



Doug's Corner

Do you know the difference between a thermostat and a thermometer? A thermometer merely tells what the temperature is in a particular area. If your thermometer reads seventy degrees and you place that thermometer in a room that is currently eighty degrees, the thermometer will change to register whatever the room temperature is. It won't be long before the thermometer reads eighty degrees. It always adjusts to its environment.

The thermostat, however, adjusts the room temperature. If the thermostat is set at seventy degrees and the room is eighty degrees, the temperature of the room changes to conform to whatever the thermostat is reading. The room will become seventy degrees.

You live your life as either a thermostat or a thermometer. You can either blend in with the crowd, or you can change the crowd. You are either influencing others, or they are influencing you.

Jesus calls us to become thermostats. Actually, since they didn't have thermostats in Bible times, Jesus used the terms "salt" and "light: to communicate that we are to be influences for good and love in the world.

Matthew 5:13-16 **"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. 14 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."**

Order of Worship

Welcome

Prayer

226: How Great Thou Art
362: Joyful, We Adore Thee
213: He Gave Me a Song
299: I Stand Amazed

Communion

841: Sing and Be Happy

Luke 6:22-23

Thus Saith the Lord (5)
Commands for Christian Living

456: No Tears in Heaven
809: Jesus Loves the Little Children

Shepherd's Prayer-Eddie Hankins

Mission Point

Prayer

Announcements



Sunday Evening

Psalm 133
When Brothers Dwell in Unity

The Bell Avenue Church of Christ Beacon



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Attributes of Jesus

#10 – Prioritization (Part 2)

Last week, I mentioned that, throughout the month of October, I would devote each bulletin to discussing one of the things that Jesus prioritized. Without question, His ability to focus on what mattered the most in spite of the many distractions around Him is not only commendable, it's something we should all strive to emulate in our own lives.

As we read through the Scriptures, it is clear that Jesus prioritized the church. Several times in the gospels, He mentioned the "kingdom of God" or "kingdom of heaven," which are often used synonymously to refer to His body or church.

Since the Lord purchased it with His own blood it is obviously something of great value; and according to Paul, it belongs to Him. In Ephesians 5:23, the apostle wrote, *"For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior."* But Jesus did not just die for the church, He loves her (Ephesians 5:25) and is active within her (Matthew 28:20).

How much do *you* prioritize the church? Do you talk about it with your family or friends? Do you regularly attend worship services so that you can edify the body and receive nourishment from God's Word? Have you found opportunities to get involved within the life of the congregation by participating in its various ministries and service opportunities? If the answer to any of these questions is no, then it may not be very high on your list.

The unqualified truth is that the things that matter to Jesus should matter to us. Hebrews 3:6 says, *"Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope."* If you haven't been faithful to Jesus or His church, it's time to make some changes.

Speaking the Truth in Love

Assembly Times

Sunday Worship

9:30 AM and 5:00pm

Sunday AM Bible Classes

Following Services

Wednesday Devo/Classes

7:00pm

Ministers

Pulpit

Stephen LupPlace
slkl1017@gmail.com

Youth and Family

Doug Martin
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Secretary

Beverly Hays

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For the Record

October 10, 2021

AM Worship.....	116
Sunday Classes.....	75
PM Worship.....	54
Giving.....	\$4,929.48
Weekly Budget.....	\$4,894.19
YTD Giving.....	\$189,544.15
YTD Budget.....	\$200,661.79

Elders

Cled Click

*Eddie Hankins

Gene Mayfield

Mural Worthey

**indicates current contact person for the month*

Deacons

Colby Patterson

Transportation

Casey Wall

Building Maintenance & Grounds

Other Ministries

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Adult Education

Gene Mayfield

*Finance
World Bible School*

Richard Mayfield

Contribution & Tract Rack

Mural Worthey

Amarillo Bible Chair Director

Reminder:

In reverence to God and respect toward other worshipers, please remember to silence all cell phones and pagers at the beginning of the worship assembly.

Congregational News

Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class meets each Wednesday morning at 10:00 at the building.

Ready to Resume?

Gene Croley is interested in starting the Men's Prayer/Study Group again. If you would like to be a part of this, meet at the building Wednesday, October 20th at 10:00.

Help!

We need pictures! Our bulletin board needs updating! If you have not had a picture taken, or you are missing children from your current one, please see Cled Click.



Grocery Run

The Tipton Children's Home truck will be here October 26th-28th. Requested items are: assorted cereals, assorted soups, Pop Tarts, spaghetti sauce, canned tuna, canned chicken, grape juice, ketchup, squeeze mustard, paper towels, toilet tissue, bleach and disinfectant wipes.



Daily Schedule for October 17th—October 23rd

17th — Matthew 14; Mark 6; Luke 9:1-17

18th — John 6

19th — Matthew 15; Mark 7

20th — Matthew 16; Mark 8; Luke 9:18-27

21st — Matthew 17; Mark 9; Luke 9:28-62

22nd — Matthew 18

23rd — John 7-8

Bible Chair Expansion Goals

1 – Goal to begin construction: \$392,000

2 – Amount needed to raise: \$111,725

Check it out! - Drawing of New Building



Prayer List

Mitzi Blasingame; Lisa Brown, Troy Brown, Nancy Brown; Charlie Chance; Paula Gilliland; Rowena Hall; Betty Hamner; ; Ted Hardwick; Ted Hardwick's great-granddaughter, Allie; Don & Rhea Hicks; Jerry & Sherry Lee's grandson, Cody Jesse; Sam & Mary Line; Kenley Martin; Sammie Martin; Bob Morgan; Gary & Carolyn Newcomb's grandson, Colton Schwalk; Mark Pruitt; Don Renner; Deedie Thomas; Bryan Turvaville; George & Betty Vinson; Casey Wall; Ron Walton; Betty Wilcox; Clay Wright; Debra Zoller

In charge of meals for October for those in need:

Carolyn Mayfield

Bell Avenue Missions

- Amarillo College Bible Chair
- Panhandle State Bible Chair
- WTAMU Bible Chair
- Brazil
- In Search of the Lord's Way
- Key to the Kingdom
- Northern New Mexico
- New Mexico Christian Children's Home
- Eastern European Missions
- Spanish Literature Ministry
- Bangladesh School of Preaching
- Cameroon School of Preaching
- South America Preacher Training School
- Berkshire Preacher Support

AM

Song Leader-Doug Martin

Speaker-Stephen LupPlace

Opening Prayer-Gene Mayfield

Lord's Supper –Richard Johnson

Scripture—Casey Wall

Closing Prayer—Robbie Hays

Cards

Cohen Patterson, Evan Roehr

Door Monitor-Eddie Hankins

AV-Hank Brown, Hunter McColl

PM

Song Leader--Cled Click

Prayer –Jerry Lee

Scripture-Mural Worthey

Speaker-Stephen LupPlace

Closing Prayer-Eddie Hankins

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