

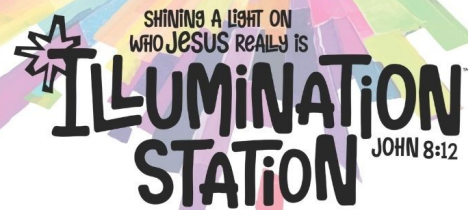


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JESUS is THE LIGHT of THE WORLD

June 22nd - June 26th, 2026
 9:00 AM to 12 Noon
 Finished Pre-Kindergarten to
 Finished 6th Grade

Registration is open on our church's
 website for Children and Volunteers.
 If you would like to work in this year's
 VBS, please contact Kim Ohls.



wichita River Festival Outreach

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Van will be leaving the church each day at noon, returning about sundown. This is a great opportunity to share the good news of the gospel to many who are lost.

MAY 29, MAY 30, JUN 5, JUN 6



REMEMBER & HONOR

MEMORIAL DAY

Believers

May 24, 2026

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Sunday, May 24, 2026

Gideon Speaker—Gerry Snook

Sunday School 9:15 AM

Morning Worship Service 10:30 AM

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Monday, May 25, 2026

Memorial Day

Offices Closed

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

Youth Activities 6:30 PM

Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM

Sunday morning services

can be viewed **LIVE**

by going to the church website:

go2believers.com

and clicking on the **media tab**

From the Pastor's Desk

This morning, we will hear from a local Gideon. The Gideon's are men and women committed to sharing God's Word and placing Scripture where it can be accessed by those who need them at any time. They have a high view of Scripture, which many of us share. How important is God's Word to you and your family? Is it a priority in your life and your home? I'm intrigued by the answers I get when I ask people, "Why do you love the Word of God?" Some don't know, it's just how they were raised. I love the Scriptures because they give us the gospel which *"is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes"* Rom. 1:16.

We are all called to be messengers of God's message to the world. Sometimes it may lead us into situations or times of discomfort. Such was the case for the disciples of John the Baptist when Jesus burst upon the scene in John 3:22-30. They weren't sure how to deal with . . .

...**The difficulty of change** (3:22-26). As this passage begins, we find Jesus and John, working side-by-side, in the same region! Jesus and His disciples were doing a similar work to that of John and his followers. The arrival of Jesus didn't just cut-off the work of John, but a subtle shift began as people were being drawn to Jesus. That changing dynamic made John's followers very uncomfortable – change and jealousy lead to discomfort – and things get exaggerated! They said, *"...and all are coming to Him."* John wasn't alarmed because he knew his place. Never underestimate . . .

...**The importance of knowing your place** (3:27-28). John stated that *"a man can receive nothing unless it has been given him from heaven"* (27). He was not jealous or driven to succeed; he simply felt blessed by God to be part to this great work! John never claimed to be more than he was – he knew he was a messenger, the forerunner – and his ministry was never about himself. He told his disciples, *"I am not the Christ, but, I have been sent ahead of Him"* (28). It is always about Jesus! As we serve in the kingdom, we must always find . . .

...**Satisfaction with being second** (3:29-30). John knew Jesus was the bridegroom and those who would believe in Jesus and follow would become His bride! John saw himself as the best man at the wedding – pointing people to the groom while supporting, defending, and protecting the bride! John stated that in this role, *"this joy of mine has been made full"* (29). John told his disciples *"He must increase, but I must decrease"* (30) – Keep your eyes on the one who has arrived. John rejoiced at the arrival of Jesus – the Living Word – who brought salvation to the world. He rejoiced at getting to announce His arrival and point people toward Him!

Are we ready to live like that? To love the Savior, to love God's Word, to love the gospel and present to the world around us? Are we prepared to take a secondary role and be less so that we can constantly make more of Jesus? We would do well to remember that kingdom service is always about Him. We, who know Him, must serve to make Him known, so that all may receive an invitation into the Father's family.

Let's follow Him, learn His Word, share His message, and invite others to come. Do this, and you will . . . Be Blessed!

Under His wing,

Pastor Tim

Let All Things Praise The Lord!!

I have been leading in worship ministry in some aspect for nearly all my life. I began to sing in the adult choir at the age of 12, became the church pianist at the age of 16 and did my first interim as a music minister at the age of 17. I served churches as supply, interim and part-time during college and seminary and I have been serving full-time since 1992.

I have seen great changes in musical styles and the terminology that is used to refer to the person that leads music with "Worship Pastor" being the most recent reference.

It really is not a topic of discussion that much anymore but when I first starting leading in worship you rarely had any instruments other than a piano and organ. The choir was a mainstay for most churches, and a single person led the singing.

Styles of worship have changed over the years and as those changes took place some people would ask what instruments are allowed to be used in the church. That really is a question more for the individual church because churches often place restrictions on music that we don't find in the Bible. There is no verse that says use a piano on the right of the platform and an organ on the left, but some churches have this as their tradition. There is also no verse that says use no instruments and just voices, but some churches insist on that. Some newer churches have never even held a hymnal in the entire life of their church they have sung lyrics on screens with no printed music and no choir.

Each church is autonomous and that church can decide what is most appropriate for their church as worshipers but many times this is more of a personal response not a theological one.

The last Psalm in the book of Psalms, Psalm 150 really wraps up this discussion of how we are to praise the Lord.

Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament! Praise Him for His mighty acts; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness! Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; Praise Him with the lute and harp! Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes! Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD! Psalm 150:1-6

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We are to praise God for all His attributes, praise Him everyone that he gives breath and praise Him with instruments. Which instruments? We have an exhaustive list of all the instruments that were played in that time. So which instruments? All of them, whichever ones you have, use them to praise the Lord from the brass section (trumpets) to the lighter woodwinds (lute), to the stringed harp and those described as simply stringed instruments, to the percussion, timbrels, loud and clashing cymbals.

That all sounds like a pretty rocking band to me, and I'll throw in on the piano. The main thing is that whatever we play, if our voice is high, low or barely a whisper we use all that we are to "Praise The Lord"

Serving Him, John

2026 Weekly Budget Requirement:

\$15,423.08

2026 World Mission Offering YTD:

\$11,593.00

Attendance for May 10, 2026

Sunday School 148

Morning Worship 208

Evening Worship 16

Attendance for May 13, 2026

Adult Bible Study 22

Children's Ministry 81

Youth Ministry 33

Attendance for May 17, 2026

Sunday School 152

Morning Worship 218

Evening Worship 30

Attendance for May 13, 2026

Adult Bible Study 30

Youth Ministry 23

Receipts for May 10, 2026

Budget Offerings \$18,779.55

World Missions Offerings \$356.00

Building Fund \$295.00

Kansans for Life \$50.00

Memorial-George Goudie \$25.00

Piecemakers Ministry \$50.00

Youth Ministry \$499.00

Receipts for May 17, 2026

Budget Offerings \$10,885.06

World Missions Offerings \$200.00

Building Fund \$50.00

Kansans for Life \$50.00

Lottie Moon \$200.00

Vacation Bible School \$50.00

Youth Ministry \$195.00

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