



Volume XXV, No. 9
February 26, 2023

WELCOME VISITORS

Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate so we will have a record of your visit, AND Come Again Soon~!

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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

**ORDER OF WORSHIP
THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

Please silence your phones before worship

Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 9:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 am

Announcements & Prayer:

Song Leader: **Cameron Harding**

Song
Song

Song
Communion:

Song
Offering

Song
Song

Message: **John Hargrove**

Invitation Song
Song

Closing Prayer:

Potluck meal to follow services this morning.
Devo to Follow with the Aggies for Christ

Wednesday Evening Worship at 7:00 pm
There is an **Adult Class** that meets in the **Auditorium**. There is also a **Ladies' Class** in the **Fellowship Area**. There are three children's classes on Wednesday nights. The **Toddler Class** is taught by **Kari Smith**. The **1st through 5th Grade Classes** is taught by **Candice West**. The **Youth Group (Summit)** meets in the **High School Room**, taught by **K.C. & Kassie Smith**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 1	Wednesday Night Meal, 6 pm
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Mar 3	Acapella Reunion Tyler, TX

PRAYER LIST: (con't on Page 4)

Tom Waters (prostate cancer)
Cleta Hooten (dementia)
Jackie & Jaki Pickens (several health issues)
Carrie May's 3 yr. old granddaughter, **Piper** (bad bacterial infection in her eye socket)
Robert Resneder (cancer in his bronchial area) (also has another infection in his leg)
Norma Resneder (repeat infections in her jaw, fractures)
Norma Resneder's mother, **Imagine Davis** (heart failure and pneumonia)
Norma Resneder's brother, **Ken Arnold** (light stroke and leakage in his heart valves)
Wayne Garner (at home, now on a full liquid diet, still has chemo treatments to get through)
Prayers are asked for **Marvin & Tina Smith** and their 11 yr. old step-grandson, **Tucker Henderson**.
Craig Sisk, grandson of **Wes & Linda Rawle**, is now at home with his parents. Please continue your prayers for him.
Ronnie Kinworthy (husband of one of Rica's co-workers, cancer has returned)
Vivian Warren's brother-in-law, **Bob Russell** (voice box cancer, on radiation and chemo)
Johnny Melton, neighbor of **Tom & Lana Waters** (lung cancer)
Kassie Smith, the surgery to remove her stimulator for her migraines is on hold pending insurance approval.
Debbie Ivy will have her last cataract surgery on Wednesday.
Nan & John Satterwhite (dealing with health issues)
Viviene Bellows (Higher Ground Sister) had double knee replacement surgery. Please pray for pain management and successful recovery.
Roger Hooten's chemo treatment is not working. They are working on another kind of treatment.
Aryanne Peckum, Chris & Courtney Garner's daughter, is suffering from depression and is in a facility in Desoto. Please pray for her.
Jake Hooten is struggling with some things and has reached out for help.
Linda Wolfe, friend of **Jo Ann Hamil**, has cancer and facing more surgery. Please pray for her.

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES:

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AIC Stone, Chance C., 3075 B Juniper Street SW, McCord Field, WA 98439
Emily (Hooten) & Nathan Heinrichs, 1445 N. Pecan Hill, Stephenville, TX 76401
Anna Hooten, 1010 Juneau Ave., Lubbock, TX 79416
Linda Higgins, 3400 Miles Rd. apt 2006. Sachse, Tx 75048
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Kenna Kellam, Cedar Ridge Apartments, 11100 E. 96th St. S., Unit #933, Tulsa, OK 74133
Rodney & Paula Britt, 6046 21st Century Dr., Charlestown, IN 47111
Cleta Hooten, Greenville Health and Rehab, Room 404A, 4910 Wellington Street, Greenville, TX 75401
 (Please give Linda Rawle any changes)

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>	<u>Budget</u>
02/05/23	98	\$3,691	\$3,000
02/12/23	90	\$3,973	\$3,000
02/19/23	92	\$6,047	\$3,000
02/26/23		\$	\$3,000

CONTRIBUTIONS

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

MARCH WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The **Wednesday night** meals are served at **6:00 pm**. Dianne Willis, Brenda Hooten, Linda Rawle, Reba Kempf, and Candice West are responsible for the meals in March.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Alex Ontiveros - Feb. 28
 Lana Waters - Mar. 3
 Elijah Wilk - Mar. 5



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Alan & DaLee Little - Mar, 3

Be sure to go to the Point Church of Christ Facebook Page and "Like." There is also a Point Church of Christ Updates & Events Page

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

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

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

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	Lance Hooten	Larry Hooten
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COMMITTEES

Building Use and Activities Committee:

Ken Player	Robert Resneder
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Construction Committee:

Wayne Garner	Larry Hooten	Dail Hooten
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Finance Committee:

Lance Hooten	Alan Little	Mike Willis
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SEEKING A NEW PERSON FOR THE CHURCH NEWS CONNECTION

Jake Pickens is wanting to train someone else to help with doing the Church News to alert people via the internet. If you can help with this it would be greatly appreciated!

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



Funeral Food Hostesses for Mar:

NEED 4 VOLUNTEERS



Correspondence Team for Mar:

Monday Morning Breakfast Ladies - Visitors

NEED A VOLUNTEER – Sick/home bound

Dianne Willis - Encouragement

TWO POPULAR LIES THAT CHRISTIANS USE TO SILENCE OTHER CHRISTIANS

I'm deeply concerned about false teachings used by well-meaning but uninformed Christians. These false teachings are deeply embedded in church culture, and they often keep believers from sharing God's life-changing Word with those involved in sinful behavior.

1. The "judge not" error.

No, dear Christians, Matthew 7:1-5 does not tell us that "it's not our place to judge." It tells us we should not judge someone for their sins if we are not dealing with our own.

And this doesn't mean that only perfect people can make judgments. God knows we are all imperfect, yet He commands us to judge things throughout Scripture.

2. The "all sins are the same" lie.

True: Everyone sins, all sins are bad, and God can forgive all sins except one.

But Scripture clearly tells us that some sins are more evil and damaging than others. If you believe God sees the sin of an irresponsible teenager the same way he sees the sin of a child molester, you don't know God's heart.

And despite cultural acceptance, Scripture teaches that sexual sins are more serious than other sins, and "unnatural" sexual sins are especially serious.

So let's quit quoting foolish human teachings and start quoting God's Word.

~Bible Love Notes

Our ladies ministry now has a name.
S.H.A.R.E. (Sisters Humbly Reaching and Equipping)

Acapella Reunion Tour March 3rd in Tyler, Texas. Rodney Britt will be in attendance. The church van will be taken and other vehicles as needed.

2023 SPRING HIGHER GROUND CLIMBS

The **Men's Climb** will be April 13-16 at Focus Pointe. Pray that the men who attend will leave with a renewed attitude for God. It will begin Thursday night, April 13 at 7:00 pm and end Sunday Morning after a worship service

The **Women's Climb** will be April 20-23 also at Focus Pointe. Pray that the women who attend will leave with a renewed attitude for God. It will begin Thursday night, April 20 at 7:00 pm and end Sunday Morning after a worship service.

WHAT IS HIGHER GROUND?

The mission of Higher Ground Lake Country is to bring people into a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of His unconditional love and forgiving heart.

We believe that true life is found only in living in constant connection to Jesus. Living in this relationship moves us to Higher Ground. Following Jesus changes the way we live. He changes us. He changes our relationship in the home and in the workplace. He changes everything and leads us to live in the here and now on Higher Ground. Jesus is the only way for a person to live on Higher Ground eternally. This conviction and a desire to encourage others to live this way are at the heart of Higher Ground.

We are all in need of growth in our lives, particularly in our relationship to God. Higher Ground is intended to enhance the Christian's commitment to God, the family and the church. It is designed to encourage self-examination that will reveal needs in individuals and find inspiration to grow from the Word of God. Higher Ground is a loving ministry of encouragement through edification and reaching out to others through God's Word.

Higher Ground is a three-day event for "Climbers." It begins on Thursday evening at 7:00 pm and concludes on Sunday afternoon at 12:00 noon. During this time there will be many opportunities and challenges for each individual to examine themselves, to share with one another, to be encouraged by others, and to encourage others. Through times of worship, times of study, quiet times of reflection, and devotionals, each climber will find motivation and paths of spiritual growth.

- Train your mind to see the good in everything. Positivity is a choice. The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts.
- If you want to, you can find a million reasons to hate life and be angry at the world. Or, if you want to, you could find a million reasons to love life and be happy. Choose wisely. ~Cari Welsh
- Distance yourself from the people who bring out the stress in you, and move closer to those who bring out the best in you.
- Fear does not stop death. It stops life. And worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles. It takes away today's peace.
- Some people appear in your life when you need them most. They love you and lift you up, reminding you of the best, even when you're going through the worst. These people are not just friends, they are "Earth Angels."

KIDS' SCIENCE EXAM ANSWERS

Q: Name the four seasons.

A: Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

Q: Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink.

A: Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists.

Q: How is dew formed?

A: The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire.

Q: How can you delay milk turning sour? (brilliant, love this!)

A: Keep it in the cow.

Q: What causes the tides in the oceans?

A: The tides are a fight between the Earth and the Moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature hates a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins in this fight.

Q: What are steroids?

A: Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs.

Q: What happens to your body as you age?

A: When you get old, so do your bowels and you get inter-continental.

Q: What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty?

A: He says good-bye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery.

Q: Name a major disease associated with cigarettes.

A: Premature death.

Q: How are the main parts of the body categorized? (e.g., abdomen)

A: The body is consisted into three parts -- the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain; the borax contains the heart and lungs, and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels A, E, I, O, and U.

Q: What is the fibula?

A: A small lie.

Q: What does 'varicose' mean? (I do love this one...)

A: Nearby.

Q: Give the meaning of the term 'Caesarian Section.'

A: The Caesarian Section is a district in Rome.

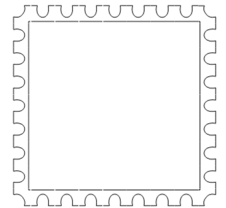
Q: What does the word 'benign' mean?

A: Benign is what you will be after you be eight.

We all have a bag. We all pack differently. Some of us are traveling light. Some of us are secret hoarders who've never parted with a memory in our lives. I think we are all called to figure out how to carry our bag to the best of our ability, how to unpack it, and how to face the mess. I think part of growing up is learning how to sit down on the floor with all your things and figuring out what to take with you and what to leave behind. ~Lauren Fortenberry



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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.

Prayer List: (continued from Page 1)

Charley & Brenda Stark's great-niece, **Brittany Stark** (cancer)
Brenda Stark's sister, **Tammy Krantz** (cancer, doing radiation and chemo)
Darrell Kempf's wife, **Kim Kempf** (Cancer and many other health issues)
Richard Kellam's neighbor, **Jerry Varney** (cancer)
Doug & Joan Morgan, friends of **Joey Chastain** (cancer)
Lacy Coker, a friend of **Randa Chastain** (colon cancer)
Linda Sustaire (chemo for breast cancer)
Marvin Smith's mother (cirrhosis of the liver)
Megan Higbee, daughter of **Pam Higbee**
Danny Meeks' friend, **Anthony Bradberry** (heart issue)
Matt Oualline's cousin, **Linda Barnett** is in the hospital.
David Davidson, **Pat Lawson's brother** (blood clots)
Randa Chastain's uncle, **Eugene Edwards**
Diana Boyer has asked for prayers for her daughter, **Cassandra**, her husband, and the **Treadway family**.
Prayers are asked for **Jamie Rogers** (cancer, and one of her sons who has terminal cancer)
Butch Smith's parents, **Durwood and Clara** (are now at home)
Steve Stedham, cousin of **Danny Meeks** (lung cancer)

- While it looks like things are out of control, behind the scenes there is a God who has not surrendered authority. ~A.W. Tozer
- The devil couldn't take you out so he's trying to wear you out. Don't you dare get tired. Hold on because the tide is about to turn in your favor!
- Speak the words you want to see because you will see the words you speak. ~The Opinion of the Minion

WINDSHIELD WIPER LESSON FROM A CHILD

One rainy afternoon I was driving along one of the main streets of town, taking those extra precautions necessary when the roads are wet and slick. Suddenly, my son Matthew spoke up from his relaxed position in the front seat. "Mom, I'm thinking of something." This announcement usually meant he had been pondering some fact for a while and was now ready to expound all that his seven-year-old mind had discovered. I was eager to hear "What are you thinking?" I asked.

"The rain," he began, "is like sin and the windshield wipers are like God, wiping our sins away." After the chill bumps raced up my arms I was able to respond. "That's really good, Matthew." Then my curiosity broke in. How far would this little boy take this revelation? So I asked, "Do you notice how the rain keeps on coming? What does that tell you?" Matthew didn't hesitate one moment with his answer: "We keep on sinning, and God just keeps on forgiving us."

I will always remember this whenever I turn my wipers on. Isn't it comforting to know that God does keep forgiving us?

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

- Worship in its purest form doesn't happen when everything comes perfectly together; it's most powerful when everything is falling apart.
- Every situation in life is temporary. So, when life is good, make sure you enjoy and receive it fully. And when life is not so good, remember that it will not last forever and better days are on the way. ~Jenni Young
- If your compassion does not include yourself it is incomplete. ~Jack Kornfield
- Stop being afraid of what could go wrong, and start being excited of what could go right. ~Tony Robbins