

9:00 AM Service
Welcome

Song Leading
Ryan Cobb

Opening Prayer
Robert Jeffery

Scripture Reading
Eric Christian

Sermon

Lord's Supper/ Contribution
Rick Glass

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

Closing Prayer
Skip McCurry

5:00 PM Service
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Song Leading
Ryan Cobb

Opening Prayer
Jim Timmerman

Lord's Supper/Contribution
David Gilmore

Closing Prayer
Skip McCurry

Deacons of the Month
Randy Wilson
Steve Putnam
Terry Malone

Visitor QR Code



July 12, 2026

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

MINISTERS
Richard Harp
Jeffrey Howell
Johnathan Johnson

Atheist Christians?!

There is an astounding increase of people who identify themselves as a “cultural Christians.” What even is a cultural Christian?! It’s someone who embraces the morality, traditions, and aesthetics of Christianity, but does not believe in the supernatural or theological truths of Christianity. A cultural Christian is an atheist or agnostic.

Famous individuals like Elon Musk, Dan Savage, and Douglas Murray identify as cultural Christians. Oh yeah, and a guy named Richard Dawkins. That’s right! Arguably the most famous atheist on earth, British biologist Richard Dawkins calls himself a cultural Christian! He made this abundantly clear in an LBC interview in 2024 where he discussed the cultural state of the UK and his own disposition. “I do think we are culturally a Christian country. I call myself a cultural Christian. I’m not a believer, but there is a distinction between being a believing Christian and a cultural Christian,” Dawkins noted.

While Dawkins remains an avid atheist, his attitude towards the pragmatic value of Christianity on culture has evolved over time: “So I call myself a cultural Christian and I think it would be truly dreadful if we substituted any alternative religion... If I had to choose between Christianity and Islam, I’d choose Christianity every single time. It seems to me to be a fundamentally decent religion, in a way that I think Islam is not.”

It’s both stunning and ironic that the world’s most outspoken atheist identifies as a “cultural Christian”! He even prefers the moral decency of Christianity to remain in his culture as opposed to the adoption of other religions like Islam! But this actually makes some sense. It should be self-evident to anyone that Christian morality can have massive benefits to societies and governments when it is implemented. True Christians must love all people (1 Thess. 3:12), honor all people (1 Pet. 2:17), be at peace with all people as much as possible (Rom. 12:18), pray for all people and leaders (1 Tim. 2:1-2), submit to every government and institution over them (1 Pet. 2:13-14; Rom. 13:1-7), refrain from doing evil to others (1 Pet. 2:16), and lead quiet and peaceful lives that behave properly towards non-Christians (1 Thess. 4:12). Would such moral principles greatly benefit every society that implements them? Absolutely! It’s so obvious that even cultural Christians who don’t believe in God and Jesus recognize the power and brilliance of Christian morality.

And while the increase of cultural Christians is powerful evidence for the truth and morality of Christianity as a whole, we must never forget that Jesus requires more of people. Unlike cultural Christians, there are even many today who claim faith in Jesus. But like cultural Christians, many of these are Christian in name alone. Jesus taught that hearing His Word (Lk. 6:46-49) and even believing (John 8:30-32) is not enough to be a true disciple of His. Only those who hear and obey His commands are true Christians (Lk. 11:28; 1 John 2:3-4). So, let us never settle for being cultural Christians of any kind. Let’s name it and live it!

~Jeffrey

July 12, 2026
Sunday AM Classes

- Romans taught by Bob Keith in the auditorium.
- James, 1st and 2nd Peter, taught by a rotation of men from the congregation 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 various topics taught by Richard Harp and Nolan Couch in Rm. 251.

Sunday PM

Devo in Auditorium followed by:

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

July 12- Prayer taught by Skip McCurry in the fellowship hall
Kids’ Classes- in the children’s hall

July 19- Prayer taught by Skip McCurry in the fellowship hall
Kids’ Classes- in the children’s hall

July 26- Prayer taught by Skip McCurry in the fellowship hall
Kids’ Classes- in the children’s hall

August 2- Singing Night- everyone in the auditorium

Summer Series- Mountains and Valleys

- July 15- Carmel “The Mountain of Fertile Land”- John Lay
- July 22- The Valley of Wilderness- Melvin Otey
- July 29- The Valley of Jordan becomes the Valley of Siddim- Joey Sparks
- August 5- The Valley of Elah- David Courington

Are You Blessed?

Scripture: Mat. 5:1-3

How are the M_____ B_____?

- 1. The Lie: Blessed are the B_____ i.
- 2. The Truth: Only the H_____ Have an E_____ I_____ i.
- 3. The Lie: Blessed are the V_____ i.
- 4. The Truth: Only the M_____ Receive M_____ i.

S_____ Blessings vs. E_____ Blessings

- 1. The Lie: Earthly Blessings L_____ to H_____ i.
- 2. The Truth: Only Spiritual Blessings Can S_____ i.
- 3. The Lie: Blessed are the C_____ i.
- 4. The Truth: Only the F_____ will Find E_____ C_____ i.

Upcoming Events

July 12- Deacons’ Meeting- 4pm

July 15- Summer Series- John Lay

July 19- Missions Committee Meeting- 4pm

July 22- Summer Series- Melvin Otey

July 25- Marley Glenn Moore Baby Shower- 2-4

July 26- Impact Group 3 Fellowship- 11:30am

July 29- Summer Series- Joey Sparks

Prayers

- Sue Adams

Faye Bradford

James & Bobbie Clark

Sherry Denson

Mike Godwin

Kim Green

Richard & Darlene Jones

Martha Lybrand

Mike McGill

Jim & Jean Tuggle McDonald

Larry & Rita Morgan

David Ogden

Josh Reid

Darnell Self

Judy Shrader

Chuck & Robin Spitzley

Jim & Lynn Timmerman

Johnny Tucker

Durrel Tyler

Gayle Varner

Jackie Werth

Billy White

Charles Whittington
- Harold Biddie

Milton Chandler

Nancy Clemens

Audrey & Christy Gammage

Sol & Ellen Godwin

Gina Heaton

Nancy Locklear

Robert Mann

Margaret McGuire

Frank Montgomery

Ancel Norris

Pam Rachal

Doug Scruggs

Donna Shoemaker

Sandra Singer

Nina Tarrance

Marilyn Torrice

Becky Tuggle

Alan VanHorn

Mary Wells

Karen Whisenhunt

Violet Whitman

Don Young

Friends & Family

- Jason Simon- Brian Simon’s brother- cancer

Camille Chandler- Milton & Brenda Chandler’s granddaughter- NICU

Cameron Wills- Patt Wills’ grandson-having heart surgery

Sherry Coyle- Kathleen Keith’s friend- aggressive breast cancer

Ronnie Holt- Richard Harp’s cousin- stage 4 cancer

Joyce Hyde- frequent visitor- recovering from a broken hip

Ann Holt- lung cancer

Donzella Terrel- in the hospital

Robert Tidwell- Fran Chaney’s son-in-law- severe kidney infection

Amy Calvin- Kasey Clayton’s friend- stage 4 cervical cancer

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

Sharon Hood- mother of Debbie Krenz- stage 4 cancer

Ed and Rhandra- neighbors of Chuck S.- leukemia

Dan Norris- father of Adam Norris- stage 4 prostate cancer

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

Marty Philips- father of Blake Philips- open heart surgery

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

Betty Trull & Gary Burks- siblings of Sandra Singer

Mariana- member of the church in Cluj- needs surgery

Joseph Kelly- great-nephew of Jean Tuggle McDonald- cancer

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



Hospital / Sick List

- Harold Biddie- recovering at home
- Richard Jones- recovering at home
- David Ogden- recovering at home

Attendance:
7-5-2026
AM 302 PM 86
Weekly Purpose:
\$20,800.00
Contribution:
\$25,642.00
Contribution YTD:
\$591,842.00
Purpose YTD:
\$540,800.00
Average Weekly YTD:
\$22,763.00
Mission Sunday:
\$120,300.00
Week 26

Nursery Attendants

- July 12- Cheryl Hannum, Shelby Hannum
- July 19- Taylor Mann, Caitlin VanHorn

Bus Drivers

- July 19- Mark Adkinson
- July 26- Frank Montgomery

Baptismal Garments for July
Rhonda Wagner

Elders and Deacons Breakfast

All Elders and Deacons please make your plans to attend a breakfast on Saturday, August 1st at 8am in the Ladies’ Class upstairs.



BACK TO SCHOOL

Bash

JULY 31, 2026 6–8PM

WE NEED YOUR HELP!
PLEASE BRING SCHOOL
SUPPLIES AND
BACKPACKS AND SIGN
UP TO HELP!

