

July 20, 2025

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday

Classes 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM

Wednesday

Bible Classes 6:30 PM

Childcare for age newborn to 3-years-old is available during Worship on Sundays & on Wednesday nights during the 6:30 PM Bible Class time. For transportation to Worship and other assemblies, call (405) 672-1311, TU-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.

WORSHIP ORDER

Song, Jesus Rose With All Power	Ivan Gonzalez
Welcome	Tim Holt
Song, Soldiers of Christ, Arise	Tim Holt
Song, Cornerstone	Tim Holt
Song, No Sweeter Name	Tim Holt
Prayer	Jon Fennel
Scripture Reading, Philippians 4:11-13	Paul Wright
Song, Beautiful Lamb	Ivan Gonzalez
Communion	Josiah Schmitt
Offering	Josiah Schmitt
Song, My Only Hope is You	Ivan Gonzalez
Announcements	Ivan Gonzalez
Song, Firm Foundation	Tim Holt
Message, Disconnect: Constant Comparis	sonGarrett Marshall
Song, Have Thine Own Way	Darrel Sullivan
Shepherd Prayer	Rob Weaver
Song, We Are the Body of Christ	Tim Holt

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Chris Dillinger	405.830.6456			
Tim Hempel	405.990.1729			
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EDITORIAL

The Model for Every Christian Preacher

What does the model Christian preacher look like? That question likely prompts various responses from different people. Some perhaps think of a polished communicator who is pleasing to listen to. Others might prefer someone with theological depth who delves into the biblical text in profound or novel ways. Some might yearn for nostalgia—a certain type of preaching that they miss from a bygone era. And still others might look for someone who is entertaining, who tells funny jokes, and keeps our attention.

With a little more reflection, we might say that, obviously, Jesus is the model Christian preacher. After all, Jesus is the model of all of Christian life; we are His disciples, and we seek to become like Him. No sermon has ever been as brilliant or powerful as the Sermon on the Mount, so this is obviously the correct answer, right?

What I wrote in the previous paragraph is true, but there is a really crucial way in which we cannot emulate Jesus when it comes to preaching—Jesus Himself is the focus of Christian preaching, the Son of God who, following His resurrection and ascension has been enthroned as the King of the universe, and has the ultimate authority to interpret to teach, command, and judge.

On the contrary, when I preach, it is not myself that should be the focus, and the only authority that I have is that which is derived from God's revealed word. In that sense, the model Christian preacher is not Jesus, but John the Baptist.

As Fleming Rutledge writes:

All four New Testament Evangelists agree: there is no good news, no gospel of Jesus Christ, without John the Baptist. John's whole life was lived with but one purpose; he was born, a man of destiny, to declare the imminent arrival of the coming Messiah. This voice crying in the wilderness, this "lantern which shone in front of the Son of God," is extraordinary in many ways, but most of all for the single-mindedness with which he pursued his mission even to death, for John the Baptist feared no man, not even Herod the king, and no woman either, not even Herod's wife, who in the end arranged to have his head cut off. But let us take note: this firebrand who recognized no superior was utterly submissive before the One whose coming he lived and died to illuminate. "John said to them, 'One is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to untie the thong of his sandal." (Luke 3:15-16).

To be the witness, to point away from himself to Jesus Christ—this is the destiny of John, and in these things, he is a model for every Christian preacher.

The model Christian preacher, regardless of style, appearance, or skill, is one who draws the audience's attention away from himself and instead points directly to Jesus Christ. And this is the challenge for all of us who have the privilege and the burden to preach—people should walk away from our sermons not reflecting upon our wit, brilliance, or skill, but upon Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

SERMON NOTES

Disconnect: Constant Comparisons

Is Everyone Else's Life Just...Better? From backyard pools to Instagram-perfect vacations, it's easier than ever to feel like we're falling behind. But what if the problem isn't what we don't have... It's what we're chasing? This week in our Disconnect series, we're digging into the trap of comparison and the freedom found in Christ-centered contentment. When your identity isn't defined by others' highlight reels, you can live with peace, even in the messiest seasons.

I.	What is?				
	a.	The ability to find	and	in	
		the midst of what is, rath	_	chasing what	
	b.	Philippians 4: 11-13	·		
		i. Important note: Paul i	s NOT writing that	he has found	
		contentment in		, but in	
	c.	Hebrews 13: 5	·		
		i. Untilis	all you need, you	will never find	
II.	Th	ie			
	a.	Exodus 20: 17			
		i. Covetousness starts as	an	_ problem, but	
		almost always morphs	; into		
III.	. Ap	pplication			
	a.	Set	·		
IV.	•		•		
	a.	Remember your	·		
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Questions for Reflection:

- 1. What are some personal moments where comparison has stolen my joy?
- 2. How do I define contentment for myself, and how does that align with Scripture?

EN ESPAÑOL

Desconectar: Comparaciones Constantes

¿La vida de los demás es siempre mejor? Debido a las piscinas en los patios traseros y a las vacaciones perfectas en Instagram, es más fácil que nunca sentir que nos estamos quedando atrás. Pero, ¿y si el problema no es lo que no tenemos... sino lo que perseguimos? Esta semana, en nuestra serie «Desconectar», profundizamos en la trampa de la comparación y la libertad que se encuentra en la satisfacción centrada en Cristo. Cuando tu identidad no está definida por los momentos felices de los demás, puedes vivir en paz, incluso en las épocas más difíciles.





WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS SUMMER

Come join us for service opportunities, powerful worship nights, and engaging guest speakers throughout the summer.

You don't want to miss a single night!

JULY

23 | 6:30 PM | Service Night - VBS Preparation

30 | 6:30 PM | Preparation Night - Back to School Bash

AUGUST

6 | 6:30 PM | Worship Night with Monty Pettyjohn

13 | 5:30 PM | Meal in the FLC (Mexican Night)

6:30 PM | **Jeopardy Night!**

20 | 6:30 PM | Worship Night with Monty Pettyjohn

27 | 6:30 PM | Worship Night with **Monty Pettyjohn**

MINISTRY & MAINTENANCE STATS

7/13 Worship Attendance	301
7/13 Bible Class Attendance	
7/13 Weekly Contribution	\$20,552.67
2025 YTD Regular Contribution	· · ·
2025 Weekly Average	
2025 Weekly Budget	

FEATURED EVENTS

VBS is coming up fast and we need volunteers! If you would like to help, you can sign up at the information booth in the lobby, call the office or talk to Hannah Parker. Make sure your students and their friends, cousins, etc. are signed up to participate!





Save the date and plan on volunteering for our annual Back to School Bash. It's always one of our biggest community outreach opportunities and such a blessing to students and families in our community as they start the new school year.



Sunday, Aug. 3rd @ 2 PM
Del City Church of Christ | Family Life Center









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FAMILY UPDATES

BIRTHDAYS

July 21 | Megan Swafford July 23 | Jim Hale

July 22 | Maverick Staats July 23 | Matthew Jackson

July 22 | Jeff Althoff July 24 | Kenny Vinson

July 22 | Janice Poteet July 26 | Sharon Watts

WEDDING SHOWER & FAREWELL



Meals on Wheels Driver Needed

We are currently looking for a **permanent driver** to deliver meals **every Friday from 9 AM to 11 AM** to homebound residents in our community.

If you're interested or have any questions, please contact Sonya Weaver at (405) 249-2225.

UPCOMING DATES

COMMUNITY CUP - every Tuesday in the Coffee Shop, 7 AM - 9 AM

- Today Potluck
- July 27 Wedding Shower & Farewell | Vicki & Chris Hare | FLC | 2 PM
- July 28 Aug 1 VBS Day Camp | 8:30-3:00 PM
- Aug. 2 Back to School Bash
- Aug. 3 Wedding Shower | Schmitt & Martinez | FLC | 2 PM
- Aug. 13 Back to School Family Dinner
- Aug. 14 Pickleball | Gym @ 6 PM
- Aug. 18 Westview Boys' Home | Pick Up Donations
- Sept. 3 Resume Wednesday Meals
- Sept. 4 Pickleball | Gym @ 6 PM