



HOW WE HAVE BEEN REDEEMED

The book of Ephesians opens with a beautiful description of God’s redeeming love. This introduction is personal (“us” and “we” are used 11x in 1:3-14), showing the purpose of God’s redemption, to bring us back to Him.

The introduction also shows us that this redemption was God’s plan from the beginning (1:4-5, 9). God has always desired to bring His wandering creation back to Him.

Finally, this introduction to the book of Ephesians shows us the limits of God’s redemption for us. Listen to the words of Ephesians 1:7-8:

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.”

The words “riches” and “lavished” can be translated as “abundance” and “overflow”. In other words, the actions of Christ on the cross do not barely save us, but bring us to a place overflowing with grace, mercy, and love.

As Paul moves into chapter 2 of Ephesians, he comes back to this “*great love*” (2:4) and tells us the results of our redemption in Christ saying that God...

...“*made us alive together with Christ*” (2:5). This immediately follows the statement made about our previous condition having been “*dead in our trespasses*” (2:1,5). God’s redemption takes us off the path leading to death and moves us to the path leading towards life.

...“*raised us up with him*” (2:6). This is a resurrection phrase. As Christ has been raised, we too have been raised by the same power of God, to live a new life (see Eph. 1:19-20).

...“*and seated us with him in the heavenly places*” (2:6). This phrase indicates our true position. We are citizens of the kingdom of God and under His rule.

As he closes this section of the chapter, Paul adds that we are “*created in Christ Jesus for good works...that we should walk in them*” (2:10). Redemption is not merely a gift we receive, but a complete and total change of our way of living.

Redeemed people have their thoughts and actions continually shaped by the work of Christ and encourage others to do the same. So let us live as those who have been made alive, raised up, and given a new purpose—walking daily in the life Christ has secured for us.

-Jack Dodgen

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LAST WEEK

Sunday Morning Bible Classes	138
Sunday Morning Worship	240
Sunday Evening Worship	Rest
Wednesday	81
Budget	\$9,615
Contribution	\$10,395
YTD Budget	\$134,610
YTD Contribution	\$118,174
Faith Fund	\$46,386

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW REQUESTS AND UPDATES

- **Sympathy to the Hartsburg Family** on the loss of Ben (BJ) Hartsburg.
- **Heather Broudrick**, Larry's daughter, requests prayers for overwhelming health challenges.
- **Joann Farley** had heart surgery on Thursday.
- **Valeri Goodnight & Family**, Pam Holt's cousin, lost her husband to an auto accident on Easter morning.
- **Don Hufschmid and Family** - Don is back in the hospital with a 2nd tumor. And his mother is in nursing care and not eating or drinking.
- **Tyler**, Carrol Bullock's grandson, was in an accident and broke his femur and tibia.

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

BABY SHOWER

In the Family Center at 2 PM, we will celebrate with Mitchell & Montana Graham. They are expecting a little girl, Monroe Graham.



ESTATE SALE

At the home of James & Karen Davis, 140 Blake Dr, Midwest City, 1-4 PM.

YOUTH GROUP SERVICE SUNDAY

The youth group will take on some service projects for the congregation this afternoon.

PRAY WITH AN ELDER

Every Sunday morning, following worship, one of our elders will be available in the north end of the lobby, in front of the Library. This is an opportune time if you would like to seek counsel or request prayer.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS



CLOTHING ROOM WORKDAY
Monday, April 13th, 9 AM to Noon
Each Monday morning.



CLOTHING GIVEAWAY
Tuesday, April 14th, 1-5 PM
2nd Tuesday of each month.



LADIES CLASS
Wednesday, April 15th, 10 AM
Wednesday mornings through April 22nd.



WORK DAY
Saturday, April 25th, 8 AM - Noon
Please join us as we work to maintain our facilities.



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.



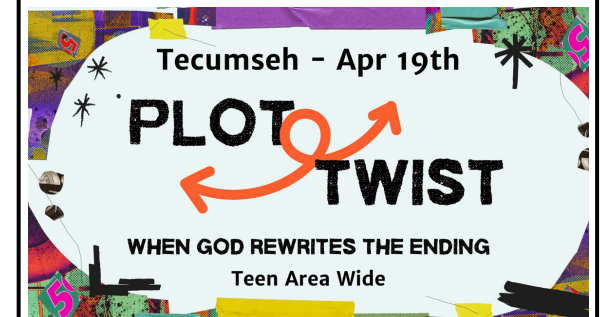
EMPTY NESTERS GAME NIGHT
Friday, May 8th, 6 PM
Each month on the 2nd Friday.



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



- ▶ **Service Sunday**
Sunday, April 12th, 3 PM
Helping with some projects around the building.
- ▶ **Area Wide**
Sunday, April 19th
Highland Church of Christ in Tecumseh.



- ▶ **Teen Huddle**
Sunday, April 26th
TBD
- ▶ **Area Wide**
Sunday, May 3rd
Central Church of Christ in Moore.
- ▶ **Senior Sunday**
Sunday, May 17th