# 9:00 AM Service

Welcome

Song Leading Ryan Cobb

Opening Prayer Brandon Cacioppo

Scripture Reading Rodney Denson

Sermon

Lord's Supper/ Contribution
Paul Windham

Lord's Supper Trays
Stan Mann, Jim Timmerman, Mike Cagle,
Alan England, Austin Todd, James Harp,
Gabe Harp, Michael Dykes

Closing Prayer Elder

## 5:00 PM Service

Welcome

Song Leading Ryan Cobb

Opening Prayer
Johnathan Johnson

Lord's Supper/Contribution
Jack Taggart

Closing Prayer Elder

## **Deacons of the Month**

Terry Malone Bobby Gunn Craig Huffstutler



**December 21, 2025** 

#### **CHURCH INFORMATION**

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# **SERVICE TIMES Sundays:**

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

Tuesday: 6:30 PM

#### **SHEPHERDS**

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

**Steve Wilkerson** 

#### DEACONS

Michael Cagle
Gary Cosby
David Gilmore
Bobby Gunn
Craig Huffstutler
Johnathan Johnson
Terry Malone

Steve Maynard Mike McGill Mike Neal Patrick Neither Steve Putnam Chuck Spitzley Randy Wilson

MINISTERS
Richard Harp
Jeffrey Howell
Johnathan Johnson

# It Is More Blessed to Give Than to Receive

Paul attributes these words to Jesus:

"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

This quotation from Jesus is found nowhere in the written Gospels. Instead, it reflects an oral tradition that was passed down that was from Jesus lips.

John himself acknowledged that many other things Jesus said or did were not recorded in the Gospel according to John:

"Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written" (John 21:25).

Thus, these words preserved by Paul give us a glimpse into the richness of those innumerable teachings of Jesus that were never written down.

Truly, it is more blessed to give than to receive.

This truth—by which Christians live—is itself a gift: a gracious bonus teaching from our Lord. One day, we will gather around that glorious throne on high and hear everything else—everything this world could not contain. In heaven, we will hear it all.

Until then, what has been given through the written Word has been received by us.

On Thursday, the world will celebrate Christmas, a festival rejoicing over the greatest gift ever given to mankind (John 3:16). We celebrate by giving gifts to those we love.

This holiday season, use opportunities for giving to also give the gift of truth. Talk about Jesus' birth with those willing to hear, and begin conversations about their need for rebirth. Discuss what it means to live for Jesus the other 364 days of the year. Be a blessing by using Christmas as a bridge for others to cross—to meet Jesus from His birth to the cross.

Giving this gift to others is better than anything we could receive, because the statement remains true:

It is more blessed to give than to receive.

A Note from the Harp

# December 21, 2025 Sunday AM Classes

- Acts taught by Bob Keith in the auditorium.
- Acts a discussion class, taught by a rotation of men from the congregation in the Truth Seekers class, Rm. 242.
- The Upper Room is studying Hebrews taught by various men from the congregation in Rm. 246.
- The Young Adult class is studying various topics taught by Nolan Couch in the Young Adult Room, Rm. 251.

# **Sunday PM**

Devo in Auditorium followed by:

December 21- Spiritual Legacy:
Preparing the Next Generation
taught by Michael Dykes in the
fellowship hall
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

December 28- Spiritual Legacy:
Preparing the Next Generation
taught by Michael Dykes in the
fellowship hall
Kids' Classes- in the children's hall

January 4- Singing Night- everyone in the auditorium

# Wednesday PM Classes

- The Ladies' Class is studying
   Bridges or Barriers by Cindy DeBerry
   and Angie Kmitta
- The auditorium class will be "Exodus Leads to Jesus" taught by Paul Windham.

It Takes a Village Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:7–12 Exodus \_\_:\_\_-\_ 1. M\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_ B\_\_\_\_\_ to a. It T\_\_\_\_\_ a V\_\_\_\_ Exodus : b. It T\_\_\_\_\_ the V\_\_\_\_ Hebrews : 2. J W B to S a. It T\_\_\_\_\_ the V\_\_\_\_\_ Matthew : b. It T a V Luke : -John : -1 Corinthians : John : -Philippians : -

## **Upcoming Events**

December 21- Missions Committee Meeting- 4pm

December 24-25- Christmas Holidays- Office Closed

January 1- New Year's Holiday- Office Closed

January 4- Resolution Sunday

January 4- Education Committee Meeting- 4pm

January 11- Marley Glenn Weddig Shower- 3:30-4:30pm

#### **Prayers**

Sue Adams Fave Bradford Anthony Carr (Deaf) Michael Bukowski James & Bobbie Clark Nancy Clemens Audrey & Christy Gammage Judy Crawford Sol & Ellen Godwin Mike Godwin Gina Heaton Kim Green Nancy Locklear Darlene Jones Martha Lybrand Robert Mann Sandra Mann Margaret McGuire Jim & Jean Tuggle McDonald Larry & Rita Morgan Ancel Norris Natasha Pearson Judy Roeder Pam Rachal Darnell Self Doug Scruggs Donna Shoemaker Judy Shrader Chuck & Robin Spitzley Sandra Singer Bobby Tate (Deaf) Nina Tarrance Marilyn Torrice Lynn Timmerman Becky Tuggle Johnny Tucker Durrel Tyler Alan VanHorn Mary Wells Gavle Varner Karen Whisenhunt Jackie Werth Violet Whitman Billy White Don Young

Friends & Family

Julie Davison- sister of Melanie Tolleson, Rebecca Mancha & Amy Keith- has a mass on her kidney Matt P.- friend of Kerry Tanner- health issues

Sharon Hood- mother of Debbie Krenz- stage 4 cancer Ed and Rhandra- neighbors of Chuck S.- diagnozed with leukemia

Dan Norris- father of Adam Norris- stage 4 prostate cancer- he has moved in with Adam & Amber

Chris & Bena Hethcox- Markie Jones parents- pancreatic cancer & caregiver

Courtney Moore- sister of Ryan Cobb- having severe back pain Marty Philips- father of Blake Philips- open heart surgery Ben Oehlert- relative of Robin Spitzley- leukemia Sheryl Walker- aunt of Derek Smith- leg surgery Amy Vincent- friend of Rhonda Wagner- terminal cancer Johnny Mack Brown- friend of Bill & Freda Brown Virginia Mays- sister of Freda Brown Ruby Hamric- former member- cancer Ralph Harman- Kim Wilkerson's father- cancer has spread Yvonne O'Brien- Connie Scrugg's mother- struggling to heal after

Danni Freeman- Doug Scrugg's nurse- breast cancer Matt Shelton- minister at Thomson CoChrist- lymphoma Ron Davis- friend of Alan & Janice VanHorn- Alzheimer's Darlene Calfee- friend of Janice VanHorn- liver cancer Aileesha Thomas- mother of Isaiah Davis- has leukemia Gloria Smedley- neighbor of Sandra Singer Betty Trull & Gary Burks- siblings of Sandra Singer Marty Glenn- Edith Glenn's brother-in-law- received a kidney transplant

Susan Glenn- Edith Glenn's sister-in-law- bypass surgery Ron Mixon- brother-in-law of Mike McGill- serious health issues Mariana- member of the church in Cluj- needs surgery Joseph Kelly- great-nephew of Jean Tuggle McDonald- cancer Hailey Norris- sister-in-law of Amber Norris- having medical issues

Ed & Shirley Busby- brother & 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

#### Thank You

To our Deerfoot Church Family, We want to take a moment to say thank you from the botom of our hearts.

Your support, prayers and kind words of encouragement- they've meant more to us than we could ever truly express. Being in the Philippines, we've seen lives changed, hope is rising in places where it once felt lost and hearts opened to the love of Jesus- you're all with us in every conversation, every outreach and every life touched. It's humbling to know we're not walking this road alone. Your faithfulness, your generosity and your belief in what we're doing- it lifts us up on the hard days and fills us with joy on the good ones.

We thank God and you for being part of this with us. We carry your kindness with us every step of the way.

In Christian Love, Michael and Deborah Stock

Thank you for supporting Churches of Christ Disaster Assistance this year. Mike

Director

### **Hospital / Sick List**

Sherry Denson- UAB St. Vincent's Downtown Darlene Jones- Valve replacement- January 5 Dan Norris- St. Vincent's East

#### **Attendance:**

12-14-2025

AM 261 PM 92

**Weekly Purpose:** 

\$21,140,48

**Contribution:** 

\$19.897.43

**Contribution YTD:** 

\$1,108,741.00

**Purpose YTD:** 

\$1,057,000.00

**Average Weekly YTD:** 

\$22,174.\

**Mission Sunday:** \$131.068.00

Week 49

## **Nursery Attendants**

December 21- Kayla Coker, Caitlin Howell December 28- Lori Coggins, Cindy Collins

#### **Bus Drivers**

December 28- Steve Maynard January 4- Pat O'Rourke

**Baptismal Garments for December** Sharon Self

## **Current Purpose for 2026**

Our current purpose for 2026 is **\$20,281.00** per week. To everyone who completed a purpose card, thank you. If you have not had an opportunity to complete a purpose card, please see one of the elders or pick one up at the Welcome Center. Thank you for your willingness to help set the budget.

## **Christmas Eve Service**

Since Christmas Eve falls on Wednesday this year, our midweek service has been moved to Tuesday, December 23rd at 6:30.

## **Youth News**

Exposure- December 27-30 January 11- Local Youth Devo at the home of Griffin Mason

### CIA

CIA classes will be on Winter Break until after the new year. The next class will be Thursday, January 8th.

Bread and Blessing meals will still be delivered during the break. Please come and help deliver to our sick and shut-in members.

