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LAST WEEK

Sunday Morning Bible Classes	139
Sunday Morning Worship	196
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Budget	\$9,615
Contribution	\$7,002
YTD Budget	\$153,840
YTD Contribution	\$136,657
Faith Fund	\$46,786

Watch Online

eastsidechurchofchrist.org
ecoc.church

Sunday:

Bible Class - 9:00 AM
 Worship - 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class:

7:00 PM

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
 9 AM - 5 PM

OPTIONS FOR GIVING

- 1 - Collection Plate
- 2 - On website click "Give"
- 3 - Download the Eastside app
- 4 - Text 405-337-9319

ELDERS

Sam Brandon
 Ricky Bugher
 Michael Graham
 David Holt
 Ryan McDonald
 David Walton
 OPEN DOOR: Wednesdays 6PM

MINISTERS

Jack Dodgen
 Kyle Humphrey
 Tracy Mussett



A FEW WORDS ABOUT REDEMPTION

For the writers of the New Testament, the redeeming work of Christ on the cross, is the driving force and motivation for their sharing of the gospel.

Over and over again, throughout the book of Acts, sermons present the resurrected Jesus to their audience and, based on that death, burial, and resurrection, call people to obedience to God (Acts 2:14-36; 3:11-26; 4:5-12; 10:34-43; 13:30-37; 17:22-31; 23:6).

This trend continues into the New Testament, where our redemption through resurrection is emphasized at every opportunity. I want to highlight a few words about redemption and what they mean for us as God's people.

"Redemption" - Our main word for this month. To "redeem" something is to "buy it back". As God's creation, our purpose is to live for Him and with Him. Unfortunately, when we choose sin, we become separated from God and move into another kingdom. Jesus's death removes the separation and buys us back, allowing us to live in the place we are supposed to, the kingdom of God.

"He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

Colossians 1:13-14

"Forgiveness" - This word, like "redemption," has a financially oriented definition. To "forgive" is to "cancel" or "release from a debt". In a religious sense, Jesus's death and resurrection release us from the debt of sin (Matthew 26:28). The wrongs we've committed are erased and no longer held against us by God, allowing us the privilege and blessing of being called His children.

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace..."

Ephesians 1:7

"Reconciliation" - Finally, we have the word "reconciliation". This word has to do with "restoration" but can also mean "to make an exchange". Through Christ's death, an exchange has been made: His life for ours. Instead of dying to sin, we can now live through Him in righteousness.

"For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life."

Romans 5:10

Christians are those who have been bought back from the world, had their sinful debts removed, and are restored in relationship with Christ. Let us remember where we were, and where we are now through the redeeming work of Jesus.

-Jack Dodgen

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Dan Ziegler**, former member, passed away Wednesday night
- **Sympathy and Prayers for Mel Stinnett's daughter, Sarah Gigstad, & Family** on the loss of a loved one
- **Stephanie Brewer** had successful oral surgery on Wednesday
- **Kathy Broudrick** has chronic bronchitis
- **Don Hufschmid** is back in rehab
- **Teagan Malsbury** is back in the hospital with a secondary infection
- **Charlene Spencer** is on hospice and not doing well
- **Doug Williams** had a successful surgery on Wednesday to replace an artificial heart valve

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER:

Patsy Ausburn, Connie Barney, Cheryl Bellah, Stephanie Brewer, Larry Broudrick, Chuck Bryant, Phil Dawkins, Don Hufschmid, Tammy Johnson, Michele Kuroki, Teagan Malsbury, Lynn May, Pat Patterson, Dale Pence, & June Rard

OUR MISSIONARIES:

Harold Shank & Students, Global Christian Studies; Dustin Archer, Prison Correspondence Ministry; Hiwatthia Jones, Byron & Snezana Benitez, Guatemala; Kent Marcum, Operation Ecuador; Ben Begay, Many Farms, Arizona; Jim Christian, Manuelito Navajo Children's Home; Search TV; BibleTalk; Truth for Today; Tipton Children's Home; Michael Fordjour, Ghana; Feliz Martinez & Jesus Cervantes, Spanish Ministry in OKC; World Bible School; World English Institute

BEAR VALLEY STUDENT: Levi Saylor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

YOUTH HUDDLE

There will be a huddle following evening worship. See Kyle for more information.

SENIOR SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 17th, we will celebrate our high school graduates: Dawson Butler, Caitlyn King, Evan O'Donnell, & Lincoln Russell. Following evening service, we will celebrate in the Family Center. Cards & gifts are accepted and appreciated.

OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

Our brother, Don Hufschmid, is in a lengthy battle with brain cancer. His wife, Pam, could use some assistance. Gas cards will help her with the transportation back and forth to the hospital, and gift cards to Amazon and Wal-Mart will help her with some of the healthcare and hygiene supplies she needs. Please deliver gifts to Tracy for delivery to Pam. Thank you.



Find this couple today and tell them "Hello".

UPCOMING EVENTS



CLOTHING ROOM WORKDAY
Monday, April 27th, 9 AM to Noon
Each Monday morning.



TUESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS
Tuesday, April 28th, 7 PM
At Carrol Bullock's house.



5TH WEDNESDAY SPLIT DEVOTIONALS
Wednesday, April 29th, 7 PM
After class, Ladies will stay in the Fellowship Hall, and men will go to the Auditorium.



FAITH FUND SUNDAY & POTLUCK LUNCH
Sunday, May 3rd
We will have a special offering in addition to our normal collection. Funds go to building renovations, missions, benevolence, and more.



EMPTY NESTERS GAME NIGHT
Friday, May 8th, 6 PM
Each month on the 2nd Friday.



CLOTHING GIVEAWAY
Tuesday, May 12th, 1-5 PM
2nd Tuesday of each month.



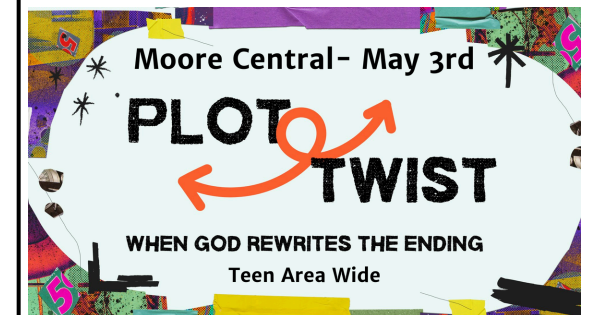
MEN'S BREAKFAST
Saturday, May 16th, 8 AM
All men are invited to fellowship over breakfast in the Family Center.



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Sunday, May 17th
See Announcements



- ▶ **Teen Huddle**
Sunday, April 26th
TBD
- ▶ **Area Wide**
Sunday, May 3rd
Central Church of Christ
in Moore.



- ▶ **Senior Sunday**
Sunday, May 17th



Luke, Cayden, & Johnny at LTC