



SUNDAY

Bible Classes: 9:00
Worship: 10:00
LifeGroups: 5:00

WEDNESDAY

12-Step Class: 5:30
Classes: 6:30

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"Deeper, Wider"

Do we have a clue what our parents have done for us over the years? There were times they chose to sacrifice their personal wants for our happiness. Many times. And without a word.

Oh, the years of 'growing pains' where we thought they were clueless and our relationship with them was strained & ready to snap - yet they continued to offer patience, support, while yielding their rights as they continued offering grace on account of all our disobedient wrongs.

But when we finally 'get it'... when the weight of our own dumb choices, attitudes & actions finally 'come home to roost' - when we have run the gamut of parenting ourselves and have seen 'the other side' - that's when we truly appreciate the scope of the gift of grace they offered to us when all we saw was ourselves.

"But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved." Ephesians 2:4-5

You see, preachers that speak of the grace of God sometimes get pushback from parishioners. (Imagine that!) Sometimes the well-meaning of us might be tempted to say, *"if you preach grace, then the church will either 'sit more' or 'sin more' instead of getting busy for Jesus!"* The first thought process is this: if grace covers us, then we can sin all we want because grace covers us. The other side of the coin is this: if grace covers us, then why do I have to put myself out there & be busy for Jesus if grace covers that too?

But let's go back to 'mom & dad loved us more than we deserved' for a moment: when we finally understand the 'gift given' and the 'sacrifice made', doesn't it make us better parents ourselves? Doesn't it well-up in us an appreciation for what we have been given - and deeply inspires truly serving our families like we were served by our own parents? Spiritually speaking, because grace moves on our behalf - our clueless, selfish, relationship-straining self - then when we finally understand all Christ has done for us, we won't be more likely to 'sit more' or 'sin more', but the truth about grace only inspires in us a deeper worship, a more complete service, a full sacrifice, and an unselfish brand of Christianity.

"But because of His love for us..."

Paul understood grace. At one time, he murdered Christians as a service to God. But then grace was offered to the ***"chief of sinners."*** And the man who finally understood grace began to offer grace more freely. Jesus said it, too, ***"Those who have been forgiven much love much."***

Oh my friends, grace is *"deeper than the ocean and wider than the sea."*

We read about it & sing about it.

Now it's time to do something about it.

"Whatever we are waiting for - peace of mind, contentment, grace, the inner awareness of simple abundance - it will surely come to us, but only when we are ready to receive it with an open and grateful heart." - Sarah Ban Breathnach

WORSHIP ORDER

I Will Call Upon the Lord
Welcome
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty
I Raise a Hallelujah
Prayer • Bill Weeks
Oh to Be Like Thee
Scripture Reading • Henry Hurt
Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross
Amazing Love
Communion • JH Mize
Offering
Refiner's Fire
Love Lifted Me
Message - Mike Anderson
Family News
Prayer

February Deacons of the Month
Barry Embrey & Earnest Ward

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Scripture	Everette Semore
Prayer	Ryan Embrey
Communion	Bill Alford
Children's Church	Robbie & Robin Robison; Tammy Young, Elizabeth Lentz, Parker & Emily Conn
Nursery Workers	Adelia Gaines, Ruth Chandler, Sara Samples Sibil Matthews
Lock up	Randy Scott Tom Sawyer
Pantry Workers February 20	Carolyn Oglesby Ann Embrey Barry Embrey

BY THE NUMBERS

Worship 2-4

260

ONLINE GIVING LINK



PRAYER CONCERNS:

Larry Littlejohn, had a cardiologist appointment last Friday.

Friends and family have requested your prayers for **Lindsey Massie**, wife of Cole Massie. She is 35 years old and has been diagnosed with stage 3 breast cancer.

Fred Robinson, brother of Angela Ward, has stage 4 Esophageal cancer. He is not doing well. Please pray for this family.

Will Glover, nephew of Linda Harris, continues to need our prayers.

Continue to remember those in need of our prayers: Law enforcement officers, Pat Hardison, Ed & Denise Bryant, Whit Darby, Charles Adams, Juanita Johnson, Katie Hensley, Barbara Mooneyhan, Betty Cooper, Jennifer O'Neal, Betty Beard, David Massing, Beau James, Cecil Crook, Jean Grantham, Mercedes King, James Lloyd Smith
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Today..... there will be a Memorial Service @ 2:00 in the auditorium for Charles Boling.

February 17th - Valentine Banquet @ 5:00 pm in the activity building. Those of you that are planning to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer AND bring an OLD picture of yourself to the church office. We will be using it for a game at the banquet. It will be scanned and returned to you.

➡ The **Spring quarter** for our Bible classes begins in March. There is a need for a teacher & helper for 3-5 year olds and a teacher & helper for K - 2nd grade. Please let Kim Bogus know if you can help.

To our church family,
Words are never enough to express how much we appreciate your love, cards, kind words and good. You helped make the passing of Aunt Lillian & Uncle Charles easier to bear.

Love, Katie Hensley, The Newmans, The Vergaras and the Swansons

Dear Church family,
Words cannot express the appreciation & gratitude our family has for the love shown to us & our sweet Daniel! Not only were we showered with gifts, but several people brought us meals too! The daily calls, texts, prayers & visits were such a blessing! Our family would just like to say thank you to each & every person who helped us, cooked for us, called, texted, visited & most importantly prayed for us. Our hearts are so full!

Love, Wes & Brittany Thomas

