

## October 15, 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, This is the Day	Tim Holt
Welcome	Tim Holt
Song, Only A Holy God	Tim Holt
Song, We Will Glorify	Tim Holt
Song, Glorify Thy Name	Tim Holt
Prayer	Alex Nichols
Song, Here in This Place	Ivan Gonzalez
Communion	Sam Day
Song, I Am Mine No More	Ivan Gonzalez
Offering	Sam Day
Scripture Reading, 1 John 2:18-23 (NLT)	Garrison Martin
Song #957, Firm Foundation	Ivan Gonzalez
Message, Will the Real AntiChrist Stand Up?	Jeff Gardner
Song #943, Do You Know My Jesus?	Darrel Sullivan
Closing Announcements	Jeff Gardner
Prayer	Rob Weaver
Song #567, To Canan's Land I'm on My Way	Tim Holt

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## **EDITORIAL**

# What Is Baptism?

Our English word translated as baptism in the Bible is really just a transliteration of the Greek word *baptizo*. When the KJV was translated just prior to 1611, the translators did not translate the word from Greek to English because there were already several traditional opinions in various religious groups as to what baptism looked like. So they simply transliterated it so each group could continue to teach their own tradition of how to fulfill the command to be baptized.

This has resulted in English-speaking people giving this word three different meanings: 1) submerge; 2) pour; 3) sprinkle. This has caused religious division and confusion. And it may also cause a great number of good people to be lost eternally. It may be that God's grace will cover people who have been misled or mistaken in their attempt to erroneously obey Him. But certainly, if I know the right thing to do and then choose not to do it, by my rebellion I am rejecting God and and His grace (James 4:17).

There are two un-biased scholarly resources used and respected by nearly all biblically-based religious groups regardless of their stance on what baptism is. Vines Expository Dictionary of NT Words is one, and it defines baptism as "the processes of immersion, submersion, and emergence...to be overwhelmed by...to dip or plunge." A second resource is The Vocabulary of the Greek NT, Illustrated from the Papyri

and Other Non-Literary Sources. It says baptism is "used to describe a submerged boat; to be flooded or overwhelmed by calamities; it is the act of immersion." According to these reliable sources of definitions from the Greek language, baptism in the New Testament always consisted of being submerged, immersed, dipped or plunged beneath the surface of the water.

Even without those scholarly resources to provide clarity in defining the word or process, the Bible itself calls baptism a burial. "We were buried

"We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death... just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4).

therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). "Having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God" (Colossians 2:12). Even a child can tell you what it means to bury something: you completely cover something with the substance in which you are burying it. A corpse with a little dirt sprinkled over it is not buried. Neither is a person with a little water sprinkled over them buried with Christ in baptism.

If one is going to claim to believe any of the Bible, logically one must believe all of the Bible. The intellectual conclusion must be that sprinkling and pouring water are not baptism. And without baptism I am not in Christ (Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:12; Galatians 3:27). And if I am not in Christ, I cannot be saved. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6).

## **SERMON NOTES**

# Eyewitness Good News: Will the Real Antichrist Please Stand Up? 1 John 2:18-23

There seems to be a lot of lying going on in the world today about the identity of the antichrist. We hear a lot of conjecture and alarmist conclusions about just who is the antichrist, when is he coming, or is he already here. God's Word can shed a lot of light on the world's theology. We don't have to wonder or conjecture. In today's text, John reveals two *real* truths about antichrist.

•	Th	e T_	(1 John 2:18).	
	A.	Th	e last hour was T and N	
	В.	Three Greek words to denote time:		
		1.	Chronos refers to a Q of time.	
		2.	Kairos refers to a quality of time which S the same	
			C, such as the seasons.	
		3.	Hora refers to a fixed D or P	
	C.	The history of the world has three time periods (hora):		
		1.	The P period was when the fathers ruled	
			the people.	
		2.	The M period was when Moses led the people.	
		3.	The C period is ruled by Christ.	
	D.	After His ascension to Heaven, Jesus L the L		
		ре	riod of time on Earth. This is the last hour.	
I.	Th	e D	(1 John 2:18-19, 22; 4:3; 2 John 7).	
	A.	. To be antichrist is to oppose the true P, P		
		and K by becoming a self-appointed one.		
	B.	3. Consider the characteristics of Antichrist:		
		1.	Comes in the L H (1 John 2:8).	
		2.	Is actually P not S (1 John 2:19).	
		3.	Once considered a P of the church (1 John 2:19).	
		4.	Is a L (1 John 2:22).	
		5.	Denies Jesus is the C (1 John 2:22).	
		6.	Denies Jesus was fully H (1 John 4:2-3).	
		7.	Is a false P and D (2 John 7).	
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# **EN ESPAÑOL**

- NOTAS DEL SERMON -Parece que hoy en día en el mundo hay muchas mentiras sobre la identidad del anticristo. Escuchamos muchas conjeturas y conclusiones alarmistas sobre quién es el anticristo, cuándo vendrá o si ya está aquí. La Palabra de Dios puede arrojar mucha luz sobre la teología del mundo. No tenemos que preguntarnos ni hacer conjeturas. En el texto de hoy, Juan revela dos verdades reales sobre el anticristo.
- CONÉCTATE Nuestro programa Meals on Wheels necesita dos cocineros los miércoles por la mañana. Si puede ayudar, comuníquese con Sonya Weaver al 405-249-2225.
- BEDLAM CAN DRIVE SHOWDOWN Hola, fanáticos de los Sooners y Cowboys, ¡traigan sus donaciones de comida enlatada este mes y ayuden a abastecer nuestro armario comunitario! ¡Contaremos todas las donaciones y anunciaremos el ganador de nuestro iglesia Bedlam el domingo 5 de noviembre! Deje todas las donaciones en el lobby.

### **GET CONNECTED**

- Our Meals on Wheels Program needs two cooks on Wednesday mornings. If you can help, contact Sonya Weaver at 405-249-2225.
- Northwest Church of Christ needs kitchen volunteers for their Youth Fall Retreat, Oct. 20-22 at Camp Rock Creek. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nathan McBroom, 405-947-9963.



Ladies, there are 24 spots available to attend Women of Joy in Branson, April 5-7, 2024. Total cost will be \$219. To save your spot, pick up a registration form at Connection Point and submit it the office with a downpayment of \$50 by December 14th. Spots will be reserved on a first-come, first-pay basis. Total payment is due by March 8th. This is a popular event that fills up each year so don't delay in making your reservation! Questions? Contact the office, 405-672-1311.

## MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE STATISTICS

10/8 Worship Attendance	249
10/8 Bible Class Attendance	
10/8 Contribution	
YTD Regular Contribution	\$663,773.54
Weekly Average	\$16,594.34
Weekly Budget	\$14,866.74

## **FEATURED EVENTS**



If you
participated in
the Secret
Sister
Exchange, join
us for the
Reveal Party on
Oct. 22.



Sign up at
Connection Point
and let us know if
you can decorate
your trunk and
pass out candy or
volunteer in
another role for
this event!





## **FAMILY UPDATES**

# **BIRTHDAYS**

Susy Rivas-Martinez | Oct. 16

Linda Hughes | Oct. 17

# **UPCOMING DATES**



Join us today!

- TODAY Sendoff Meal for Sam & Cara Day after Services
- 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
- Nov. 23-24 Church Office Closed, Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 3 Jeff Gardner Retirement Luncheon after Bible Classes
- Dec. 4 Westview Boy's Home Truck
- Dec. 10 Celebration Sunday & Fellowship Luncheon

# **CELEBRATION SUNDAY DECEMBER 10TH**



Invite a friend to join us as we welcome our new ministers to Del City with a

# CELEBRATION SUNDAY SERVICE

After Worship, there will be a Fellowship Luncheon for All in the Church Gym.

There will be no Bible Classes on this Sunday.

