

Order of Worship

Song: #71 As the Deer

Announcements

Song: #23 Our God, He Is Alive

Song: #382 Why Did My Savior
Come to Earth?

The Lord's Supper

Song: #655 Poured Out Like Wine

Offering

Offering Song: #650 Send the Light

Song: #647 Soldier of Christ, Arise

Scripture Reading
2 Peter 2:19

Sermon
"Era of Addiction"

Song: #909 There's a Fountain Free

Prayer Requests

Song: #648 Stand Up, Stand Up for
Jesus

Closing Prayer

Please join us for a lite brunch in the
fellowship hall immediately after our
worship service this morning.

"Are you visiting for the first time today?"

Welcome guest! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this morning. Please help us to get to know you better by filling out the green guest card on the back of the seat in front of you and dropping it in the collection basket. Or, for your convenience, you may scan the QR code and complete the guest card digitally. Thank you for taking the time to attend our service today. We hope to see you again soon!



Scan for Guest Card

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For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship	85	Sunday Morning Bible Study	51
Sunday Afternoon Service	20	Wed. Morning Bible Study	16
Wed. Evening Bible Study	40	Contribution Average 2025	N/A

Schedule Of Services

Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m.	Sunday Bible Class—11:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Service—1:30 p.m.	Wed. Morning Bible Study—10 a.m.
Wednesday Dinner—6:00 p.m.	Wed. Evening Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

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While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage.

2 Peter 2:19

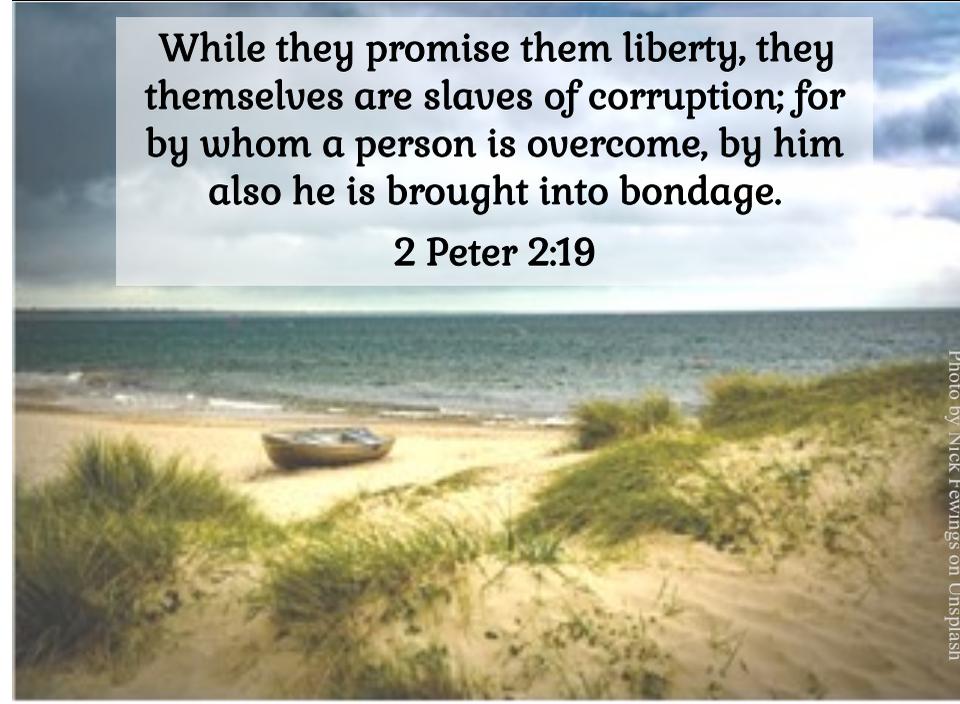


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We Welcome You!

We are honored that you chose to visit with us today. We hope that you will stay around a few minutes after our service to become better acquainted. We are eager to know you! We hope you will come to see us as we see ourselves, a group of people who desire to live and love like Jesus.

If you seek meaning and purpose in your life, we invite you to come and join us as we study God's word, the Bible, and find the true joy and fulfillment that can only be found in Him. Our doors and hearts are open. So, if you've been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

“Free in Christ—A Slave By Choice”

“Slavery” is such a bad word. We don’t like the word because we see slavery as degrading and an insult to human dignity. Indeed it is, but each of us is a slave. That’s not my opinion; it’s a fact stated by the Holy Spirit of God.

¹⁶Don’t you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. ¹⁸You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.

¹⁹I put this in human terms because you are weak in your natural selves. Just as you used to offer the parts of your body in slavery to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer them in slavery to righteousness leading to holiness. ²⁰When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. ²¹What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (*Romans 6:16-23*)

Even though we may not be physical slaves in service to a physical master, we’re slaves to whatever it is that is lord of our life. If your job is your lord, you are a slave to your job. If family is your lord, you are a slave to your family. If Jesus Christ is your Lord, you are, as Paul described, a slave to righteousness.

And that’s the paradox.

I am a slave, yet I am set free! How can this be? Because “Those things [that] result in death” are things that truly ensnare, but “if the Son sets you free, you shall be free indeed!” (John 8:36)

And the retirement plan is out of this world!

- Bob Matthews

Wedding Anniversaries

Gene & Mary Balthaser 1/8 & Anthony & Toya Ricks 1/19

Church Family News

Family Potluck— Please stay and enjoy good food and fellowship at our family potluck today, following Bible classes. All are welcome!

Men’s Bible Study— There will be a Men’s Bible Study at the building on Friday, January 17th, at 6 pm led by Chris Gary. The topic of discussion will be “The Law Written on Your Heart,” based on the scripture Jeremiah 31:33. For more information, please see Chris Gary.

Ladies’ Bible Study— Ladies will meet at the building on Saturday, January 18th at 10 am for a Bible Study focused on 1 Corinthians 13. Zoom is available. Zoom ID: 921-6844-7917, Password: 2535662. Please see Michelle Hicks or Angela Boykin for more information.

Neighborhood Outreach—Help reach out to the surrounding neighborhoods on Saturday, January 18th, at 11:30 a.m. All are invited to meet at the building and join this effort. In the event of rain or inclement weather, the date will be changed to January 25th.

Sermon Series—We will continue our sermon series “4 Bible Lessons Every Child Should Learn By Age 12”, with the second lesson, “About Righteous Marriage,” on Sunday, January 19th. Please plan to attend each lesson.

Congregational Meeting—Join us immediately following worship service on Sunday, January 19th for a congregational meeting.

Friendly Reminder—For safety purposes, the exterior doors to the building are locked during services. If you leave the building after communion, please let someone know so you can gain re-entry. Also, please encourage your child not to leave the building unattended during Bible classes. Contact the safety committee for more information.

Happy Birthday

Jim Landrom 1/4, Annie Washington 1/6, Pearle Johnson 1/8, Beth Broxton 1/13, Keith Bucknam 11/13, Brittany Waller 1/14, Patty Harris 1/15, Melissa Jones 1/24, Rene Kassing 1/28

COMPASSION CARDS—GROUP 4

Please drop by room 7A/B to sign compassion cards.

Prayer Request

Immediate Concerns:

Regina Clark - health
Cindy Harris - health
Levi Abbott - Boston Children’s Hospital

Long Term Concerns:

Betsy Davis - health
Doug Smith - health
The Boisseau Family - health
M.C. & Juanita Bailey - health
Lena Stone - health
Margaret Rose - health
Cheryl Brown - health
Abbott Family - strength & support
Anthony Ricks - health
Ken Moran - health
Jerry & Camelia Munn - health

Shut-ins

Regina Clark
Adassa Duncan

Family & Friends:

Burnetta Fears’ friends’ only child, **Madison Simone Fleury**, who is 15 yrs. old has cancer. Please pray for strength for **Madison’s mother** as well.
Angela Boykins & Tina Banks’ sister-Health
Catalina Laverde’s friends, **Joseph & Kathy Sierodzinsky** - health
Eddie Logan - difficult situation
Peggy Boarman’s son-in-law, **Jim Bristow** - current situation
Rene Kassing’s grandson, **Justin** – cancer
Our Missionaries - **Eric & Rachel** in South Asia and **Greg Cloldfelter** in Kenya.