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Schedule of Services:

Sunday:	Bible Classes for all ages	9:00 am
	Morning Worship	10:00 am
	Evening Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday:	Wednesday Evening Meal	6:00 pm
	Bible Classes for all ages	7:00 pm

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Please silence your phones before worship begins

Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 9:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 am
Announcements & Prayer: **Matt Oualline**
Song Leader: **Scott Hooten**

Song #480 Blessed Assurance
 Song #72 Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty

Song #381 Years I Spent in Vanity
Communion:
 James West Lance Hooten Derrick Dieken
 Jordan Meeks Joey Chastain Mark Eldridge

Song #705 A Common Love
Offering

Song #742 When Upon Life's Billows
 Song #431 Break Thou the Bread of Life

Message: **Rodney Britt**

Invitation Song #909 There's a Fountain Free
Closing Song #755 God Be with You

Closing Prayer: **Lance Hooten**

Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 pm **K.C. Smith**
Song Leader:

Wednesday Evening Worship at 7:00 pm
 The **Adult Class** meets in the **Auditorium**. There are three children's classes on Wednesday nights. The **Toddler Class** is taught by **Kari Smith**. The **Preschool to 2nd Grade** is taught by **Lisa Meeks**. The **3rd-5th Grade Class** is taught by **Dwana Winkler** for the month of **November**. *This class needs a teacher for December*. The **Youth Group (Summit)** meets in the **High School Room**, taught by **K.C. & Kassie Smith**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 8 Wednesday Night Meal, 6 pm
 Dec. 8 Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm
 Feb. 11-13 Aggies for Christ will be here

PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

Please send any new prayer requests, and any updates on people currently on the prayer list to: lwrawle@gmail.com.

PRAYER LIST: (con't on Page 4)
Randell Resneder (leukemia), son of **Robert & Norma Resneder** (experiencing pain due to chemo)
Norma Resneder
Kassie Smith (migraines)
Cleta Hooten & Bobby Hooten (health issues)
Scott & Rachelle Hooten, Jake & Jordyn Hooten, and **Jordyn's mother, Amber** (need our continued prayers)
Frank Shelton, brother of **Brenda Hooten**, (doing better)
Barbara McAree (last chemo treatment done!)
Tina Smith (a fungus in her throat)
Tina Smith's mom, Laverne, recently had hip surgery and is having issues recovering from anesthesia.
Marvin Smith's mother (cirrhosis of the liver)
Richard Kellam's dad, Richard (prostate problems)
Richard Kellam's mother, Pat (in a nursing home for rehab)
Richard Kellam's neighbor, Jerry Varney (has cancer, treatments will start December 29th)
Tom Waters (cancer)
Matt Oualline (diabetes)
Claudia Wilk (recovering from spine surgery)
 The **Hamil's grandson Jake** is struggling with a drug problem. He also has some legal issues to deal with.
Clara Smith, mother of **Butch Smith** and grandmother of **K.C. Smith**, recently fell. She has several health issues as well. Her husband Durwood is trying to help her.
Kris Ivy (blood clots in his leg again)
Mary Hunter, the wife of **Derek Hunter, Danny Meeks friend** (mini-strokes, problems with her oxygen levels)
Clyde Kempf's aunt, Bessie Carol (Covid, 83 years old, very low oxygen)
Jeremy & Melissa Ashlin new baby, **Caleb Wyatt Ashlin** (now at home)
Robert Resneder (COPD, on oxygen)
Carrie May's daughter, Jessica Anderson, had back surgery and **Carrie** will be staying with them for a couple of months.
Darrell Kempf's wife, Kim Kempf (Cancer, having chemo treatments, possible stroke)
Jake Pickens had a procedure to remove the blockage from his carotid artery last week, and is now at home.
Lisa Meek's sister, Vicki Summerlin (tests results look promising, she is really struggling)
William Hass' friend, Mr. Latimer, is now back at home.
Pamela Higbee's friend, Carolyn Moore found out last week that she will not have to have surgery.
Diana Boyer has asked for prayers for her family. Her two daughters are at odds with one another and it is upsetting the family. Please pray for reconciliation and peace for this family.

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:

Floyd Rogers, #1216373, Allred Unit, 2101 FM369 N, Iowa Park, TX 76367
Kris & Shea Ivy, 4102 CR 3221, Lone Oak, TX 75453
AIC Stone, Chance C., 3075 B Juniper Street SW, McChord Field, WA 98439
Emily (Hooten) & Nathan Heinrichs, 1445 N. Pecan Hill, Stephenville, TX 76401
Anna Hooten, 1010 Juneau Ave., Lubbock, TX 79416
Luke Hooten, 2227 S. 3rd St., Unit K, Waco, TX 76706
Savannah V. Wright, (Vivian Warren's niece), PSC 817 Box 7301, PPO AE 09622-0074
Linda Higgins, 1610 Timberbrook Drive, Wylie, TX 75098
Priscilla Martin, The Oaks Retirement Center, 3720 Williams Road, #118, Georgetown, TX 78628, phone 512-943-0281
Randell Resneder, 2011 98th St., #314, Lubbock TX 79423
Dustin Winkler, 5616 Spring Valley Rd., Apt 170, Dallas, TX 75254
Frank Shelton, Colonial Lodge, Room 143, 3590 Stanford, Greenville, TX 75401
Ken Hare & Reneé Funk, 1864 South Mountain Rd., Marshall, AR 72650
Jonny Knighton, College Edge Apts, #911, P.O. Box 911, Bryan, TX 77802 (Blinn College)
Knighton, Jason D. 8384, 527 I Avenue, Unit 2319, Sheppard AFB, TX 76311
Nita Tolison, 9142 W. Dreyfus Dr., Peoria, AZ 85381
Willie Tolison, (Group Home) 8648 W. Salter Dr., Peoria, AZ 85382
Wonda Banks, 219 PR 8515, Point, TX 75472
(Please give Linda Rawle any changes)

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
11/07/21	100	\$3,341	\$3,000
11/14/21	100	\$3,514	\$3,000
11/21/21	101	\$3,304	\$3,000
11/28/21	83	\$3,971	\$3,000

CONTRIBUTIONS

You can mail your church contribution to: Point Church of Christ, P.O. Box 1011, Emory, TX 75440

RAINS COUNTY ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree Gifts are needed as soon as possible. The Distribution will be next Saturday, and we still have to go shopping for the ones who did not get much in their bags.

We need at least 2 workers next week for sorting and stuffing bags the bags that came in Saturday.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The **DECEMBER** meals will be prepared and served by the following people:

Dwanna Winkler Katie Preast Tina Smith
Randa Chastain Lisa Meeks

The next meal will be December 8 at 6:00 pm

- A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied, "They couldn't get a baby sitter."
- At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?" Little Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."
- There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments," answered the lady.

WHO TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION

Good Samaritans	Stephanie Garner
Senior Suites & Rehab	Vivian Warren
Arms of Hope Cottage	Scott & Rachelle Hooten
Church Historian (give pictures, articles, etc.)	Rica Kellam
Church Directory	Debbie Ivy
Visitation	Dianne Willis
Newsletter	Linda Rawle

DEACONS

Dail Hooten	Richard Kellam	Larry Hooten
Lance Hooten		Brad Chastain

COMMITTEES

Building Use and Activities Committee:

Ken Player	Robert Resneder
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Construction Committee:

Wayne Garner	Bobby Hooten
Dail Hooten	Larry Hooten

Finance Committee:

Lance Hooten	Alan Little	Mike Willis
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CHURCH NEWS CONNECTION

To be added to the group – **Text your name and cell phone number to Jake Pickens 903-456-3445.**

This will help keep everyone informed about illness, deaths, funerals, birth announcement, and information about upcoming events. If you have information that the church needs to know about **please text that information to Jake Pickens** and he will send it out in a few minutes.

Funeral Food Hostesses for December:



Laura Oualline
 Brenda Stark
 Brenda Hooten

NEED 1 MORE VOLUNTEER



Correspondence Team for December

Monday Morning Breakfast Ladies - Visitors
NEED A VOLUNTEER – Sick
 Dianne Willis - Encouragement

Please remember our members and their families currently serving in the military: **Chance Stone**, son of **Rheann Stone**, & **Savannah Wright**, niece of **Vivian Warren**, and **Jason Knighton**, son of **LeeAnn Knighton**.

Be sure to go to the Point Church of Christ Facebook Page and Like. There is also a Church Group and a Youth Group on Facebook.

Be sure to visit the church website for lots of information: www.pointchurchofchrist.org.

Communion supplies are available at the building. Ask Ken Player or Mike Willis for assistance with these supplies.

A LITTLE HUMOR

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!"

While she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again.

As she ran she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!"



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Fred Gentzler - Dec. 5
Stephanie Garner - Dec. 9
Debbie Ivy - Dec. 9
Wade McCasland - Dec. 9
Courtney Garner - Dec. 11



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Larry & Brenda Hooten - Dec. 11

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

There will be **NO** Wednesday Night Meal on **Dec. 22** or on **Dec. 29**. We **will have** our devotional and classes on those two nights.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Miss Kenna Kellam moved to Oklahoma yesterday to begin her new position as Girls Youth Leader at The Park church of Christ in Broken Bow, Oklahoma.

PARAPROSDOKIANS

First time I heard about Paraprozdokians, I liked them. Paraprozdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. (Sir Winston Churchill loved them.)

Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
The last thing I want to do is hurt you ... but it's still on my list.
Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
We never really grow up – we only learn how to act in public.
War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of an emergency, notify ..." I answered, "a doctor."
Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
Going to a church doesn't make you a Christian, anymore than standing in a garage makes you a car.
You're never too old to learn something stupid.
I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find someone older than me.

~author unknown

- You will continue to suffer if you have an emotional reaction to everything that is said to you. True power is sitting back and observing everything with logic; true power is restraint. If words control you that means everyone else can control you; breathe and allow things to pass. ~unknown
- Some of the best days of your life haven't happened yet. Just relax and keep going. ~Facebook
- Be happy with what you have and you will have plenty to be happy about. ~Irish Proverb
- You may be only one person in the world, but you may also be the world to one person.

DIFFERENT VALUES

I saw this analogy and it made so much sense, so I'm sharing this with you.

A bottle of water at Costco is \$.25.
The same bottle in the supermarket is worth about \$.50.
The same bottle in a bar costs \$2.
In a good restaurant or hotel it can be worth up to \$3.
At an airport or on the plane, you may be charged \$5.

The bottle and the brand is the same, the only thing that changes is the place. Each place gives a different value to the same product.

When you feel like you are worth nothing, and everyone around you belittles you, change places, do not stay there.

Have the courage to change places and go to a place where you are given the value you deserve. Surround yourself with people who really appreciate your worth.

Don't settle for less!

~author unknown

ANTI-VENOM

A rattlesnake bit one of my sheep in the face about a week ago. Deadliest snake that lives around here. The sheep's face swelled up and hurt her terribly.

But the old rattlesnake didn't know the kind of blood that flows the sheep. Anti-venom is most often made from sheep's blood. The sheep swelled for about two days, but the blood of the lamb destroyed the venom of the serpent.

I was worried about the sheep but she didn't care. She kept on eating, kept on drinking and kept on climbing because she knew she was alright.

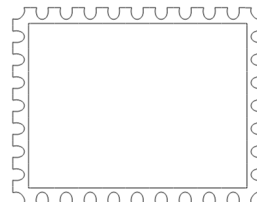
Often the serpents of this life will reach out and bite us. They inject their poison into us but they cannot overcome the Blood of the Lamb of God that washes away the sin of the world and the sting of death. Don't worry about the serpent or his bite, just make sure that the Lamb's Blood is flowing through your veins.

~author unknown

- One of the best lessons you can learn in life is to master how to remain calm. ~Power of Positivity
- It's easy to trust God when He does what we want. It's the other times we grow. ~Bob Goff
- Humility is more attractive than impressive accomplishments. Stay humble, even in your greatest wins. ~Brian C. Houston
- The way we love people today lets everybody know the baby in the manger wasn't just a decoration for us. ~Bob Goff
- Lord, if it's not in your will let it slip through my grasp and give me the peace not to worry about it. ~Adela Joseph
- If you begin and finish your days with thoughts of gratitude, you'll find yourself living from a place of abundance rather than lack. Those first and final moments set the tone for the many minutes that fall in between. ~Erica Layne
- One of the greatest gifts you can give someone is thanking them for being part of your life. ~unknown
- Use your voice for kindness, your ears for compassion, your hands for charity, your mind for truth, and your heart for love. ~livelifehappy.com
- The secret of joy is always a matter of FOCUS: a resolute focusing on the Father, not the fears. ~Ann Voskamp
- Life is like a camera. Just focus on what's important and capture the good times, develop from the negatives, and if things don't work out, just take another shot. ~unknown



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SECURITY MEASURES

As a step toward implementing Security Measures, the Elders have decided that **the two doors on either side of the podium will remain open during services, BUT all other doors will be locked ten minutes after services start.** However, you may leave the building through any door, at any time.

LIVE STREAMING

If you are unable to meet with us in person, please join us on **Sunday mornings at 10 am** on the **Point Church of Christ Facebook Page** for our live streamed service.

THINGS MONEY CAN'T BUY

1. Manners
2. Morals
3. Respect
4. Character
5. Common Sense
6. Trust
7. Patience
8. Class
9. Integrity
10. Love

THE PRAYER FOR PROTECTION

The light of God surrounds us;
The love of God enfolds us;
The power of God protects us;
The presence of God watches over us;
Wherever we are, God is!

~James Dillet Freeman

- Worship gets you through the hardest times in your life because it shifts your focus from the problem to the problem solver.
- Spiritual growth depends on two things: first a willingness to live according to the Word of God; second, a willingness to take whatever consequences emerge as a result. - Sinclair B. Ferguson
- The Will of God will not take us where the Grace of God cannot sustain us. ~Billy Graham
- We will never change the world by going to church. We will only change the world by being the church.
- God enters by a private door into each individual.
- All that I have seen teaches me to trust God for all I have not seen.

Prayer List: (continued from Page 1)

- Benny Hearne, Linda May's** brother (ongoing health issues)
- Jay Sikes (Brenda Hooten's** nephew, and the father of **Debbie Ivy's** daughter-in-law)
- Debbie Ivy** requested prayers for **James Duran** (on a list for a heart transplant)
- Troy Funk**, son of **Rene' Funk** and children need our prayers after the loss of his wife and their mother, **Naomi.**
- Dianne Willis' brother-in-law, Roger Hooten** (immunotherapy to battle cancer)
- Kay Gabbard's** sister, **Rayma Farmer** (cancer has spread to lymph nodes)
- Tony Spalding** (cancer in his tonsils)
- Richard's** cousin, **Debbie Gordon** (cancer has returned)
- LeeAnn Knighton** (cirrhosis of the liver, she is the mother of **Jonny and Jason Knighton**)
- Max Lucado**, author and minister (has an ascending aortic aneurism)
- Willie and Nita Tolison** (Willie has Dementia and Covid, and has been moved to a group home in Arizona, and Nita (health issues) has also been moved to Arizona. (see page 2)
- Jason Brumit**, infant son of **Alyshea & Dylan Brumit** (had a bad reaction to his 2 month vaccinations)
- Tom & Lana Waters' granddaughter Christina Ron Jr. and Tim Yarborough**, whose mother **Wanda** is a member at the Emory church, are having difficulty handling the loss of their father.
- Doug and Joan Morgan**, friends of **Joey Chastain** (both been diagnosed with cancer)
- Evelyn & Roy Skinner**, grandparents of **Pamela Higbee** (Roy is in the hospital, Evelyn is his sole care giver and she needs shoulder surgery)
- Pamela Higbee's friend, Carol**, is struggling with depression.