

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDIES (9:15-10:15am):

12/7 9. Samson and the Philistines – Judges 15:1-16:31 John

12/14 10. Ruth and Boaz – Ruth 1:1-2:23 Matt

12/21 11. The Kinsman Redeemer – Ruth 3:1-4:22 John

12/28 12. Reviewing Key Principles Matt

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PREPARATION FOR THE WORD & PRAYER:

	PRaise	GOSPEL READING	CONFESSION	THANKS/REQ.
12/7	Larry Rock	Matthew 1:18-25 Amanda Carey	Jeff Clevenger	Matt Widder
12/14	Jess Carey	Matthew 2:1-12 Larry Rock	Matt Widder	John Carey
12/21	Harvey Hershberger	Matthew 2:13-23 Lori Wilt	Johnny Carey	Matt Widder
12/28	Adam Winkelvoss	Matthew 3:1-17 Lincoln Widder	Franklin Broadwater	John Carey



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 SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES - 9:15AM - SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:30AM

GOD IS HOLY, HE IS TO BE ADORED.

The Call to Worship | 1 John 4:4

Hymn #206 | Angels We Have Heard on High

Prayers of Praise Larry

Welcome

GOD'S WORD IS TO BE HONORED.

The Gospel Reading | Matthew 1:18-25 Amanda

Special Music

The Offering

Kids Message | Ephesians 4:25 Gracie

GUILT & SIN IS TO BE CONFESSED & REPENTED OF.

Scriptural Call | Luke 14:26-27

Hymn #186 | O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Prayers of Confession & Silence Jeff

GOD'S GRACE LEADS US TO GRATITUDE & GODLINESS.

Scriptural Assurance | John 14:6

Song | In Christ Alone

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Request Matt

GOD'S WORD IS TO BE PROCLAIMED.

The Sermon Text | Revelation 3:21

The Sermon | "Rest In Thee"

GO SERVE IN OBEDIENCE.

Song | Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

The Benediction

THE CALL TO WORSHIP - 1 JOHN 4:4

Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

THE GOSPEL READING - MATTHEW 1:18-25

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).

²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

THE KIDS MESSAGE - EPHESIANS 4:25

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

SCRIPTURAL CALL - LUKE 14:26-27

²⁶ "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE - JOHN 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.



7 December 430

At the Synod of Rome, Cyril of Alexandria, 54, formally condemned the doctrine of the Antiochene monk Nestorius, who had claimed that there were two separate Persons in the Incarnate Christ (one Divine, the other Human).

8 December 1691

Death of the English non-conformist pastor, Richard Baxter, considered the greatest preacher and probably the best-known religious author of his day.

9 December 1870

The Society of Biblical Archaeology was founded in London “for the investigation of the archaeology, history, arts, and chronology of ancient and modern...biblical lands....”

10 December 1520

German reformer Martin Luther publicly burned Pope Leo X's bull, “Exsurge Domine,” which had demanded that Luther recant his “protestant” heresies, including that of justification by faith alone rather than through purchased indulgences or other papal favors.

11 December 1962

American missionary and apologist Francis Schaeffer wrote in a letter: “Our trusting the Lord does not mean that there are not times of tears. I think it is a mistake as Christians to act as though trusting the Lord and tears are not compatible.”

12 December 1562

Death in Zurich of Peter Martyr Vermigli, an Italian theologian with reformation tendencies. He had fled to England from Italy and, with the restoration of Catholicism under Mary Tudor, had fled again to Switzerland.

13 December 1835

Birth of Phillips Brooks, American clergyman. Though he produced ten volumes of sermons, he is better remembered today as author of the Christmas carol, “O Little Town of Bethlehem,” written in 1868 for the children of his Sunday School.



Mission gifts given in December will benefit:
Our Deacon's Fund.



Save the dates for....

Emerald Crossing Vacation Bible School 2026

An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23

Sunday-Thursday - June 21-25, 2026
(6:00-8:30pm)



THE CALENDAR:

December 7	Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Wed. December 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (6:30pm)
Thurs. December 25	Christmas Day
Tue. January 6	Epiphany
Sun. January 18	LIFE Sunday
Sun. January 18	VBS Team Meeting (noon)



COFFEE BREAK SCHEDULE:

12/7 - Allison Broadwater	1/4 -
12/14 - Sherry Carey	1/11 -
12/21 - Amanda Carey	1/18 -
12/28 - Emily Widder	1/25 -



HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

12/21 Piper Wilt
12/29 Sherry Carey
1/2 Ruth Yoder
1/5 Steve Hershberger
1/11 Jeff Clevenger
1/21 Emmett Llewellyn
1/25 Megan Carey
1/28 Jaden Carey
1/30 Larry Rock



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

12/31 Jess & Michele Carey

Prayer List

7 December 2025 / Lord's Day 49

Pray and Memorize this week:

1 John 4:4

Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

Pray using prayers of the Puritans - Openness:

But it will be of eternal moment that I have mourned for sin, hungered and thirsted after righteousness, loved the Lord Jesus in sincerity, gloried in His cross.

Pray using our Prayer Points for this week:

Monday	Tuesday
*Ruth Yoder.	*Our Deacon's Fund.
*For cleansing of sin.	*For belonging to Jesus.
Wednesday	Thursday
*Our country and Military.	*For sanctification.
*To be the possession of God.	*For the honoring of God.
Friday	Saturday
*For the end of abortion & close of the abortion mill.	*For Pastor Matt & Emily.

Pray for our fallen world & global concerns:

The call & response of the lost. Matthew 18
The end of abortion practices & the close of the abortion mill. Exodus 20:13
The sins of sexual rebellion. Genesis 1:27
Peace in Israel & Nigeria. Psalms 25:22

Pray for those serving our country: Isaiah 41:10

Nathan Brenneman (and the family)

Pray for those in nursing homes: 1 Timothy 5:1-3

Helen Bender
Shirley Bender

Pray for health/comfort for: Psalms 121:1-2

Kari Galica (friend of Johnny Carey)
Fred Holiday (friend of the Broadwaters)
Jeff Iler (friend of Jaden Carey)
Becca Kilgus (friend of Linda Upole)
Bri Llewellyn & baby girl.
Maci Rae Llewellyn (niece of Eric & Bri Llewellyn)
Lauretta Maust (mother of Jen Hershberger)
Sandy McKenzie (friend of the Broadwaters)
Bill Murray (family friend of Michele Carey)
Patty Rice
Trina & Miranda Rounds (friends of the Broadwaters)
Richard Stanton (brother of Linda Upole)
Dave Streets (friend of the Broadwaters)
Harper Struntz (local girl)
Nathaniel Zaroni (student of Amanda Carey)

Pray for those battling cancer. John 14:27

Nick Brown (young local boy)
Linda Handwerk (daugh. of the late Wanda Sheffield)
Steve Hershberger
Shelbi Knauer (friend of Hannah Hershberger)
Daisy Murray (friend of John Carey)
Cindy Widder (family of the Widders)
George Winkelvoss (father of Adam Winkelvoss)
Wyatt Wilkens (friend of Jack Carey)
Indy Yoder (local 4-year-old)
Gay Ziegler (friend of Linda Upole)

Pray for those mourning the loss of:

Doug Stone (father of Rebekah Clevenger)

Pray and prepare for the upcoming preaching of God's Word:

12/14	Luke 4:18-19	"Joy Of Every Longing Heart"
12/21	Romans 6:22	"Rule In All Our Hearts"
12/24	Luke 1:31-33	"Thy Glorious Throne"
12/28	Psalms 127:1	"All Glory Be To Christ"

What are some early signs of deadness in a church?

What promises encourage you to persevere?

How does Christ knock at the door of a church?

“Rest time is not waste time. It is economy to gather fresh strength... It is wisdom to take occasional furlough. In the long run, we shall do more by sometimes doing less.”
- C.H. Spurgeon

“Sleep is a parable that God is God and we are mere men. God handles the world quite nicely while a hemisphere sleeps. Sleep is like a broken record that comes around with the same message every day: Man is not sovereign. Man is not sovereign. Man is not sovereign. Don’t let the lesson be lost on you. God wants to be trusted as the great worker who never tires and never sleeps. He is not nearly so impressed with our late nights and early mornings as He is with the peaceful trust that casts all anxieties on Him and sleeps.” - John Piper

²¹The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne,
as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne.

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Question 124. *What is the third petition (of the Lord's Prayer)?*

Answer: YOUR WILL BE DONE IN EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.
That is: Grant that we and all men may renounce our own will,^a and yield ourselves, without gainsaying, to Your will, which alone is good;^b that so everyone may fulfil his office and calling, as willingly and truly as the angels do in heaven.^c

a.

Matthew 16:24

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

Titus 2:12

training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

b.

Luke 22:42

saying, “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done.”

c.

1 Corinthians 7:24

So, brothers, in whatever condition each was called, there let him remain with God.

Psalms 103:20

Bless the Lord, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!

Ephesians 4:1

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

Psalm 49

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of the Sons of Korah.

Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,
both low and high, rich and poor together!

My mouth shall speak wisdom;
the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

I will incline my ear to a proverb;

I will solve my riddle to the music of the lyre.

Why should I fear in times of trouble,

when the iniquity of those who cheat me surrounds me,
those who trust in their wealth

and boast of the abundance of their riches?

Truly no man can ransom another,

or give to God the price of his life,

for the ransom of their life is costly and can never suffice,
that he should live on forever and never see the pit.

For he sees that even the wise die;

the fool and the stupid alike must perish and leave their wealth to others.

Their graves are their homes forever,

their dwelling places to all generations,

though they called lands by their own names.

Man in his pomp will not remain;

he is like the beasts that perish.

This is the path of those who have foolish confidence;

yet after them people approve of their boasts. *Selah*

Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol;

death shall be their shepherd,

and the upright shall rule over them in the morning.

Their form shall be consumed in Sheol, with no place to dwell.

But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol,

for he will receive me. *Selah*

Be not afraid when a man becomes rich,

when the glory of his house increases.

For when he dies he will carry nothing away;

his glory will not go down after him.

For though, while he lives, he counts himself blessed—

and though you get praise when you do well for yourself—

his soul will go to the generation of his fathers,

who will never again see light.

Man in his pomp yet without understanding is like the beasts that perish.