



Welcome To The Killeen Church of Christ!

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."-Ecclesiastes 12:13



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*Foster's Home
For Children
Stephenville, TX*

*Sunny Glen
Children's Home
San Benito, TX*

SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM



Because He Lives

By Phil McIntosh

After having been beaten, pierced, mocked, and speared, the Lord Jesus' body was taken off the cross and lain quietly and humbly in Joseph of Arimathea's tomb (**Lk 23:50-53**). To say the day was dark for Jesus' followers would be an understatement. They had pinned all their hopes and dreams on Him; they wore their feet sore following Him for months on end. He was the light that came into the world and for them in that moment, the light had gone out. You and I cannot likely begin to imagine what those first few nights were like after He died. Jesus' disciples were hiding from the Jews and were likely in shock.

There was a group of women who had followed Jesus and served Him in various ways who watched the crucifixion and burial take place. These women, though overcome with depression, went to serve Him one last time by properly dressing Him and His burial chamber (**Lk 23:56-24:1**). When they arrived at the tomb their world was turned upside down. The tomb which they knew housed the body of Jesus no longer contained Him. The message they were given was that He was not there, because He had risen! The Bible says the women "went out quickly...with fear and great joy" (**Matt 28:8**); they then immediately went to spread the news. Their sorrow had been turned to joy, just as the Lord had promised them a little while before (**John 16:22**). The rest of their life on earth was permanently altered when He stepped out of that tomb on that fateful Sunday morning almost 2,000 years ago.

The miracle was not that Jesus lived, but lives. He did not somehow survive the crucifixion and just pine away the hours, waiting for the tomb's stone to be rolled back. He died on the cross that day; His heartbeat ceased, His precious blood stopped coursing through His veins. But while entombed in the earth, God's power reanimated His body and brought back His spirit from Paradise, reuniting it with His mortal form. The Lord then stepped out of that tomb and continued to command the mantle of the title "I Am." He didn't just live then, He lives now. Because He lives, the world has continual and everlasting hope.

Read these lyrics in the old hymn and be reminded of what that morning means to you:

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus;
 He came to love, heal, and forgive;
 He lived and died to buy my pardon,
 An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

Chorus:

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
 Because He lives, all fear is gone;
 Because I know He holds the future,
 And life is worth the living,
 Just because He lives!

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
 And feel the pride and joy he brings;
 But greater still the calm assurance:
 This child can face uncertain days because
 He Lives!

Chorus:

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
 Because He lives, all fear is gone;
 Because I know He holds the future,
 And life is worth the living,
 Just because He lives!

And then one day, I'll cross the river,
 I'll fight life's final war with pain;
 And then, as death gives way to victory,
 I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!

Chorus:

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
 Because He lives, all fear is gone;
 Because I know He holds the future,
 And life is worth the living,
 Just because He lives!

The fates of every human being who lived before Jesus and after Jesus were permanently and eternally altered because He was resurrected and walked out of the tomb that day. One of the religious community's greatest failures is to focus on Jesus' resurrection only on "Easter Sunday." Jesus' passion, death, burial, and resurrection affects how we live in January, August, and November just as much as it does March/April. I thank God that the Bible teaches us to commemorate the end and renewal of Jesus' life every week; that way we never forget (*Acts 20:7; 1 Cor 11:25-26*). The fate of everybody and everything was affected because God's will and majestic plan was carried out over the course of those three days (*1 Pet 1:20; Eph 1:4*). He died and God raised Him up- for you. How will you respond to that?

SHEEP KEEPER ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL

♦Group # 1-**NEW CONVERTS**

Team Leader: Paul Portley

♦Group #2-**VISITORS**

Team Leader: Roger Deem

♦Group #3-**WIDOWS**

Team Leader: Gaylen Williams

♦Group #4-**DELINQUENT MEMBERS**

Team Leader: Phil McIntosh

***All groups will meet for visits in February/March after morning worship on April 14th.**

***Note: if team members are unavailable, leave your information with your group leader.**



CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN DRIVE:

We are collecting the following canned soup items for the Cherokee Home for Children through April 28th: cream of mushroom, cream of chicken, cream of celery, cheddar cheese & tomato soups. These items may be placed in the foyer.



"One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple." -Psalm 27:4

Ladies, please make plans to attend the annual Ladies Retreat at the Nolanville Campground on Saturday, April 20th, beginning at 9:30 am. Bring your favorite picnic dish! Sign-up sheets & more information are on the Ladies Bulletin Board. Our speakers are Nichole Williams and Creta Bales.

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: Matthew 13:24-30

“²⁴ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: ²⁵ But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. ²⁶ But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. ²⁷ So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? ²⁸ He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? ²⁹ But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.”

Sunday PM: John 17:13-21

“¹³ And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. ¹⁸ As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. ²⁰ Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; ²¹ That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.”

ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

- ♦ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦ **1ST PRAYER:** ADAM ZAK
- ♦ **SONG:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **SCRIPTURE READING:** BILLY GAITHER
- ♦ **SONG:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **SERMON:** ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦ **INVITATION SONG:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **COMMUNION:**
IVAN MCINTOSH & XAVIER ESTAVILLO
- ♦ **SONG:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **OFFERING:**
IVAN MCINTOSH & XAVIER ESTAVILLO
- ♦ **CLOSING SONG:** PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦ **CLOSING PRAYER:** PATRICK SELLERS
- ♦ **AUDIO/VISUAL:**
PATRICK SELLERS & JUELZ MCKENZIE
- ♦ **SECURITY:** ROGER DEEM & KINGSFORD ASARE
- ♦ **NURSERY:**
NICHOLE WILLIAMS & VICTORIA POLANCO

April Nursery Schedule

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| 3/31-Nichole & Victoria | *We are in need of more ladies to help in the nursery. If you would like to be on the nursery list, please contact the office. Thank you! |
| 7-Amanda & Natalie | |
| 14-Victoria & Josephine | |
| 21-Brenda & Gayle | |
| 28-Briana & Brittni | |

April Cleaning Calendar

- May be done any time before the next Sunday.
- Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

3/31-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Rubye	14-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine Lois Marcella	28-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda
7-TEAM KINGSFORD Kim-Marie Jaden Barbara Gaylen Nichole	21-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken Adam	

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 10 - IVAN MCINTOSH (17)
- 18 - MICHELLE MCINTOSH
- 24 - GABI WILLIAMS (12)
- 26 - ANNIECE BANE
- 28 - MARTHA WILLIAMS

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Justina Young's husband, Terry, is deployed to Korea.
- Michael Rogers has deployed to Poland.
- Roman Polanco is training at Ft. Eustis, Virginia.
- Tim Matter has returned to Bogota, Columbia.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Hannah Fane's uncle, Mark, suffered a stroke and is on a ventilator.
- Glenda Boudreaux is asking prayers for her co-worker, Shawn, whose best friend (Chris Sault), is being admitted into Hospice.
- Jim Dukes is now a resident at The Rosewood, Room 104. We are compiling a list of those willing to pick up Bro Dukes at Rosewood for worship. If you will help, please call Phil or Vicky. There are items he wishes to donate that are in one of the classrooms for anyone interested before they are taken to the thrift shop.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND:

Ralph Hughart; Yolanda Wright; Opal Jones; Scott Davis; Beverly Williams' sister (Patsy); Michael Rogers' father (Michael Sr.); Lois Brown; Jim Dukes; Yvonne Hardiman's husband (Ray), sister (Michelle); Lee Fisher's brother (Jessie); Bill Rawlings & his mother; Barbara Hughart; Justina Young's grandfather (Terry); Mary Lou Daines' son (Shawn); member in Georgia (Joyce Huff); Donna Hines, husband (Les), stepmother (Darla), & niece (April Miller); Vicky Polanco's nephew (Christopher); Eddy Gandy; Barbara Anderson, grandson (Derrick), & brother (Elijah); Glenda Boudreaux & mother; Michelle McIntosh's cousin (Nikki), aunt (Christy); Al Wilson & friend (Linda Ray); Gayle Wilson's friend (Sherry Canes); Jaden Seay; Amy Cole; James Garner, wife (Tammy) & family; Shirley Wooten; Shirl Foster; Judy Wall's husband, (James); Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law (Janeth & Neville Grey); Nada Miller; Julie Odum's mother (Sharon Schmidt); the Arch family; Tim Matter's wife (Elda), brother (Michael), mother, aunt (Vivian), & sister's husband (Christopher); Josephine Spear, sisters (Rose & Patricia), brother, & brother-in-law (Levorn); Alexis Gaither, father, aunt, & friends (John & Marion Slaughter); Creta Bales' cousin (Terry Jackson); Cheryl Flores' aunt (Joy) & brother-in-law (Raymond Flores); former members (Rey & Connie Cruz); Jon-Jon Simmons; Tracy Wilson's mother (Ruth Hyde); Linda Deem's nephew; Amanda Petties' sister (Jewel), brother (Rex), nephew (Quincy), nieces (Carrington & Moneisha), sister-in-law, & Zack's brother's son (Darius) & granddaughter (Kyemara); Rufus Brown; Marcella Williams & brother-in-law (Johnnie Milford); Billye Hughes; & Jessie Turner.

Our Speaker Today is André Pettaway



We want to especially welcome our visitors!

If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card from the back of the pew directly in front of you, and drop it in offering box as you leave. Thank you for your visit and please join us again!

BIBLE STUDIES AND COUNSELING OFFERED

- ⇒ Bible Studies With Our Preacher Or Elders
- ⇒ Free Bible Correspondence
- ⇒ Free Marriage And Family Counseling

To our visitors—Thank you for being with us today, and please come again!

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APRIL CALENDAR

3, 10, 17, 24-Ladies Bible Class, 10:00 am, in the building

6-Prom Alternative, 4:45 pm, at the building

13-Ladies Breakfast & Workday, 9:30 am, at the building

14-Youth Devotional following evening worship, at the home of Donna Hines

20-Ladies Retreat, 9:30 am, at the campground

27-Men's Workday, 8:30 am, at the building

28-Cherokee Home for Children Pantry Drive ends