

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY Holiday Cheer Baskets are in the foyer ready for delivery. We need your help to get these delivered today. Names are already on each basket. Thank you!

Dec 29 NO 5th Sunday Luncheon this month, due to the holidays. Enjoy time with family & friends.

Jan 5 2:30 pm Baby Shower for Becca & Mike Chisholm in the annex. It's a girl! They are registered at Target & Amazon. To be a hostess or give on a group gift, please see Ashley Hall or Paula Hall.

Jan 12 12:00 pm Mission Trip Meeting for High School Students & Parents in the annex.

April 17-19, 2020 Spring Family Campout at Cleburne State Park, Flyers are in the foyer. Contact Lance or Ashley Hall with any questions.

Congratulations

Liam Austin Sondag was born on Dec 9. He was 7 lbs 11 oz, 19 in long. He is welcomed by parents Josh & Sara Sondag. Proud Great-Grandparents are Don & Carol Sanders.

Mission Sunday Giving Current Total is at **\$26,302.07** We are still a bit short of our goal of **\$34,400**. You may add to our mission outreach by giving through the office/contribution or Givelify.

<http://www.scocx.org/index.php/online-giving> Thank you for your generosity.

Special Bulletin Notice: We will print a double-edition bulletin to hand out on Dec. 22nd. (This edition will have the worship order for both Dec. 22 and 29). If you have items that need to be promoted before the next bulletin on Jan. 5, 2020 please submit them to the office by Wed. Dec. 18th. (Of course we will continue to send GraceNotes and updates out through email.) If you don't receive GraceNotes and would like to please send an email to preacher.bennett@gmail.com and ask to be included.

UPWORDS

Peace on Earth

Driving around looking at lights was a favorite December evening pastime for my family. There were several homes you could always count on to go all-out with their Christmas displays.

I liked them all, but the one I *loved* just had blue lights — lots of them — and on the roof, the words “Peace on Earth.”

It wasn't showy or jolly, but it gave me a deep, settled joy, the sense that God was near. A vision of that heavenly host, singing, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace to men of goodwill.”

Peace isn't just something to wish for at Christmastime. It's something to pray for, every day — not just that *we* may live in peace, but that all mankind might enjoy peace, and come to know the Prince of Peace.

Among his last words to his apostles, Jesus said, “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”
John 16:33

Paul said Jesus “himself is our peace,” and we are called to *be* Jesus to those we meet every day.

Wait... I think I've got this. *Peace*. That's him. *On Earth*. That's us!

I'm just glad we don't have to go sit on a roof to make it happen...

Bob Buckel (bbuckel@gmail.com)



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship in Song

Bob Buckel

714 - I Will Call Upon the Lord

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer

Ricky Lowe

Scripture

Corey Pennington

Days of Elijah

Prayer

121 - Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

Lord's Supper

Brad Gilbert	Lance Hall
Mike Hall	Danny Webb
Brett Cheatham	Steele Pennington
Kenny Couch	Adam Johnson

Offering

Ray Hall	Doyle Sisk
Brian Sisk	Bradley Bryant

More Precious Than Silver

416 - What a Friend We Have In Jesus

Sermon

“Christianity 101” James 5:13-20

David Bennett

739 - I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Prayer

Byron Miller

Magnificat

LESSON LINES

Christianity 101 James 5:13-20

Responsive Christianity 101 Vv. 13-16b

Power Prayer 101 Vv. 16c-18

V. 16c The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.

Soul Saving Basics Vv. 19-20

Take Home:

It is comforting to know there is an appropriate response to any situation as one follows Jesus!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Cyndi Arbuckle will undergo at least 3 various tests beginning Dec 30 and continue through Jan 8.

Sarah Bleakney is awaiting test results to assist with understanding her ongoing iron issue as well as helping to determine other matters that may need addressed.

Nancy Curlee's testing indicates wide-spread stage IV cancer. She expects to receive reports on Dec 23.

Erin Hall (Pat & Lisa) saw an endocrinologist on Friday to see what the next step of treatment will be regarding two spots detected on her thyroid.

Jack Head had a thyroid sonogram and brain scan last week and is awaiting results.

Doreen Mount fell and broke her pelvis.

Susan Stockstill has renal cancer. It appears operable with the hope of saving the kidney. Further scans are needed to be certain nothing has spread. The initial indicators are that it is contained.

Peter Schneider is home recovering from hernia surgery on Thursday.

Roy Stone is now home.

Chalyn Weaver (Ray Hall's 30 year-old niece) will be having her left leg amputated right above the knee, on Jan 7.

Jim Wilson (Marianna's son) has Stage IV advanced metastatic cancer. This will require both chemo and radiation. His prognosis is not encouraging.

Dale Cleveland (Kindred Hospital Rehab in FW), **Patsy Draper**, **Bettye Hall** (Ray's Mom-College Park in Weatherford), **Belva LaRoux** (JD & Mozell Davis' friend), **Barbara Liggett** (Linda Miller's sister), **Don Moore**, **Cynthia Newby**, **Fred Purser**, **Sandra Roe**, **Rachelle** (Miller's daughter), **Stan Stockstill**, **Janet Hawkins** (Kimberly Vick's Mom)

Youth Connection

Dec 18 Christmas Caroling

Meet in Gym at 7 pm. We'll load in vans and carol at a few homes then come back to enjoy cookies & hot chocolate.

Dec 29 GRUB of the New Year

Lock-In for JH & HS Begins at 7 pm. Bring \$2. Games, Pizza, Devo. Concludes 9:30 am Mon.

Jan 12 Mission Trip Meeting

High school students & parents meet in the annex immediately following AM service for 30 minutes to get all info about the upcoming trip to Camp of the Hills (Jun 14-20, 2020).

Birthday & Anniversary December

- 15 - Sandra Huskey
Richard Terrett
- 16 - Melissa & Emmanuel Garcia
- 17 - Jessica Alvis
Koby Rogers
- 18 - Tabitha Tucker
- 19 - Ashley & Lance Hall
Nolan McGrath
Allison Pennington
- 20 - Mike Hall
Christine Sugg
- 22 - Brenda & Fred Purser
- 23 - Greg Bird
- 24 - Kay Sisk
- 26 - Susan Stockstill
Sandra & John Tarpley
- 27 - Layla Garcia
- 28 - Wendi Bleakney

Daily Bible Reading

1Cor 13, 1Cor 14, 1Cor 15, 1Cor 16

Records 2019

Bible Class.....164
Worship310
Weekly Budget\$7,934
Contribution.....\$6,788
Baptisms4

Worship Times

Bible Class9:30 am
Morning Worship10:30 am
Building Life Group.....5:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm
Tuesday Ladies Bible Class...10:00 am

You will find a yellow
prayer request sheet in the foyer,
for a continued list of church family and
friends in need of prayer. Please contact

Bible Classes for All Ages

Cradle Roll A (0-18 mo)...S. Hall Room 15
Cradle Roll B (18-24 mo)...S. Hall Room 11
2, 3 & 4 yr oldN. Hall Room 6
Pre K & K.....N. Hall Room 2
1 & 2 Grade.....N. Hall Room 4
3 & 4 Grade.....N. Hall Room 7
5 & 6 Grade.....N. Hall Room 3
Jr High & High School....Ministry Building
Young & Old.....W. Side of Annex
Family MattersMinistry Building
Mixed AgeAuditorium

Online Giving Now Available

You can give your offering online. You can also schedule regular contributions.

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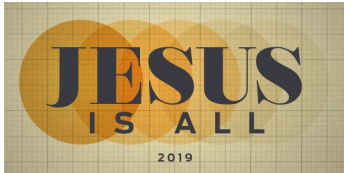
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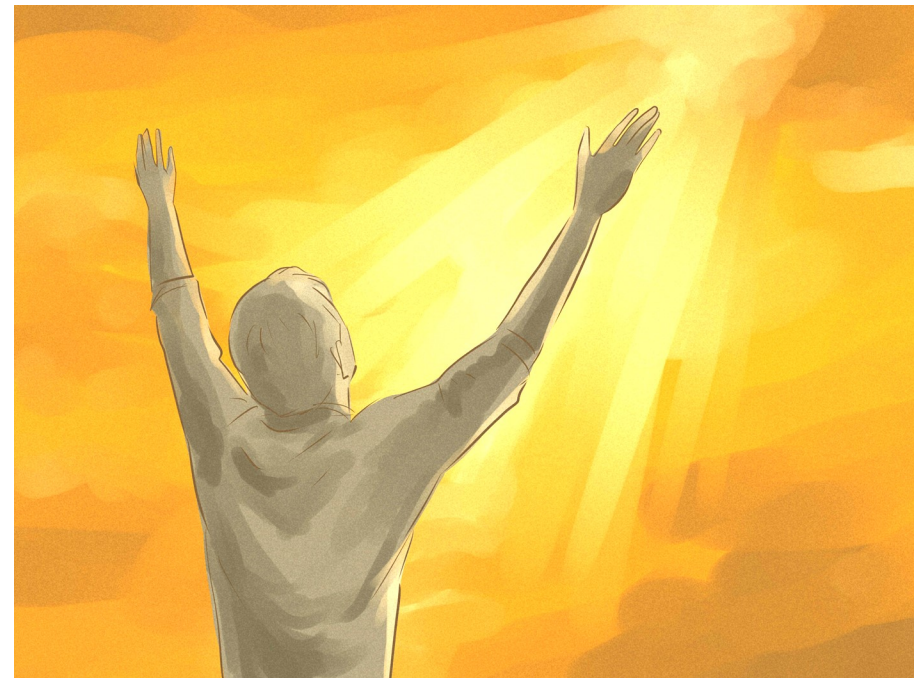


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The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much. James 5:16c



VISITORS WELCOME!

We are glad you have come our way. We would like to have record of your attendance. Please fill out a yellow registration card and place it in the contribution tray as it passes this morning. Also, we have a gift for you today as you exit, please be sure to stop by the information desk in the foyer. You may go to www.scoctx.org for more church information.

ALL are welcome to use the back of the registration card for prayer requests or general communication.

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