

**IS WEDNESDAY NIGHT IMPORTANT TO YOU?**

IF you think of Wednesday night as “preparation time” for Sunday, it should be important to you.

IF you think of Wednesday night as “a learning experience”, It should be important to you.

IF you think of Wednesday night as “mid-week hour of power”, It should be important to you.



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Welcome! We want to take this time to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning and are so glad you are here. If you are visiting us today know that you are our very special guest and invite you back and would ask if you would remain after services so we might get the opportunity of meeting you in person. If you have a question of us, want a study or have a need feel free to get with us we would love to serve you and answer any questions you might have. Again Welcome!

There will be a lot of messages given on this day about our Lord and Savior's death, burial, and resurrection! And so much could be said about that today on that subject alone. My focus today will be about our Lord's willingness to go to the cross for our sins before the cross when there was such a force wanting and trying to prevent that from happening. All of Jesus life the message from Satan has been to Him "By pass the cross" "Claim what is yours before the cross!" You are to be worthy for this". From early on when the King wanted all males killed when he was born to Satan's temptation in the wilderness to this event in the garden all trying to get Jesus to quit, give in and claim his glory before the cross. So before we pass over this event as a simple prayer request with some tired disciples in the garden before the cross lets examine the great sorrow it took. Lets look at what Jesus was facing so you and I can truly appreciate that gift of the cross. The gift of redemption. Our Salvation. Lets look at the garden once again found in Matthew 26.

**Worship And Study Opportunities**

**Sunday:**

Bible School.....9:30 A.M  
Worship.....10:30 A.M  
Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

**Wednesday:**

Ladies Bible Class.....10:30 A.M.  
Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:**.....Brad McKinzie

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**.....Glen Wampler

**RECORDS OF THE WEEK**

Bible School: .....	66
Morning Worship: .....	94
Evening Worship: .....	39
Mid-Week: .....	49
Ladies Class: .....	12
Contribution: .....	\$3,885.00
Weekly Budget: .....	\$4,084.00

**THOSE WHO SERVE:**

**Sunday Morning:**

Opening Prayer:.....Eric Sharum  
 Closing Prayer: .....Shane McLaury  
 Scripture: .....Caleb Sharum

**Sunday Evening:**

Opening Prayer: .....Charles Kelsey  
 Closing Prayer: .....Klaus Mueller

**Wednesday Evening:**

Opening Prayer: .....Terry Ball  
 Closing Prayer: .....Jerry Golson

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 If you would like to see a past sermon you can go  
 to our web site and click on the weekly sermons  
 tab.

**SICK:** Brad McKinzie has a bleeding ulcer. Kaiden Higgins will be going to Dallas to see a specialist on April 17 & 18. Please keep Kaiden and all our sick in your prayers. Kenneth Gregory is back home. Chuck Ray was released from the hospital and is back at Cedar Crest. Leroy & Pat Horn, Letha Owens, Jeannie Montague & Kay Fox.

**RESPONSE:** Jeannie Montague came last Wednesday night asking for prayers and to rededicate her life.

**RESPONSE:** Dwaine came Sunday asking for prayers.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Cleo Harper who just had her 33rd great grandchild born last Saturday.

**THE ADDRESS** for Melodye Gossett is 401 Oak St. Venus, Tx 76084 if you would like to send her a get well card.

**SIGN UP SHEET** for MNFTM devotionals is posted on the back bulletin board. Please sign up if you can do a devotional.

The dates still open are:

**Monday**

August 11  
 September 8  
 October 13  
 November 10  
 December 8

**THE MONTHLY LUNCHEON** will be on the last Sunday of April the 27th.

**ROSE HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST 27TH YEAR ANNUAL LADIES DAY - Saturday, April 19, 2014 - Theme is "The Lord is My Portion"**. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast. The program will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. Sister Regina Hampton from Rose Hill and Sister Rosalind M. Evans of Abilene, Texas will be the speakers. Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m.

**THE WESTVIEW BOYS' HOME** will mail a list of things they need eight weeks before the next pickup time in August.

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

4 - Sidonia Kelsey	17 - Charles Kelsey
4 - Jean Leverett	17 - Suzy Salas
5 - Mitch McLaury	21 - Greg Ray
8 - Levada Wampler	24 - Genie Kelsey
10 - Sue Peddy	26 - Allison Parrish
11 - Shane McLaury	26 - Keith Parrish
12 - Brenda Golson	27 - Tim Curtis
13 - Perry Warren	28 - Violet Repp
16 - Travis Burch	

**CONTINUED PRAYER LIST:** Roy Bennett, Joslyn Burch, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, Dorothy Isom, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Bobbie Mullins, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Marie Sexton, Velma Shook, Dwaine Zacharias, Chuck Ray, Cae Sharum's Cousin, Carol, Sue Peddy's sister Mary Hood, Chris & Nicole Hall who are going through adoption proceedings.

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 There is no better exercise  
 For the heart  
 Than reaching down  
 And lifting somebody up  
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In Case You Missed It

**Psalms 23:2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures: He leads me beside the still waters.**

Most of us that read this passage probably thinks of green pastures as wide areas of unending soft green grass. But in Israel the climate is so dry, that there's really no such thing. Long ago, the shepherds of Israel learned to find grass where most people wouldn't think to look. Green pastures are created as the breeze from the Mediterranean Sea brings moisture into our arid climate. It is from this moisture that a kind of dew settles upon the sides of certain hills creating little tufts of grass — just enough for one day's feeding for a flock of sheep. The shepherds would lead their flocks through the hot parched desert in search of these. It's no wonder those sheep would obey the shepherd's voice. They would easily die in the desert trying to survive on their own. The sheep learned to depend on the shepherd to daily lead them but how many times does it feel like we're walking aimlessly through the desert and there doesn't seem any refreshment near? When our lives are bombarded with trial after trial it can feel this way. But we must keep in mind that though we are walking through the desert, our Shepherd is leading us to green pastures to be refreshed. And it's these times in the desert that God causes us to depend more upon him. These thirsty times are special times. Don't despise those deserts walks with the Shepherd and don't be afraid. God has something special for us there — and there are green pastures near.