

SOUTHWEST CHURCH OF CHRIST

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

Karen Jones (4), Lucas Young (4)

Mark Lain (6), Katelyn Pesina (8)

Timothy Gibson (10)



BRIDAL SHOWER
October 17th @3:00pm
In Honor of
Lauren Molenaar

Details coming soon



THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

Brett Gerhardt - brett.gerhardt15@gmail.com

VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Oct 08: Brian & Ralph Felps

Oct 15: David & Elaine Hopkins

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

Oct 16: Kevin Molenaar & Alex Hernandez

Oct 29: Brian & Ralph Felps

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
09.20.2020

BIBLE CLASS: 93
AM ASSEMBLY: 181
PM ASSEMBLY: 145
WEDNESDAY: 118
CONTRIBUTION: \$10,214

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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt

Bill Siebert

Mark Speir

PREACHER:

Cody Westbrook



Steven Lloyd, Director
Clay Bond, Assoc. Director



RESIST! - JAMES 4:7

Cody Westbrook

While in this world, Christians must engage in a constant struggle with the enemy. First Peter 5:8 says, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." Satan is a liar and a murder (John 8:44). Through various methods (Eph. 6:11) he seeks to tempt Christians (1 Thess. 3:5), exploit them (Eph. 4:26-27), lure them away from Christ (1 Tim. 2:14), and hinder the cause of the gospel (1 Thess. 2:18). Though he may be tenacious in his efforts, his power is not unlimited. Our Lord reigns victorious over the Devil (Heb. 2:14; 4:14-16) and has provided assurance and the means necessary for His people to do the same. James 4:7 highlights this well—"Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you."

To "resist" the Devil is to set oneself against him and oppose him. When we oppose him the Devil will run away. Note that this is neither a suggestion nor a possibility. Rather, it is a command and a promise. Sometimes we have a defeatist mindset as if Satan is too strong for us and we will never be able to overcome his advances. But the Bible says that if we will stand strong and fight him, he will run for safety.

Our Lord exemplifies this well in the record of His temptation in Matthew 4:1-11.

It should bring us great joy to know that our God gives us the ability to defeat our mortal enemy, but practically speaking, how can we do so? Consider the following suggestions.

1. Know how the Devil works. Satan majors in deception but God's Word exposes him for what he truly is. We are not ignorant of his devices (2 Cor. 2:11).

2. Meditate on God's Word. Study closely the temptation of Jesus in Mathew 4:1-11 and note that He countered every advance with a "thus saith the Lord." God's Word is the sword of the Spirit (Eph. 6:17). The best way to fight off the Devil is to fill our hearts and minds with scripture so that we can harness its power effectively.

3. Associate with God's people (Heb. 10:25). The strength we gain from one another is one of our greatest assets.

May God help us in our fight against our adversary, the Devil.

Podcast - The Word of Life | online at swcofc.org/word-of-life

October 4, 2020

“According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:”
- II Peter 1:3

WORSHIP

MORNING

EVENING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER

SONG DIRECTOR

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

LORD'S SUPPER

CLOSING PRAYER

Gary Goodpaster
Gary Goodpaster
Alan Putnam
Bill Siebert
Carson Siebert

**THE GRAVE CLOTHES
SPEAK
JOHN 19:38-42**

Matt Gibson
Patrick Gooch
Daniel Hall
Caleb Nash

Josh Pesina
Elijah McNiel

Alternates:
Adan Hernandez
Anthony Scherffius

Jerry Hopkins

Gary Goodpaster

Steven Petrosky
Anthony Scherrfius

**“GREAT GAIN WITH
CONTENTMENT”**

Branyon May
Patrick Gooch

Josh Pesina

Adrian Coward

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

MONDAY:

CWS Chapel & Class

TUESDAY:

10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Classes

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 PM Bible Class & Devotional
Songs: **Mark Speir**
Devotional: **Abraham Rios**
Prayer: **Patrick Gooch**

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER:

- Bridal Shower: Lauren Molenaar (17th)
- SWSBS Finals' Week (19th-21st)
- SWSBS Break Week (22nd-28th)
- SWSBS *Special Studies Seminar* (29th-30th)
- SW Annual Fall Festival (30th)