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LOVE

Since we are talking about love on Sunday evenings in March, I was reminded of this Valentine's Day breakdown from CNN.com that I ran across several years ago. Americans spend quite a bit of money to show their love on Valentine's Day. Here's a breakdown, by the numbers:

- \$130.97 -- The per person average estimated amount that people spend on Valentine's Day.
- 224 million -- The estimated number of roses grown for Valentine's Day.
- 51% -- The percentage of people who buy red roses for this holiday.
- 64% -- The percentage of men who buy flowers for Valentine's Day.
- 36% -- The percentage of women who buy flowers for Valentine's Day.
- \$18.6 billion -- The total spending that is reached by Valentine's Day.
- \$1.6 billion -- The amount people spend on candy.
- \$1.9 billion -- The amount people spend on flowers.
- \$4.4 billion -- The amount people spend on diamonds, gold and silver.

And one of the best statistics: there are 1400 varieties of Valentine's cards available at Hallmark. 1400 ways to express love. As eloquent as Hallmark may be, we looked at the best description of love last week in 1 Corinthians 13 and it has little to do with the kind of romance we find in cards.

Love is foundational to our relationships. It gives meaning to our actions. It teaches the world around us about the God we serve. Best of all, you do not need to spend \$130.97 today to show God's love to the people you meet. It can be freely given and still holds immeasurable value.

- Brian

March 10, 2024



Elders

Jeff Butler

Greg Hatton

David Hendricks

Richard Howard

Brent Lowe

Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis

David Dirrim

Thorin Turner

Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

Bob Fennell's brother, Johnny Fennell, had a serious heart attack. Please keep him in your prayers.

George Patterson will be moving to the VA Center in Ardmore very soon. He is not doing very well at this time. Please keep him in your prayers.

Our heart-felt sympathy goes out to the Eck family. Alan's son, John's younger brother, passed away early Monday morning. Jeremy's memorial service was held Friday. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Dear church family, Thank you so very much for the many, many cards, the food, the phone calls, the visits, and especially the prayers. I am truly blessed to have such a wonderful church family. I love you all, Gayle Johns

Thank you to those who sent cards and encouraged us with words of comfort at the death of my mother. A special thanks to Brian for being with us at the funeral in Broken Arrow. Butch & Denise Platt

Thank you to those who have sent cards, called or visited since my move to Holdenville a year and a half ago. Special thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for their regular notes and cards. Barbara Lewis

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for...

George Patterson, Charles & Barbara Cannon, Leon Hughey, Myrtie Clarke, Mary Barrett, Nash Gilliam, Paula Hatton, Lea Crain, Betty Gerth, Barbara Hataway, Sherry Price, Dona Pippen, Barbara Lewis, Randy Hall, Ronald Trent, Sue Silkey, Shirley Love, Gerald Joliff, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson, Thayne Consequellos, and Steve, Jana & Stacey Stewart.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements



The Golden Doers lunch will be Sunday, March 10th, in the fellowship building following our morning services for those 60 years and older.

Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 4pm. They will meet next on March 10th.

There will be a Safety Team meeting on March 17th at 4pm in room 100.

Join Carli Turner for another "Paint Party" on March 22nd from 6-10pm in the fellowship building. Bring a finger food! The sign-up sheet will be on the Welcome Desk. Pick your favorite Bunny! Hope to see you there!

The church office will be closed on Good Friday, March 29th.

There will be a Safety Team Range Day at the Ada Police Department gun range on Saturday, March 30th, at 4pm. See James Bryant for questions.

The new Power for Today study booklets for April, May, and June are here! For those that would like one, they will be in the clear wall racks as you come in the north and south double entry doors.



The Yellow House will hand out food this month on Monday, March 25th, from 8am - 10am. Helpers this month are Donna Duncan, Barbara Houston, Myrtie Clark, Don Kite, Scott Estes, Carolyn Preble, Glenda Lillard, Glenn Ogle, & James Myers. **The food will be picked up and sacked on the morning of Wednesday, March 20th. If you are unable to help with either date, please contact Chuck Love.**



March at a Glance

- 03 Austin/Heil Wed. Shower
AWTG (OKC)
- 04-08 Meals on Wheels
- 05 Widower's Breakfast
- 06 WNFM Meal
- 07 Youth Bible Study Starting
- 10 Golden Doers Lunch,
Daylight Savings Time Begins,
Lad. Pr. Grp, Youth Meal/Fell.
- 14 College Meal/Devo (Turners)
- 17 Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 22 Paint Party Night
- 24 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 25 Yellow House
- 28 Col. Meal/Devo (Graham/SBC)
- 29 Office Closed (Good Friday)
- 31 Easter, Youth Meal/Fellowship



TEENS AND YOUTH

March 10th

Youth Meal & Fellowship

March 17th

Youth Meal & Fellowship



March 14th

College Meal & Devo
(Turners)

March 28th

College Meal & Devo
at the SBC (Grahams)



- 03/11 Jared Hudson
- 03/12 KerVon James,
Alivia Williams
- 03/13 Joe Long
- 03/14 Susan Pickle
- 03/16 Todd Martin



- 03/11 Mark & Cindy Coleman,
Josh & Julie Kiker
- 03/12 Bob & Bobbie Fennell,
Todd & Megan Martin
- 03/13 Cody & Tiffany Frye



March 23rd

Southwest Church of Christ
Oklahoma City

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Heaven Tamayo Hunter Wilson
Michale Perry
Josh Higginbottom
Clay Wilson Jr.
Frank Holsapple Jr.



Adults

David Hendricks
Auditorium

Jeff Butler

1st John

Room 100

David Dirrim

Dealing With Dragons

Fellowship Building

Drew Adams & Brad Trekell

Sermon on the Mount

Room 111

College Group

Kyle Wilson
Room 107

Youth Group

Thorin Turner
Room 101

Elementary

5th - 6th grades: Room 104

2nd - 4th Grades: Room 102

K - 1st Grade: Room 105

Preschool

3's & 4's: Room 112

Toddlers: Room 114

Babies: Room 113

For the Record: 03/03/2024

Bible Study	192
AM Assembly	281
PM Assembly	114
Wednesday PM	192
Contributions	\$19,534
Budget	\$13,777

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Kyle Wilson
Opening Prayer: Dusty Dennis
Closing Prayer: Joe Dirrim
Scripture Reading: Matthew Conley
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Jeff Butler
Communion: James Bryant, Jeff Butler, Toker Dennis,
John Eck, Tim Hensley, Chuck Love, Ronnie Osborn,
Tommy Vass
Alternate Communion: Stefan Iorga & Trevin Vass
Balcony Communion: Trenton Hensley & Don Kite
Attendance Counter: Beau Griffin
Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: Keith Nail
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Bart Conley
Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Jared Griffin & TBA
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Tyler Jones & Justin Lane
Welcome Desk Attendant (March): Glinda Byers & Amy Graham
Greeters (March): Mark & Cindy Coleman,
Garett & Linden Hatton

Sunday Afternoon:

Song Leader: Casey Farrar
Opening Prayer: Drew Adams
Closing Prayer: Mark Coleman
Attendance Counter: Hunter Nickell
Communion: Cody Frye & Drew Graham

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Brad Trekell
Announcements/Opening Prayer: Ried Duncan
Closing Prayer: Kerry White
8 Minute Devotional: David Lewis
Attendance Counting: Drew Graham
Safety Team Walk: Caleb Estes
Safety Team Camera: Kevin Graham

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome
We Shall Assemble
Scripture Reading: John 14:27
Prayer
Worthy Is the Lamb
Can He Still Feel the Nails
He Paid a Debt
Thoughts From the Cross: Jeff Butler
Come Share the Lord
Lord's Supper
Words and Music
Contribution
On Bended Knee
A.M. Lesson: Don't Be Troubled
In Christ Alone
Announcements
We Will Glorify
Prayer
P.M. Lesson: No Greater Love

An elder and his wife are available in the classroom of the middle hallway of the building during each invitation.

Shepherd for March: Richard Howard
Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Brent & Diana Lowe

March Contribution Counters:
Drew Adams, Kevin Graham, Drew Graham

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ONLINE GIVING



Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

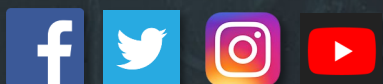
Ladies Bible Class - 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes - 6:30 p.m.

Worship & Classes Online

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