

DEL CITY Church of Christ



September 24, 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.

WORSHIP ORDER

Song, *Holy Spirit, Dwell in Me*.....Ivan Gonzalez
 Welcome.....Ivan Gonzalez
 Song #23, *Our God, He is Alive*Tim Holt
 Song #608, *He Gave Me A Song*.....Tim Holt
 Song #959, *Just A Little Talk With Jesus*.....Tim Holt
 PrayerGary Parker
 Song, *How Deep The Father's Love For Us*Tim Holt
 Communion.....Sam Day
 Song, *A Common Love*.....Ivan Gonzalez
 OfferingSam Day
 Scripture Reading, *1 John 2:7-11 (NLT)*Clancy Bruce
 Song #969, *Greatest Commands*.....Ivan Gonzalez
 Message, *Something Brand New*.....Jeff Gardner
 Song #934, *Softly and Tenderly*Darrel Sullivan
 Closing AnnouncementsJeff Gardner
 Prayer.....Melvin Thompson
 Song #703, *I Love You with the Love of the Lord*Ivan Gonzalez

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Bloom Where You're Planted

At what age did you first learn that the world was not perfect? For most of us, the lesson comes early. Maybe it was the first day of school. Remember how your mother set you up for what a terrific day it was going to be? But on that first day, a giant first grader named Herman pushed you down and sat on top of you for five minutes, and the teacher didn't seem to think you were nearly as cute as your grandmother did. You learned it quickly.

There are things in the world that are defective, and as time goes on, you keep learning it. High School wasn't perfect either, neither was college. Your boss on your first job was defective in a lot of ways and accounting isn't perfect and business isn't perfect and neither is law or medicine—or even ministry. The church is surely not perfect.

Now face it—whether it involves vocation or faith or marriage or church or whatever, our first instinct when we find ourselves in an imperfect situation or facing something defective is to bravely say, “Get me out of here!” Two words that can fall like seed into your life and take root and almost destroy you are “if only.” “If only I had not taken that job...If only I hadn't majored in business...If only I had not married him/her...If only I had....” You fill in the blanks.

You are where you are so you might as well find and bring out the best in the situation. **BLOOM WHERE YOU ARE PLANTED!** Any bad situation can be turned around for good if a person responds in the right way. A psychologist once interviewed two young men, brothers whose father had been a hopeless alcoholic. The expert was astounded to find that one son had become a teetotaler and the other a drunk. “How did this happen?” he asked both men. And strangely, both gave exactly the same answer. “What would you expect with a father like mine?”

Describe your own upbringing, your own faith, your own job, your own life. Defective? Imperfect? Of course, but you can make it what you will. Don't dream about some perfect job somewhere or perfect marriage somewhere or perfect faith somewhere. Bloom right where you're planted. Start with whatever raw material you have to work with, and amend what is defective.

Perhaps Reinhold Niebuhr's prayer says it for all of us in whatever imperfect circumstance we occupy. *“God grant me the courage to change that which should be changed, the serenity to accept that which cannot be changed, and the wisdom to know the difference.”* Give me the power to bloom where I'm planted!

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SERMON NOTES

Eyewitness Good News: Something Brand New 1 John 2:7-11

John tells us today about a commandment that he calls both old and new. How can something be both? The word for “new” in our text means “new in quality.” The command is to love one another and it is something brand new in three very important ways.

I. New in E_____ (1 John 2:7).

- A. Jesus said all commands for disciple-living can be summed up in L_____ one A_____.
- B. The greatest and second greatest commandments are love G_____ and love P_____.
- C. John and brother James were nicknamed Boanerges, which means S_____ of T_____ because of hot tempers (Mark 3:17).
- D. To be A_____ D_____ of Jesus we must practice the new emphasis on love.

II. New in E_____ (1 John 2:8).

- A. Jesus never C_____ where He did not L_____.
- B. Jesus loved all K_____ of P_____.
- C. Jesus loved His E_____.
- D. We must not measure our P_____ in love by the lack of P_____ in the life of another disciple.

III. New in E_____ (1 John 2:9-11).

- A. Our personal experience in life must be graced by L_____ and L_____.
- B. It is impossible to be in F_____ with God and out of F_____ with one of His children.
- C. The H_____ people on earth are those who L_____.



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

EN ESPAÑOL

- **DCYG FALL RETREAT** - El retiro de otoño de DCYG será en el campamento cristiano Lu Jo del **6 al 8 de octubre**. La fecha límite de inscripción es **1 de octubre**, el costo es de \$50.
- **GARAGE SALE** - Del City está organizando una venta de garaje en beneficio de Camp Rock Creek. Puede ayudar dejando artículos donados para venderlos en la oficina de la iglesia desde ahora hasta el 28, 29 y 30 de septiembre. Preguntas sobre la venta se pueden dirigir a Marina Zapata o a la Oficina de la Iglesia.
- **WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL** - ¡Se han reanudado nuestras comidas de compañerismo de los miércoles por la noche! Únase a nosotros cada miércoles a partir de las 5:30 p.m. para cenar. Es un momento perfecto para conocer y disfrutar del compañerismo con los miembros de su iglesia. Pedimos contribuciones de \$5 por persona o \$15 por familia para ayudar a compensar los costos. Puede pagar durante la cena o en línea usando la aplicación de nuestra iglesia.

GET CONNECTED

This Week

SUNDAY

- Worship - 10 AM
- Bible Classes following Worship
 - Adult Bible Classes, *Room 203 & Chapel*
 - Evidences, *Room 205*
 - Spanish-Speaking, *Room 201*
 - Young Adults, *Room 209*
 - Youth Group, *Youth Center*
 - Children's Classes, *Check-In at Children's Area*

MONDAY

- Evangelism Class - 7 PM, *Room 201*

WEDNESDAY

- Early Bird Bible Class - 4:30 PM, *Room 203*
- Family Fellowship Meal - 5:30 PM - 7 PM (\$5 Per Person, \$15 Per Family) *Gym*
- Singing Practice - 6 PM, *Auditorium*
- Ladies Class Covering Old Testament - 7 PM, *Room 209*
- Evangelism (Bilingual) Class - 7 PM, *Room 201*
- Youth Group - 7 PM, *Youth Center*
- Children's Classes - 7 PM, *Check-In @ Children's Area*

THURSDAY

- Ladies Old Testament Class - 10 AM, *Room 209*

MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE STATISTICS

9/17 Worship Attendance.....	251
9/17 Bible Class Attendance.....	170
9/17 Contribution.....	\$8,402.69
YTD Regular Contribution	\$621,250.89
Weekly Average	\$16,970.56
Weekly Budget.....	\$14,866.74

FEATURED EVENTS



Church of Christ
1901 Vickie Drive

GARAGE SALE

BENEFITING CAMP ROCK CREEK

SEPTEMBER
28-30
INSIDE THE GYM
8 AM - 4 PM

The poster features illustrations of a clothing rack with various items, a dresser with a teapot and cups, and a stack of books.

Garage sale benefiting Camp Rock Creek. Drop off donated items to sell at the church office now through Sept. 27th. Questions? Contact **Marina Zapata** or call the Church Office.



RELENTLESS

DCYG FALL RETREAT 2023

Where: Camp Lu Jo
When: 10/6 - 10/8
Cost: \$50
Signup deadline: 10/1

The poster features a stylized mountain range in shades of blue and yellow.

Pick up registration forms at Connection Point and return to Sam or the Church Office by Oct. 1st.

Join us as we provide a family-friendly Trunk or Treat on October 31st! We will need

volunteers to decorate their cars and pass out candy. Candy donations are needed! Look for donation buckets around campus in October!



TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 31ST

DEL CITY CHURCH OF CHRIST
1901 VICKIE DRIVE
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

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The poster features illustrations of a girl in a superhero costume, a boy in a dinosaur costume, a girl in a witch costume, a girl in a cat costume, a girl in a superhero costume, and a girl in a wheelchair.

FAMILY UPDATES

BIRTHDAYS

Grace Oliver | Sept. 24

Jeremy Phillips | Sept. 24

Hannah Oliver | Sept. 24

Mike Traynor | Sept. 24

Sandy Cherry | Sept. 25

Lee Johnson | Sept. 26

Loretta Cross | Sept. 26

Charlyn Johnson | Sept. 26

Evelyn Weaver | Sept. 28

Runa Goeppinger | Sept. 28

Graceson Breslin | Sept. 29

Barbara Craghead | Sept. 30

GRATITUDE

Thank you to each and everyone of you who brought in food, made phone calls, sent cards, plants and flowers & visited during Lee's passing. We love and appreciate each one of you, especially the prayers.

Sincerely ~ **Peggy Clark** & Family

ADDRESS UPDATE

Time for a Directory Update!

Tim & Betsy Fanning

11200 SE 28th Street

Midwest City, OK 73130

DCYG EVENTS

The youth group has enjoyed our IGNITE Devo's this year which are hosted by DCYG families.

Tonight we are headed to the McDonald's home for food, fun and fellowship.

Bring drinks to share and be at the building by 4:30 PM to ride the van.



UPCOMING DATES

- **Sept. 28-30** Camp Rock Creek Garage Sale, Gym, 8 AM - 4 PM Daily
- **Oct. 1** Missions Sunday
- **Oct. 6** Keenager's Game Night, FLC
- **Oct. 6-8** DCYG Fall Retreat, Camp LuJo
- **Oct. 22**, Secret Sister Reveal Party, Coffee Shop, 2 PM
- **Oct. 31** Trunk or Treat, 6 PM - 7:30 PM
- **Nov. 17-18** Ladies Conference at our Building
- **Dec. 3** Jeff Gardner Retirement Luncheon after Bible Classes
- **Dec. 13** Children's Christmas Party