

Schedules

Worship Leaders for the 9am Service

March 5 Joe Young
 March 12 John Barnhart
 March 19 Galen Chandler
 March 26 Lezlie Cooper

Prayer Room

March 5 9:00—Kathi Lee 11:15—Max White
 March 12 9:00—Mary Clare Munger 11:15—Roman Asbill
 March 19 9:00—Kelly Nusser 11:15—Lezlie Cooper
 March 26 9:00—Pam Pandolfi 11:15—Brenda Havens

Hosts

March 5
 8:45 - 9:10 **West Door:** Darin Barnes & Floyd Hartman **East Door:** Lori & Robert Wilhite **Welcome Desk:** Brooke Barnes & Terri Hartman
 11:00 - 11:25 **West Door:** Laura & Bryan Smith **East Door:** Niki & Scott Dillard **Welcome Desk:** Cat & Avery Enns
 March 12
 8:45 - 9:10 **West Door:** Johnny Back & James Mitchell **East Door:** Connie & Rich Hopson **Welcome Desk:** Nola Hopkins & Jackie Patterson
 11:00 - 11:25 **West Door:** Danna Hinders & Annette Lippold **East Door:** Crystal Harriman & Pam Pandolfi **Welcome Desk:** Galen & Robin Chandler
 March 19
 8:45 - 9:10 **West Door:** Jo Jackson & Mattie Hall **East Door:** Steve & Sally Lewis **Welcome Desk:** Scott & Niki Dillard
 11:00 - 11:25 **West Door:** Betty Hudson & Dale Pulliam **East Door:** Debi & Carroll Marriott **Welcome Desk:** Niki & Scott Dillard
 March 26
 8:45 - 9:10 **West Door:** Rhonda & Jon Behrens **East Door:** Linda & Mike Heard **Welcome Desk:** Karen & Kent Powell
 11:00 - 11:25 **West Door:** Jessica Sattler & Scott Dillard **East Door:** Dorothy & Clois Rowland **Welcome Desk:** Niki Dillard

Acolytes for the 9 am Service

March 5 Shaylin Schulte and Sam Montandon
 March 12 Lilly Montandon and Christian Hukill
 March 19 Gabriel Sexton and Addison Tinsley
 March 26 Rebekah Huddleston and Naomi Tirey

(If you are unable to fulfill your obligation in any of these areas, please find a replacement and call the church office and let them know the change. Thank you.)

February 5	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	303
10:10 am Sunday School.....	282
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	127
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	430
February 12	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	289
10:10 am Sunday School.....	252
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	123
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	412
February 19	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	291
10:10 am Sunday School.....	261
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	100
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	391
February 26	
9:00 am Traditional Worship.....	295
11:15 am Modern Worship.....	117
TOTAL IN WORSHIP.....	412

Joys and Concerns

CONCERNS FOR THIS MONTH

HEALTH CONCERNS: Tatum Schulte, Kara Keys, Kelli Marr, Kimberly Dudley's brother, Sharron Alvi, Kyla Kauppinen
OTHER JOYS/CONCERNS: Josh Dutton's baptism, birth of Jonathan & Shasta Bowers baby 2/5—friends of Ryan & Kasey Long, engagement of Colton Bye, wonderful Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance
IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: Rita Niles & family on the death of mother, Lucille Robinson & family on the death of her sister, Nell Andrews, the family of Linda Griffin, Susan Hester & family on the death of her sister, the family of Jim Grabber
BIRTHDAYS: Ben Allen 1/29, Calan Tudyk 2/4, Chris Cornelius 2/5, Zach Robinson 2/6, Sydney Barton 2/7, Simon & Oliver Sattler 2/9, Matt Sattler 2/11, James Hartman 2/11
ANNIVERSARIES: Tim & Charlotte Wilson 2/15
ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS: Dylan Brown, Shelly Gross, Dick Elliott, Lou Ann Barnhart, Betty Hill, Dorothy Cook, Glen Miller, Carolyn Mason, Beth Sanchez, Judy Gilliam, Kimberly Conrad, Kathy Noel, Keith & Dorinda McCormack, Anna Overhulser, Terry & Helen Gamblin, Betty Ketchersid, Merrell Winstead, Martin Mordecai, Waylon Malone, Gib Satterwhite, T.K. Baker, Erin Green, Christie Wilhite, Donny Cook, Brandi Sustaie, Bobby Altman, Kingston Marr, Kason Gabbard, Alisann Smookler, Addi Martinez, Virginia Tovar, Mel Wessels, Kelli Marr, Dean Hawkins, Becca Hill, Carol Turner, Tatum Schulte, Billy Davis, Rachel Stockstill, Clois Rowland, Rachel Musgrave, Kara Joy Keys
ADDITIONAL INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: President Trump and our country's leaders, Costa Rica Team, Backyard Missions, War-torn Countries, the economy, our policeman and firemen, those in the military, unchurched men, women and children and the Wesley Foundation. *Please email fumcprayer@gmail.com or call 806-655-2851 with all prayer requests, joys, concerns or updates. If you have requested someone be added to the Ongoing Prayer Concerns, please update us on that person occasionally; especially if that person needs to be removed from the list.*

New Communication packets are available in the Parlor on the piano—stop by and pick one up and be informed about our church and the leaders of our church.

CHURCH STAFF

SENIOR PASTOR.....Rev. Rick Enns
 PASTORAL CAREAngela Asbill
 DISCIPLESHIP/SPIRITUALFORMATION MINISTER.....Roman Asbill
 YOUTH MINISTERCharlie Keys
 ASSTITANT YOUTH MINISTERLupe Acevedo
 CHILDREN'S MINISTERKim Hopson
 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY INTERNTina Ward
 CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR.....Scott Dillard
 FINANCE MANAGER.....Christi Ybarra
 MUSIC DIRECTOR.....Melanie Brooks
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 ACCOMPANIST.....B.J. Brooks
 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADER.....Jason Lester
 KITCHEN COORDINATOR.....Charlotte Wilson
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A Note From the Pastor



A Confession....

It had been 4 days since I'd really prayed and three days since I'd actually did my Bible reading. So early Sunday morning I sat in the Sanctuary trying to "catch up." And here's the confession. I wasn't catching up because I missed the prayer and study. No, I was catching up more out of obligation. In fact, I didn't want to pray. I didn't want to read. I was mad. Like a child who is mad at his father, I had run off pouting for not getting my way. I thought I was right. I thought I was justified. God was wrong. But here's the thing, I didn't even realize I was mad until I starting reading the Bible and praying through the Psalms that morning. As I was reading Psalm 50 it dawned on me, "This is why I haven't been faithful in prayer this week. I've been mad at God." Why was I mad? Because earlier that week, I had read the report on Tatum that said the chemo wasn't working. That the tumor had doubled. "God's it's not fair! We have been praying. Faithfully praying!"

God spoke to me in that moment. Not with words, but with an image. Now I wish I could say that He answered my question, but He didn't. But here is the image I received. A circle of light with God in the middle with darkness all around it. I had run from God into the darkness. I was looking for answers outside of the light. But there are no answers in the dark. God was calling me back to His presence. And in His presence, in the center of the circle I knelt by His side and He looked on me with compassion. He sighed with me. He put His hand on my shoulder, and I knew that He wasn't going to answer the "why," but I knew that in that moment, the only place of peace, of hope, of guidance, of love, was in the light of God. Sitting beside His presence.

It was an image of comfort for me. As a disciple of Jesus, I don't always have the answers. But I have a heavenly Father, who does. My prayers are not prayers to necessarily change God's mind, but to transform me. Outside of the light of God there is only darkness. May we be a people who constantly seek the light, even in the darkest of days.

Rick Enns

Rick Enns
 Senior Pastor



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE,
MARCH 1, 6:00PM

No Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal or Activities

- Imposition of Ashes - 7:30-9:00am in the Sanctuary
- 6:00pm - Ash Wednesday Service and Imposition of Ashes
- 6:30pm - Reading the Gospel of Mark

BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS!

Storybridge is an organization in Amarillo that takes new or gently used children's books and gives them away to kids with little or none. Their mission is to "build a bridge of stories to connect neighbor to neighbor." Please bring new or gently used children's books to the Storybridge Donation Crate found outside Kim's office.



