8:20 & 10:30 AM SERVICES

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song: We Will Glorify
Song: Be Exalted, O God
Welcome
Song: Glorify Thy Name
Prayer: Curtis Burton
Psalm 34:1-4,8
Song: Glorify The Lord With Me
Song: Everlasting God
Sermon: "Don't Touch My Stuff; The Challenge Of Changing"
Wayne Roberts
Song: Change My Heart, Oh God
Prayer:Tim Spurlock
Song: I'll Fly Away
Song Leader: Wade Price

SERMON NOTES

GIVE GLORY TO GOD

Have you over wondered your 2	
Have you ever wondered your? You were created to	
Whatever you do, make sure it is	
to God.	_
Revelation 4:9-11	
God knew uswe were born.	
He had a for us.	
He is preparing us for eternal	
We are in the presence of our	
Psalm 95:1-2	
We are in the presence of the One in	
Psalm 95:3-5	
2 Peter 3:8-9	
Don't give up on the One that will make things	
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Revelation 21:3-4	
We are in the presence of the	
Psalm 95:6-7	
We are worshipping the One who	all
all, and cares for all.	_ (111
Luke 15:3-7	
Will you give God with me?	
will you give dod with the:	

DON'T TOUCH MY STUFF

The Challenge Of Changing

Love.Lead.Live.Jesus.

Ministry Staff

David Duncan Preaching

Mike Avery Youth & Family Shawn Freeman Youth & Bridge

Quincey Spurlock Bridge + Girls' Youth

Laura Norwood Elementary

Spencer Prather Preschool

Jack Prather Technology

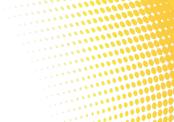
Wayne Roberts Connection

Jessica Fuller Friendship School **Brooke Johnson** Counselor

Family Shepherds Bill Burdette Frank Devine Jerry Gerlich Greg Hughes Tom Messick

Terry Montgomery Alan Pence Robby Robinson, Jr. Craig Schuster Chris Shanks





936 MARBLES

Rick is a good friend and mentor of mine. Over the past ten years, he has taught me what it looks like to be a faithful father. The first time I met him, he talked about a jar with 936 marbles inside. Each marble represented one week of a child's life from 0-18 years old. He encouraged dads to have a jar like this in the home and to take one marble out as each week passed.

At the time, many weeks of my children's lives had already passed by, but I still had quite a few marbles left. From that time on, I made a conscious effort to be the dad God was calling me to be. As of August 2025, both my jars are empty. My kids have grown up and moved off to college. As I reflect back on the time we had with them in our home, I'm so thankful for the blessing of Faithful Fathering and our Memorial Dads ministry. Oh, I made plenty of mistakes along the way, but those were opportunities to learn, grow, show humility and ask for forgiveness. We also had many wonderful moments together including the father son and father daughter retreats held each year.

This weekend, several dads and sons are on one of those retreats together, playing, exploring, learning to follow God, and having discussions together about life, faith, and a number of other things. Today (Sunday), each of the dads will publicly bless their son. It is the highlight of the weekend and a memory they will never forget.

I want to encourage all dads at Memorial to join us for the intergenerational dinner coming up next month and to get a jar for each of your kids. Fill it with marbles according to how many weeks you have left with your child at home and make each one count.

A faithful father is physically present, engaged emotionally, and leads Spiritually by example. That's the dad you are called to be and that's the dad the next generation needs.

- Mike



Mike Avery Youth & Family Minister

October 12, 2025

Upcoming:

TODAY

Blood Drive

October 16

Young At Heart Lunch 'n Learn

October 19

Worship with Fifth Ward

October 26

Fall Festival

November 1

Women's Intergenerational Potluck Brunch

November 1

Memorial Dads Intergenerational Dinner

WiFi: MCoC Guest Password: mcoc1234

Members:

Check in via your Elexio app.

We are so glad that you are here.

We'd love to stay in touch with you.

Check in here.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

8:00 am; Family Center Blood Drive; Walk-ins welcome. Contact: Daniel Allen

October 5-November 9; Pack The Pulpit

Help MKids "Pack the Pulpit!" Our Thanks Giving tree in the auditorium will be the donation spot for food items for Thanksgiving bags to be given to needy families. We will assemble these bags during our annual Eat + Serve family service project. Next week, October 19: bring canned yams/sweet potatoes/ canned green beans. Contact: Laura/Spencer

OCTOBER

October 16; 11:30 am; Oak View Room Young At Heart Lunch 'n Learn

For our senior saints; Contact: Andrew LaMore

October 19; 6:00 pm; Fifth Ward Church of Christ; Worship with Fifth Ward; Our friends at Fifth Ward have invited us to be their quests at their evening service. Our regularly scheduled 6:00 pm service will not be held at MCOC.

October 26; Noon-2:00 pm; Front Lawn

Fall Festival; Join us for games, food, costumes, and more fun. Scan the QR code below to volunteer! Individually wrapped candy donations are needed and can be left at the Welcome Desk. Contact: Rebecca Friday/Caroline Poteet

NOVEMBER

November 1; 10:00 am; Family Center Women's Intergenerational Potluck Brunch

Thank you to all of the women who showed up for the brainstorming meeting on September 21st! It was very exciting to hear from all of you!! Keep watching for more information as we move forward. Next up: come and join women of all ages, as we form strong bonds, encourage and learn from each other, while working towards the goal of sharing Jesus with others and growing stronger in our faith. Bring a potluck dish to share! Scan QR code below to register. Contact: Tami Roberts

November 1; 6:00 pm; Oak View Room **Memorial Dads Intergenerational Dinner**

ALL dads, granddads, and adult men aspiring to be dads are invited to a FREE steak dinner sponsored by Memorial Dads. Daron Cathey is returning to Memorial as our guest speaker for the evening. Round table discussions will include intergenerational sharing of experiences around these themes: 1) Staying connected with God, family and godly men; 2) Models of integrity today; 3) Staying intentional in living out faith, values and goals; and 4) Sharing of wisdom and encouragement between generations. Scan the QR code below to attend.



Visit our Event Registration Page Ise the QR code to register for any vent or to volunteer!



BIBLE CLASSES: Sun. - 9:30 am: Wed. - 7:00 pm Pack The Pulpit; Next week, October 19: bring canned yams/sweet potatoes/canned green beans.

October 17; Oil Ranch Meet-Up; Come have fun with us! Scan QR code below by October 9.

October 25; 4:00-7:00 pm Family Pumpkin Carving

MKids and their families will be joining the Young Marrieds class for a family pumpkin carving/chili cook-off night! There will be a chili cook-off, so bring your favorite chili to share! You will also need to bring your own pumpkin to carve. We will provide sides, a caramel apple bar, drinks, and a few tools to carve.



7th-12th



5th-6th

BIBLE CLASSES Sun. - 9:30 am Wed. - 7:00 pm In order to prevent distractions and enhance our time together, phones will not be permitted in class. Students are asked to place their phones in a basket.

Tonight - 4:30-7:00 pm - Combined Bridge/Youth (5th-12th) Devo; home of Beckett & Berkeley McElroy; Bus will leave MCOC at 4:15 pm and will return at 7:15 pm.

October 19 - Worship with 5th Ward November 6-8 - Aggies for Christ

November 9 - Bridge (5th-6th) Friendsgiving home of Hudson Bell

New - November 16; during Youth (7th-12th) Bible Class; Healthy Sexuality with Ultimate Escape Ministries; Contact Mike with questions.

November 16 - Youth (7th-12th) Friendsgiving New - December 5-7 Youth (7th-12th) Fall Retreat



FOCAS

Sunday; College Age Singles; FC309 Sunday; Singles (20's/30's) Rm. 211/212

October 26; 6:00 pm; home of the Spurlocks **Combined Devo**

November 8; 5:00 pm; held at Memorial Young Professionals Area Wide Get Together Join us for food, fun, and fellowship with other Houston area young adult singles. Dinner is provided. Scan QR code to the left to RSVP by November 2.

November 22; 4:00-7:30 pm; home of David & Barbara Duncan; Friendsgiving

Topic: Connections; Speaker: Wayne Roberts



FAMILY NEWS

Welcome to Memorial! Please check in online or grab a card from the pew in front of you. You may place it in the basket on the Welcome Desk or leave it in the pew to be collected later.

Rejoice

We rejoice with Avery Prather who was baptized October 5!

Prayer Requests

David Duncan continues to recover from his arm injury.

Barbara Mahaffey continues her recovery following a fall and a torn rotator cuff.

Jim Railey has returned home and is doing well!

Sympathy

Valerie Schurbet, friend of Andrew & Amy LaMore, passed away unexpectedly. Our sympathy is extended to all who knew & loved her.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES



October 17; 6:00 pm; Family Center Impact Carnival Set-Up

October 18; 10:30 am; Family Center Impact Carnival Volunteers Needed Contact: Al & Yidara Wolf



☐ Satellite Services; Sundays; 4:30-5:00 pm. Sign up to lead a short worship service at the Clear Water Senior Living at the Heights facility. Scan QR code 回题基础 for details & registration. Contact: **Mike Avery**



Aggies For Christ; November 7-9; Aggies for Christ will be here to serve. Housing is needed for 40. Scan QR code to volunteer to host 2 or more **Students in your home. Contact: Mike Avery**



For dads of all ages. | Sign-up to attend.



Help MKids provide Thanksgiving meals to families in need as part of their Eat+Serve project.

TODAY

October 12

Turkey Gravy (Jar) Canned Cranberry Sauce

Next Sunday October 19

Canned Yams/Sweet Potatoes Canned Green Beans

Donated items can be placed at our ThanksGiving Tree in the auditorium.

HURTING? NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO? I'M HERE TO LISTEN.

Brooke Johnson

Memorial's Counselor-in-Residence

Email me to make an appointment. brooke@mcoc.org

FAMILY RECORDS

CONTRIBUTION

10/5/25 Offering - \$55,773 Weekly Budget - \$62,453 YTD Budget Deficit - (\$366,280) Kids' 10/5 Contribution - \$195.63



ATTENDANCE - 10/5/25

8:20 AM: 225 10:30 AM: 533 AM Total: 758 6:00 PM: no count

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