

# WESTHILL

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Sunday 9:30a, 10:30a, 6:00p

Tuesday 10:30a

Wednesday 6:30p

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

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## The Power of Death

Jon Mitchell

“Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.” (Hebrews 2:14-16)

When Satan successfully tempted Adam and Eve, he brought death into the world (Gen. 3:1ff; Rom. 5:12). The concept of death revolves around separation, the separation of the body from the spirit which is the physical first death (James 2:26) and the separation of God from us due to our sins which is the spiritual second death culminating in eternal hell (Is. 59:2; Rom. 6:23; Rev. 21:8). Because we all sinned (Rom. 3:23), and our sins demanded a just punishment (Rom. 2:5-6; 3:26) for which the blood of animal sacrifices could not atone (Heb. 10:1-4), Satan had the power of death over us. In other words, we had no hope of salvation from hell.

Thanks be to God that out of his great love for us he sent his only Son (John 3:16), who left the glory of Heaven to become a mortal, flesh-and-blood Man (John 1:14; Rom. 1:3; 8:3; Gal. 4:4; Phil. 2:7-8; Col. 1:22; 1 Tim. 3:16; 1 John 4:2; 2 John 7) who was tempted in every way that we are tempted, “yet without sin” (Heb. 4:14-16). By living that sinless life and then offering himself on the cross on our behalf, he became the propitiation for our sins (1 John 2:1-2; 4:10; cf. Rom. 3:25; 2 Cor. 5:18-20; Col. 1:20; ). God’s righteous demand for a just punishment for our sins was met, giving us the hope of salvation and thus taking away Satan’s power of death over us!

Yes, Satan is still active and we must be wary of him (1 Pet. 5:8-9; 2 Cor. 2:11)...but Christ’s sacrifice on the cross has destroyed him so that we know his guaranteed, ultimate end (Rev. 20:10-12).

Therefore, Christians need no longer fear the death that is separation from God (Rom. 8:37-39; 1 Cor. 3:21-23) because we are Abraham’s spiritual descendants due to belonging to Christ (Gal. 3:29; cf. Rom. 2:28-29; Gal. 6:16; James 1:1-2) and thus are heirs to whom is promised that glorious, eternal inheritance in Heaven (1 Pet. 1:3-5)!

How does one come to belong to Christ and thus receive these awesome blessings? Through faithful, penitent baptism into Christ and his body, the church of Christ (Gal. 3:26-29; Rom. 6:1-8; 1 Cor. 12:13; cf. Col. 1:18; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38).

Standing Against the Devil

“Put on the full armor of God. So that you will be able to STAND FIRM against the schemes of the devil.”  
Ephesians 6:11

What is the devil Scheming? He wants you to:

1. Turn your Knowledge into \_\_\_\_\_

2. Turn your Past into your \_\_\_\_\_

3. Turn the Body into \_\_\_\_\_

4. Turn the Family \_\_\_\_\_ each other

Ultimately, he wants you to:  
Turn your back on the \_\_\_\_\_

How do we Combat these Schemes? We \_\_\_\_\_

Stand Firm in \_\_\_\_\_

Stand Firm in \_\_\_\_\_ Combat

One Word: Worry

Be not dismayed whate'er betide,  
God will take care of you;  
Beneath His wings of love abide,  
God will take care of you.  
God will take care of you,  
Through every day, o'er all the way;  
He will take care of you,  
God will take care of you.

There is \_\_\_\_\_ Worry

- This Worry is \_\_\_\_\_

There is \_\_\_\_\_ Worry

- This Worry is \_\_\_\_\_

What to do when I Worry

1. R\_\_\_\_\_ (Philippians 4:6)

2. R\_\_\_\_\_ (Philippians 4:6, 8-9)

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- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

3. R\_\_\_\_\_ (Philippians 4:7)



Corsicana area churches of Christ

UNITY SUNDAY

November 12

Alton Albert (Eastside - 9:30)

Steve Orbison (North Beaton - 10:30)

Potluck (12:00)

Corey Tackett (Blooming Grove - 1:00)

WesthillWORKS!

Community Outreach

Benevolence Program  
Habitat for Humanity  
Food for Fitness

Local Missions

Cherokee Children's Home  
In Search of the Lord's Way  
Southwest School of Preaching  
Brown Trail Spanish School of Preaching  
The Truth in Love *ttil.tv*  
WVBS Online School  
*school.wvbs.org*  
La Poynor Prison Ministry  
(Steve & Carrie Handley)

Foreign Missions

Four Seas Bible College, Singapore  
New Zealand Harvest Missions

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# Prayer List

**Jerry Cockerham** passed away last Sunday. His memorial service was Friday. Please remember Sylvia and the rest of the family in your prayers.

**Wanda Horner** has recently been placed on Hospice Care just in order to get her the proper medical attention that she needs for comfort and rest.

**Nancy Armstrong** had a mini stroke last week and was taken to the hospital. Although cause is still not determined, she will have a follow up with her heart doctor.

**Jan Ross** is scheduled for outpatient surgery on Monday.

**Billie Thomas'** procedure to remove melanoma has been rescheduled for Monday.

**Carolyn Milton's brother**, Homer Brown, continues on Hospice Care, and his time is very short. Please pray for Carolyn and her family.

**Continue to Remember:** Don Bowen, Aline Barrett, Wanda Brown, Velma McDougald, Gerald Armstrong, Pat Wheat, Joyce Barfield, Gould family, Stewart family, Wardlaw family, Robert Harper Jr., Connie Benishek, Barbara Moore

## Announcements

**Jr. High Devo** after evening service at Greg & Lindsay Olsen's home. Boys bring drinks and girls bring desserts.

**5th Sunday Format** next week. Please make plans to stay for a fellowship potluck meal, followed by an afternoon service led by our young men. We appreciate your attendance that will greatly support and encourage them.

**Eric Olsen & McKenzie Rash** are having a wedding shower on Nov. 12 immediately following Sunday afternoon service. They are to be wed on Dec. 9.

**Thanksgiving Lunch:** Make plans now to attend and eat with your Westhill Family. Lunch will be served Thanksgiving Day at noon. Turkey, ham, dressing, and rolls will be provided. Sign-up now to let us know how many will be coming and what dish you would like to bring.

**Westhill Family**, Thank you so much for the calls, cards & prayers for my family at the passing of our precious Meagan Gould. We appreciate the delicious meal provided for us by so many loving hands. You men and women did a fantastic job. The GHouse and Slovak families appreciate you all so much. Please continue to pray for us all. Your love and support with God's help will give us strength each day.

-In Christian love, **Barbara Gould**

## Birthdays This Week

October 24 - Caleb Jackson

October 25 - Justin Howard & Cooper Webster

October 26 - Michael Jones & Mildred Wooten

October 27 - Martha Dowdle & Trace Rash

October 28 - Dawn Haden

## Next Week

**Bible Class** *The Life of the Apostle Paul*

**AM Sermon** *Standing Against God*

**PM Sermon** *5th Sunday Format*

## Records for October 15, 2017

Bible Class .....	201
AM Worship.....	248
PM Worship.....	165
Wednesday.....	185
Contribution .....	\$8,394.85

**Military:** Clay Bayes, Jason Book, Alston Compton, Robert Johnson, Ryan Payne, Douglas Ramsey, Ryan Stewart, & Blake Barrett

## Privileged to Serve

<b>Song Leader</b>	Joshua Haden
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Gene Steinkraus
<b>Communion Leader</b>	Brent Stewart
<b>Communion Servers</b>	
Casey Hendrix	Mark McWherter
Jimmy Horn	Nicholas Tooley
Thomas Saunders	Rusty Owens
Rusty Owens	Phil Pillans
George Schmidt	Wade Braly
Don Ivy	Jim Haden
Dalton Shastid	Darwin Thomas
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Paul Ross
<b>Nursery</b>	Donna Drain & Lindsay Olsen
<b>PM Song Leader</b>	Justin Mahoney
<b>PM Opening Prayer</b>	Billy Roughton
<b>PM Closing Prayer</b>	George Schmidt
<b>Wed. Song Leader</b>	Paul Ross
<b>Wed. Devotional</b>	Brent Stewart
<b>October Contact Elder</b>	Don Ivy