

Week @ a Glance

Celebrations & Happenings

20 th	Life Groups begin today! Sunday evening worship @ 4 pm. Pablo Contreras' b-day.
21 st	Guys Only Lunch at Peppers @ 11:30 am. Melody Holmes' b-day.
23 rd	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 am. Wednesday Night Recharge @ 5:30 pm. Linda Beeson's b-day.
24 th	Olga Mary Vasquez's b-day.
25 th	Ashley Franks & Mark Woody's b-day.
26 th	Mireya Lopez's b-day.

Pantry Items Needed: Green beans, canned milk, corn, peanut butter, crackers, jelly, pasta sauce, Hamburger Helper

Scripture Writing Plan

Each of the scriptures below takes 10 minutes or less to write out. Commit to spending 10 minutes each day listening to God's voice as you simply copy texts out of your Bible. This month's theme:

New Beginnings

January 20	Romans 12:2
January 21	Romans 6:3-4
January 22	John 10:10
January 23	Isaiah 41:13
January 24	Philippians 4:6-7
January 25	Proverbs 16:9
January 26	Isaiah 60:1-2

Deacons on Duty: Dale English, Pablo Contreras, Jacob Puckett

Men on Duty: S.C. Morrow, John Matta, Brandon Cometti, Mark Pantuso, Tom Shaffer, Bill Steinruck, Marco Ramirez

Greeters: Vince & Diana Bergman, Jerry & Mary Salyards, Bill & Samantha Steinruck

Pick-Up Cards: Simon Holloman, Carter Cometti, Braulio Santos, Mavin Weakes, Jaxon Houghtalin, Zane Shaffer

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Worship Order

For January 20, 2019

Welcome: Lee Rogers

Song Leader: Aaron Holloman

Songs: 260 – O Worship the King

6 – Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him

385 – The Joy of the Lord

54 – Holy, Holy, Holy

Communion Song: 66 – Be Still and Know

Communion Thought: Oscar Hernandez

Communion/Offering: Larry Fitts, Joe Jackson, Don Moore, Bill Steinruck, Phil Sexton, Thomas Beard, Ricky Anderson, Heath Woody, Mark Woody, Jose Baeza, Adam Ramirez

Sermon A: Doug Austin – “The House of the Lord”

Song: 593 - We Shall Assemble

Sermon B: Doug Austin

Song of Encouragement: 63 – Come Thou Almighty King

Closing Song: 392 – Sing and Be Happy

Closing Prayer: Michael Nelson

Life Groups will be meeting throughout the day.

Evening Worship @ 4 pm.

Sunday Evening Speaker: Michael Nelson

Prayer Requests

- **Glen Browning** has returned home following a stint in rehab. He is getting around using a walker.
- **Thelma Faulkenbery** continues to heal after suffering a fall last week.
- **Bill Montgomery**, Dan Montgomery’s father, has been moved to a nursing home and is not doing well.

Continue in Prayer

Rosemary O’Neal, La Nell Sweet, Henry & Anita Zuniga, Bill Linder, Sam & Pat Gentry, Opal Whited, Velma Matthews, Velma Langley, Cindy Desposito, Elaine Bell, Billie Elkins, Kay Rogers, Clara O’Neil, Beth Madsen, Glen Browning, Jean Brooks, Jacob Brooks

Announcements

- Our tasty taco bar was courtesy of **Deona, Aleynnah & Zelia Santos, Beverly Merritt and Leah Williams**. Next week’s meal will feature chicken & dumplings!
- We would like to extend a hearty welcome to **Preston, Sarai, Yesid & Jack Peterson**, who placed membership this past Sunday. We look forward to worshipping alongside all of you.
- **Congratulations to Barry & Bonnie Carter** on the birth of a new granddaughter! Bailey Regan Bunger was born on January 14th, weighing 7.2 lbs. and stretching to 19.6 inches long.
- Men, please make plans to attend the **“Guys Only Lunch”** on Monday, Jan. 21st at Peppers at 11:30 am.
- The **New Mexico Christian Children’s Home** will be here on Wednesday, February 6th to pick up donations of **Spray N’ Wash & Clorox Wipes**. Also, don’t forget to pick up a change can to fill at home!
- Thanks to all who willingly greeted on Sunday mornings this past year. We are currently in need of **additional greeters**. If interested, please contact Jennifer Hall and she will be happy to add you to the list.

For the Record

Bible Class.....	147
Sunday AM Worship.....	241
Sunday PM Worship.....	36
Wednesday PM Bible Study.....	129
Weekly Contribution (Need \$7,100).....	\$6865

The House of the Lord

Ps. 122

- 1) Why is this man excited to be going to church?
 - a) It is good to go and be in God’s presence.
 - i) Ancient Israel believed in the omni-presence of God and that He had chosen to manifest his presence in a special way in Jerusalem. Ps. 84:1-2
 - ii) The New Testament Christians believed the same thing. 1 Cor. 14:25
 - iii) God is anywhere where his people are gathered for worship.
 - b) It is good to go and be with God’s people.
 - i) God understood that we draw strength and joy from corporate worship.
 - ii) Ps. 42:1-4
 - iii) The Psalmist’s spirit is longing for an experience with God’s people.
- 2) Why do we do this?
 - a) God commands it.
 - i) God is more concerned with our hearts and our wills than he is with our feelings at any given moment. Worship is actually an act that develops feelings for God.
 - b) God knows that worship is good for us.
 - i) Powerful things happen when God’s people gather in worship.
- 3) What happens in corporate worship?
 - a) God’s name is honored.
 - i) We remember our story and who we are.
 - b) God’s family is strengthened and healed.
 - i) Ps. 122:3, Ps. 95:1-7.
 - ii) If we focus on God, we will stop focusing on ourselves.
 - c) God’s voice is heard.
 - i) A central part of worship ought to be a longing to receive a message from God
 - ii) Ps. 73:16-17, “When I tried to understand all this, it was oppressive to me till I entered the sanctuary of God; then I understood their final destiny.”

Do we have a sense of anticipation?

Do you expect to leave better than you were when you entered?

Life Group Study Guide

1. What are some of your observations about this Psalm? Is this Psalm only about worship?
2. Why is David rejoicing in verse 1?
3. Define the omni-presence of God. When are we in the presence of God?
4. Why do you think worship is good for you?
5. What have you felt when worshipping God? Should you feel something? Should you always feel the same thing?
6. While worshipping, who do you focus on more: God, others or yourself? Is it wrong to focus on all three?
7. Do you think our worship on any given Sunday is pleasing to God?
8. How do we hear the “voice of God” during worship? Does everybody hear the voice? What exactly do we expect when we hear the voice of God?
9. It is easy to get distracted while worshipping. How do we handle these distractions?

6 Reasons to Join a Life Group:

- 1) Go deeper in your faith and the Word of God.
- 2) Connect with others.
- 3) Encourage others & bear one another’s burdens.
- 4) Personalize the Christian faith.
- 5) Provide a great opportunity to meet new people.
- 6) Many different stages of life, meeting times & locations to choose from!

Life Group Meeting Times & Locations:

- Warboys Life Group meets at 5 pm in the Heart to Heart classroom.
- Holloman Life Group meets at 5 pm at 1209 W. 3rd St.
- Austin Life Group meets at 5 pm at 3313 Highland.
- Bennett Life Group meets at 4 pm in the Couch Room.
- Miller Life Group meets at 12 pm in the Small Fellowship.
- Spanish Life Group meets at 5 pm in the Spanish classroom.