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GOOD GIFTS

It is the time of year when many of us are looking for meaningful gifts for people we care about. It's always great to see the reaction that you hope for when you have chosen well. The joy of giving is something that was built into us by our Creator, who is the best Giver of gifts. After all, James tells us that "every good and perfect gift" comes from Him.

His gifts are detailed throughout scripture, and they change everything in our lives. Consider just some of the gifts that He gives:

- Wisdom - "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him." (James 1:5)
- Grace - "But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift." (Ephesians 4:7)
- Jesus - "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)
- Righteousness - "For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:17)
- Eternal Life - "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)
- Holy Spirit - "And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

In this and every season, our response to God's generosity should be the same as Paul's in 2 Corinthians 9:15, "Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!"

- Brian

December 14, 2025



SOUTHWEST
CHURCH OF CHRIST

Elders

Jeff Butler

Greg Hatton

David Hendricks

Richard Howard

Brent Lowe

Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis

Thorin Turner

Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

'Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.' (James 1:17)

Family Matters

Jeff Butler's father, Harold Butler, was released from the hospital Tuesday and is home resting comfortably. Please keep him in your prayers.

Lea Crain had surgery Wednesday at Mercy Hospital Ada for some health complications that she is having. Please keep her in your prayers.



1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Lea Crain, Mary Lee, Barbara Cannon, Susan Pickle, Glenda King, Jana & Stacey Stewart, Ken & Wanda Roper, Myrtie Clarke, Nash Gilliam, Betty Gerth, Barbara Hataway, Sherry Price, Barbara Lewis, Randy Hall, Ronald Trent, Sue Silkey, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson and Thayne Consequellos.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

The new **Power for Today** study booklets for January, February, & March are here. If you would like one, there are some in the racks by the double doors and at the welcome desk.

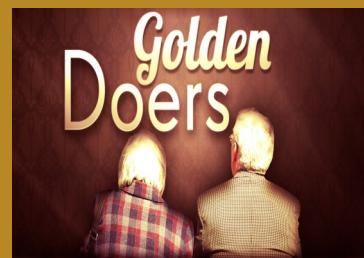
The last class of 2025 for the Tuesday morning ladies Bible class will be **December 16th**. The class will resume on **January 6th**.

We will pass out Christmas Baskets on Tuesday, **December 16th**, from 4pm - 7pm at the Yellow House for some families from a couple of our community's schools. If you would like to help pass out the baskets and have not signed up yet, please see Mark Clark or Hunter Nickell.

The Ladies Prayer Group will meet next on Sunday, **December 28th**, at 4pm in room 111.

Level up your personal evangelism with a new Bible class "To Tell the Truth." This Wednesday night class for beginners and experts starts on **January 14th** in the kitchen side of the fellowship hall. More information to follow.

The Yellow House will pass out food on Friday, **December 19th**, from 8am - 10am. Helpers are: Scott & Sharon Estes, Diana Hatton, Donna Duncan Butch Platt, Glenda Lillard, & Jan Manuel. The food will be picked up & sacked on the morning of **Wednesday, December 17th**.



Golden Doers

so come join us! The gift limit is \$10.

The Golden Doers lunch is today in the fellowship building following our morning services for those 60 years and older. We will be playing the "Dirty Santa" game,



December 24th

There will not be any church services or classes Wednesday night due to the Christmas holiday.

December 31st

Everyone will meet in the auditorium on New Year's Eve. There will not be any other classes.

The church office will be closed on **December 24th, 25th, & 26th** for the Christmas holiday. The office will also be closed on **January 1st** for New Year's Day.



12/14 Golden Doers Lunch,
Ladies Pr. Grp, Y. Gp. Meal/Fel.
12/16 Last Ladies Bible Class f/2025,
Christmas Baskets Passed Out
12/17 Pick Up/Sack Yel. House Food
12/19 Yellow House
12/21 Youth Grp. Meal/Fellowship
12/24 No Church Services
12/24-25-26 Office Closed (Christmas)
12/28 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Meal/Fellowship
12/31 Meet in Auditorium (No Classes)
(New Year's Eve)



December 14th

Youth Group
Meal & Fellowship

December 21st

Youth Group
Meal & Fellowship



December 12th - January 20th

College Students on
Christmas Break



12/15 Danielle Adams,
Jaxson Hermes
12/19 Wesley Lampkin



12/18 Jack & Laura Long



2025 Daily Bible Readings

- 12/14 - Jude, Psalm 39
- 12/15 - Revelation 1-3, Psalm 40
- 12/16 - Revelation 4-6, Psalm 41
- 12/17 - Revelation 7-9, Psalm 42
- 12/18 - Revelation 10-11, Psalm 43
- 12/19 - Revelation 12-13, Psalm 44
- 12/20 - Revelation 14-16, Psalm 45
- 12/21 - Revelation 17-18, Psalm 46

<i>Bible Classes</i> SUNDAY MORNINGS	
Adults	
David Hendricks	
Covenants	
Jeff Butler	
The Gospel of John	
Room 100	
David Dirrim	
Adult Bible Class	
Fellowship Building	
Drew Adams	
Class will resume on January 11th	
Room 111	
College Group	
Kyle Wilson	Youth Group
Room 107	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, 2's & 3's: Room 114	
Babies: Room 113	
<i>For the Record: 12/07/2025</i>	
Bible Study	185
AM Assembly	263
PM Assembly	106
Wednesday PM	147
Contributions	\$15,386
Budget	\$15,738

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Jack Cadenhead
Opening Prayer: Dusty Dennis
Closing Prayer: Mark Clark
Scripture Reading: Kreece Griffin
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Tyler Jones
Communion: Joe Dirrim, John Eck,
Drew Graham, Adam Hensley, Jacob Hubbard,
Stefan Iorga, Ronnie Osborn, Mark Tinsley
Alternate Communion: Keith Nail & Trevin Vass
Balcony Communion: Tim Hensley & Chuck Love
Nursing Home Communion: Quaid Clark
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Tanner Weston
Attendance Recorder (**Dec**): Amy Barrett & Karan Huddleston
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Josh Nail
Service Coordinator: Jared Griffin & Todd Martin
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Drew Adams & Caleb Estes
Welcome Desk (**Dec**): Amy Graham & Linden Hatton
Greeters (**Dec**): Cody & Tiffany F. / Cody & Trixy R.

Sunday Evening:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones
Opening Prayer: David Dirrim
Closing Prayer: Hunter Nickell
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Tanner Weston
Communion: Brad Butler & Brent Lowe
Service Coordinators: Jared Griffin & Todd Martin

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Will Lampkin
Announcements/Opening Prayer: Kyle Wilson
Closing Prayer: Justin Lane
Devotional (8 Minutes): Jeff Butler
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Trever Manuel
Safety Team Camera: Keith Nail

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome
Prayer
I Stand in Awe
Here I Am to Worship
Great Are You, Lord
There's Not a Friend
Thoughts From the Cross: Tyler Jones
Come Share the Lord
Communion
Thank You, Lord
Contribution
Farther Along
Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:23-24
A.M. Lesson: Called to Suffering
Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You
Announcements
Anywhere With Jesus
Prayer
P.M. Lesson: Called Out of Darkness

An elder and his wife are available in room 107 during each invitation.

Shepherd December: Jeff Butler
Supporting Shepherd & Wife: David & Darla Hendricks

December Contribution Counters:
Tommy Vass, Caleb Estes, Brad Butler

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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.
(Class does not meet during summer)

Wednesday

Bible Classes - 6:30 p.m.

Worship & Classes Online

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