

When We meet:

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Small Groups 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30pm

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Welcome Guests! Please
scan the QR code or fill
out our Connection
Card-**Red Folder** . Let us
know how we can help.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Today!!- Children's Church, Fellowship Hall

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

Aug 31st— 5th Sunday Congregational Meeting &

Potluck, in Fellowship Hall

Sept 1st— Walking Group Starts, 8:30 am

- **Inside the building**

Sept 7th— Small Groups Restart

- **Singing class, Adult Classroom, 4:30pm**

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



Sept 21st— Devo at Scott's

-5-7 pm

Sept 28th— Meet at Church

Contact **Jon**—270-635-1029 or
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Zach Pressley



Church of Christ

August 24, 2025

After My Departure

(II Peter 1:12-21)

Second Peter is written by a man who may well have been a teenager when he met Jesus. He is now older and can see his time of departure from this life on the near horizon. This letter could be considered a type of spiritual last will and testament. He wants to ensure that the gospel that Jesus brought to the world continues to be preached in truth.

He wants to be sure that they remember the things that he taught them. He wants them to hold on to those things "that pertain to life and godliness" that have been given by God's divine power (1:3). He is writing down some answers to objections that others may have against his teaching.

In today's text there are two objections he addresses. The first is that the apostles were spreading cleverly devised myths. This is an objection that is still with us today. What settles this for believers is whether we believe the witnesses' accounts of what they saw and did. Peter's answer to this is that he was with Jesus on the holy mountain. He tells them that he heard the voice from heaven declare that Jesus was God's beloved Son.

The second objection seems to be something to do with prophecy and its interpretation. The reply to this is related to the first. The reply is in the form of a couple of verses that are difficult to translate and understand.

A little background might be helpful. In the ancient world oracles were considered intermediaries between the gods and people. They were often located in a place that was considered sacred. It was up to them to deliver the message of the gods as was intended. They were not to change the meaning for their own gain. The interpretation of the message they were given was not their own.

We have examples of this in the Old Testament. In Daniel's vision in chapter 7 we read that he was troubled by his dream. Then he writes in verse 16, "I approached one of those who stood there and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me, and made known to me, the interpretation of the things." We read about a similar process in Zechariah 4. In Ezekiel 4, the prophet is given instruction to perform some strange actions that can only be understood by the interpretation given to them by God.

Peter's reply to those who were opposing his teaching is that he has delivered the true word that God Intended to be delivered. He is validating his interpretation by reminding his readers that he has been faithful to the word. His imprecation on false prophets in the next section let us know that he intends what he wrote to be read and believed by followers of Jesus.

For us, this is an encouragement to hold on to the witness of scripture and do our best to understand what is says to us. There is a high standard to be held when it comes to teaching and preaching. It is a historical and biblical fact that those who consistently attempt to stay the course of truth will fall under constant criticism or worse. Do not shy away from holding on to truth.

Welcome



Children's Song

Cong. Reading: Psalm 86: 8-11

Jesus Is Well and Alive Today

Way Maker

Prayer— Barry Webb

Wonderful Words of Life

More About Jesus

Lord's Supper

Presiding LS: Quincy Stephenson

Serving: LS: Jon Stubblefield

Bert Pressley Buster Almon

Bryson Shoulders Butch Blanton

Thy Word

Contribution

Dismiss for Children's Church

Be Still My Soul

Scripture: II Peter 1: 16-19 **Steve S**

Prayer— Jared Jones

Lesson— Sean Niestrath

He Knows Just What I Need

Benediction: Proverbs 30: 45

The Grace

TODAY—

Call to Worship: Dan Rust

Song Leader: Eric Seesengood

Monitor: David Stubblefield

Children's Church: Melissa B/Sara S

Sound Booth: Zach Pressley

NEXT WEEK—

Call to Worship: Barry Webb

Song Leader: Mark Wilkerson

Prayers: David Stubblefield/Keith Tapp

Scripture: Brock Shoulders

Monitor: Byron Pruitt

Children's Church: None

Sound booth: Josh Lupo

Presiding LS: Jon Stubblefield

Serving LS: Quincy Stephenson

Bert Pressley Buster Almon

Bryson Shoulders Butch Blanton

Alternates for August:

Terry Hampton Dan Rust

Communion Prep: Matheny

For the Record

Last Sunday:

Bible Class— 49

Worship— 106

Contribution—\$5,194.00

Wednesday— 62

Announcements:

Magi Boxes are Here!!

Set up under coat rack

List on table or use QR Code

Due Date Sept 21st

Super Seniors Branson Trip

Nov 7th-9th

Flyer in the Lobby

Contact Tim Teel



15 Baskets delivered to Baptist Health nurses' stations!



Lauren Turley, (Keith Tapp's friend), diagnosed with breast cancer

Judy Horn, (James Allen's brother-in-law's sister), has lung cancer

Rita Cartwright, (Granny), ongoing health issues

Shannon Lockhart, (Hampton's friend) has cancer

Daniel Davis, recovering from back surgery at home

Cathy Saley, recovering from shoulder surgery at home

Pam Stuart, (Emma Jean Scott's daughter), recovering from knee surgery

PRAYER
list

Ongoing Health Concerns and Prayer:

Diana Adams, Dexter & Kathy Black, Suzette Mooney, Del Brock, Sherry Rushing, Jim Miller, Sister Josephine, Barbara Lynch, Lisa Dunlap, Wyatt Brown, Christy Estrada, Curt Frederick, Dennis Warszona, Juana Belgrave, Rebecca Niestrath, Karen Wilkerson, Jama Doc, Benson Holmes, Alberta Rust

Sunday 6pm, The Chosen