

9:00 AM Service
Welcome

Song Leading
Andrew Coker

Opening Prayer
Alan England

Scripture Reading
Corey Sellers

Sermon

Lord's Supper/ Contribution
Johnathan Johnson

Lord's Supper Trays
Brandon Wagner, Richard Cobb, Kerry Tanner,
Michael Martin, Andrew Coolidge, Casey Mann,
Adam Norris, Stan Mann

Closing Prayer
Steve Wilkerson

5:00 PM Service
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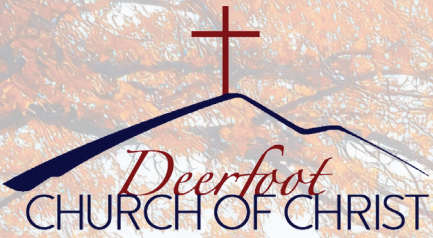
Opening Prayer
Steve Foshee

Lord's Supper/Contribution
Phillip VanHorn

Closing Prayer
Steve Wilkerson

Deacons of the Month
Mike Neal
Patrick Neither
Randy Wilson

Visitor QR Code



October 4, 2026

CHURCH INFORMATION
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SERVICE TIMES
Sundays:

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Class 10:15 AM
Sunday Evening 5:00 PM

Wednesdays:
6:30 PM

SHEPHERDS

Michael Dykes	Stan Mann
Rick Glass	Skip McCurry
Sol Godwin	Darnell Self
Merrill Mann	Phillip VanHorn
Steve Wilkerson	

DEACONS

Michael Cagle	Terry Malone
Gary Cosby	Mike Neal
David Gilmore	Patrick Neither
Bobby Gunn	Steve Putnam
Craig Huffstutler	Chuck Spitzley
Johnathan Johnson	Randy Wilson

MINISTERS
Richard Harp
Jeffrey Howell
Johnathan Johnson

Secure on the Heights

This year's Sunday morning theme has been
Pressing on to Higher Ground.

So far this year, we have focused on actively
Seeking Higher Ground. Autopilot will not get us there.
Reaching higher ground requires daily, intentional
decisions to take up our cross and follow Jesus. It
requires a nonconformist approach to life. We cannot
simply follow our feelings and emotions and expect to
scale—or even find—the highest heights.

Isaiah relays the words of the Lord that describe
this concept perfectly:

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your
ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens
are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than
your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts” (Isaiah
55:8–9).

From this first-quarter focus, we climbed a little
higher with God's help as we discussed being **Lifted Up
by God.** There is no such thing as a self-made person.
Whatever heights we have reached, God has helped bring
us to this point.

James, the Lord's brother, reveals the key to
God's lifting process: “Humble yourselves in the sight of
the Lord, and He will lift you up” (James 4:10).

Peter also explains how humility is essential to
being lifted up by God: “Likewise, you who are younger,
be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you,
with humility toward one another, for ‘God opposes the
proud but gives grace to the humble.’ Humble
yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so
that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your
anxieties on him, because he cares for you” (1 Peter
5:5–7).

It is because of this care for us that we were able
to move into our last quarter's focus: **Called to Rise
Above the World.** Our citizenship is in heaven, and
therefore our perspective should be heavenly. “For our
citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait
for the Savior” (Philippians 3:20).

Living above the world requires a transformation
of the mind: “Do not be conformed to this world, but be
transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing
you may discern what is the will of God, what is good
and acceptable and perfect” (Romans 12:2).

Today marks the beginning of our new—and
final—quarter of the year: **Secure on the Heights.**
Our Sunday morning sermon focus will center on this
final theme. It is derived from our key theme passage:
“This God, his way is perfect; the word of the Lord
proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in
him. For who is God, but the Lord? And who is a rock,
except our God? The God who equipped me with strength
and made my way blameless. He made my feet like the
feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights” (Psalm
18:30–33).

As we enter this final quarter, we will be
discussing how **God lifts, establishes, and protects us**
as we continue pressing on to higher ground and look
toward the new year.

A Note from the Harp

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Sunday AM Classes

- Romans taught by Steve Wilkerson in the auditorium.
- Heart Issues: Guarding the Heart, taught by Randy Wilson in the Truth Seekers class, Rm. 242.
- The Upper Room is studying VBS Stories taught by various men from the congregation in Rm. 246.
- The Young Adult class is studying Twisted Scriptures taught by Richard Harp and Nolan Couch in Rm. 251.
- Revelation taught by Paul Windham in the Ladies' class, Rm. 229.
- Walking with Those Who Weep taught by Rick Glass in Rm 263.

Sunday PM

Devo in Auditorium followed by:

Pew Packers will meet at 4:50 on the right side of the auditorium.

October 4- Singing Night- everyone in the auditorium

October 11- Nature of God taught by Richard Harp in the fellowship hall
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

October 18- Nature of God taught by Richard Harp in the fellowship hall
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

Wednesday PM

- The Ladies' Class is studying Impossible by Cassandra Martin (A study of the book of Luke) taught by a various ladies of the congregation.
- The auditorium is studying A Deeper Understanding of Salvation taught by Paul Windham.

Secure on the Heights
Scripture Reading: Psalm 27:4–5
Psalm ____:____-____
S _____ on the H _____
B _____
1. G _____ U _____ U _____
Psalm ____:____
John ____:____-____
2. G _____ E _____ U _____
Ephesians ____:____-____
3. G _____ P _____ U _____
Ephesians ____:____-____
Psalm ____:____
Psalm ____:____-____
4. G _____ E _____ U _____
Psalm ____:____
Psalm ____:____-____
Colossians ____:____-____

Upcoming Events

October 4- Education Committee Meeting- 4pm
October 11- Deacons’ Meeting- 4pm
October 17- Pumpkin Carving- 5-9pm
October 18- Missions Committee Meeting- 4pm
October 24- Trunk or Treat- 2-4pm
October 25- Impact Group 2 Fellowship
November 1- Impact Group 3 Fellowship
November1- Education Committee Meeting- 4pm

Prayers	
Sue Adams	Harold Biddie
Faye Bradford	Milton Chandler
James & Bobbie Clark	Nancy Clemens
Sherry Denson	Audrey & Christy Gammage
Mike Godwin	Sol & Ellen Godwin
Kim Green	Gina Heaton
Richard & Darlene Jones	Julie Kincaid
Patsy Lentz	Larry & Nancy Locklear
Martha Lybrand	Robert Mann
Mike McGill	Margaret McGuire
Jim & Jean Tuggle McDonald	Frank Montgomery
Larry & Rita Morgan	Ancel Norris
David Ogden	Pam Rachal
Josh Reid	Doug Scruggs
Darnell Self	Donna Shoemaker
Judy Shrader	Sandra Singer
Chuck & Robin Spitzley	Nina Tarrance
Lynn Timmerman	Marilyn Torrice
Johnny Tucker	Becky Tuggle
Durrel Tyler	Alan VanHorn
Gayle Varner	Mary Wells
Jackie Werth	Karen Whisenhunt
Billy White	Violet Whitman
Charles Whittington	Don Young

Friends & Family	
Tara Jessen- Amy Gunn’s sister- lymphoma	
Charles Johnson- Skip and Linda Plage’s friend- Alzheimers	
Medora Gaddes- Doreen & Darrell Pepper’s daughter- bitten by a bat	
Olivia Messer- friend of the Peppers- emergency c-section	
Courtney Dykes- lost her uncle Wesley Cleveland in a farming accident	
Jason Simon- Brian Simon’s brother- cancer	
Sherry Coyle- Kathleen Keith’s friend- aggressive breast cancer	
Cullen Lentz- Patsy Lentz’s son-in-law- congestive heart failure	
Ronnie Holt- Richard Harp’s cousin- stage 4 cancer	
Ann Holt- lung cancer	
Robert Tidwell- Fran Chaney’s son-in-law- severe kidney infection	
Lisa Sullivan- Erin Sullivan’s aunt- aggressive Alzheimers	
Gary Smith- Dial Dangar’s brother- cancer treatments	
Donna Arnold- Dial Dangar’s cousin- stage 4 lung cancer	
Julie Davison- prayers for clean scans and good health	
Matt P.- friend of Kerry Tanner- health issues	
Ed and Rhandra- neighbors of Chuck S.- leukemia	
Chris & Bena Hethcox- Markie Jones’ parents- pancreatic cancer & caregiver	
Ben Oehlert- relative of Robin Spitzley- leukemia	
Amy Vincent- friend of Rhonda Wagner- terminal cancer	
Johnny Mack Brown- friend of Bill & Freda Brown	
Ruby Hamric- former member- cancer	
Ralph Harman- Kim Wilkerson’s father- cancer has spread	
Danni Freeman- Doug Scrugg’s nurse- breast cancer	
Matt Shelton- minister at Thomson CoChrist- lymphoma	
Ron Davis- friend of Alan & Janice VanHorn- Alzheimer’s	
Aileesha Thomas- mother of Isaiah Davis- has leukemia	
Gloria Smedley- neighbor of Sandra Singer	
Gary Burks- brother of Sandra Singer	
Mariana- member of the church in Cluj- needs surgery	
Joseph Kelly- great-nephew of Jean Tuggle McDonald- cancer	
Shirley Busby- sister-in-law of Sue Adams	
Lucas Adkinson- grandson of Mark & Billie Adkinson	
Stephanie McRoy- friend of Charlotte VanHorn	
Tal Barnett- husband of Judy Barnett- dialysis	
Billie Jo Vance- aunt of Stuart Couch- heart problems	
Louise Henderson- Mother of Lisa Harris- cancer	
Julia Lopez- cousin of Patricia Putnam	
Jerrie Paschal- sister of Alan VanHorn- kidney disease	
Peggy, Tim & Terry Hickerson- friends of Robin Spitzley	

Youth News

October 4- Lads Workshop Day- 2-4:30pm
October 4-Local Devo at Jeffrey Howell’s- please bring \$5 for food
October 18- Areawide Devo at Riverchase
October 24- Trunk or Treat
November 1- Local Devo
November 13-15- Fall Youth Retreat

Fall Retreats

Men’s Retreat- November 6-7
Youth Retreat- November 13-15

Belize Campaign
April 30- May 7
Tickets \$812.00 each
If you plan to go, please contact Gary or Jeanette Cosby.

Hospital / Sick List

Ellen Godwin- recovering from surgery
Kim Green- Pinehill in Tarrant, Rm. 2611
Sandra Mann- surgery on October 6th
Tammy Seale- recovering from surgery
Joyce Taggart- recovering from surgery

Attendance:
9-27-2026
AM 278 PM 138
Weekly Purpose:
\$20,800.00
Contribution:
\$20,510.00
Contribution YTD:
\$857,933.00
Purpose YTD:
\$811,200.00
Average Weekly YTD:
\$21,998.00
Mission Sunday:
\$120,300.00
Week 36

Nursery Attendants

October 4- Kayla Coker, Taylor Mann
October 11- Caitlin Howell, Caitlin VanHorn

Bus Drivers

October 11- James Morris
October 18- Michael Martin

Baptismal Garments for October
Caitlin VanHorn

New Members

Joyce Hyde
5066 Abbey Lane
Birmingham, AL 35215
Impact Group 2

Help Wanted

We are looking for a man to preach one Sunday afternoon a month from 3:00 to 4:00 at the Birmingham Women’s Work Release. Please call the office or see Robin Spitzley if you are interested.

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 24, 2-4 p.m.
We need your help!
Sign up in Lightpost to decorate your trunk, bring candy or baked goods, or help with the cake walk or games!

Lads to Leaders

It’s time to register for Lads to Leaders! If you are interested in helping or your child is interested in participating, please scan the QR codes below and register. Our first workshop day is Sunday, October 4th. Please register so we can have an accurate head count.

Student Registration
Adult Registration