

SOUTHWEST CHURCH OF CHRIST

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

Jacquelyn Fox (6), Kathy Scott (7)
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THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER
David Hopkins-d.hopkins@live.com

VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Apr 02: Tesse Soto & Tyler Latimor
Apr 09: Russell & Leslie Speir

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

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WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITES

SUNDAY: Bible Classes 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM
TUESDAY: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May), Men's & Ladies' Bible Classes
WEDNESDAY: Bible Classes, 7:00 PM

RECORD FOR
3.22.2026

BIBLE CLASS: 197
AM ASSEMBLY: 256
PM ASSEMBLY: 164
WEDNESDAY: 171
CONTRIBUTION: \$10,890

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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt
David Hopkins
Keith Siebert
Mark Speir

PREACHER:

Ross Haffner
ASSOCIATE PREACHER:
Bryce Mayfield



Trent Kennedy, Director
Steven Lloyd, Assoc. Director



FISHERS OF MEN (MATTHEW 4:19)

Bryce Mayfield

Spring is a beautiful time of year. The earth awakens from its winter slumber, and life returns to what was once dormant. Trees turn green, flowers begin to bloom, and many begin preparing their spring gardens. Along with all the excitement this season brings, there is another simple delight: it is time to go fishing. Arguably, spring is one of the best times to catch fish. There is something special about waking up on a crisp spring morning, heading to the lake (or the ocean, if you prefer), and casting a line into the water.

When we turn to Scripture, we find that Jesus often used fishing to teach important spiritual truths. This may be because several of His followers were fishermen or because it was such a common trade. Whatever the reason, His words in Matthew 4:19 highlight this point. As He called Peter and Andrew, He said, *“Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.”* In this simple statement, Jesus compares evangelism to fishing. When you think about fishing, a couple of important factors come to mind: location and lure. Where you fish and what you use as bait often determine your success. The same is true

when fishing for men.

Where should we fish? The answer is simple: anywhere there are people. Sadly, the world is full of people who are lost. While it is wonderful to travel overseas to share the gospel, we must not overlook the lakes right in front of us: our own communities, neighborhoods, and workplaces.

What should we fish with? While there are many helpful tools available for evangelism, we must remember where the true power lies. The gospel itself is *“the power of God for salvation”* (Romans 1:16–17). It is the Word of God that convicts hearts and produces faith (Acts 2:37; Romans 10:17). When we trust in His Word, we can be confident that it will accomplish its purpose.

Spring is such a great time to fish because the season is changing, and change often brings opportunity. The same is true in the lives of people. Many are navigating changes in their lives without Christ. These moments open doors for the gospel. As those opportunities arise, may we be ready. With the Word of God in hand and hearts committed to His work, let us cast our line and be fishers of men.

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March 29, 2026

“And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.”

Jeremiah 29:13

WORSHIP	MORNING	EVENING
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jamie Harris	Jamie Harris
PRAYER	Jamie Harris	
SONG DIRECTOR	Alan Putnam	Isaac Harris
PRAYER	Mark Speir	Matthew Gibson
SCRIPTURE	Timothy Gibson	
POWERPOINT	Logan Cessac	Logan Cessac
SERMON	THE LOST BOY, PART 1	THE LOST BOY, PART 2
SCRIPTURE	EPHESIANS 2:4-8	
	Ross Haffner	Ross Haffner
LORD'S SUPPER	Blake Norman Jacob Kimbrough Russell Haffner Logan Cessac Randy Jennings Bryce Mayfield Rico Sanchez Robert Wright Carson Siebert Jerry Hopkins	Blake Norman Bryce Mayfield
CLOSING PRAYER	Steven Lloyd	Sam Hatchitt

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Rusty Altizer, Jacquelyn Fox, Tom Hanks,
Martha Smith, Mary Jo Stewart, Clarence Whetstone

CONGREGATIONAL WORKS: VISITATION PROGRAM

Opportunities to engage visitors, look for needs and potential Bible studies.

- 1st Sunday Lunch
- Card Writing
- Greeter

COORDINATOR:
Bryce Mayfield

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM Bible Class
10:30 AM Morning Worship

6:00 PM Evening Worship

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 PM Bible Class & Devotional
Songs: **Sam Hatchitt**
Devotional: **Andy Reyes**
Prayer: **Michael Baker**
PowerPoint: **Logan Cessac**

FRI-SUN: Lads 2 Leaders Convention (Dallas)

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH:

- SWSBS & Congregational Neighborhood Canvassing (30th)
- SWSBS Finals' Week (30th-2nd)

APRIL:

- SWSBS Finals' Week (30th-2nd)
- Lads 2 Leaders Convention (3rd-5th) Dallas
- 1st Sunday Worship & Fellowship Meal (5th)
- SWSBS Break Week (6th-10th)
- REACH Prom Alternative (10th)
- Congregational Picnic & Egg Hunt (11th)
- SWSBS 4th Quarter Begins (13th)