

April 21, 2024

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday

Worship 10:00 AM Classes 11:15 AM

Wednesday

Early Adult Class 4:30 PM Fellowship Meal 5:30 PM Classes for All Ages 7:00 PM Childcare for age newborn to 3-years-old is available during Worship on Sundays & on Wednesday nights during the 7 PM classes. For transportation to Worship and other assemblies, call (405) 672-1311, M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.

WORSHIP ORDER

Song, This Little Light of Mine	Ivan Gonzalez
Welcome	Ivan Gonzalez
Song, All to Us	Tim Holt
Song, Seeking the Lost	Tim Holt
Song, Here I Am to Worship	Tim Holt
Prayer	Don Haley
Song, Wonderful Merciful Savior	Ivan Gonzalez
Communion	Garrison Martin
Song, Doxology	Ivan Gonzalez
Offering	Garrison Martin
Scripture Reading, Matthew 5: 13-16 (ESV)	Craig Deatherage
Song, Ye Are the Light of the World	Tim Holt
Message, Salt & Light	Garrett Marshall
Song, Stepping in the Light	Darrell Sullivan
Closing Announcements	David Schmitt
Prayer	Rob Weaver
Song, Sing Wherever I Go	

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EDITORIAL

Make Christianity Hard Again

There is something about a challenge that causes people to rise to meet it. There is something about difficulty that pumps blood through your veins. If a group of people are in a boring seminar, everyone wants to be the first to leave. If the same group are in a demanding boot camp, no one wants to be the first to leave.

Christianity is supposed to be difficult. Yet, what I have found, is that Christianity has been boiled down to "read the Bible, say your prayers, and avoid the "big sins" (a category where I tend to move the goalposts A LOT). When lived out this way, Christianity is not really that hard. However, the way of Jesus, is the way of the cross. We shouldn't talk about our faith like we just need to be "nice people." Here are three commands that have challenged me, with practical trails that can be followed.

- 1. Repentance Seeing where you did not measure up to God's commands, asking forgiveness, and turning from your sins. Both in action and in thought. Do I think of myself more highly than someone else? Do I lust? Do I talk badly about someone without addressing the issue with them first? Repentance is not only recognizing sin, but it is also about change. Do I confess these sins to another Christian? Do I have people checking on me and holding me accountable to not repeating sinful patterns?
- 2. **Gospel Proclamation** Inviting those who do not trust in Jesus to trust in Him for the forgiveness of their sins. Do I have any friends who are not Christians? Do I know the gospel well enough to articulate it in a way that it is comprehensible? Can I articulate how the gospel affects different aspects of my life- my work, my marriage, my leisure, my interests?
- 3. **Gospel Demonstration** Addressing the felt needs of the community as we strive to do good to those both in and outside of the household of faith. Do we know people well enough to actually know when they have a need? How can I volunteer at a local school, help a couple struggling in their marriage, give company and help to the elderly?

G.K. Chesterton once said that "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult; and left untried."

It is only in challenging our people and ourselves that they will find that they cannot do these things. And that will cause them to run to Jesus. And paradoxically, the more that they run to Jesus, the more they will find that they are able to do these things.

SERMON NOTES

Salt and Light

In a book I was reading while researching this topic, an author made this statement "The world needs light. The world needs salt. It doesn't need a bunch of Christians crawling into their Christian storm shelter and never coming out because it's not safe out there, nor do we need a bunch of Christians who look so much like the world that they can't see the light."

While I had never heard it put that way before, I found the statement to be incredibly insightful. We are called, as Christians, to not only be different from the world, but also interact with it in a meaningful way. How do we do this? What does this look like? This is the challenged posed to us in our next section of the Sermon on the Mount.

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- 1. It has been said, "It is better to light one little candle than merely to curse the darkness." What does that mean, and what does it have to do with our lives as Christians?
- 2. What are some ways in which Christians and/or the church are "incredibly visible" to the world? Give a positive and negative example of this (beauties and blemishes).

EN ESPAÑOL

Notas Del Sermon - "Sal y Luz"

En un libro que estaba leyendo mientras investigaba este tema, un autor hizo esta afirmación: "El mundo necesita luz. El mundo necesita sal. No necesita un grupo de cristianos metiéndose en su refugio cristiano contra tormentas y nunca saliendo porque no es seguro ahí afuera, ni necesitamos un grupo de cristianos que se parezcan tanto al mundo que no puedan ver la luz. " Si bien nunca antes lo había oído decir de esa manera, encontré la declaración increíblemente reveladora. Estamos llamados, como cristianos, no sólo a ser diferentes del mundo, sino también a interactuar con él de una manera significativa. Cómo hacemos esto? A qué se parece esto? Este es el desafío que se nos plantea en la siguiente sección del Sermón del Monte.

GET CONNECTED

COME SING WITH US

 Everyone is invited to an evening of Singing on May 2 at 6:30
 PM at our church. Southwest and MacArthur Churches of Christ will join us for a fun night of fellowship. For more info, contact Lee Camacho at 405- 664-7443.

VOLUNTEER WITH US

 Volunteers are needed for our VBS/DAY Camp this year which is scheduled for July 8-12. Contact Hannah Parker for more information or call the office at 405-672-1311.

COMING SOON



MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE STATISTICS

04/14 Worship Attendance	277
04/14 Bible Class Attendance	185
04/14 Contribution	\$13,123.20
2024 YTD Regular Contribution	\$239,773.20
2024 Weekly Average	\$14,104.31
2024 Weekly Budget	\$16,209.00

FEATURED EVENTS





Del City Church of Christ Blood Drive

Sunday, May 12 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. *Gym*

For more information, contact Ivan Gonzalez at igonzalez@delcitychurch.org.

Walk-ins Welcome!

Donate Blood & Help Save Lives!





Sign-Ups for **Camp Rock Creek** have started. Students entering the 3rd - 8th grade in Fall of 2024 are eligible to attend this residential summer camp in Norman from June 2-7.

Scan the QR code to register. Here are discount codes that are good through May 13th: EARLYBIRD - $$165 \mid 2^{ND} \text{ CHILD} - $155 \mid 3PLUS \text{ CHILD} - $145. After 5/13 the rate will increase to $185.$

FAMILY UPDATES

BIRTHDAYS

Bruce Crittenden | April 20 Cherlynn Deatherage | April 21 Chad Barney | April 22 Jack Cooper | April 23 Craig Deatherage | April 26

Anniversaries

- Congratulations to Leonard & Sherry Wagner. They are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 27th.
- Congratulations to **Tim & Deanne Holt**. They are celebrating their 35th Wedding Anniversary on April 29th.

Wedding Shower



SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024 | 2-4 PM
Family Life Center @ Del City Church of Christ
1901 Vickie Drive, Del City, OK 73115

Registered at:



UPCOMING DATES

COMMUNITY CUP - every Tuesday in the Coffee Shop, 7 AM - 9 AM **WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL -** every Wednesday, 5:30 PM - 7 PM

- TODAY Third Sunday Potluck | Going Away Party for Solis, FLC
- May 2 Singing w/ Southwest & MacArthur CoC @ 6:30 PM, Auditorium
- May 4 Whiz Kids Spring Fling @ Science Museum
- May 5 New Bible Class and Worship Times Begin, 9:30 AM Bible Classes | 10:30 AM Worship Time
- May 5 Graduation Sunday (honoring 6th and 12th graders)
- May 5 11 Teacher Appreciation Week (Thank a Teacher!)
- May 12 OBI Blood Drive, FLC
- June 2 7 Camp Rock Creek
- · June 8 Kathryn Martin Wedding Shower, 2 PM, FLC
- June 17-21 Camp Jovenes @ Lubbock Christian (see Justin for info)
- June 23-28 Camp Horizon @ OC (see Justin for info)
- July 8-12 Day Camp & VBS (See Hannah Parker for details)