

SERVING WITH HONOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

MORNING

Opening Prayer Gary Good
Song Director Holden Raley
Sermon Troy Spradlin
..... "The Coming of the Lord"
Scripture Reading Dalton Lester
..... 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (NKJV)
Closing Prayer Joe Wilson

Serving Communion (Left - Right):

Allan Overton Cooper Jennings
Jack Overton Judsen Jennings
..... Gabriel Lee (Balcony)
Comments Trevor Bostwick

EVENING

Opening Prayer Song Service
Singing Song Service
Scripture Reading Song Service
Scripture Song Service
Comments Trevor Bostwick

Worship Service and Preparation:

Make Comm. Bread Emily Winfree
Comm. Prep Jennings family
PowerPoint Philip Lester
Secure Building Blake Hatcher

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Director Dawson Hitchcock
Opening Prayer Russell Estain
Summer Series Sam Ford
..... "Stewardship of Our Families"

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:

Sunday Bible Class 185
AM Worship 225
PM Worship 139
Wed. Night Bible Class 163

Contribution : \$10,676
Weekly Budget : \$12,029
2025 Avg. Contribution : \$10,676

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday AM Bible Class 9:00 am
Sunday AM Worship 10:00 am
Sunday PM Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday PM Bible Class 6:30 pm

Visitors: Thank you for coming! You are our honored guest!

For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience. Or, ask any member for assistance. Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADMINISTRATION

- Deadline for all bulletin items is Thursday, by noon.
- If interested in utilizing the library, please reserve with Blisse or Lisa.
- Apologetics Press Study Bibles available for purchase - see Blisse.
- Reminder: If you use online giving, please consider covering the processing fees as part of you contribution.

FOOD PANTRY

- Food Pickup : 9/9/25 @ 9:30 AM
- Preparing Boxes:
 - 9/9/25 @ 5:30 PM
 - 9/10/25 @ 9:30 AM
- Distribution : 9/11/25 @ 2:30 PM

Please consider donating canned goods.

EDUCATION

- Adult and Children Bible classes available on Sundays @ 9 AM and Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM.
- Willing to teach? See Chris Davis!

OWLS BIBLE STUDY Hebrews "Jesus is Better" Every Thursday @ 10:00 AM

<WiFi Password posted in Foyer>



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Involvement Joe Taylor*
Lads to Leaders David English
OWLS Stephen Fulton
Missions Mike Scott*
Visitation Bob Locklin
Kingdom Kids Dane Harrington*
Worship Blake Hatcher*
Youth & Family Casey Bearden
..... Matthew McReynolds*

Margaret Street CHURCH of CHRIST

Welcome! We're glad you are here!

Sunday - August 24, 2025

A Bible-based, Christ-centered, Family-focused, Mission-minded church.

The "Rapture"

[adapted from an article by Wayne Jackson *]

Maybe you have seen bumper stickers, or T-shirts saying something like: “In case of the Rapture, this vehicle will be unmanned” or “The Rapture: the only way to fly.” Even on Facebook and Twitter posts are frequent;y circulated by people who believe in the so-called rapture theory. What do they mean by that? What is the “rapture”? Does the Bible speak about a “rapture”?

The "rapture" is part of a false doctrine called dispensationalism. It teaches that "soon" (it's always within the next few years), Christ will return to the earth in a silent and invisible way to “rapture” the living saints and to resurrect the righteous dead. According to that doctrine, this will also trigger a seven-year tribulation period that will be consummated by “the battle of Armageddon,” and followed by a physical, 1,000 year reign of Jesus sitting on David’s throne in the city of Jerusalem. Yet, the word “rapture” is found nowhere in the Bible, nor are the doctrine's claims substantiated by Scripture!

Those who advocate the doctrine, also known as premillennialism, claim the idea is found in 1 Thessalonians 4:17, “Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.” In the Greek language of the New Testament, the word for “caught up” is *harpagesometha*, which is not the word "rapture," nor is that term found in any English version of the Bible. The word “rapture” is derived from *rapio*, from a Latin translation of the Bible. In both languages, it means “to seize, or to snatch.” However, to use this verse, or a Latin word to “prove” a silent, secret return of Christ is, as one scholar put it, "one of the sorriest attempts in the whole history of freak exegesis.” The truth is, the rapture theory is plainly contradicted by Bible facts:

CHRIST'S RETURN WILL BE VISIBLE TO ALL

When Jesus returns, it will be visible universally, not invisible or secretive, and known only by a few (Rev 1:7). In Matthew 24, Jesus described the conditions associated with the destruction of Jerusalem. In connection to that, He warns that if anyone claims, “Lo, here is the Christ,” it was not to be believed: “For as the lightning cometh forth from the east, and is seen even unto the west; so shall be the coming of the Son of Man” (27). And, just as those early disciples “beheld” Christ’s departure (Acts 1:11), so in like manner would He come again. At His coming, Christ will be “manifested,” meaning He will be as visible as his first “appearing” on earth (2 Tim. 1:10; 1 Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1,8; Tit. 2:13). The Bible also plainly say that Jesus “shall appear a second time” (Heb. 9:28). If the dispensational teachers were correct, then Christ would not appear until his THIRD coming! Nowhere does the Bible say that!

CHRIST'S RETURN WILL BE HEARD BY ALL

The Scriptures indicate that the second coming of the Christ will be accompanied by a great, audible phenomena. The Lord will descend from heaven “with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God”. Some preachers like to call this the “noisiest” verse in the Bible! In addition, when Jesus comes again, “the heavens shall pass away with a great noise” (2 Pet. 3:10). These verses contradict the notion that the second advent will be some silent, secret event! The Bible never teaches that!

CHRIST'S RETURN WILL AFFECT ALL

Lastly, the idea that only the righteous dead will be resurrected at the time of the rapture is totally false. The New Testament teaches that there will be a **single resurrection** consisting of both the just and the unjust (Acts 24:15), who will come forth in the same hour (John 5:28, 29). This resurrection will occur at “the last day” (John 6:54), which allows no time for a subsequent seven-year tribulation period, much less a millennium reign on earth! Clearly, **both the good and bad are judged at the time of Christ’s coming** (Matt. 25:31ff; 2 Thes. 1:7ff). There is no preceding secret and separate "snatching away" of only the saved.

We could also add that the rapture doctrine has its roots in history, not in Scripture. The idea appears to be traceable to an old Irvine Pentecostal movement from the early 1800s. It is also not found or discussed in any of the earlier, ancient authors. Therefore, the dispensational dogma, with all its peculiar elements, such as the notion of a "rapture," is clearly not in concordance with what the Bible teaches. Thus, we can conclude, that the rapture theory is a ruptured theory because it is completely false!

*Wayne Jackson was the preacher at the East Main Church of Christ in Stockton, California, and Editor of the Christian Courier.

The full, original article is available at: <https://christiancourier.com/articles/what-does-the-bible-say-about-the-rapture>

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MSYG EVENTS & INFO

AUGUST 24

L2L KICKOFF

7 PM

Grandparents Day Luncheon

September 7th

Immediately after AM services

YG BIRTHDAY NIGHT

Wed. Sept. 17th

4:30 pm in the FH

We are excited to promote LOVE THROUGH THE GENERATIONS

Our participants, ages 65 and older, will join a family and get to experience their life with them, giving both a chance to further grow and nurture bonds in our local church family!!!

Please Sign Up in the Foyer by September 14!!

We will have a Meet and Greet Event on Sep 28 immediately after AM service!!

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:

"Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen." (Revelation 1:7)

Lads 2 Leaders

Faith Works

L2L SCHEDULE

Aug. 24: Kickoff Fellowship

Sept. 3: Deadline for Commitment Forms

Bible Bowl Begins

Sept. 7: 1st Workshop

GULF COAST AREA WIDE 2025-2026

MIRAGE

IN THE MESSAGE

SEPTEMBER 21 @ GULF SHORES

WAR ROOM

YG Prayer Night

SEPT. 17

TEEN ROOM

ATTENTION!

Any MSYG students with Fall extra-curricular activities, please submit a schedule to Casey ASAP.

Digital access to our Calendars on your computer or personal device.

Scan this QR Code for the Church Calendar on teamup.com

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

Recent/Urgent Requests	Other Requests / Health Issues	Cancer
- David Black-lung collapse, recover (McGriff*) - Cassie Buchanant*-pelvic pain - Sherryn Canniff* - recovery, health - Janice Carter* - sprained her neck, recovery - Torrie Finney - medical (Jak's neice) - Barbara Helms*-outpatient procedure, recover - Eddie Longmire* - procedure for bloodflow - Richard McCool* - knee replaced, recovery - Mary McGriff* - future oblation, pain relief - Rex Palmer* - hospital, prayers (Hatcher*) - Rusty Pierce - heart surgery, recovery - Lee Roberts - open heart surgery (TRussell*) - Lewie Joe Smith - triple bypass surgery - Paula Turner* - open heart surgery, recovery - Ryan Turner - heart issues (Rob's* brother)	- Patricia Ann* - recovery, health - Gerry Baldwin - health (J.Pace sister) - Wilson Barnes - diabetes complications (Jak*) - John & Gale Broadfoot - health - Robbie Bullard-aneurysm/defect valve (Lee*) - Angela DAlessandro - health issues - Allen Davis - (C.Davis* father) - Wilfred Derrick - doing good (RRay* brother) - Keturah Dickey - MS (K. Longmire*) - Paul England - health issues - Myrna Fuller*- health, prayers - Dixie Gorham - heart failure - Edwina Harris - health (J.Pace* sister) - Kurt Harvey - pulled muscle (pantry) - Kenna Jackson - (Kristina P's* friend) - David Jones - Alzheimer's (Kenya*) - Jacob & Kylie Jones - car accident (Kenya*) - Joe Lewis - lupus - Yvonne Loomis-bypass-leg, Baptist (Nunes*) - Matthew Malinowski - prayers, encourage - Ron Miller- esophagus infection (Ina Ruth*) - Jeffery Norman - transplant list (Nunes*) - Sharon Parker* - tests, health - Trish Powell - wayward (Jak*) - Renee Ray* - recovery @ home - Kara Ritchie - blood disorder (M.Scott*) - Mary Lee Smith - heart issues (McGriff*) - Edwina Sumrall - continued prayers	- Ron Bartanen* - lung - Misty Bray - (Bird*) - Lilly Cain - bladder (R. Locklin* sister) - Jimmy Calhoun - (Mike Scott*) - Micki Clopton - (frmer member) - Sheryl Downy - (Burnham*) - Keith Echols - (L.Lester*) - David English* - Geodee Fred - (C.Bartanen*) - Ambia Kitchen - (Pantry) - Mari Krussow - (Overton*) - Tierney Lancaster - rare blood (Baxley*) - Greg Lewis* - Connie Moore - (Fulton*) - Donald McGriff* - new treatment - Dee Mulligan - lung (Crystal's* mom) - Angelica Rapson - Stage 4 (Smith*) - Lewie Joe Smith - (Jeanna E.* brother) - Maedell Palmer - (Hatcher*) - Amy Prince - (Burnham*) - Meg Stojanik - (Hatcher*) - Joe Taylor* - David Walther - brain (English*) - Dalyn Wilson - travels, treatments (officer) - Bailey Worrell - brain (Hatcher*)
<u>Grieving a Loss</u> - Mary Lou* & family - loss of mother, Annie - Davis/Napier families - loss of Jack Davis - Jeanna English & fam. - loss of mom, Faye - Myrna Fuller - loss of her daughter - Good family* - loss of daughter in law, Mary - Scott Graham* family - loss of Scott - Hatcher family* - loss of grandmother, Edith - Peggy Masoner family - loss of Peggy* - Elsa Nunes* - loss of friend, Bernita Kobi - Sharon & Brittany Parker - loss of Tim Parker - Andrea Spradlin* - loss of mother, Joyce - Lisa Webb* - loss of father, James Richard	<u>Students in College</u> - Haley Bartell - Jackson Davis - Stephen English - Caitlyn English - Judsen Jennings - Jackson Lash - Ayla Napier - Caleb Owens - LizAnn Webb - Elliot Wilson - Reed Wilson - Lexi Wildes <u>Expectant Mothers</u> - Brandy Hogan - August 2025 (Lipford*) - Brooklyn Bostwick* - November 2025 - Andrea Weekley - December 2025 (Avalon) - Kaelie Hancock - January 2026 - Holly Andino* - February 2026 - Hannah Newcomb* - February 2026 <u>Military</u> - John Bartell - Washington, DC - Javanta Johnson - NAS Jacksonville Airforce - Amya Huey* - Italy - Anthony Turner - Saudia Arabia (R.Turner*)	<u>2025 Recently Baptized/Restored/Identified</u> - Eddie and Alicia Lynn - Baptized, 1/4/25 - Matthew Zimmerman - Baptized, 3/8/25 - Makayla Armand - Baptized 3/10/25 - Cain Baker - Baptized 3/10/25 - Philip Carnathan - Baptized 3/29/25 - Bella Hudgens - Baptized 5/9/25 - Elena Hudgens - Baptized 5/9/25 - Corrie Davis - Baptized 6/13/25 - Avie Napier - Baptized 6/13/25 - Ainsley Napier - Baptized 6/13/25 - Tim Luker - Baptized, 6/26/25 - Tucker Davis - Baptized, 7/13/25 - Brian Richards - Baptized, 7/25/25 - Daniel Musk - Baptized, 8/10/25 - Bob & Gail Mantie - Identified, 1/12/25 - Tim & Caroline Locklin - Identified, 4/13/25 - Sean & Holly Andino fam.- Identified, 5/4/25 - Rob and Brittany Turner - Identified, 6/22/25 - Ashley Luker - Restored, 6/26/25

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

AUGUST 31

RIGHT AFTER AM SERVICE

Italian Style!

Bring any Italian dish you want

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER HONORING

Brooklyn Bostwick

and their sweet baby boy

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

10:00 AM — 11:30 AM

At the home of Molly Doss

5295 Lakewood Drive

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