

EN ESPAÑOL

- **NOTAS DEL SERMON** - La Pascua es el día reconocido por la gran mayoría del mundo cristiano como el día real en que Cristo resucitó de entre los muertos. A decir verdad, es solo aproximado porque fluctúa de un año a otro. Pero es un día sólido, histórico, que ha influido tanto en la humanidad que aún hoy determina cómo marcamos el tiempo. La resurrección de Cristo es el comienzo de una vida nueva, la afirmación de la esperanza de que la muerte ha sido vencida. Es la última palabra de que Cristo es quien afirmó ser. A decir verdad, celebramos Su resurrección todos los Domingos, no solo en Semana Santa. Hacemos eso porque los primeros cristianos lo hicieron. Para ayudarnos a hacer eso hoy, queremos dedicar un poco más de tiempo a la Cena del Señor (también conocida como Comunión) y hablar sobre lo que yo llamo las Cuatro Direcciones de la Cena del Señor.
- **CONÉCTATE** - Habrá una transmisión simultánea de la Conferencia Mujeres Caminando con Dios 2023 el 14 y 15 de abril en la Iglesia de Cristo de Edmond. ¡Haga planes para unirse a las mujeres de nuestra congregación y las congregaciones circundantes mientras participamos en este maravilloso evento! Contarán con seis ponentes, entre ellos un humorista, y un grupo coral acapella, Evokal. ¿Estás venciendo en este mundo o simplemente venciendo? El costo es de \$25 por dama y la cena está incluida. Consulte Beth Berry para registrarse.
- **SABÍA USTED** - Nuestra congregación recolectó más de \$1,800 en suministros para el Hogar de Niños de Westview la semana pasada. ¡Era un camión lleno! Gracias por bendecir este importante ministerio mientras continúan sirviendo a los niños necesitados en nuestro estado.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our congregation collected over \$1,800 in supplies for the Westview Boy's Home last week. It was a full truck! Thank you for blessing this important ministry as they continue to serve boys in need in our state.

GET CONNECTED

There will be a simulcast of the **2023 Women Walking With God Conference on April 14-15 at Edmond Church of Christ**. Make plans to join the women in our congregation and the surrounding congregations as we participate in this wonderful event! They will have six speakers, including a humorist, and an acapella choral group, Evokal. Are you overcoming in this world or just overcome? Cost is \$25 per lady and dinner is included. Contact **Beth Berry** at (405) 534-9921 to register and attend.

MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE STATISTICS

4/2 Worship Attendance	222
4/2 Bible Class Attendance	179
4/2 Contribution	\$28,256.74
YTD Regular Contribution	\$242,455.07
Weekly Average.....	\$17,318.22
Weekly Budget.....	\$14,866.74

FEATURED EVENTS



WISHLIST

Multi-Purpose Household Cleaners
Laundry Detergent Pods
Toilet Bowl Cleaners
Disinfecting Wipes
Dishwasher Pods
Dryer Sheets
Bleach
Dish Soap

2023
THURSDAY, APRIL 20
2 PM - 5 PM

Church of Christ
Community Cupboard

GROUP OUTINGS



ALL YOU CAN EAT NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK

Saturday, May 20, 2023
7:05 p.m.
vs. Sugarland

WHAT YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:

- All-inclusive food and soft drinks for 2.5 hours
- Seat in our terrace area in left field
- Dodgers baseball hat for everyone in the group

Tickets are \$25 per person
Contact Ivan Gonzalez or call the office to sign up.

SERMON NOTES

Four Directions of the Lord's Supper

Easter is the day recognized by the vast majority of the Christian world as the actual day that Christ rose from the dead. Truthfully, it is only approximate because it fluctuates from year to year. But it is a solid, historical day that has influenced humanity so much that even still today it determines how we mark time.

The resurrection of Christ is the beginning of new life, the affirmation of hope that death has been defeated. It is the final word that Christ is who He claimed to be. Truthfully, we celebrate His resurrection every Sunday, not just on Easter. We do that because the early Christians did. To help us do that today, we want take a little extra time with the Lord's Supper (aka Communion) and talk about what I call the *Four Directions of the Lord's Supper*.

I. The Lord's Supper Looks I_____.

- The Lord's Supper is a time of S_____ -E_____ (1 Corinthians 11:27-29).
- We must make sure no S_____ exists between us and another C_____.

II. The Lord's Supper Looks O_____.

- The Lord's Supper is a time of P_____ (1 Corinthians 11:26).
- The Lord's Supper is not a time for D_____ or C_____.

III. The Lord's Supper Looks B_____.

- The Lord's Supper is a time of R_____ (Luke 22:19).
- We should remember:
 - His L_____ was P_____.
 - His D_____ was V_____, V_____ and V_____.
 - His R_____ was P_____, P_____ and holds a P_____ for us.

IV. The Lord's Supper Looks F_____.

- The Lord's Supper is a time of A_____ (1 Corinthians 11:26).
- This is a source of unspeakable joy:
 - Because we have been R_____.
 - Because death has been D_____.
 - Because the great D_____ will finally get justice (Revelation 20:10).



Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the aisle.

EDITORIAL

Like Little Children

Children love to play and use their imaginations. That's one of the reasons they can have so much fun hunting Easter eggs like we witnessed yesterday in our park. We could learn something valuable from them. In fact, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of Heaven" (Matthew 18:3). That truth may be a little shocking.

Because after all, wasn't it the great apostle Paul who said, "When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me" (1 Corinthians 13:11)? So which is it? Do I put away my childish ways, or do I change back to my ways of childhood? Is this a contradiction? Hardly.

Truthfully, both actions are required. To the Corinthians, Paul was dealing with their pettiness because they were focused on their senses and the sensational rather than love. They had become mesmerized by the showy spiritual gifts and were in danger of being led down the primrose path of pride straight to Hell. This was caused by their immaturity and Paul was challenging them to simply be mature.

Jesus' words, however, ring with a different application. Once again the issue of pride is at stake, but on this occasion Jesus is comparing childhood to humility. And only when we possess humility can we be great in the kingdom. Adults can be prideful; children are usually innocent of such malice. This appears to me to be the immediate application.

An article I read in *The Sunday Oklahoman* a number of years ago made me wonder if Jesus may have had an additional application in mind when He said we must become like little children. The gist of the article was that children seemed to have a natural awareness of the presence of God in their lives. Several examples were given of children in stressful situations in life being able to cope because of an overriding belief that God was present and He was taking care of their needs. As a result, fear and stress disappeared or become manageable.

Several attempts of explaining this phenomenon away were made in the article by alleged experts. But I wasn't convinced. I believe the reason little children naturally trust in God is because God has put a knowledge of Himself into each of them. It is only through the influence of Satan and other people that humans lose their inborn knowledge of God. I believe that is the point of Romans 1:20-21 (please look it up!). *To not believe in and trust God is an adult learned behavior!*

When life begins to overwhelm you, when fear creeps in to steal your joy and peace, when problems hinder your vision of tomorrow, become like little children. Learn to trust God with the innocent and confident trust of a little child. You were born with it and you just need to find it again. Our money reads, "In God we trust." Let's observe our children and learn to do that again.

—Jeff Gardner

Our money reads, "In God we trust." Let's observe our children and learn to do that again.

FAMILY UPDATES

BIRTHDAYS

Tony Scarberry | April 9
Tandyla Hill | April 10
A.L. Cross | April 10
Juanita Latham | April 11

Darryn Marchbanks | April 11
Tony Pack | April 12
Gwendolyn Lee | April 13
Jeronimo Martinez | April 15

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome two new members to our congregation!

Gwendolyn Lee
 4821 Kristie Drive #15
 Del City, OK 73115
 405-570-2928
 gwendoylns.lee2022@gmail.com



Mark Haynzs
 1 Gayle Drive
 OKC, OK 73130
 405-249-2904
 prisonguard1928@icloud.com

Make sure to tell them hello today!

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the ladies who helped make my bridal shower amazing! I was truly showered with love, support, and not to mention gifts. I know that putting this shower together required a lot of love, time and thoughtfulness. I am so blessed, not only to have received such a special shower, but also to be a part of a group of women who love the Lord, and love others. As soon to be newlyweds, Tyler and I both are so grateful for the prayers, support and mentorship we have received from this congregation. Also a special thank you to everyone who contributed "husband friendly" recipes. We can't wait to try them out! ~ **Clarissa Smith**

UPCOMING DATES

- **April 14-16** Women of Joy Conference, Branson, MO
- **April 14-15** "Women Walking with God: Overcome," Edmond Church of Christ (See *Get Connected* Column for more info)
- **April 23** New Song Sunday, Stay after Worship in Auditorium
- **April 30** DCYG Parent Meeting - Noon
- **May 7** Senior | Promotion Sunday (6th Graders & HS Seniors)
- **May 7** DCYG Welcome Party for Incoming Students, TBA
- **May 14** Mother's Day Service (Photo Booth in Lobby)
- **May 20** Group outing to the Dodger's Game - Ticket Purchase required (see featured events). Contact Ivan or call the office to reserve.
- **May 21** OSBI Blood Drive, FLC
- **June 4- 9** Camp Rock Creek

DEL CITY Church of Christ

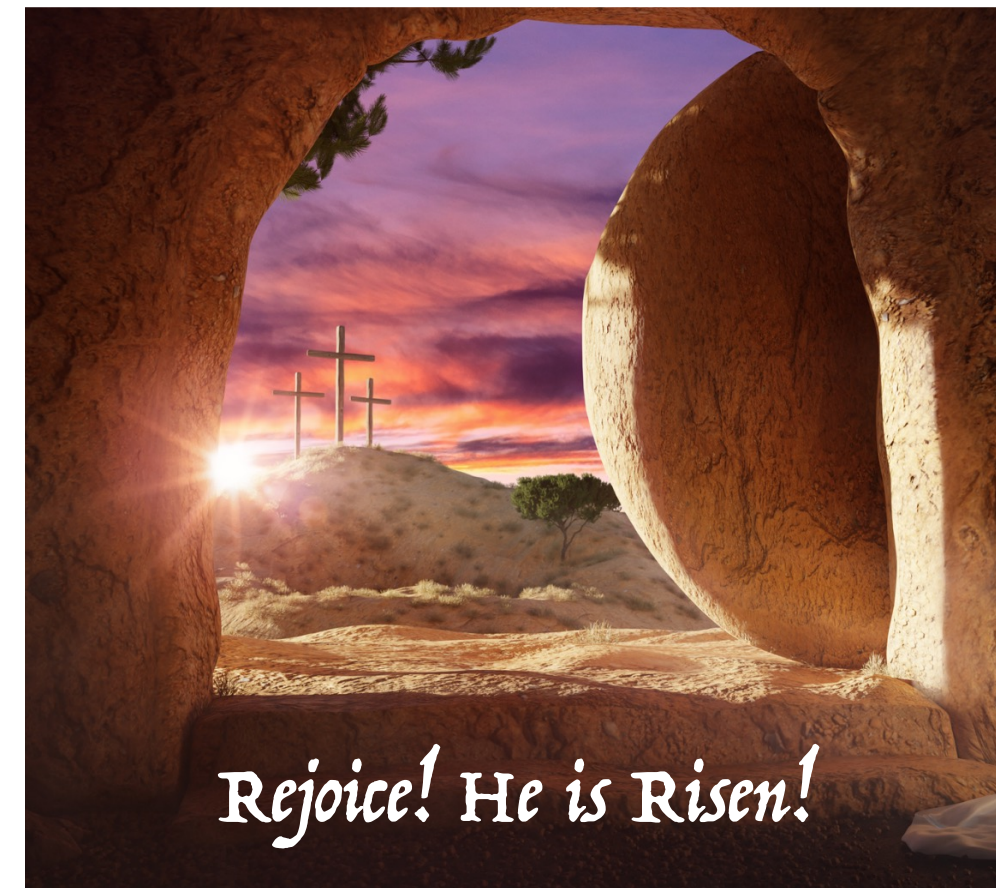
April 9, 2023

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday
 Worship 10:00 AM
 Classes 11:15 AM

Wednesday
 Early Class 4:30 PM
 Ladies Class 7:00 PM
 Mens Class 7:00 PM
 Bilingual Class 7:00 PM

Childcare for age newborn to 3-years-old is available during Worship on Sundays & Wednesdays. For transportation to Worship and other assemblies, call (405) 672-1311, M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.



Rejoice! He is Risen!

Points of Contact:

Tommie Biggers, *Food Pantry*.....405.831.4538
 Amy Bruce, *Communications*.....405.205.4855
 Sam Day, *Youth*.....913.353.4892
 Jeff Gardner, *Preaching*.....405.550.7658
 Ivan Gonzalez, *Connections*.....405.923.4964
 Melissa Phillips, *Children's Ed*.....405.625.3922
 Sonya Weaver, *MoW*.....405.249.2225
 Liz Zamudio, *Secretary*.....405.672.1311

Shepherds:

Chad Barney.....405.821.6794
 Mark Carr.....405.740.4354
 Chris Dillinger.....405.830.6456
 Tim Hempel.....405.990.1729
 Melvin Thompson.....405.606.9253
 Rob Weaver.....405.301.4889
 Adiel Zapata.....405.664.7729