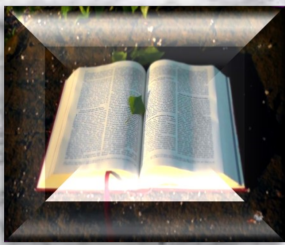


September 6, 2020



Real Life News & Notes
A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers
Patterson Road Church of Christ

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Elder Of Month

Tom Deister

Our Gathering



Sermon: I am always happy for our church to hear others preach! We are blessed to have many capable men who can effectively share God's word. Scott Ferguson is giving me a break today and his sermon title is "Making Shade!" Sounds captivating. 😊

"Jesus died to forgive our sins not our excuses." - C.S. Lewis

"If we confess our sins He is faithful to forgive and purify us from all unrighteousness." - Apostle John

Thank you church! For being caring, faithful, loving, encouraging, prayerful, flexible, sincere, patient, forgiving, serving, joyful, peacemakers, and daily seeking to see Jesus in others and be Jesus to others! The world needs Jesus in YOU right now!

[Streaming services: If health allows please join us in person (We miss you!) on Sundays at 10AM. If not in person please join us on our Church Face Book page via Live Stream!]

Love One Another!

Thank you for wearing your mask to services on Sundays. Due to recent CDC guidance the elders are asking us to please consider wearing our mask throughout Sunday services to minimize potential Covid-19 spread to others.

Memory Verse for September: Entire verse of Isaiah 40:31 ESV

but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.



Doug Clayton
Pulpit Minister

Charlie DeLong
Youth Minister

Maps

I have always enjoyed looking at maps. My dad always kept a road atlas in our cars when I was young, and we would put it to good use on our frequent weekend trips. He'd stop at some dirt road intersection somewhere between Texas and Kansas and say "ok, which way do I need to turn?". It was one of my favorite games. It didn't take me long to figure out that we couldn't travel on the blue lines, and that tracking what towns and cities we passed through helped me to be able to quickly find our location.

When I was 17, my dad and I took part in a weeklong back country canoeing trip through southern Ontario. While we had a map with us to navigate our way home, it was nothing like the road atlas I grew up with. It simply showed lake after lake with the occasional connecting stream. There was this big lake, and then 3 little lakes followed by a stretch of river and then a few medium lakes. We got to decide how and where to proceed, and often there was not even much of a trail. It was an exhilarating experience that hooked me on the feeling of freedom that only untouched nature can provide.

Nowadays, we've all but forgotten how to use a map. We just type in an address, or more frequently just follow a link and Google does the work for us. Push button navigation. We can even choose the tone of voice and even the accent we want giving us directions (you're less likely to miss an exit when Darth Vader is giving the commands!) Like many things in life, our culture has quickly become quite dependent on this luxury.

I think the Bible is a bit like a map. It provides us the direction we need to navigate through life. Without it, we'd be lost with no bearing or sense of direction. I often find myself using the word of God like the navigation system on my phone instead of the maps I used on that canoeing trip. Sometimes I just want to be told where to turn, when to expect delays, even given an alternate route if need be, but God's map doesn't work that way. His divine power gives us everything we need in this life, and His word teaches, trains, and equips us for every good work, every turn along the way. Yet, God gives us the freedom to choose when, where, and how we navigate. Certainly, there's always a best choice when we come to life's intersections, and often there are choices that take us in the absolute wrong direction, but it is important that we always remember that this life is a journey. We must never forget our destination (the Father) and always let His word guide us closer and closer as we live through this adventure called life.

Charlie DeLong

Announcements

Prayer Requests

TBS & Ladies Bible Class News

Thursday Bible School will begin on September 10. See Beth Smith if you have questions. Also, the ladies bible class will begin on September 17. 9:30 am in Room 103. Study will be the 26th chapter of "The Story." See Glenda Scheuerman or Karen Wade with questions.

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Class to Start

Bill Wade will begin a Wednesday evening adult bible class at 7 PM on September 16. Topic will be a series of lessons titled "Reflecting God's Love". Hope to see you there. Covid-19 safety guidelines will be in place.

Children's Wednesday Evening Bible Classes

The Elders are considering re-starting the Children's Wednesday evening bible classes up to 5th grade. However, Tom Deister would like to have some input from teachers and parents before this is finalized. See him with questions or comments.

Whitman Park Needs

If you have been wondering if you were ever going to be able to bring your items for collection, now is the time! The collection box will be in the foyer for these items.

Please note that only unopened and unused items will only be accepted. It is anticipated that we will be distributing the personal bags sometime in October. The following items are needed. I will plan on having an updated list every couple of weeks.

Deodorant
Travel size shampoo
Travel size conditioner
Travel size toothpaste
Dental floss

Thank you for your interest and your support for those in need in our community!

Pam Hurd
(970) 629-5684

Congratulations to the Wilkins Family!

Gabe & Lacy Wilkins announce the birth of their new daughter Harper June. The little lady was born August 31 at 11:08 pm weighing in at 7 pounds 7 ounces and was 19 inches long. Congratulations to the siblings and grandparents Rick and Jill.

Thank You!

Debra Urbin Sheely has gifted our church with several little canvas Bible verses. If you know someone who might need an extra reminder of God's encouraging word go grab one off the table in the Fellowship hall. You may need one yourself! Thank you Debra for using your talents to bless others!

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Reba Copley—Ben Copley's 90 years young mother who lives in Visalia, CA. and is not doing very well. Ben has a brother & sister there looking after her but he is considering going there also as he is concerned over her deteriorating health. Keep his mother and the family in prayer..

Bobbi Tourney—Is at home recovering. Latest word is she's better but still is under treatment.

Landy and Scott Boyle & Family - Landy's Mom Margene Richards, passed away recently. Also pray for Landy's dad, Tom, as he is having radiation treatments for cancer on his face, pray they will be successful. And for comfort during this difficult time for all.

Colby Scott— He is doing better and doctors say he is one of a kind. They are amazed in the way he is responding to treatment and have seen progress that they have never seen before. Thank God for hearing all the prayers. Colby will undergo another blood test next week.

Perry & Dana Glassgow— Perry will be undergoing a more rigorous form of chemo in two weeks. Pray that the Lord give Perry and Dana the strength to endure and recover.

Cindy McGarry—Michelle Blanck's Mom, has completed chemo and she will have surgery on September 11. Thank you for all the prayers on her behalf.

Remembering in prayer— Melody Haight, Margie Lewis, Melva Willbanks, J. J. Bruens, Joe Jones, Jean Delancey, Judy Bussert, Verena Lyon, Janet Hawkins, Mike Partyka, Marilyn Thomas, Marjorie Fortney, Julie Biocic, Helen Pacheco, Andrea Evans, Sarah Gabriel, The victims of Hurricane Laura. That their healing will continue and those that are grieving will be comforted.

That God will open the hearts of those who are rioting in cities across the nation, let them know that violence towards their fellow man is not the answer. Pray that God will intercede and bless us all with peace and understanding and wisdom to settle our grievances and bring our country back to Him.

Our Public Officials—Those that make critical decisions concerning the Pandemic and other social issues that affect our lives as citizens.

The hungry, the poor, the homeless and displaced people seeking a better life for themselves and their families.

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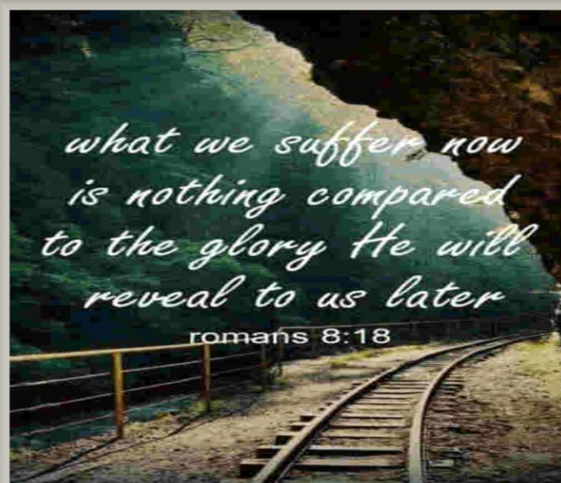
August 30, 2020

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| Attendance                           | 118        |
| Weekly Contributions August 30, 2020 | \$4,677.00 |
| Contribution 4 week average          | \$4,639.25 |
| Weekly Budget                        | \$6,658.71 |

*Contribution: Thank you for your sacrifice and generosity as the Lord's work continues locally and globally!*

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### Jeremy Antwine—Announcements for September

### Rick Wilkins—Communion Talk for September 6, 2020

### Susan Towles—Communion Table Preparation for September

**Sunday morning assembly begins at 10 AM. *Face masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing are in place for your safety.* We are missing you and hope to see you very soon.**

**Sunday morning and Wednesday evening bible classes, Sunday Children's Church and Sunday evening Life Group meeting at the building are postponed until further notice.**

**Youth Group will continue to meet in the Pit on Wednesdays at 6 PM.**

**Live Streaming—Sunday morning sermons are available for those who opt to stay at home a while longer. Go to the Church facebook page.**

