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WESTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

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Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY

Bible Study (Nursery Provided)	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship (Nursery Provided)	10:45 a.m.
Evening Service	6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Evening Meal	5:30 p.m.
Bible Drill	6:00 p.m.
Bible Study (Nursery Provided)	6:30 p.m.

Pastor

Josh Dennis

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Music Director

Zach Zajicek

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Deacons

John Tilley, John L. Moser,
Jayson Jenkins, Troy Clark,
Cliff Frazier, Jeff Douglas,
Mike Bosley, Tom Witte,
Zach Zajicek

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FROM THE PASTOR

Jesus was once asked a question that produced a masterful answer. A man asked the Lord what the greatest commandment was. He answered in Mark 12:29-30:

The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

Quoting from Deuteronomy 6:4-5, Jesus emphasizes that our greatest duty each and every day is to love God. I would like to utilize our monthly newsletter to spark your affection for God, and primarily to encourage you to love God with your mind. To guide us, I encourage you to pick up a book and read. This year, I would like for those who can read with me to read four books:

January - March: Holiness, J.C. Ryle

April - June: The Gospel According to Jesus, John MacArthur

July - September: Life in the Body of Christ, Curtis Thomas

October - December: The Attributes of God, A.W. Pink

My goal each month is to summarize and emphasize the central thoughts within sections of the book. There is no scheduled reading; just read at your own pace.

As a new year begins, we love to examine our lives. One area of focus that we need to always inspect is our personal holiness. J.C. Ryle's book Holiness has been labeled by many as the greatest work on the topic of sanctification. John MacArthur stated:

Throughout, Ryle presents the biblical truth of sanctification in positive terms with careful, thorough, convincing biblical support. The result is a definitive treatise on the doctrine of sanctification that stands solidly on its own in any context.

John Charles Ryle was born on May 10, 1816, in England. As a young man, he was an accomplished athlete in both rowing and cricket. During finals at Oxford in 1837, Ryle became sick, and while in bed, he would reach for a Bible for the first time in many years. Shortly afterwards, he would attend a church service where the message was being preached on Ephesians 2. When these words were read from verse eight:

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

Ryle was pricked to the heart and called upon Jesus Christ for salvation. Though he longed to pursue a career in politics, the Lord had different plans for this young man. He would be ordained in the Church of England in 1841, where he would spend the rest of his life shepherding the church of God. The Lord would use Ryle in many ways for the body of Christ serving in several churches, but it would be his writings that would impact generations to come. He penned many books that are widely published today, including Expository Thoughts on the Gospels, as well as his published works by Banner of Truth, which include sixteen of his greatest classics. Ryle would retire at the age of 83 in 1900 and depart from this life to the next.

J.C. Ryle's pastoral heart bleeds through the pages of his books. The modern reader will find his writing to be accessible and timeless as he communicates deep truth with clarity and precision. If you can acquire a copy of Holiness, I pray that your personal walk with the Lord will be strengthened and your mind stimulated as you consider your personal holiness. For those who are unable to read this work, I hope that you will be able to glean from my short synopsis each month.

For His Name,
Josh



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Rachel Hudson

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2026 BIBLE INTAKE GUIDEBOOK

AVAILABLE NOW!



Provides Weekly:

- Bible Reading Plan in a Year
- Fighter Verse
- Catechism
- Hymn
- Sunday School Passage

Hard copies are available in the lobby. It can also be downloaded from our website. And each week will be posted on the church app.

THE
Sing!
HYMNAL



We are switching to 'The Sing! Hymnals' for our worship services. We would also like to provide a hymnal to each family to be used during your Family Worship time, so you can participate in the Hymn of the Week provided in the Bible Intake Guide. Be sure to pick up your hymnal!

Corporate
PRAYER
and Business Meeting



On the 3rd Sunday of each month, we will meet at 6:30p.m. for a time of corporate prayer and our Business Meeting. A time of fellowship in the gym will follow.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS



- 5:30 - Wednesday Night Meal
- 6:00 - Bible Drill
- 6:30 - Men & Women's Bible Study
- Kids Choir

BIRTHDAYS

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Marriage Seminar

Marriage Seminar with Stan and Patti Chambers. Lunch Included.



Jan. 17 / 9am - 1pm

Sign up online!

SENIOR ADULT LUNCH

January 29 / 12:00 PM

At the church



**CHURCH COUNCIL
MEETING**

January 4

5:30pm

January

2026

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

				1 New Year's Family Social	2	3
4 Hudson Baby Shower Church Council Meeting Evening Service	5	6 Homeschool Co-Op	7 Wed. Nt. Meal Bible Drill Bible Study & Kids Choir	8	9	10
11 Evening Service	12	13 Homeschool Co-Op	14 Wed. Nt. Meal Bible Drill Bible Study & Kids Choir	15	16	17 Marriage Seminar & Lunch
18 Evening Service Business Meeting Open Gym	19	20 Homeschool Co-Op	21 Wed. Nt. Meal Bible Drill Bible Study & Kids Choir	22	23	24
25 Evening Service	26	27 Homeschool Co-Op	28 Wed. Nt. Meal Bible Drill Bible Study & Kids Choir	29 Senior Adult Lunch	30	31