

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Hopkins small group meets at 6:00 p.m. tonight and also next Sunday evening at the home of Gary and Karen Hopkins. The group is discussion oriented, offering encouragement and prayer for one another. Light snacks and plenty of time for fellowship are included. Everyone is welcome.

Once a month before the service begins Rev. Dan Smith will give a brief update concerning the work of Reformed University Fellowship here in Tyler. We hope this will be a help as you pray for RUFô Tyler.

Beginning June 1 we will have greeters at the doors to welcome our guests and members. This is a great opportunity to meet our guest as well as get to know some of our regulars that you may not normally have opportunity to visit with. If you are interested in helping with this please speak with Mike (521-1956) or Susan (530-5599) Parks.

All ladies, mothers and daughters, please join us for a baby shower honoring Rebecca Wiesinger on June 14th at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The mom-to-be is registered at Babies-R-Us, Amazon, and Storkland. Please RSVP through your evite or by calling Caitlin Covey [903-574-0568](tel:903-574-0568) or Hazel Hebert at [903-509-0319](tel:903-509-0319).

Exploring Fifth Street PCA: If you are interested in more information about our church and would perhaps be interested in attending a class that outlines our beliefs and mission you are encouraged to speak to Pastor Simmons. From time to time, as needed, we offer an Exploring Church Membership Class that provides a three hour overview of Fifth Street PCA. The class is scheduled to accommodate those interested and sometimes is held during the Sunday School hour and sometimes on a Saturday morning. We look at theology, ministry, history, worship, but especially any questions you may have.

If you are not on our email prayer chain or our email notification list you may sign up by going to our member's page on our web site (the password is ôknoxö), or you can email the office and we will be glad to add you to the list.

Prayer Focus for this week:

Glen and Jamie Milham, Bill Pitts, Charlie Burch
Paul Fisherô MTW
Ryan Andersonô RUF, TCU
Robby Robertsô Italy (FYI-son of Anna Jo Roberts)
Living Alternatives
Lakewood PCA, Dallas
General Assembly of the PCA meets in June in Houston

Concerning today's Text:

When an athlete consistently scores in a particular game, he receives the adulation of the spectators. He basks in glory because he is the hero of the day. But when in the next game he fails to perform according to the crowd's expectations, his glory disappears as green leaves on the morning of a severe frost. Particularly in sports, the glory of the players is transient.

A person's physical appearance can be strikingly beautiful in youth and the early years of adulthood. But when the wrinkles begin to appear, youth's glory vanishes. Achievements, in whatever area these may be, often garner glory and honor. Yet they are temporal and soon forgotten. Therefore the proverb is pertinent: "So the glory of the world passes on".

Scripture, however, reveals a glory that is heavenly, divine, and eternal. Persons who were permitted to see this glory have seen it only momentarily: the shepherds in Bethlehem's fields witnessed heaven's glory when Jesus was born; Peter, James, and John were with Jesus at his transfiguration; Paul on the way to Damascus was blinded by the heavenly brilliance of Jesus' glory; and John at Patmos saw Jesus in all his splendor.

In his epistle Peter teaches that heavenly glory is abiding. This is what he says: we share in the glory that God will continue to reveal (5:1), we will receive an unfading crown of glory (5:4), and we have been called to God's eternal glory in Christ (5:10). The heavenly glory which we shall share with Christ is eternal.

ôSimon Kistemaker on 1 Peter 5:1

Offering counters this week are Milford Brinton and Joe Kanewske.

After the service a Ruling Elder will be available at the front of the Sanctuary if you wish to speak or pray with someone.