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Sons of Thunder... or Peace?

Jesus knew that the time for him to return to heaven was upon him and that there was business in Jerusalem that must be faced. So Luke records that he *resolutely set out for Jerusalem*. He would need to spend the night in a village in Samaria so he sent some ahead to make preparations. Even though the Samaritans were well acquainted with Jesus and his miraculous powers (remember his encounter with the woman at the well from the Samaritan city of Sychar), because he was headed to Jerusalem, they refused to receive him. This angered Jesus' disciples, James and John, who said, "*Lord, do you want us to call lightning down from heaven to destroy them?*" Luke chapter 9 records that Jesus "... rebuked them, and they went to another village."

Sometimes we read an account of an incident and words don't make as much impact as they should. I don't know exactly what Jesus said to them in his rebuke but I think we would take it more seriously if we were on the receiving end of it. And... we might know a little more about what he said. Some manuscripts provide a little more detail by adding, "*And he said, 'You do not know what kind of spirit you are of, for the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them.'*"

A long time ago, I heard someone say, "When you're up to your armpits in alligators, it's hard to remember that your objective was to drain the swamp!" There are lots of alligators in life... lots of things that would pull us away from our objective as Christians. We do remember our objective, right? To "... *preach the good news to all creation.*"

We're probably not going to be doing that if we're angry and want to call fire down on them, are we? I Corinthians 14:33 says, "*For God is not a God of disorder [disturbance/dissension] but of peace.*" Jesus said, "*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.*"

Read this slowly and think about every word: "*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance... if we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.*" - Galatians 5

Here is Paul's benediction to the Christians in Thessalonica after having assured them that the Lord was still at work and would reward every good work prompted by their faith- "*Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.*"

... That's my wish for myself and for you.

- Ken Stegall

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	8:30 AM	Adult Bible Classes - Online Streaming Only
	10:15 AM	Morning Assembly
	6:00 PM	Evening Assembly - TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Class - Online Streaming Only

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Elder of the Day Nathan Ingram

Communion Leader Bryce Caldwell

Adult Bible Classes:

"A Study of the Holy Spirit"

by Dave Short Sundays Online Streaming @ 8:30 a.m.

"Assurance" by Raymond Walker

Wednesdays Online Streaming @ 7:00 p.m.

Teen Bible Classes:

"Hebrews" (7th -12th) by Jordan Fontenot

Sundays Online Streaming @ 7:00 p.m.

"James" (7th-12th) by Jordan Fontenot

Wednesdays Online Streaming @ 7:00 p.m.

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.

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Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, May 31, 2020

8:30 AM Bible Class	269 Views Online
10:15 AM Worship	197 @ WOCC 590 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	N/A
Contribution	\$38,779.27

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

7:00 PM Bible Class	N/A
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You may give online at:

<https://woodlandoaks.givingfire.com/>

Or mail contributions to our PO Box at:
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Youth Matt Hemphill
Terence O'Connor

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 April 30, 2020 are \$443,329 compared with a budgeted amount of \$463,439 producing a deficit of (\$20,110).

Notes

Announcements

There will be a **Blood Drive TODAY** from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the motor-coach as usual. Sign up online: <https://bit.ly/3ebbg7l>.

There will be a **Going Away Party for the Rowes** this Thursday, June 11 at the home of Marty & Debra Miller. Come and go between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Please try to maintain social distancing as much as possible.

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

Impact Houston Church of Christ Donations are temporarily suspended. We will not collect donations at the church building until further notice.

Reminders

Sunday Bible Class – will be live streaming only at 8:30 a.m. at: <http://woodlandoaks.org/media-center.html> or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3r3Z5p1jFwx1g7rDUclVYA>

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:15 a.m. – Please arrive at least 15 minutes early.

Wednesday Evening Bible Class will be live streaming only at 7:00 p.m. at links above.

All group activities scheduled at the church building have been canceled until further notice.

Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Ben Winford at the loss of his stepfather, **F.R. Mitchell**, Sunday, May 31. A memorial service was held June 4 in Odessa, TX. Please keep Ben, Emma and the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Expectant Families

Lizzie & Mike Stegall
Jessica & Trey Polvado

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

**JUNE DONATION NEEDS:
WOCC Sharing Pantry: Soup & Crackers**

Youth News

Tuesday Bible Study will resume meeting at the Fontenot home beginning Tuesday, June 16 at 7:00 p.m. until further notice. Those who feel uncomfortable attending, the Bible study will continue to be live streamed on Discord/BASIC YouTube Channel.

There will be **Youth Virtual Bible Class** Sunday evenings 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.

TREK will be June 26-July 4. Those who would like to attend, sign up at: <https://bit.ly/2YiLGZi>. The third payment of \$75 is due June 26. The total amount of \$300 may be paid at any time. Please mail payments to the WOCC PO Box address.

From **Camp Wyldewood**: "We felt that due to the new restrictions from the State of Arkansas and health concerns that come with COVID-19, it would be in the best interest of our campers and staff members not to have camp this summer." Contact Chad Hudelson at: chad@campwyldewood.org with any questions/concerns.

Treehouse Kids' News

There will be a **Virtual Children's Bible Class** with Mrs. Jenn Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Watch live on the Woodland Oaks Children's Ministry Facebook page.

There will be a **Virtual Bible Story Character Parade** - date TBD. Parents will take videos of their children dressed up like a Bible story character. Find more info and sign up on the Woodland Oaks Children's Ministry Facebook Page.

Thank you

Dear Church Family,
It is truly a blessing and comfort when you know prayers are being lifted on your behalf. I truly appreciate the thoughts and prayer during my recent back surgery. Looking forward to being with you again in the near future.

With love,
Rodney Burke

Many thanks for all the prayers, cards, best wishes and encouragement during my recovery from surgery. I am steadily improving and all is well. Thanks also for all the beautiful birthday cards.

Elton Stubblefield

This Week

Today	7:30 a.m.	Senior Sunday
	8:30 a.m.	Blood Drive
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Class-Online Streaming Only
	10:15 a.m.	Virtual Children's Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Virtual Bible Class
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Youth Virtual Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Virtual Children's Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Virtual Bible Class
		Bible Class - Online Only
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Going Away Party for the Rowes-Miller Home

Upcoming Events

June 16	Youth Tuesday Bible Study Resumes @ FontenotHome
June 21	Phase II - Bible Classes Resume
June 26	3rd TREK Payment Due
June 26-July 4	TREK
July 7	Virtual Girls Class Begins
July 19	4th TREK Payment Due
	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

- ✠ **Gina Talbott**/at home recovering after knee replacement surgery June 4 at Texas Orthopedic Hospital Downtown.
- ✠ **Steven Talbott**/will have large cyst removed from base of skull and neck June 8 at doctor's office.
- ✠ 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, Malu Oliveira, Gerald Pereiro, Meghan Rudd, Tara Slusser, Marla West.**
- ✠ Please remember our members: **Rodney Burke, Ken Coleman, Pharis Fowler, Mary Gambill, Roxie Granger, Robert Shock, Elton Stubblefield.**
- ✠ Please remember friends & family: **Greg Clayton, Hillary de Bruin, Leilani Palmer, Isaac Robinson, Margie Rushing.**