acts

2:38, 1 Peter 3:21, and Mark 16:16. Baptism is not necessary because there is any particular power in water. Rather, it is necessary because it is in the water of baptism that we come into contact with the blood of Christ, which alone has the power to wash away sins (Eph. 1:7; Rev. 1:5; etc).

Who can be baptized? First, a person must be of an accountable age in order to be baptized. Baptism is for the purpose of washing away sins (Acts 22:16). Sin is a transgression of God's law (1 John 3:4)-it is committed, not inherited. So, a child cannot be baptized because they have not yet reached an age where they can comprehend the magnitude of right and wrong. Second, a person must have met the prerequisites of baptism which include hearing the word of God (Rom. 10:17), believing in Christ, repenting of sins (Acts 3:19), and confessing faith in Christ (Rom. 10:9-10). When a person is willing to submit him or herself to everything that God says in reference to salvation, then that person is ready to be baptized for the forgiveness of sins.

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January 10, 2021

"Wherefore thou art great, O Lord God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears."

- 2 Samuel 7:22

WORSHIP	MORNING	EVENING
ANNOUNCEMENTS Prayer	Jamie Harris Jamie Harris	Jamie Harris
SONG DIRECTOR	Alan Putnam Patrick Gooch	Steven Petrosky
PRAYER SCRIPTURE	Gary Goodpaster	Josh Pesina
SERMON	THE RIGHT KIND OF EAR MATTHEW 13:10-17	THE SURE WAY TO HEAVEN
	Cody Westbrook	Cody Westbrook
LORD'S SUPPER	David Crouchet Greg Campbell	Mark Speir
	Wendell Evans	Carson Siebert
	Alternates: Justin Parks	
	Kevin Molenaar	
CLOSING PRAYER	Caleb Nash	Ed Committee
CLUSINU FRAIER	Caled Masii	Ed Grumbles

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Ola Brown, Edith Farris, Rosemary Garrett, Jeannette Hansen, Rosemary James, Charlene Johnson, Caroline & Jon Little, Nell McCown, Ginny Oswald, Angela Young

A complete prayer list is available on the credenza, our website, and on the Lightpost app.

Please contact the church office to make requests

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM Bible Class

10:30 AM Morning Worship

6:00 PM Evening Worship

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 PM Bible Class & Devotional

Songs: Caleb Nash
Devotional: Seth Gibson
Prayer: Sam Hatchitt

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY:

• SWSBS Finals' Week (18th-21st)

• Tuesday Morning Bible Class (19th)

• SWSBS Break Week (25th-29th)

FEBRUARY

• ARISE! Workday (23rd)

• ARISE! Spiritual Growth Workshop (25th-28th)