

Northside Church of Christ

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, May 20, 2018

Homesick for Heaven

What do these beautiful songs have in common?

"An Empty Mansion" (1937), "Beyond the Sunset" (1936), "Heaven Holds All to Me" (1932), "Never Grow Old" (1930), "I'll Live in Glory" (1936), "In Heaven They're Singing" (1937), "No Tears in Heaven" (1935). "Paradise Valley" (1935), "This World is Not My Home" (1937), "Won't it Be Wonderful There?" (1930).

First, it is easy to see, they are songs about heaven. They express the deepest longing, anticipation and hope of the Christian heart. Second – did you see it? – these songs were all written at about the same time period, about 1929-1939. Are you following this still?

These beautiful songs of heaven were written during the Great Depression. Have you seen those black-and-white photos of mothers wearing threadbare dresses, children in rags, hunger etched in the bones of their faces? When the nation suffered economic collapse, businesses were boarded up, millions of workers laid off, when hunger and destitution ravaged the land: In those desperate times, it seems, people turned their thoughts to the hope of heaven.

Heaven, a place of permanence, hope and plenty. Can you see them in your mind's eye singing in simple church buildings, eyes closed, singing of their homesickness for heaven?

Interestingly, we hear far fewer songs written these days about heaven. Is it because we feel more secure economically? We have it so good in the present that we don't long for heaven as we once did.

We should probably not put such stock in the current good economic times. Experience and Scripture tell us how faulty such a premise that is!

The greatest missionary who ever lived would say that "to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21). And the writer of Revelation could exult in a place where there were no more tears, the Lord was the light, no hurtful, mean or violent person would be present, and where the sweetest people who ever lived would sing in exultation to their God (Revelation 21:1-10). In times of distress, I suppose, it's easier to remember that this world is distinctly not our home. It's when times are good that it is harder to draw this distinction. And yet, beloved, our hearts should still long for heaven.

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The Hour Has Come			
Introduction (John 17:1-26)			
If you were in great stress, what you?			
Is this "The Lord's Prayer"? In His hour of distress Jesus prayed for!			
Discussion			
I Thy Son (17:1-5)			
A. Repeatedly Jesus said His had not yet come (Jn. 2:4, 7:6, 8, 30).			
B. Later He started saying His had come (12:23, 27; 13:1; 16:32).			
C. The "glory" Jesus speaks of means "humble service" and ""!			
II. I on Their Behalf (17:6-19)			
A. He asked for God to take of them while was away (17:9, 11).			
B. Notice the "disciples to the world" (17:6, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18).			
C. We're <i>in</i> the world, not <i>of</i> the world; but we must go the world.			
III. That They May All Be (17:20-24)			
A. "" is the key word in John, around every corner (Jn. 20:30-31).			
B. True "" is demonstrated by the Father and the Son! (17:21, 23)			
C. In the Lord's we're "one" with Jesus, the Father, and church family.			
IV. I Have Made Thy Name (17:25-26)			
A. Jesus is the through which we glimpse the Father (14:9, 26; 16:30).			
B. Are we continuing His of clearing the view so others can see God?			
Conclusion			
of the Father had been transferred from Jesus to the disciples.			
 Jesus last prayer was for the of the Father to be transferred as well. 			
 If you want to know how all of this was to Jesus (Luke 22:41-44). 			

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Charlie Tooker went home from St Catherines last Sunday. Reginald Cooper, Lillian Bancale's cousin, is in the Rehab Center. Tim Jander has Chandra Sarcoma and will have surgery next week. Aubrey Minchew injured his foot. Sandi Saucedo's friend (9years old) has cancer and is going to MD Anderson.

Laura Ann Espinoza, Aquilla Teacher, is having complications from a C-Section.

PRAY FOR

≻Felecia Ann Lambert (cancer) Terry Wiggins, Ed St Claire, Danny Paschal, Ever Johnson, Larry Havard Sr. Joyce Ross, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, Dick & Barbra Decker, Ed Frields, David Anderson, Karen Freyer, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Karen McKenzie, Glenda Tynes, Wendell Davis, Ronnie McDaniel, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, James Lewis, Ronnie Branstetter, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Betty Mars, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Donna Blahuta, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham (cancer), Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe (cancer) Tommy Cross (cancer), Sherril Polansky (cancer), Cora & Sonny Gore, Mark Hardwick, Joey Primeaux, Gary McDaniel.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans Lake Shore Estates Eugenia Olson

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Steve Moore (21) Truman Burrow (28) Martha Trevino (28) Onica (29) Kristin Fedro (29)

OTHER NEWS

Tuesday, May 22nd will be the Youth Devotional at 6pm in the FAC. **Wednesday** night meal will be Sloppy Joes at 5:30pm. Sign-up sheet on the table.

Next Sunday there will be a **Pot** Luck after morning worship, **Singing** at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm and **no** evening Services.

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 22nd Youth devotional at 6pm. (How We Got the Bible) with Chris Wheat.

May 27th Pot Luck after morning worship. May 27th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

May 27th No evening services.

June 5th Youth devotional at 6pm.

June 16th FAC reserved for Shela Havard.

June 17th-21st Bible Camp in Brady, Tx.

June 21st – 23rd Southside C of C in Coolidge, Tx are having gospel meeting. Flyer on board.

June 24th Pot luck after morning worship.

June 24th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

June 24th No Evening Services.

July 14th FAC reserved for Kenny Willis.

July 29th Pot luck after morning worship.

July 29th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm. July 29th No evening services.

August 4th FAC reserved to Kenny Willis.

August 26th Pot luck after morning worship.

August 26th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

August 26th No evening services.

September 30th Pot luck after morning worship.

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



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10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order: 797 – Lord We Come Before Thee Now 827 – Sweet Hour of Prayer

Prayer: Bill Acock

Song Order: 801 – Where No One Stands Alone 833 – I Want to Be Where You Are Scripture: Matthew 16:21-23 Communion:

Charlie Scott

Nelson Moore

Randy Eubank Mike Olson

Song Order: 840 – I Will Pray 1014 - "Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order: 390 – Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Sermon by Chris Wheat

"The Hour Has Come"

Invitation Song

837 - I Need The Every Hour

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Grover Summers

If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm welcome!

	<u>Week of</u> <u>May 6</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>50</u>	<u>58</u>
AM Worship	<u>86</u>	<u>104</u>
PM Worship	<u>37</u>	<u>26</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>50</u>	<u>46</u>
Contribution	<u>\$2,311</u>	<u>\$3,296</u>

Northside Leadership

<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	
Phil Bancale	Randy Eubank	
Chris Borland	Karl Helpert	
Aubrey Minchew		
Nelson Moore		
Minister	Worship Leader	
Chris Wheat	Chris Borland	
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Words of Wisdom



Before you face the challenges of your day face the day with God—He will help you to meet those challenges.

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