

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 12, 2019

If We Could Read His Mind

Who do you know best? Maybe it's your spouse, a friend, a brother or sister. What signifies you knowing that person so well? Predictability? Sometimes my brother and I say the same "witty" thing at the same time. It comes from prolonged exposure. We can predict each other. I know him; he knows me. It's scary!

Is it the same way with God? Can we simply receive a bolt of lighting infusing us with knowledge? Or do we learn His behavior patterns and analyze what He says to better understand him? Though it seems I am reading my brother's mind sometimes, I truly cannot. Nor can we expect to be able to read God's mind, to **know** him, without getting to know about him.

To know what God wants from us would be much easier if we could read His mind. Can we? Do we have the mind of God available to us in print, or other media? **Psalm 19** tells us how we can come to know God.

We know God through creation (Psalm 19:1-6). How can the heavens tell us about God? If we put a recorder up in the sky, what would we hear? Maybe unidentifiable noise, but certainly not discernible words describing God's attributes. There are no words that can adequately describe the glory of God! He can be seen, however, in creation. Creation never sleeps "day to day" and "night to night" it leaves images in our minds. The images in my mind come from Zimbabwe and New Zealand, places of tremendous topographical beauty and wonder. Do you see God in the sun! It beams like a bridegroom. It is constant everywhere you go. It warms everything it touches.

We know God through his word (Psalm 19:7-11). These verses describe God's word but also himself. He's perfect, sure, right, pure, clean, and sweet! He doesn't set speed traps for us. He tops all our expectations. He endures forever and is interested in our restoration. He wants to give us a makeover! We can predict what he wants because He tells us, it's part of His character.

Knowing God motivates a response (Psalm 19:12-14). Knowing who He is helps me know what to ask: HELP! We need God's help to keep us from ourselves. We need God's help to choose Christ as ruler, not sin as dictator (Colossians 3:15). My response must be acceptably worded and enacted. I'm part of God's creation so I must declare Him (Luke 19:40). Get to know your solid rock. Seek help from your loving redeemer. Let Him shape your inner being with His wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:25-31). Focus your heart and mind on His plan, in His word.

Thoughts from Chris Wheat

A Time to Rest the Soul

Text: (Exodus 20:8-11; Deuteronomy 5:12-15)

<u>Introduction:</u> The Hebrew word *Shabbat* means "rest" to cease, or pause.

- A. A relationship between work and rest
- B. The command to cease from work was partly humanitarian..
- C. The precedent for resting on the Sabbath arose out of the creation account.

1. Jesus and the Sabbath

- Jesus kept the Sabbath (Luke 4:16; Mark 2:23-28).
- Sabbath was more than a recognition that human spirits and bodies need reflection and rest.
- We need a time to recoup, not only our physical energies, but our priorities as well.
- The Sabbath was not intended to get in the way of *necessary* activity.

2. How Do We Apply the Sabbath Principle?

- Perhaps we've lost the meaning of the Sabbath; have we lost the purpose? (Psalm 23:1-2)
- There are two extremes (Amos 8:4-5) After all, it's the Lord's day!
- The old song by Frances Havergal (Psalm 90:12; Ephesians 5:15-16; Colossians 4:5-6).
- We usually do a better job teaching stewardship of money than stewardship of time.
- The Sabbath helps God's people remember what's really important (1 Corinthians 10:31).
- We should work. Work can bring dignity and honor (Proverbs 26:14).
- The Sabbath was more than a rest of mind and body; it was a time of rest in God's presence.
- Worship must not be taken lightly; it is a time that belongs to God (Hebrews 10:25).
- We need a time to sit and consider the moral compass by which we should live.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Arthur Mae Maloy's blood pressure was high. She is on a second blood pressure pill now.

Dolores Davis broke her hip and is in Brazos of Waco (behind Market Place) for rehab. She loves visits!

Ginny Sanchez lost her brother suddenly this week.

Felicia Scott is having some health issues. **William Mitchell**, Chris Wheat's Uncle, has abdominal cancer and will have surgery next week.

Ernest Turman will have hernia surgery on Tuesday, May 14th.

Guy Clemmons, needs prayer for spiritual & physical health.

Carol Cornelius, Travis Coggin's grandmother, passed away.

PRAY FOR

➤ Nancy Fletcher, Dolores Davis, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Jackie Walker, Mark Hardwick, Maudine Reed, Diana Grant, Garland Haverkamp, Kelli Volcik, Darlene Chatman, Warren Garland, James Lewis, Anna Mullins, Danny Paschal, Evar Johnson, David Banda, David Anderson, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Glenda Tynes, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham, Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe, Tommy Cross, Sherril Polansky, Cora & Sonny Gore, Joey Primeaux, Larry Scott, Madeleine Anderson, Larry Lykins, Rick Keeton, Molly Cassady, Guy Clemmons. The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans & Ruby DeRossett Brazos of Waco Dolores Davis

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Nancy Sturdivant (13th) Aubrey Minchew (18th) Steve Moore (21st) Truman Burrow (28th) Martha Trevino (28th) Ginny Sanchez (29th) Onica Newell (29th) Kristin Fedro (29th) Bill & Belinda Acock (21st)

OTHER NEWS

Men's Training Class will be today at 5:15.

Wednesday night meal ham and veggies starting at 5:30. Sign-up sheet in the foyer.

There is a sign-up sheet for desserts for the Area Wide Singing on the table in the foyer.

Sunday, May 19th there will be a wedding shower for Mitch Carey & Sara in the FAC from 3 – 5. Registered at Walmart.

Elders & Deacons meeting next Sunday at 5. **The Leadership Camp** "Knowing Jesus" is July 21st thru 27th. Registration is open now. See Joe Saucedo.

New Church Directory on the table in the foyer. Please let us know if something needs to be changed.

DATES TO REMEMBER.

May 18th area wide singing here.

May 19th Fac reserved for Mitch Carey & Sarah Wedding shower.

May 25th FAC reserved for Olson reunion

May 25th Kandace Fedro & Matthew Grant wedding. Invitation on board in foyer.

May26th High School Senior Day. Jaime Pechacek & Elijah Eubank.

May 26th Pot Luck after morning worship.

May 26th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1:30. No evening services.

May 29th singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 7pm with Timbercrest Church of Christ and others.

June 14 & 15 FAC reserved for the Bancales.

June 23rd Pot luck after morning worship.

June 23rd singing at The Atrium of Bellmead 1:30.

July 21st thru 27th Leadership Camp "Knowing Jesus"

August 3rd FAC reserved for Kenny Willis reunion. **August 24**th FAC reserved.

December 2nd **through 7**th garage sale work days and garage sale.

December 21st FAC reserved for the Ellis's.

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



10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Songs Order:

676 – Living for Jesus 662 – All to Jesus I Surrender

Prayer: Charlie Scott

Songs Order:

477 – There Is a Place of Quiet Rest 18 – Faithful Love

Scripture:

John 12:31 - 36

Communion:

Eric Wharton Nelson Moore William Whisenhunt Phil Bancale

Songs

399 – Jesus Calls Us 1014 - Jesus Loves Me

Children go to the front of the auditorium

Song Order:

669 - Take My Life, and Let It Be

Sermon by Chris Wheat

"A Time to Rest the Soul"

Invitation Song:

911 – Bring Christ Your Broken Life

(Opportunity for response to the message)

Prayer: David Ellis

	Week of April 28	Monthly Average
Bible Class	<u>75</u>	<u>61</u>
AM Worship	<u>107</u>	<u>105</u>
PM Worship	<u>49</u>	<u>32</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>63</u>	<u>52</u>
Contribution	<u>\$6,335</u>	\$2,801

Northside Leadership		
<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	
Phil Bancale	Randy Eubank	
Chris Borland	Karl Helpert	
Aubrey Minchew	Joe Saucedo	
Nelson Moore		
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Chris Wheat	Chris Borland	
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Words of Wisdom



The word abound is such a strong expression of action that if you, as a mother, abound in your love for your family, there will be a reflection of love that will be contagious for everyone to see.