

John 3:14-15

14 As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up;
15 so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life

Psalms 139:1-24

1 O Lord, You have searched me and known *me*.
2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar.
3 You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are intimately acquainted with all my ways.
4 Even before there is a word on my tongue, Behold, O Lord, You know it all.
5 You have enclosed me behind and before, and laid Your hand upon me.
6 *Such* knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is *too* high, I cannot attain to it.
7 Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?
8 If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there.
9 If I take the wings of the dawn, If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea,
10 Even there Your hand will lead me, and Your right hand will lay hold of me.
11 If I say, "Surely the darkness will overwhelm me, and the light around me will be night,"
12 Even the darkness is not dark to You, And the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are alike to *You*.
13 For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb.
14 I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, and my soul knows it very well.
15 My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, *And* skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth;
16 Your eyes have seen my unformed substance, and in Your book were all written. The days that were ordained *for me*, When as yet there was not one of them.
17 How precious also are our thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them!
18 If I should count them, they would outnumber the sand. When I awake, I am still with You.
19 O that You would slay the wicked, O God; Depart from me, therefore, men of bloodshed.
20 For they speak against You wickedly, and Your enemies take *Your name* in vain.
21 Do I not hate those who hate You, O Lord? And do I not loathe those who rise up against You?
22 I hate them with the utmost hatred; They have become my enemies.
23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me and know my anxious thoughts;
24 And see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way.

Joshua 24:1-15 (I am using excerpts please look up entire verses)

Reference: Psalms 90, Foolish Virgins

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WELCOME

We want to take this opportunity to welcome you here to University. If you are visiting we welcome you here and invite you back the next time you are able. If you are visiting we would ask you to remain after services so we might get the chance of meeting you and welcoming you here in person. Also please stay as our invited guest for our monthly fellowship luncheon directly after services at the SLC building behind the church building. Again Welcome.

Looking for a church home? Want to know more about your relationship with Christ? Want to set up a personal or group bible study. Know of a need? Please take the time to visit with us we would love to know how we may serve you.

Our postcards have been mailed out. One reason I know is that I received one in the mail. About 5,000 were mailed out to the east side of Lawton. Please be praying for this effort to reach those we invite to come and worship with us. Also take some we have so you can mail out and also pick up some invitation cards we have in the foyer. Download our app at ucoclawton.com.

We are slowly losing our status as a Christian nation. Sad but true and most know its because we are driving God out of our lives. Today lets look at what we can do to start renewal again. What can turn our hearts back to God and therefore leave a better example for those to see. Remember scripture references can be found on the back. We are so glad you are here today and please stay for lunch if you can.

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:.....Eric Sharum

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....David Byrd

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:53
Morning Worship:95
Evening Worship:39
Mid-Week:34
Ladies Class:11
Contribution:\$4,118.00
Weekly Budget:\$3,750.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:Charles Kelsey

Closing Prayer:James Brennan

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:David Byrd

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Joshua Sharum

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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.

PRAYERS NEEDED FOR: Letha Owens fell on Tuesday.

THE MONTHLY LUNCHEON will be this coming Sunday, September 17th, at the Student Learning Center. Everyone make plans to attend.

DISASTER SUPPORT: University donated \$15,000 to the Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort in their support of Hurricanes Harvey & Irma victims. For more details of the support to Texas, Florida and other areas go to <http://disasterrelieffort.org> or see the classroom hall bulletin board.

GOSPEL MEETING - Temple Church of Christ - September 21-23 - "What The World Needs Now:

Thursday @ 7 pm - Brant Stubblefield - "The World Needs Love"

Friday @ 7 pm - Troy Rogers - "The World Needs Commitment"

Saturday @ 5 pm - Billy Palmer - "The World Needs Truth"

(6 PM - Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Chips and Home Made Ice Cream)

Saturday @ 7 - Steven Patterson - "The World Needs Contentment:

Refreshments will be served each night

GOSPEL MEETING - October 1-4, 2017 - Cache Church of Christ - The I'am's Of Paul - Preaching: Toney Smith - Services will be at 7:00 p.m. Monday thru Wednesday. The schedule is posted on the back hall bulletin board.

20TH ANNUAL LUBBOCK LECTURESHIP - OCTOBER 8-11, 2017 - Lectureship Theme: "Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth:

Southside Church of Christ, 8501 Quaker Avenue, Lubbock, Texas - Schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the back hallway.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

6th - Ladies Class

11th - Monday Night For The Master

13th - Ladies Class

17th - Monthly Luncheon

20th - Ladies Class

27th - Ladies Class

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Kathy Allbritton, Roy Bennett, James & Barbara Bolton, Claudine Bolton, Debbie Bowden, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy Horn, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy. Kenny Richardson, Dwaine Zacharias, David Byrd's father, Bryan Cain's father, Johnny Burch, Joshua Kelsey, Lena Kelsey, Randy Hill, Kim Warren, Joyce Ray, Dala Melton, Teri Lynn Disney & Katrina Brennan.

EXTENDED CARE:

Jack Treffinger is in McMahan in room A 82 B

Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 106

In Case You Missed It

Luke 10:38-42

38 Now as they were traveling along, He entered a village; and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who was seated at the Lord's feet, listening to His word. 40 But Martha was distracted with all her preparations; and she came up to Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to do all the serving alone? Then tell her to help me." 41 But the Lord answered her and said, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; 42 but *only* one thing is necessary and Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

So often the Lord deals with our spirit, saying - "You need to step back and get refocused!" And we all know how hard it is at times when we get so busy with the normal everyday stresses of life tugging at our limited time. As we read the story of Mary and Martha, and how Mary chose the better part, while Martha was doing the housework. Now let's not deny the real importance of housework and practical matters; But according to Jesus, something was wrong, and Martha had her priorities out of line. And He made it very clear, Mary had chosen the **better part!** One thing truly matters. Mary preferred and chose relationship and intimacy with the Lord over the physical preparations and housework associated with His visit. And Jesus blessed and protected her choice. And so the Lord reminds us the importance of intimacy with Him...before getting down to the work! It's a constant temptation to slip into an emphasis on DOING the work at hand; and even in our own personal prayer time, to be mainly focused on those "urgent ministry needs"...and completely forgetting the most important thing, the "better part" - intimacy, personal communication, just BEING with Him. Let's do a better job this week to choose intimacy with Him! Let's choose the better part! Let's resolve to spend time with the Lord and develop that intimate relationship He so wants with us. That way we will constantly experience how deep and awesome His love for us is. And it will make the work we're called to do - so much easier!