

Order of Worship			A Warm Welcome	
8:00 AM:		10:30 AM:		
<i>Song Leader: Carl Wamble</i>		<i>Song Leader: Bruce Robins</i>		
390 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah		470 O God, Our Help in Ages Past		
<i>Call to Worship: Calvin Mitchell</i>		<i>Call to Worship: Bernard Foster</i>		
778 Be with Me, Lord		191 God Will Take Care of You		
480 Blessed Assurance		— Great is the Lord Almighty		
S-85 Wonderful, Merciful Savior		— How Deep the Father's Love		
<i>Bread: John Jones</i>		<i>Bread: Cornelius Morris</i>		
<i>Fruit of the Vine: Jesse Frerot</i>		<i>Fruit of the Vine: Demetrius Morris</i>		
<i>Giving: Wayne Dellinger</i>		<i>Giving: Rodney Philyaw</i>		
753 Farther Along		41 Be Still, My Soul		
<i>Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-14</i>		<i>Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-14</i>		
<i>Rutherford Wilson</i>		<i>John Birus</i>		
985 When Morning Comes		194 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah		
<i>Sermon: Ricky Cook</i>		<i>Sermon: Ricky Cook</i>		
613 Hold to God's Unchanging Hand		216 He Leadeth Me		
<i>Prayer Requests/Announcements</i>		<i>Prayer Requests/Announcements</i>		
417 Where He Leads I'll Follow		— Give Thanks to the Lord		
<i>Closing Prayer: Wayne Dellinger</i>		<i>Closing Prayer: Rodney Philyaw</i>		
<i>Usher 1: Kevin Hogg</i>		<i>Usher 1: Joe Ford</i>		
<i>Usher 2: Kellen Gibson</i>		<i>Usher 2: Henry Jenkins</i>		
<i>Projectionist: Kevin Caldwell</i>		<i>Projectionist: Antoine Johnson</i>		
<i>Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and the Supplement.</i>		<i>Our songs today are from Praise for the Lord and the Supplement.</i>		
Sunday Evening Worship		We would like the men scheduled to serve in the worship service meet in the copier room at 7:45 and 10:15 to prepare for the service.		
Song Leader:				
Call to Worship:				
Scripture Reader:		Wednesday, August 12th		
VBS				
Lord's Supper:		Song Leader		
		Devotional Leader		
VBS				
Closing Prayer:		Closing Prayer		
Projectionist:		Projectionist		



August 9, 2026

How Old Are You?

“The silver-haired head *is* a crown of glory, *If* it is found in the way of righteousness.” *Proverbs 16:31*

Man has, over the course of human history, shown a great concern for both time and age. Even children, in their own manner, can be occupied by this consideration. It is not uncommon to hear children comparing ages to see who is the oldest. Many of us can remember in the days of youth longing to be older and desirous of adulthood. Undoubtedly, we were somewhat misguided by our own delusions of grandeur concerning adulthood (e.g. – unbridled liberty, opportunity to make adult choices, etc.). Many people have come to the realization that adulthood, viewed through the lenses of youth, is quite distorted. Yet not everyone grows to appreciate this fact. It has been observed that “not everybody who grows old, grows up.” There is a vast difference between age and maturity.

Age is simply an indicator of the passage of time. On the other hand, maturity speaks to wisdom, discipline, and righteousness. It is articulated in James’ letter that one of the ways these qualities are developed within us is by being faithful to God when we face the various trials and troubles of life – *James 1:2-4* “My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have *its* perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.” One of the truest indicators between maturity and immaturity is the response to trouble.

Another great indicator of the difference between maturity and immaturity is one’s understanding of one’s purpose. Surely, we remember the great declaration of Solomon concerning man’s purpose – *Ecclesiastes 12:13* “Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man’s all.” We would do well to hear his wisdom. Let us also heed his counsel. Maturity appreciates that being a “grownup” is not a license to serve self. Rather, it is a responsibility to honor God in all that we do and speak. How old are you? To God be the glory! Amen!

Because He lives,
Ricky Cook

Sunday:

Worship: 8:00 am, 10:30 am,
Spanish service 12:15 pm
Bible Classes: 9:30 am
Spanish Bible Classes: 11:00

Wednesday:

Bible Classes: 7 pm

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