



Northside Church of Christ

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, March 18, 2018

Only the Pure in Heart

The Bible says, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (**Matthew 5:8**). I'm reminded of fantasy stories where heroes are selected based on virtue. Only the worthy can wield Thor's hammer. Only the true king can pull Excalibur from the stone. Virtue and worthiness come from pure hearts. Supposedly, Ludwig van Beethoven said, "Only the pure in heart can make a good soup." Truly good soup warms the heart, soul, and body. More to the point, C.S. Lewis wrote "It is safe to tell the pure in heart that they shall see God, for only the pure in heart want to."

There are small kernels of truth to these human statements, but what did Jesus mean in his divine statement? God's purposes are tied to His human creation. So how can we be pure in heart? What is the recipe for this heartwarming soup? The question is: Do we truly want to see God? That's the motivating factor for purity and holiness.

David said the ones who seek the face of God keep their hands and hearts clean (**Psalm 24:3-6**). Of course, we can't reach this level of purity on our own; it's prideful to think we could (**Proverbs 20:9**). Paul charged Timothy that the kind of love that accomplishes God's pursuits comes from a place of purity (**1 Timothy 1:5**). Clean hands and pure hearts don't happen by accident. They are washed and scrubbed by someone who is more pure, clean, and perfect than we can currently imagine (**Hebrews 10:22; 1 Peter 1:22**). God, who is holy, makes you more holy when you submit to His will in obedience. If you want the joy of seeing God, you will seek His holy heart even now.

Thoughts from Chris Wheat

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Jesus Wept

Introduction (John 11:1-44)

- “ _____ ” tells the bittersweet love story of C.S. Lewis and Joy Gresham.
- With _____, Jesus shows how He “became flesh, and dwelt among us” **(John 1:14)**.
- He doesn’t _____ us on suffering or pain; He joins His tears with ours in comfort.

Love

- Doesn’t Jesus love _____? How could anyone fit this description? **(11:3)**
- He assures them the sickness is “not unto _____,” but “for the glory of God” **(11:4)**.
- He truly loved them and saw an _____ to teach and show God’s power **(11:5)**.
- Jesus waits two days, then risks a trip, _____ the Jews want to kill Him! **(11:11)**
- The “ _____ ” was death, and He admitted His friend was dead **(11:14)**.
- We can hear fear and _____ mingled in the words of Thomas **(11:16)**.

Disappointment

- Can you hear the terrible _____ of disappointment in Martha’s voice? **(11:21)**
- He just stood there and took it! He allowed her to _____ those frustrations!
- She was _____, disappointed in Him, and in pain for her loss.
- When people are in pain and grieving no explanation will _____ their aches...

Tears

- Martha _____ told Mary that Jesus was calling for her **(11:28)**.
- She “fell at His feet” in contrast to Martha’s _____ **(11:32)**.
- Then there is the “ _____ ” of the story... **(11:33-35)**
- Gregory of Nyssa said, “Tears are like _____ in the wounds of the soul.”
- When Jesus _____ the pain to enter His heart He was moved, motivated **(11:38)**.
- What did those tears mean? Tears do not always _____!

Journal for the Journey

- Jesus experienced the totality of humanity. He was _____ human and _____ God!
- Jesus enters our world, feels our pain, cries our tears, all to deliver the _____.
- “We know that God loves *us*.” This journey of faith is made _____ Jesus!
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PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Olson is home recuperating and will be having a few more tests done.

Ed St Claire has had some heart issues this week.

Kids plus Chaperones are going to the retreat this week.

Jerry Lynn Corbett, had a heart attack and has been in ICU.

Mary Alice Teer, Aubrey Minchew's sister, broke her hip and is in the nursing home.

Joey, Felicia Scott's brother, is home now, recovering.

PRAY FOR

➤ Danny Paschal, Evar Johnson, Larry Havard, Sr. Joyce Ross, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, Dick & Barbra Decker, Ed Fields, David Anderson, Karen Freyer, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Karen McKenzie, Glenda Tynes, Wendell Davis, Ronnie McDaniel, Nita Winget, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, James Lewis, Ronnie Branstetter, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Betty Mars, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Allison Whited, Jackson Pratkan, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Donna Blahuta, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham (cancer), Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe (cancer) Tommy Cross (cancer), Sherril Polansky (cancer), Cora & Sonny Gore, Mark Hardwick.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans

Lake Shore Estates Eugenia Olson

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Jaxom Walker (18th) Cherie Winget (22nd)
Reggie Olson (26th) Johnny Henderson (26th)
Carla & Chester Pogue (28th) Truman &
Dovie Burrow (30th)

OTHER NEWS

Elders & Deacons Meeting at 5pm today.

There is an updated Church **directory** on the table.

Wednesday Night meal will be Hamburgers at 5:30pm. There are signup sheets on the table.

Next Sunday is the Pot Luck and Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm. No Evening Services.

REMINDER 2: Start bringing your "Treasures" for the rummage sale today. Let's make this April sale the best, ever. Thank you, Mary Ruth C. & Martha T.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 25th Pot Luck after morning worship. No evening services.

March 25th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

April 1st Easter, bring filled Easter Eggs to hunt.

April 2nd – 7th FAC reserved for garage sale.

April 14th FAC reserved for youth night 5 – 8 pm.

April 15th – 18th Gospel Meeting at Lake Shore Dr Church of Christ (Wes McAdams) Flyer on board in foyer.

April 19th EEM is having a benefit event at Belton C of C at 7pm. Flyer on board.

April 21st FAC reserved for Eastern Star. (Donald Holland)

April 27th-29th Rett's **Girls** Retreat.

April 29th Pot luck after morning worship. No evening services.

April 29th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

May 19th area wide singing here at 5pm. Snacks after.

May 27th Pot Luck after morning worship. No evening services.

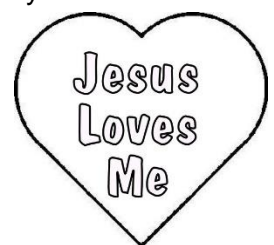
May 27th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

June 16th FAC reserved for Shela Havard.

June 17th-21st Bible Camp Brady, Tx.

August 4th FAC reserved to Kenny Willis.

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



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10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order:

Prayer: Charlie Scott

Song Order:

Communion:

Bill Acock Phil Bancale
Karl Helpert Nelson Moore

Song Order:

1014 - "Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

Sermon by Chris Wheat

"Jesus Wept"

Invitation Song

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Truman Burrow

If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm
welcome!

	<u>Week of March 4</u>	<u>Monthly Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>56</u>	<u>58</u>
AM Worship	<u>90</u>	<u>91</u>
PM Worship	<u>37</u>	<u>17</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>51</u>	<u>48</u>
Contribution	<u>\$3,142</u>	<u>\$4,783</u>

Northside Leadership

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Chris Borland
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Words of Wisdom



Nothing will run itself
Unless
it's running downhill.