

8:20 & 10:30 AM SERVICES

Song: All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name
Welcome

Song: Hosanna
Song: We're Marching To Zion
Prayer: Jake Dyniewski/Jim Welborne
Song: My Eyes Are Dry
Song: What The Lord Has Done In Me
Communion/Contribution: Marcel Bergh
Scripture: Hebrews 10:19-25...Ronald Arrington/Jack Stewart
Song: Faithful Love
Sermon: "Faithfulness" David Duncan
Song: Glorious King.....
Shepherd's Prayer: Craig Schuster
Song: Lord, Reign In Me
Song Leaders: Matt Hoffmeister/Nick Smith

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song: I Will Sing Of The Mercies Of The Lord
Song: Let The Name Of The Lord Be Praised
Welcome

Prayer: Ben Schaefer
Song: Lead Me To Some Soul Today
Song: Rise Up
Song: Into Our Hands
Sermon: "An Interview with Marcel Bergh, CEO of Southern Africa Bible College" David Duncan
Song: To Christ Be True
Prayer:Steve Garner
Song: The Glory Land Way
Song Leader: Wade Price



Memorial Church of Christ
Welcome



WELL DONE MY GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. - Romans 12:4-6a

I recently had the privilege of attending a brilliant concert performed by the Mercury Chamber Orchestra and led by conductor, Antoine Plante. As I sat at the foot of the stage enjoying the harmonic sounds, I began to observe the performers, and I couldn't ignore the Spiritual analogies.

The conductor, before beginning each piece, would raise his hands and wait until the musicians were poised and the audience was still and quiet. He silently commanded our full attention. Respectfully, everyone inclined, and he set the pace in motion with his hands. We must be still and know that the Lord is God, keeping our eyes on Him and submitting to His will.

The principal (lead) performers diligently watched the conductor, occasionally glancing at their sheet music. They followed his movements, often mimicking his motions with their own bodies as the music intensified. As Christians, we must unapologetically set our eyes on Christ and be imitators of Him. We must look to His Word to guide us through life and love others as He has loved us.

The other musicians did not focus on the conductor but instead took their cues from the principal performers. Paul tells us to imitate him as he imitates Christ. We must look to our leaders and those wiser in the faith and follow their examples. Moreover, we must realize we are setting an example (good or bad) for others to follow. We must be aware and intentional in leading others to Jesus.

The orchestra played a variety of stringed instruments and parts according to the score. Violins played melodies, violas and cellos brought in harmonies and the bass provided a resounding depth. Together, they created a beautiful blend of music that was pleasing to the senses. We are the body of Christ. Though we each have different roles, gifts and talents, we work together as one.

Applause! The crowd erupted in response to this magnificent performance, jumping to their feet and continuing with an intentionally long ovation. The musicians were smiling and the conductor was bowing with gratitude. You are the light of the world...let your light shine before others so they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven.

The conductor left the stage in the midst of the applause and after a brief time returned to continued ovation and pointed toward the orchestra. Jesus is returning one day. Let us raise our voices and live our lives in worship to Him until that glorious day when He returns and points at us saying, "Well done my good and faithful servant."

- Mike



Mike Avery
Youth & Family
Minister

SERMON NOTES

FAITHFULNESS

God's _____ is to be faithful.
Deuteronomy 7:9

He is _____ to be with us.
Matthew 28:19-20

Jesus is the faithful _____.
Revelation 1:5
Revelation 3:14
Revelation 19:11
John 14:3

If He is faithful, why am I _____?
There are many _____ reasons.
We live in a _____ world.
Sin entered the world through Adam and Eve.
We feel the impact of the sin of _____
as well as _____.

Maybe I am not fully _____ to Him.
Matthew 6:24

Maybe I am being _____.
Hebrews 12:4-11

Maybe I am being _____.
Psalm 66:10-12

Refining is not _____.
Refining makes us _____.
I must be faithful to the only one
who is _____ faithful.
How can I _____ the Faithful One?



AN INTERVIEW WITH MARCEL BERGH

Marcel is the CEO of Southern Africa Bible College. He is married to Lucia and they have one son, Michael, who is 11.

Love.Lead.Live.Jesus.

Ministry Staff	David Duncan	Mike Avery	Shawn Freeman	Quincey Spurlock	Laura Norwood
	Preaching	Youth & Family	Youth & Bridge	Resident Intern	Elementary
	Spencer Prather	Jack Prather	Wayne Roberts	Jessica Fuller	Lindsey Hawkins
	Preschool	Technology	Connection	Friendship School	Counseling Center

Family Shepherds Philip Bailey Bill Burdette Daron Cathey Frank Devine Jerry Gerlich Greg Hughes
Tom Messick Terry Montgomery Alan Pence Robby Robinson, Jr. Craig Schuster Chris Shanks

November 17, 2024

Holiday Schedule

November 27
WOW Devotional
No classes or small groups

Sunday
December 22 & 29
8:20 am Worship
9:30 am coffee/donuts
10:30 am Worship
No Bible Classes, Nursery, Toddler Time, or Bible Hour.
Unattended nursery open.
Note: No PM service

Christmas Eve Service
Tuesday
December 24 7 PM
No class or small groups

Christmas Day
Wednesday
December 25
No services

New Year's Day
Wednesday
January 1
No services

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Members:
Check in via your Elexio app

Guests:

We are so glad that you are here.

We'd love to stay in touch with you.

Check in here.



UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

11:30 am; Room 213; Surviving the Holidays
Find support and direction to navigate the holidays in a healthy way. Join us for this single, 2-hour special Grief Share event. Contact: **Denise Dorriety**

NOVEMBER


November 21; 11:30 am; Oak View Room
Young At Heart Potluck Lunch 'n' Learn
Speaker: **Larry & Lou Ann Phillips** will share about their recent South American Mission Trip.
Contact: **Andrew LaMore**

RESCHEDULED - HIVE Meeting

Our HIVE meeting, originally scheduled for November 24, has been postponed until after the first of the year.

November 24; 4:00 pm; Oak View Room
Wedding Shower; Ethan Stirrup & Adria Lawrence
Registered at Zola.com and Amazon.com
Hostess: **April Burdette**

DECEMBER


 **December 4; 6:00 pm; Family Center**
New! Family Fellowship Meal
Adults: \$5/Kids: \$3; RSVP requested.
Contact: **Shawn Freeman**

December 7; 9:00 am
12th Annual Ladies Brunch & Ornament Exchange; Bring your favorite brunch item + a \$10 wrapped ornament and enjoy intergenerational fellowship!
Contact: **B. Spurlock/J. Shanks**

December 19; 11:30 am
Young At Heart Christmas Luncheon
More details coming! Contact: **Andrew LaMore**

JANUARY

New! January 12; 11:30 am; Family Center
LTC Kick-Off; Informational luncheon with sign-ups for students and volunteer coaches.
Contact: **April Sprott**

 **January 24-26; The San Luis Resort Galveston; 2025 Marriage Retreat**
Registration now open for members and non-members. Speaker: **Rusty Tugman**
Contact: **Justin & Krislyn Vickrey**


MARK YOUR CALENDARS

 **February 7-9, 2025**
"Called Up" - Men's Retreat
Trinity Pines Conference Center, Trinity, TX
Open to Men 18+; Cost: \$100/person
Registration deadline: January 22, 2025
Contact: **Jeremy Sprott/Jake Hicks**



BIBLE CLASSES; Sun. - 9:30 am; Wed. - 7:00 pm

 **Winter Quarter begins December 1**
Sign up to volunteer!

 **November 20; 5:00-7:00 pm**
Movie In The Pews - Pocahontas
Open to ages 2-4th grade.
Bring your child's dinner .

November 22; 9:00 am; Zoo Meet-Up
Open to preschool and elementary age. Meet us at the entrance - let us know if you'll be there!




7th-12th




5th-6th

BIBLE CLASSES Sun. - 9:30 a.m. Wed. - 7:00 pm

Small Groups; Every Wednesday night; 7:00 pm
Open to grades 7-12!

 **Today; Youth (7th-12th)**
Friendsgiving; Home of Shawn & Erin
Scan QR to help provide food!

 **December 6-8; 7th-12th Fall Retreat**
Lakeview Methodist Retreat Center;
Palestine, TX; Cost: \$60/student
Registration Deadline: November 20!

January 31-February 1, 2025
Bridge Retreat


MARK YOUR SUMMER 2025 CALENDARS!
Mission Houston - June 9-12 (completed 5th-7th)
Trek - June 15-21 (completed 8th-12th)
Bandina - June 29-July 5 (completed 5th-12th)
MCOC VBX - July 13-16 (completed 4th-5th)
Impact VBS - July 20-24 (completed 5th-12th)



FOCAS

College Age Singles
Sundays - Family Center 309
Single Adults (20's/30's)
Sundays - Room 211/212

November 24; 6:00 pm
Combined Devo and Friendsgiving
home of **Paul & Nancy VanderLinden**
December 8; 6:00 pm; Christmas Party
home of **Craig & Susan Schuster**

 **December 14; 7:00 pm**
Movie On The Rooftop
Scan QR code to register!

FAMILY NEWS

Need something included in the bulletin? Email jshanks@mcoc.org by Wednesdays at noon.

WELCOME

We are thrilled to have these individuals worshipping & serving with us!

- **Duncan & Claire Grant**
- **Alexander Brown**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Betty Alvarez Diego is currently in the hospital. Prayers and texts are welcome, but please no visits or calls.

Ann Harbin, mother of **Lori Messick**, is scheduled for triple bypass surgery.

Nancy Jackson is struggling with prolonged migraines and associated symptoms.

Chris Jones, son-in-law of **Jim & Darlene Welborne**, has completed his chemo and will soon begin the process of a stem cell transplant. Continued prayers are requested for **Chris, Jayme**, and their family.

Loretta Nedbalek, the grandmother of **Shawn Freeman**, had a stroke and is in the hospital. At this time, her left side is paralyzed and there is concern for a brain bleed.

Randy Nevels, family of **Lissa Adkins**, recently suffered a heart attack and had open heart surgery. He is still currently recovering in the ICU. They request no visitors or calls at this time.

SYMPATHY

Miler Bastidas Rosario, brother of **Luz Arnold**, passed away in Venezuela following a respiratory illness. Our sympathy is extended to Luz and all of Miler's friends & family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

All are invited to find their place at Memorial as we seek to share the love of Jesus and serve others.

 **Diaper Drive for Ukrainian Families** We continue to collect diapers, as well as wipes, for Ukrainian and Russian families. **Current specific needs include Size 5 diapers and 5-6T Pull-Ups.** Having them sent directly from Amazon (Gentle Touch) to the church office is the most efficient way - MCOC Diapers, 900 Echo Lane Houston 77024. Contact: **Judy Haley**

New! Christmas Decoration and Set-Up
Sunday, November 24; Noon-4:00 pm
Come help get our building ready for the holiday season!
No lunch provided. Contact: **Wayne Roberts**

GIVE THE GIFT OF TEACHING

Winter Quarter begins December 1!



Volunteer spots available from babies-4th grade!
Contact: *Spencer Prather/Laura Norwood*



FAMILY RECORDS

CONTRIBUTION

11/10/24 Offering - \$238,458
Weekly Budget - \$62,503
YTD Budget Deficit - **(\$81,040)**
Kids' Contribution - \$142.50



TO GIVE

ATTENDANCE - 11/10/24

8:20 am - 213 10:30 am - 451
AM Total - 664
6:00 pm - 89

2024 BAPTISMS - 29

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Prayer Requests

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