## 8:20 & 10:30 AM SERVICES

Song: Lord, We Come Before Thee Now
Song: 10,000 Reasons
Song: Behold Our God
Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 Brandon Meyers/Sam Schuste
Prayer: Chris Lewis/Caleb Casas, S
Song: Come Share The Lord
Communion/Contribution:Ben Schaefer/Andrew LaMor
Song: Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing
Sermon: "Forming A Legacy Of Faith" David Dunca
Song: Do You Know My Jesus?
Shepherd's Prayer:Robby Robinso
Song: All To Us
Song Leader: Matt Hoffmeister/Wade Price

## 6:00 PM SERVICE

Song: Home Of The SoulWelcome	
Song: How Great Thou ArtSong: Majesty	
Prayer:S Song: I Love Thy Kingdom, LordS	cott Patterson
Song: Holy Forever Sermon: "Faith Over Freedom"	David Duncan
Prayer: Song: Paradise Valley	BJ McElroy
Song Leader: Craig Schuster	

### **SERMON NOTES**

FORMING A LEGACY OF FAITH	FAITH OVER FREEDOM	
What will you leave?	Thoughts From Matthew's Gospel	
What will you leave?	I my country.	
Faith cannot be mandated.	God offers something	
Faith is	His Kingdom is!	
2 Timothy 1:5; Deuteronomy 6:4-5	Psalm 145:13	
Do you want to leave a spiritual legacy	The Kingdom is greater than anything we	
for your family?	can imagine.	
You must God.	John 18:36	
We must show we love God	God's Kingdom is for	
than we love self or sin.	John 3:16-17	
Deuteronomy 6:6-9	Jesus taught how to become a	
How do I leave a?	John 3:4-5	
Repeat them often.	I maintain a relationship with my country while being	
Make	to the Kingdom of God.	
Teaching others is one of the	1 Timothy 2:1-4	
to teach ourselves.	Philippians 3:20-21	
If I want the legacy of faith to continue, I must	2 Corinthians 5:20	
prepare the next generation.	My allegiance must always be	
I need to prepare them to	to God.	
temptation. (1 Cor. 10:13)	Matthew 6:33-34	
I need to prepare them for negativity. (2 Tim. 3:12)	Like Paul, use your citizenship to	
I need to teach them to and know	the Kingdom of God.'	
the Bible.	What is Jesus to me?	
I need to affirm and my love,		
and God's love, for my children.		
What will be my ?		

# 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



# September 14, 2025

**Upcoming:** 

**TODAY HIVE Meeting** 

September 17 Family Center Remodel Update Town Hall

September 18 Young At Heart Lunch 'n Learn

September 21 Women's Connection Ministry Brainstorming Meeting

October 8 Family Meal

October 10-12 Memorial Dads Father/Son Retreat

October 12 Blood Drive

October 26 Fall Festival

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.



### **CHRISTIAN COUNSELING**

Just like you might be feeling, I, too, was sad about the closure of the Memorial Christian Counseling Center, but I'm also met with optimism, excitement and hope for what is to come. I hope you, too, can rest assured that we still care about and value your mental health. Some of you also might be asking ... what even is Christian counseling and does it even matter?

As a licensed professional counselor, I hold a master's degree in clinical Mental Health Counseling and have knowledge in evidence-based, researched, methods for treating mental illness, like anxiety disorders, depression, mood disorders, addictions, trauma, and stress disorders, to name a few. Treating these through counseling can also be referred to as "therapy."

As a Christian, I use my knowledge of Biblical ideals as a supplemental form of treatment for mental illness. Being a Christian does not mean we are immune from the struggles of life, but that we have the support, hope and foundation of Christ.

Combining the two in my treatment allows me to provide a collaborative and holistic therapeutic experience, meaning we work together to find the best method of treatment for you, that treats you as a whole person, incorporating mind, body, and spirit. I will continue to provide confidential counseling care to you or your family, adults, teens, and kids, or help connect you with the right resources that can. Memorial is a blessing to me and my family, and I count it as an honor to serve on staff as a counselor for the church.

- Brooke

We welcome Brooke to Memorial as our Counselor-In-Residence, effective October 1. If you would like to schedule an appointment with her, please contact her at brooke@mcoc.org.



**Brooke Johnson** MCOC Counselor

900 Echo Lane | Houston, TX 77024 | 713.464.0271 | mcoc.org

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **TODAY**

Noon; Oak View Room; Starting Point

Open to new members and current members. Find our more about Memorial, our missions, ministries, and how you can be a part.

2:00 pm; Room 221; HIVE Meeting Contact: Wayne Roberts

### **SEPTEMBER**

September 17; 7:00 pm; Room 220 **Family Center Remodel Town Hall** Contact: Jeremy Hardegree

September 18; 11:30 am; Oak View Room Young At Heart Lunch 'n Learn For our senior saints; Contact: Andrew LaMore

September 21; 12:00 pm; Family Center Women's Connection Ministry Brainstorming Meeting; A lite-bite lunch will be provided. Contact: Tami Roberts

New - September 28; before and after worship services; Gathering Area; Community Group Launch; Interested in joining a community group? Connect with us to find a group that meets in your area or needs. Group types include men's groups, women's groups, Sunday evening family groups, Bible study groups, prayer groups, & activity groups. Contact: **Mike Avery** 

### **OCTOBER**

October 8; 6:00 pm; Family Center Family Meal; Scan QR code below to register.

October 10-12; Frontier Camp; Memorial Dads Father/Son Retreat; \$100/pair; for dads & sons (ages 7-18) **Note:** Only one son per father should attend as it emphasizes focused one-on-one time. Scan QR code below to register by September 28. Contact: Jason Fuller

October 12; 8:00 am; Family Center **Blood Drive**; Scan QR code to register for a time slot. Contact: Daniel Allen

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

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 guests 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! Volunteers needed! Scan the QR code below to volunteer! Contact: Rebecca Friday/Caroline Poteet

☐ Visit our Event Registration Page
Use the QR code to register for any event or to volunteer!



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

September 24; 5:00 pm; Family Center Family Game Night with Bridge/Youth

New date/location - October 17; Oil Ranch

Meet-Up; Come have fun with us! Scan QR code below by October 9 to register.

October 25; Pumpkin Carving





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 - Youth (7th-12th) Devo; home of Reid Johnston

September 21 - Bridge (5th-6th) Devo September 24; 5:00 pm; Family Center **Family Game Night with MKids** October 12 - Youth (7th-12th) Devo

# **Give Love.** Give Blood.



# **BLOOD DRIVE**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12** 8am-noon **Memorial Family Center** 

Your donation shows you care.



Scan to make your appointment



### **FOCAS**

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

New - September 20; Pickleball Saturday September 28; 6:00 pm; home of Tom & Lori Messick; Combined Devo

New - October 11; 7:00 pm; Exit Lab Houston **Escape Room** 

New - October 28; 6:00 pm; home of the Spurlocks; Combined Devo

November 8; 5:00-9:00 pm; Oak View Room/Chapel; Area-Wide Singles Get Together

## **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.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

David Ashmore, an MCOC guest, has been in town for treatments at MD Anderson. He plans to return home then will come back for radiation.

**Trevor Deines** was scheduled for surgery last week.

**Joel Dickinson** is continuing with radiation treatments.

Melinda Fuller, mother of Jason Fuller, is in rehab after

Mrs. Menhaz, the school nurse at Stratford High School, is ill and has not returned to school. Jill Hyland, one of our youth, has requested prayers for her.

Jim Railey is recovering at home following a heart cath.

## **SERVING OPPORTUNITIES**



# ■ New - 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 for details & registration. Contact: Mike Avery



New - AGGIES FOR CHRIST

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

### **UKRAINIAN DIAPER MINISTRY**

We are in need of diapers, sizes 4, 6, & 5-6T pull-ups and wipes. Having them sent directly from Amazon (Mama Bear are unisex) to the church office is the most efficient way - MCOC Diapers, 900 Echo Lane, Houston 77024 Contact: Judy Haley







## **Prayer Requests**

Public - ishanks@mcoc.org Private - prayer@mcoc.org

# **FAMILY RECORDS**

#### **CONTRIBUTION**

9/7/25 Offering - \$40,930 Weekly Budget - \$62,453 YTD Budget Deficit - (\$415,917) Kids' 9/7 Contribution - \$100.76



ATTENDANCE - 9/7/25

8:20 AM: 227 10:30 AM: 506 AM Total: 733 6:00 PM: no count

**2025 BAPTISMS** - 30

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