Prayer Concerns

~Aubrey Hilligoss is still in the hospital (UTSW in Dallas). She had two intestinal surgeries last week. Specific prayers are that her heart and lungs hold up, and that her body fights off any post-surgery infection. They really appreciate the prayers.

~Continued prayers for **Brenda Brown**. She is slowly healing after total hip replacement surgery, but is having some issues with swelling and drainage at the incision. She has started on antibiotics, which should help her feel better soon.

~Ann Nash (Perez) is scheduled for a procedure on Thursday to open a blockage. Many prayers for Ann.

~Chester Lynd was moved to Brightpointe at Lytle Lake room 206. He has to rehab his hip enough for it to bear weight. Please pray for Chester and family. ~Prayers of thanksgiving that all went well with **Claire (Longley) Howe** as she gave birth to a healthy baby boy Saturday, Oct. 28. Remember Reuben and Claire in your prayers as they adjust to being a family of three!

~Please pray for expectant mom **Skyla Krause**.

~Please keep praying for **Caleb Powell's** friend, Wes Schowengerdt. He is battling cancer.



Those unable to join us:

- ~Ethel Gumm
- ~Patsy Williamson

Ongoing prayer concerns:

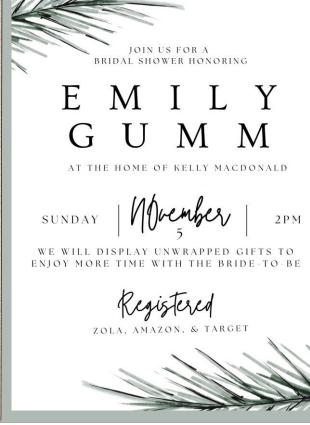
- ~Peggy Allen
- ~Deana Frazier
- ~Steve Henderson
- ~Ron and Geraldine Hill
- ~Nell Hopper
- ~Bill Jackson
- ~Melody Loveland
- ~Chester Lynd
- ~Johnny Newman
- ~Dwight Painter
- ~Jim Prather
- ~Eric Robinson
- ~Matt Rogers
- ~Steve Smith
- ~Jim and Joyce Waddell
- ~Mickey Walker

Missionaries:

~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX

~Megeste & Jose Pierre—Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti





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November 5, 2023

Westgate Church of Christ Welcome Members and Guests



Bridal Shower Today

A bridal shower honoring Emily Gumm, bride-elect of Andrew Clute, will be held **this afternoon at 2:00** at Kelly MacDonald's house. Emily is registered at Zola, Amazon, and Target. Hostesses are Cathrine Clements, Briana Horner, Kelly MacDonald, Christie Pruitt, Misty Tom, and Angie Wier. All the Westgate ladies are invited to come celebrate Emily and Andrew.

Welcome New Sister in Christ

We rejoice with the Morton family as Jason and Anita's daughter Kinley was baptized last Sunday. We are so proud of her decision. Be sure to pray for Kinley and remember to encourage her in her Christian walk.



Westgate Friendsgiving Potluck in 2 Weeks

A new event is on the horizon – the first annual Westgate Friendsgiving! **Sunday, Nov. 19**, after services, we will have a potluck dinner. Friendsgiving is a celebration or meal shared among friends near Thanksgiving Day. This will be a time to gather with your crazy Westgate friends before you see your crazy uncle at Thanksgiving. More details next week!

Thanksgiving Meal Help

Gobble gobble! It's that time of year to bless others with Thanksgiving meals. If you are going to be in town during Thanksgiving and are willing to help with preparing and/or delivering meals, watch for sign-up sheets next week. If you know of anyone in the congregation who could use a cooked Thanksgiving dinner, or if you would like one, please let Brady or one of the elders or deacons know.

Sermon Title: With Great Power...

Scripture: Genesis 3: 8-13

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man,

"Where are you?"

He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."









Nov. 5: Evan Chanev. Jim Waddell

Nov. 8: Luke McFarlen,

Trevor Sutton

Nov. 11: Emmy Schumpert,

Dwight Painter









Nov. 5: Emily Gumm bridal shower 2 p.m., Daylight Saving Time ends (fall back)

Nov. 11: Veterans Day

Nov. 12: Children's Program Practice 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., Youth Devo 6:00 p.m.

Nov. 15: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Nov. 17 - 19: youth group Fall Retreat at Solid Rock Camp

Nov. 19: Church Friendsgiving Potluck after services

Nov. 22: no Bible classes

Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 26: Children's Program Practice 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Nov. 29: Brown Bag Fellowship

Dec. 2: Breakfast with Santa

Dec. 3: Church Christmas Party & Program & Chili Supper

Dec. 6: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Dec. 10: Baby Shower for Skyla Krause

Dec. 17: Christmas Candlelight Service

Dec. 20: Youth Group **Christmas Party**

Dec. 24: no Bible classes, worship @ 10:00 a.m.

Dec. 27: No services

worship @ 10:00 a.m.

Dec. 31: no Bible classes,

A Lesson from Hunter Safety – by Brady Horner

I took a hunter safety course a few years ago. The course is a little different now than it was when most of our long-time hunters took it. Now there is an entire section on how to (or really not to) post hunting pictures on social media. It basically discourages it. It says if you post, put up a warning, or put it in the comments so people aren't forced into, or surprised by seeing something they didn't want to see. It's partially out of respect for others, but in reality, it is to protect the "sport" (I feel weird calling it a sport but I see how it is). The hunting community doesn't want a bad rap from people blasting their gruesome kills all over social media. It's not saying the sport is bad, but it's saying some won't like it, and will take it the wrong way. It's being mindful of perceptions. It's trying to avoid the crosshairs of those who might be offended (or organizations that want ammo against hunting).

I know there is some temptation to think "I don't care who is offended, I can post whatever I want, there is nothing bad about hunting". But the point is, what you do as an individual impacts the whole community. This is something our hyper-individualistic culture is really having a hard time grasping. What you do as an individual can impact your family, school, work, and faith communities. You are not just accountable to yourself; you are accountable to those you relate to and represent. This is what Paul was trying to say in 1 Corinthians 10: 23 & 24: "I have the right to do anything,' you say—but not everything is beneficial. 'I have the right to do anything'—but not everything is constructive. No one should seek their own good, but the good of others." Paul was telling the Corinthians your individual rights should not be exercised just because you can. If they in any way hurt others, or are to the detriment of the community, don't do it! The good of others should always come before your individual rights. If we could really grasp this, I believe the world would be a much better place.

Congratulations **Thank You Note** Jedediah Texas Howe was We are so grateful for all born Saturday, Oct. 28, to you did when you were Reuben and Claire (Longley) the sermon! We got your Howe, weighing 9 lbs. 8oz., message loud and clear! and 22 inches long. Momma You love God! You love and baby are healthy! people! Thank you! Thank you! **Christian Homes**

Children's Ministry News

- In Psalm 119, a psalmist explores how God's Word is like a light, showing us what path to take. Jesus sums up the two main things God's Word shows us to do: love God and love others.
- Last week for this Summary Verse: "Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path" (Psalm 119:105).
- ➤ With weather and time changes, please remember to pray for our Westgate educators, our children, and their teachers.
- > If your child would like to participate in our Christmas program, Love Came *Down*, please add their name to the sheet in the hall, 4 years to 5th grade please. Beginning Nov. 8, we will continue to review Sunday AM lessons, but

will begin to learn songs for the Christmas program on Wednesday evenings.

The winter quarter will begin on **Dec. 3**. Please consider teaching Bible truths to a great bunch of kids. Thank you.







children were pleased with your efforts. Appreciation to McSherrys for their photos. If you have other pics you would ke to add to a bulletin board, please send them to the office.



Everyone looked so stylish at our youth group costume party last Sunday! Thank you so much for all your hard work at Trunk or Treat too!

Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. for class.

Please let Clay know ASAP if you want to go on the Fall Retreat! We will have a time to reconnect with God and have fun with our Youth Group at Solid Rock Camp in Eastland, TX on November 17th-**19th**. The cost is \$30 per student.

Thank you so much for all your hard work at Trunk or Treat! The youth group looked great in their costumes!



Please pray for all our students this school year!

Services at Westgate: Sundays—Bible Class 9:00 a.m., Worship 10:00 a.m., Wednesdays—Bible Class 6:45 p.m.

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Chris Meeks, Matt Waldrip

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Williams

Building Lock-up:

Nov.: Matt Waldrip Dec.: Jon Cogburn

Blessing Box Counting:

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