



April 5, 2020

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Welcome to Woodland Oaks Church of Christ

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Thank you for visiting us today! We look forward to meeting you!

Schedule of Services

Sunday	9:15 AM	Bible Classes - Online Streaming Only
	10:15 AM	Morning Assembly - Online Streaming Only
	6:00 PM	Evening Assembly - TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Class - On Facebook Live Only

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Elder of the Day Mark Freeman

Communion Leader

Adult Bible Classes:

“A Study of the Holy Spirit”
by Dave Short Sundays in Chapel Center Auditorium

“Search for Significance” by Rick Whitworth
Sundays in Worship Center A101

“Faithful Fathers”
by Scott Blake & Ken Stegall Sundays in Worship Center A102

“Fueled by Christ: Powering Positive Change in a Divided and Distracted World” by David Sparks
Wednesdays in Worship Center Auditorium

Teen Bible Classes:

“I Kings” Senior High (9th-12th) by Jordan Fontenot
Sundays in Chapel Center C201

“Toolkit for Christian Living” Junior High (7th-8th)
by Rick Medford & Eric Alarid, Sundays in Chapel Center Magnolia Room

“Guy Talk” 7th-12th Guys by Jordan Fontenot
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C201

“Girl Talk” 7th-12th Girls by Ellen Fontenot
Wednesdays in Chapel Center C203

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0-1 years	A103	1st grade	B202
1 year-olds	A105/106	2nd grade	B203
2 year-olds	A107	3rd grade	B206
3 year-olds	A108	4th grade	B208
Pre-K	A109	5th-6th grade	B209
Kindergarten	B200		

A **Facility Map** and other information is available at the Welcome Center.

A **Secure Check-in System** is active for children ages 0 to 4 years.

A **Nursery** is available during Sunday morning worship for children 0-23

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Youth

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, March 29, 2020

9:00 AM Bible Class	N/A
10:15 AM Worship	662 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	N/A
Contribution	

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

7:00 PM Bible Class	N/A
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Missions

For updates regarding the mission efforts supported by WOCC, please visit our church website, woodlandoaks.org, under Connect, click Ministries and Missions.

Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through February 29, 2020 are \$234,065 compared with a budgeted amount of \$218,089 producing a surplus of \$15,976.

Notes

Knowing God

For the last approximately ten years in our Community Bible Class we have been surveying the Bible. I have frequently said that it is my belief that you learn more about God from the Old Testament than you do from the New Testament.

As we worked our way through the Old Testament, we were faced with numerous incidences in which we struggled with God's actions. They seemed to us to be unnecessarily harsh or unfair. Think of Job or maybe Uzzah who was killed instantly because he touched the Ark of the Covenant. Think of God's instructions to utterly wipe out the inhabitants of Canaan. I often paused our study to ask the class - "Do you like God?"

It occurs to me that the Old Testament focuses on one characteristic of God and the New Testament focuses on another characteristic of God. God has two fundamental characteristics - righteousness and love. The characteristics are polar opposites. Righteousness demands justice; love pleads for mercy and grace.

We like one . . . the other, not so much.

So our age has chosen to ignore God's righteousness - which demands that every sin be punished. Or as the Hebrews writer says ". . . every violation and disobedience received its just punishment" (2:2). Choosing to ignore God's righteousness, we have created a god that is only mercy and grace. We don't like "the god of the Old Testament" . . . so we dismiss him.

Paul admonishes the Christians in Rome to ". . . consider God's kindness and (his) severity." We must not make the mistake of dismissing either of God's characteristics.

In the last Old Testament book, Malachi, God says, "I the Lord do not change. . ."

-Ken Stegall

Letter from Elders

April 3, 2020

Woodland Oaks Brothers and Sisters,

As we all continue to deal with the COVID-19 virus, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with each one of you. We continue to meet regularly to pray, discuss and evaluate how best to navigate these unprecedented times. At this point, and until notified otherwise, we have decided to continue with online only worship services. Links, updated information and reminders can be found below.

- Online streaming of **Sunday Bible Class** and **Morning Worship** will begin at 9:15 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. respectively
 - <http://woodlandoaks.org/media-center.html> or
 - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3r3Z5p1jFwx1g7rDUclVYA>
- No Sunday evening services
- All onsite activities, classes and fellowships will remain temporarily suspended
- Thank you for holding your contributions. Now you may give online:
 - <https://woodlandoaks.givingfire.com/> or
 - Mail to our new PO Box at: Woodland Oaks Church of Christ
6700 Woodlands Parkway
Suite 230-252
Spring, TX 77382
- Communion supplies remain available for pick-up:
 - From the church office on Monday-Friday from 9AM-4PM
 - From the church drive-through (porte-cochere) on Saturdays from 10AM-NOON

As you have seen in other correspondence, we had a sizeable audience that streamed our services last week. Even in challenging times, God is giving us new ways to reach the lost. Keep inviting those friends and neighbors to join us!

The Elders

Youth News

There will be **Youth Virtual Bible Class** Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. You can watch on the BASIC YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCit8ZGyUoQr1EB61DYyDLiA/>.

Contact Jordan Fontenot for more information.

Treehouse Kids' News

There will be a **Virtual Children's Bible Class** with Mrs. Jenn Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Watch live on the Woodland Oaks Children's Ministry Facebook page.

Announcements

Congratulations to **Becky Splawn** who was baptized in Christ Saturday, March 28. Welcome to the family Becky!

You can watch the **Wednesday Evening Bible Class with David Sparks** on Facebook Live at 7:00 p.m. Log in to Facebook, click on the "watch" tab, then type #christpoweringchange in the search box to find the video.

Members Needing Assistance or members who would like to help those needing assistance, please contact Jeremy Haynes.

Due to the unknowns surrounding COVID-19, **Family Camp 2020** has been cancelled. It is our desire that our church family remain healthy throughout this unforeseen pandemic. We are in the process of securing a date for Family Camp 2021 and will provide that date as it becomes available.

Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class is canceled until further notice. Please use this time to follow the weekly lessons in our book.

New Member

Mike & Becky Splawn

Expectant Families

Gloria & Michael Glover
Jessica & Trey Polvado
Laura & Kevin Sim

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.

APRIL DONATION NEEDS:

WOCC Sharing Pantry: Tomato Products & Pasta
Arms of Hope: Salad Dressing and Toilet Paper
The Children's Home of Lubbock: Paper Towels

This Week

Today	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class-Online Streaming Only Youth Virtual Bible Class
	9:30 a.m.	Virtual Children's Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Worship - Online Streaming Only
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Virtual Bible Class
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Virtual Children's Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Virtual Bible Class Facebook Live Class with David Sparks

Upcoming Events

April 19	Elder/Deacon Meeting Congregational Meeting
April 26	Arms of Hope Donations Due
May 3	Congregational Singing
May 17	The Children's Home of Lubbock Donations Due
May 25	Church Offices Closed
May 30	Senior Banquet
June 2-4	VBS
June 5	Girls Vs. Guys Night
June 7-13	Camp Bandina
June 21	Youth Devo
June 26-July 4	Trek
July 12-20	Camp Wyldeewood
July 19	Elder/Deacon Meeting
July 29-August 2	Camp Awesome
September 7	Church Offices Closed
September 26	Parenting Seminar - Stronger Families Workshop
October 25	Impact CofC Meal Elder/Deacon Meeting Congregational Meeting

Prayers

- ✝ **Roxie Granger**/has awoken from her coma/Memorial Hermann rehab facility downtown/Thank you for your prayers.
- ✝ **Wally Westbrook**/home from rehab hospital.
- ✝ Members battling cancer: **Chuck Birt, Tom Campbell, Cynthia Haney, Terry Hopper, Bob McDougal, Joanie Roberts, Nancy Stucky.**
- ✝ Friends & family battling cancer: **Jennifer Woodward Banks, Teri Barker, David Bass, Paola Bejaran, Fred Conrad, Emily Cottle, Joe Guidry, Doris Higginbottom, Mike Howard, Jordan Love, JJ Lovoi, Jerry Malone, F.R. Mitchell, Malu Oliveira, Gerald Pereiro, Meghan Rudd, Tara Slusser, Becky Splawn, Leon Taylor, Marla West.**
- ✝ Please remember our members: **Ken Coleman, Mary Gambill, Nancy Palmer, Laurie Riggs, Ella Westbrook.**
- ✝ Please remember friends & family: **Leilani Palmer, Brooke Allison Veale.**

If you could use meals during times of need, please contact the church office at 936-273-0010 or information@woodlandoaks.org