

Living the Blessed Life!

Jesus came to give directions home.

- I. What is Jesus doing?
 - a. Matt. 4:23-25. Jesus is inaugurating the kingdom of God.
 - b. Matt. 6:33.
 - c. Don't treat the beatitudes as a monologue.
- II. Jesus is going to make two turns in this sermon:
 - a. Jesus turns happiness upside down.
 - i. The ultimate goal in life is not the pursuit of happiness; it is the pursuit of God's rule.
 - ii. The beatitudes speak of living life backwards.
 - b. Jesus turns righteousness inside out (come back to 6:33).
 - i. We are to seek righteous ways.
 - ii. Matt. 21:31-32.
 - iii. If you know the emptiness of pursuing worldly happiness. . .
- III. Three thoughts about this blessedness.
 - a. It implies that this kingdom is full of grace.
 - i. The beatitudes begin with "Blessed are the poor in spirit. . .
 - ii. Psalm 32:1-5.
 - b. It applies to every citizen of the kingdom.
 - i. It depends on grace, but it demands discipleship.
 - ii. I do not recommend these things unless there really is a kingdom of God.
 - c. It supplies direction only if Jesus really is king.
 - i. They are not sentimental platitudes.
 - ii. They are a frontal assault on the way the world lives.

Will you choose the path of blessedness?

**COUNTRY CLUB ROAD
CHURCH of CHRIST**

700 W. Country Club Road
Roswell, NM 88201

(575) 622-1350 – www.ccrccoc.com

Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Minister:

Doug Austin

Elders:

Tim Dunnahoo

Wayne Fenter - Lee Rogers

Kent Taylor - David West

Elder Chairman of the Month:

Kent Taylor

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The Encourager

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Song Leader: Kent Taylor

Song: 101 – God Is Love (vs. 1)

Welcome: David West

Songs: 154 – Sanctuary

89 – He Has Made Me Glad

13 – Great Are You Lord

170 – Shine, Jesus, Shine

Communion Song: 312 – Jesus Paid It All

Communion Offering: Mac Rogers

Song: 823 – Mansion over the Hilltop

Sermon: Doug Austin – "Living the Blessed Life!"

Invitation Song: 888 – Have You Been to Jesus? (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

Closing Song: 191 – He's My King (vs. 1 & 3)

Closing Prayer: Ridge Perkins

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

Acts – Doug Austin (Rm. 27)

Foundations – Jesse McCarty & Oscar Hernandez (Sm. Fellowship)

Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 22)

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 4th – 6th grade – various classrooms, look for blue flag

JL 1st – 3rd grade – various classrooms, look for red flag

4's, 5's & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

2's & 3's – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Life Group meeting times & locations:

Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in Room 25

Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room

Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland



Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you're worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

- **Wynn Anderson's** stent procedure was not successful on Wednesday. He will see another doctor in Lubbock next week to give it another try.
- **Barry Carter** will begin immunotherapy treatments soon. He is still waiting on the pathology from the lymph nodes.
- **Beverly Merritt** will have a stent removed from her bile duct as well as a biopsy on June 26th.
- **Cecilia Contreras** will have knee replacement surgery on her other knee on July 1st.
- **Arcelia Sanchez** will undergo surgery for tongue cancer in Lubbock on July 1st.
- **George Escalante** will have a pacemaker put in on Monday, June 24th.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Sam & Pat Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Mary Ann Baeza, George & Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Sharon Christian, Gale Wright, Alan Warboys

Many thanks to our church family for fulfilling multiple requests from the Godfrey Center this week!

If you are interested in making monetary donations you can do so by going online to NewMexico.SalvationArmy.org or by texting RUIDOSO to 51555.

Those wishing to donate via check should make checks out to The Salvation Army Roswell Corps Community Center.

Here is the address:
 Attn: Ruidoso Fire Relief
 P.O. Box 897
 Roswell, NM 88202-0897



Life@CCR

- **Make plans now for Wednesday, June 26th!** We will have pizza in the small fellowship at 5:30 followed by an all-congregational devo & open gym for the kids. Additional pizza/gym nights this summer will take place on July 17th & August 7th.
- **We are still accepting Vision 2030 Strategic Surveys!** So far, we've managed to get 62 completed surveys from the congregation. We are hoping for 100% participation and still have a way to go! To take the survey online, go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G6PFPC>. There will also be hard-copy surveys on the foyer table if you prefer the old-fashioned way.



Those Scheduled to Serve for June

Deacons on Duty: Dan Montgomery, Jose Baeza, Brandon Cometti, Brian Houghtalin
Men on Duty: Kevin McCormack, Thomas Beard

Week @ a Glance
Celebrations & Happenings

23rd	Bible Class @ 9 a.m. A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube. Rob Cates' b-day.
26th	Pizza fellowship @ 5:30 p.m. Devo & Gym Night @ 6:30 p.m.
27th	Susan Sexton's b-day.
28th	Rachel McCarty & Caleb Franzoy's b-day.
29th	Gary Linton & Crystal Pisana's b-day.

Life Groups Study Guide

Text: Matthew 5:3-12

1. In what ways does Jesus turn happiness upside down?
2. How does Jesus turn righteousness inside out?
3. What lessons have you learned in the midst of pursuing worldly happiness? Did you actually find it?
4. Focus on Psalm 32:1-5. What do you learn from these verses? What do you learn about God from this passage? About forgiveness?
5. How do we choose the path of blessedness?

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....84/53
 Sunday AM.....176
 Weekly Contribution.....\$6,254