

Thanksgiving Is an “Ought”  
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4

## Welcome To Fifth Street Presbyterian Church

*We gather today to hear God speak in the reading and preaching of His Word. And, we gather to respond to His voice in our songs, prayers, and affirmations. In this ordinary worship of God we find extraordinary grace, encouragement and reason to hope. This corporate worship of God is the most important thing that happens upon the earth and we are delighted to have you with us as we approach the Father in Christ’s name by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

### **This week at a glance:**

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
	5:00 p.m.	Evening Service
	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Reading Calvin
	10:30 a.m.	Dust to Glory

*If you are visiting today, we would appreciate a record of your visit, which you can provide by filling out one of the visitor’s cards that you will find in the pew. Please place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!*

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**February 26, 2017**

Good News. The Deacons are planning an all church work day for the morning of March 25. Save this date! We are also asking for any suggestions of items you have noticed around the church which need cleaned or repaired. Please hand a note to or email a deacon soon so we can gather tools and equipment. We will start about 9 a.m.. If you are able to come for only an hour or two, it would be greatly appreciated.

The Women's study, "Dust to Glory", meets each Wednesday through April 26 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is no cost associated with the class and childcare is available. If you have any questions, please see Kim Covington.

Beginning in April pastor Simmons will be teaching the mixed adult Sunday School class and will begin a survey of the Old Testament Books. In June we will take a break from the Old Testament Survey and combine this class with the Junior and Senior High Class for a study of the Westminster Confession of Faith to be taught by members of your Session.

We are again glad to offer a very excellent summer camp for young people going into 4th grade through entering 12th grade. The camp dates are June 19-24, 2017 and once again be in Leakey, TX. For more information please take a look at this link: <http://opcsouthwest.org/summer-youth-camp/> If you are interested please notify the church office.

Join us for worship this evening and stay for our Fellowship Meal. The church will provide baked potatoes and toppings. Bring a favorite side.

As you pray please remember:

- Joe and Beverly Kanewske
- Sonya Joyce
- Covington Family (loss of Kim's mom)
- Rick Box—MTW, Columbia
- Living Alternatives
- Redeemer Presbyterian of Amarillo (PCA)

## **Session in Review**

Session met this past Tuesday at 6 p.m. and after opening with Scripture and prayer and then approving minutes, we spent time discussing the needs of our congregation and then prayed together for those needs. Concerning matters of business, below are some of the actions of the meeting that you should be aware of:

- Our joint worship service with Tyler OPC is scheduled for April 2 at 5:00 p.m. We are hosting the service and will provide refreshments after the service.
- We received two nominations for the deaconate. Milford Brinton and Jessie Martin were nominated for another three year term. Installation will take place in June.
- We have extended the scope of our background checks to now include all children and youth workers.
- The Session has appointed a committee to produce a new church directory. The new directory will be an in-house publication and will include pictures. More information will be available as we move forward.

**The Roots of Gratitude.** *In the introductory remarks to his explanation of Psalm 122 the Doctor tells us whence thankfulness should come: To begin with, we must rejoice at the less important good things (*exiguis bonis*) which we enjoy according to the Second Table of the Law in that our bodies and possessions are protected. For these gifts are of minor importance when compared with those which we enjoy according to the First Table: that God has revealed Himself, has made known what He intends to do with us, gives His Word, grants faith and the Holy Spirit, hears prayers, daily increases His church, etc. These things are so great that no tongue is able to amplify and praise them as they deserve.... To this David turns his eyes; on this he meditates, and so he is moved to gratitude.... For only those are truly thankful who receive the gifts of God joyfully and rejoice in the Giver.*

--Martin Luther