

When We meet:

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Small Groups 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30pm

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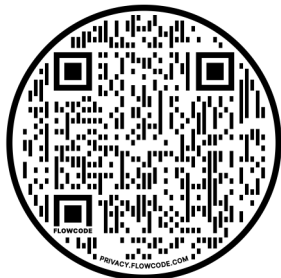
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know how we can help.



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Today!- No Children's Church

Tomorrow!- Women's Prayer Group, 10:00 am

July 29— John Mark Hicks speaking

Aug 2— Kids move up in Sunday School grades

Aug 3— Ministry Meeting, 7pm, Rm 103

Aug 9— Teacher Appreciation

Aug 16- Singing at 3 pm, Oak Ridge Senior Living
-then going to The Paragon

(all events happening at the building unless otherwise noted.)



Today!!- Wayne & Dianna Adams

July 27— Joseph & Micki Clark

Dennis & Carol Warszona

July 28— Sarah Wilkes

July 29— Mitchell & Natalie Lutz

Shelia Hampton, Joseph Clark

July 30— Larry & Kathy Keith

Helen Boro

July 31— Karen Wilkerson

July 26— Meet at church

Contact **Jon**—270-635-1029 or
Jared—270-841-8542 for
more info.

Sermon Notes



Church of Christ

July 26, 2026

Saying and Doing

(Matthew 21:23-32)

At this point in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus has won over the “people.” So much so that we read that the elders were afraid of the multitude. Now Jesus has brought his power and teaching into the Temple area – the home turf of the elders, scribes, and Pharisees. If they could not stop his authority their last resort was inevitable – violence.

This is the opening of the final set of arguments that Jesus would have with the authorities. They could not win an argument with him. He would continue to win over the multitude. They knew that he and his disciples were the ones who had healed them, fed them, ate with them, and loved them.

The text today is in two parts. The first is a question about what kind of authority Jesus had and the second was who gave it to him. We already know that they had accused him of receiving his authority from Beelzebul (9:34; 12:24). The problem they had was that they were the only ones who believed it. The “tax collectors and sinners” knew better than they who Jesus was.

After a complex, “We do not know” answer, Jesus starts in on a series of parables to drive home his authority and expose their hypocrisy.

The parable of the two sons is a much shorter relative of the “Prodigal Son.” Stories about two brothers that went in different directions are familiar and common in the Old Testament. There are few surprises in this exchange except that Jesus sets them up for a blistering condemnation out of their own mouths.

This parable is related to the question Jesus asked about John the Baptizer and his authority. John’s preaching was that Israel should repent and show fruit that befitted repentance. Those who listened to John joined Jesus. They, the “tax-collectors and sinners”, were the ones who followed Jesus. They were the ones who ate with him as his kingdom was breaking into this world. They are the ones who “changed their minds”. That is repented.

Jesus, meek and gentle, is not acting in such a way here. He has reduced the leaders of the Temple to arguing amongst themselves and muttering “we don’t know” in answer to Jesus’ questions.

They do, however, have the wisdom to answer Jesus’ question about which of the two sons in the parable was doing the will of the father. Jesus tells the story and asks the question in such a way that they walked right into the trap, even if they could see it coming.

The Kingdom of Heaven makes demands on us. It requires more than just words. It requires turning and doing. It requires bearing fruit that befits repentance and coming to the table with others who have done the same.

Welcome To Worship



Children's Song

Cong. Reading: Psalm 118: 22-25

Blessed Assurance

I Am The Vine

Prayer— David Stubblefield

I Want to Be a Worker

Ivory Palaces

Lord's Supper

Presiding LS: Jared Jones

Serving LS: Roger Dillingham

Buster Almon Bert Pressley
Joshua Scott Micah Bridgman

Give Me the Heart of a Servant

Contribution

No Children's Church

If Jesus Goes With Me

Scripture: Matt. 21: 28-32 **Chason S**

Prayer—Bryson Shoulders

Lesson— Sean Nistrath

A New Creature

Benediction: 1 Peter 2: 4-6

The Grace

TODAY—

Call to Worship: Byron Pruitt

Song Leader: Josh Lupo

Monitor: Larry Stone

Children's Church: none

Sound Booth: Darin S / Zach P

NEXT WEEK—

Call to Worship: Barry Webb

Song Leader: Eric Seesengood

Prayers: Larry Stone/Bryson Shoulders

Scripture: Mark Wilkerson

Monitor: Pete Shoulders

Children's Church: David/Alyssa

Sound booth: Kaylie Seesengood

Presiding LS: David Stubblefield

Serving LS: Kenneth Ashby

Jeff Phillips Ezra Bridgman

Keith Tapp Chason Shoulders

Alternates for August:

Terry Hampton Quincy Stephenson

Communion Prep: Ashbys

For the Record, Last Sunday:

Bible Class— 39

Worship— 80

Contribution— \$2,312.00

Wednesday— 32



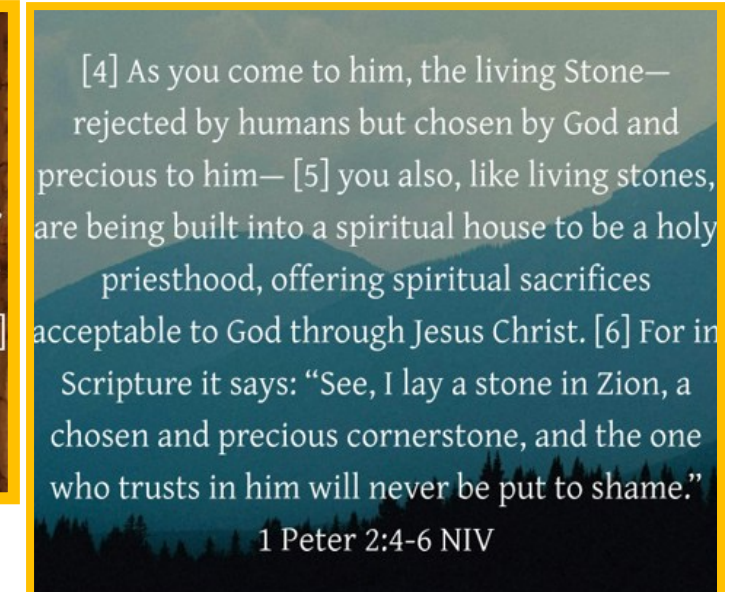
Announcements:

Card basket for *Jason Rushing*, on lobby table, blank cards next to it.

Bulletin Board: Potter's July Newsletter & Fall Fest (9/19)

WKYC Open House (9/15)

Expecting Parents: Aaron & Mallory Ashby (*Girl, Oct*)



Jason Rushing, lost everything in missile strike in Qatar. Please pray for him and all those serving overseas at this time.

Ann Hampton's family, she passed away on July 21st, services were July 25th

Jeremi Winstead's family, he passed away July 18th, services were on July 25th

Kaci Rainwater Henry, she is 28 weeks pregnant and was diagnosed with brain cancer

Lea Brown, still on Oxygen after hospital stay, moving back home this month

Ongoing Health Concerns and Prayer:

Diana Adams, Kathy & Dexter Black, Suzette Mooney, Sherry Rushing, Sister Josephine, Jama Doc, Donna Stephenson, Dennis & Carol Warszona, Barbara Lynch, Everett Beatty, Wyatt Brown, John Phillips, Linda Smith, Alberta Rust, James Allen, Rebecca Nistrath, Sherry Logan, Karen Wilkerson, Benson Holmes, Lauren Turley, John Benham, Johnny Allen, Todd Templeton, Ronnie Hill, Byron Pruitt, Callum Pruitt, Lori Adkins

Praying For Our Military Members:

Ryan Hill, Tyler Malik, Christopher Goodale, Hans & Suraya Nistrath, Dalton Davis, Andrew Ashby, James Brahm, Christopher Brahm, Nathan Dees, Dalton Daves

Sunday 6 pm, The Vision of the Seventy Weeks, Daniel 9: 20-27, Jared