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JESUS AND US

Jesus came to earth to be God with us (Matthew 1:23). He came to bridge the gap that came between God and people in Genesis 3. He came to offer us salvation through Him. Scripture tells the story of Jesus and the hope He gives to us.

Jesus. From the genealogy that led to Him in Matthew's opening chapter to His profound remodeling of the old law in the Sermon on the Mount to His miracles to the prophecies of what was to come, it has always been about Jesus. In fact, John's gospel makes it clear that Jesus existed in the beginning, long before the time He became flesh (John 1:1,14). He is eternal. Paul tells us that He is of utmost importance. "For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified" (1 Corinthians 2:2).

Us. Although Jesus is not speaking to us directly, His warnings about the end of the age still holds truth for us. We will likely fall into one of the two categories He describes. "The love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved" (Matthew 24:12b-13). Will we be the many whose love grows cold or will we endure? My prayer is that we will be the latter.

And when we endure, it is amazing what happens. "And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come" (Matthew 24:14). Are you proclaiming the gospel every week? This is not a guilt trip about evangelism. It is a reminder of how important sharing the love of Jesus is for the world around us. The last third of Matthew's gospel has repeated references to the sacrifice Jesus made and multiple parables warning His followers to be ready. We live that message in our daily lives, and we participate in a symbol of it each Sunday. According to Paul, you are proclaiming the gospel every time you share in the Lord's Supper. "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes" (1 Corinthians 11:26).

- Brian

"That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead." Phil. 3:10-11

March 22, 2026



Elders

Jeff Butler

Greg Hatton

David Hendricks

Richard Howard

Brent Lowe

Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis

Thorin Turner

Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Travis Wingard is in the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center with a possible TIA and low potassium.

Jerry Ann Henley fell last Friday and broke both her left leg and her right ankle. She had surgery last Saturday and will remain in the hospital for rehab.

Stephen Purvis was admitted to the hospital with pneumonia.

Tom Denson had knee surgery on Tuesday at Mercy Hospital Ada.

Congratulations goes out to Jayce Chilcoat! He was baptized into Christ Tuesday evening. We rejoice in his decision to become a Christian and welcome him to our family here at Southwest.

Southwest Church of Christ, Thank you for all your prayers and thoughts and the people that came to my mom's funeral and the flowers and the food that you provided in our time in need. Thank you for all your help with my mother, Mary Lee. Thank you so much, Carla & Larry Loudermilk & Alex Hasley

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

The new **"Power for Today"** study booklets for April, May, and June are here! If you would like one, they are located in the racks by both double door entries and there are some on the welcome desk also.

The **Ladies Prayer Group** will meet next on Sunday, **March 22nd**, at 4pm in room 111.

Meals on Wheels week will be **March 30th - April 3rd**. Helpers will be: Tommy Myers, Kim Simpson, Bill Young, Don Kite, & Chuck Love.

All are invited
to the
wedding for

Janice Manuel & Ted Rutherford

Thursday, **April 2nd** at 7pm at Southwest. There will be a reception to follow in the fellowship building.

No gifts please - Cards are welcome
"Your attendance will be the blessing that we need"



The Kingdom Kids Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, **March 28th**. If you would like to help, we need candy filled plastic Easter Eggs. Please leave them in the box located by the Welcome Desk.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for:

Betty Gerth, Connie McKinney, Stephen Purvis, Lea Crain, Barbara Cannon, Susan Pickle, Glenda King, Jana & Stacey Stewart, Ken & Wanda Roper, Myrtie Clarke, Nash Gilliam, 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.



We will have a Congregational Fellowship Meal on Sunday, **March 29th**, in the fellowship building following our morning services. The meat will be provided, so please bring side dishes and desserts. **There will be an afternoon service at 12:30pm after the meal. There will NOT be a 5pm worship service.**

In conjunction with our meal, we will welcome our new College and Outreach minister, Southern Cates, and his family as it will be their first Sunday with us. We will have a money/gift card tree for them or if you'd rather, you may do a pounding for them and bring household items to welcome them. Please keep the gift cards local for their convenience. Questions, see Darla H. or Diana H.



The **Yellow House** will hand out food on Monday, **March 23rd**, from 8-10am. Helpers are: Jan Manuel, Kelley Hughey, Tommy Myers, Scott & Sharon Estes, Donna Duncan, Bill Young, Greg & Diana Hatton, & Debra Provence.

18 UPCOMING EVENTS

- 03/22 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Grp. Meal/Fellowship
- 03/23 Yellow House
- 03/26 Col. Grp. Meal/Devo at SBC
(Byers/Graham)
- 03/28 Easter Egg Hunt
- 03/29 Congr. Fellowship Meal w/
Welcome Col. Minister/Fam.
- 03/30-04/03 Meals on Wheels
- 04/01 New College Minister Starts
(Southern Cates)
- 04/02 Rutherford/Manuel Wedding
- 04/05 Easter Sunday,
Youth Grp. Meal/Fellowship
- 04/06 Youth Group Bible Study



TEENS AND YOUTH

March 22nd

Youth Group
Meal & Fellowship

April 5th

Youth Group
Meal & Fellowship

April 6th

Youth Group Bible Study



March 26th

College Group Meal & Devo
at SBC (Byers & Graham)

April 9th

College Group Meal & Devo
(Graham)

Birthdays of the Month

- 03/24 Chuck Love
- 03/25 Ali Cooper, Melba Hamlett
- 03/26 Brianna Iorga, Val Osborn,
Ronnie Osborn
- 03/27 Shari Todd
- 03/28 David Lewis,
Madison Wingard

Happy Anniversary

03/23 Don & Pam Kite

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Hunter Wilson Heaven Allen
Michale Perry
Josh Higginbottom
Frank Holsapple Jr.

PSALM 119:105

Daily Bible Readings

YOUR WORD IS
A LAMP TO MY FEET AND
A LIGHT TO MY PATH.

2026 Daily Bible Readings

- 3/22 - 1 Samuel 13-14, Psalm 81
- 3/23 - 1 Samuel 15-17, Psalm 82
- 3/24 - 1 Samuel 18-20, Psalm 83
- 3/25 - 1 Samuel 21-24, Psalm 84
- 3/26 - 1 Samuel 25-27, Psalm 85
- 3/27 - 1 Samuel 28-31, Psalm 86
- 3/28 - 2 Samuel 1-3, Psalm 87
- 3/29 - 2 Samuel 4-8, Psalm 88



Bible Classes

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Adults

Various Teachers
Bible People, Places, and Events

Jeff Butler

The Gospel of John

Room 100

David Dirrim

Adult Bible Class

Fellowship Building

Brian Lewis

Love & Respect

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, 2's & 3's: Room 114

Babies: Room 113

For the Record: 03/15/2026

Bible Study	196
AM Assembly	265
PM Assembly	112
Wednesday PM	128
Contributions	\$11,657
Budget	\$15,994

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones
Opening Prayer: Raymond Johnson
Closing Prayer: TBA
Scripture Reading: Maddux Hudson
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Jack Cadenhead
Communion: Sam Austin, Brett Butler,
Jack Cadenhead, Joe Dirrim, Ronnie Osborn,
Cody Reynolds, Mark Tinsley, Kerry White
Alternate Communion: Brad Butler & Trevin Vass
Balcony Communion: Matt Bryant & Todd Martin
Nursing Home Communion: Quaid Clark
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Keith Nail
Attendance Recorder (**Mar**): Tanner & Dalee Weston
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Mark Clark
Service Coordinator: Jared Griffin & Garrett Hatton
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Ried Duncan & John Eck
Welcome Desk (**Mar**): Lillie Cadenhead & Amy Graham
Greeters (**Mar**): Mark & Cindy C. / Hunter & Jena N.

Sunday Evening:

Song Leader: Drew Adams
Opening Prayer: David Lewis
Closing Prayer: Brent Lowe
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Keith Nail
Communion: Dusty Dennis & Chuck Love
Service Coordinators: Jared Griffin & Garrett Hatton

Wednesday PM:

Announcements/Prayer: Kyle Wilson
Song Leader: Scott Estes
Closing Prayer: Alan Simpson
Devotional (8 Minutes): Ried Duncan
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Nathan Lewis
Safety Team Camera: Josh Nail

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Prayer

Blessed Be the Lord, God Almighty

Teach Me Lord, to Wait

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

All to Us

Thoughts From the Cross: Jack Cadenhead

Years I Spent in Vanity

Communion

To God Be the Glory

Contribution

When We All Get to Heaven

Scripture Reading: Philippians 3:8-9

A.M. Lesson: Hypocrisy vs. Humility

Love Lifted Me

Announcements

Give Me the Bible

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: The Story of Samson

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

Shepherd March: Richard Howard

Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Greg & Diana Hatton

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.

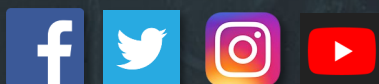
Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class - 10:00 a.m.

(Class does not meet during summer)

Wednesday

Bible Classes - 6:30 p.m.



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