



GRAHAM STREET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rooted - Growing - Reaching

November 15, 2020 Sunday

Bulletin Announcements and Updates—

“Looking Ahead”

It may seem strange to be spending time planning for next year in a time when everything seems to be changing, but we “strain forward to what lies ahead” (Phil. 3:13) with prayer and flexibility. We must apply careful strategies to do our part to not spread the virus to those who are at high risk, but we must stay on mission with prayer and planning.

Let me speak to some plans I am working on in my teaching and preaching ministry. As we look forward to the day when we can all be seated together in worship, I thought it would be a great time for us to study the topic of “worship.” So, I am working on a sermon series to start in January called, “Come, Let’s Worship Together,” with Bible study discussion material for our small groups. These groups would meet on the first and third weeks and dig deeper into what we studied Sunday morning in the sermon. So, we need to start more groups and need more hosts and leaders. I am also excited about plans to work with Le Jones and his singing class in offering a “worship service” on the second and fourth Sunday nights (at the same time that we are offering the “Family Bible Class”) where we can work on some new songs while we worship together.

I am also looking forward re-starting the GPS (Godly Parenting Skills) class. I am working on some curriculum to develop the “Rooted, Growing, and Reaching” mission of our Youth and Family Ministry at Graham Street Church. I am looking forward to studying the biblical principles of the joint effort of the church working in partnership with families to provide children with the spiritual foundation they need through a holistic support system for parents. I will partner with Wes to develop some exciting topics for discussion for our parents and teens, and even include some interaction from the children and teens. This will ultimately build a stronger Youth and Family Ministry, which will build stronger families, which will build a stronger church, which will be a support system to families beyond our church family.

I look forward to getting our Bible Classes going again on Sunday mornings, and we are still needing a few more teachers for our children, so let me know if you can help. I am also working on a Bible class for Wednesday nights that I will call, “Getting to Know Jesus.” You will hear more about why I chose this topic Sunday morning in my sermon from Philippians, so be listening for it!

David Bearden



➤ **Texans for Christ College Ministry Announcement:** College students can stay up to date with what our college ministry has going on through our website <https://texansforchrist.org>

➤ **Youth Group Announcement:** If you haven't yet, please go to grahamstreetyouth.org to fill out the **Student Info Form**. This allows us to have current info for students & parents, as well as what activities students are involved in this school year. Young people, 7th –12th grade can stay up to date with what our Youth Group has going on through our website <https://www.grahamstreetyouth.org>

➤ **WiFi Password = john1335**

➤ OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

Sunday Bible Class TONIGHT 5:00 p.m.! Adult Class in the auditorium, Family Class in the Family Center, Teen Class in Room 109.

The Family Bible Class is for children through 6th Grade and their parents. We would like the 4th-6th Graders to be a part of the teaching process. If you parents would like to have your child (4th-6th Grader) be a “teacher’s aid” during FBC **please send David an email.**

(david@grahamstreetchurch.com) stating you give your approval for (child’s name) to be a teacher’s aid in FBC and that you will help them prepare for their role and help enforce COVID safety requirements while they are serving.

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 or 10:45 a.m. at the building.

Audio with Slides Recording on website (<https://grahamstreetchurch.com/sermons> **)**

Family Resources: <https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church>

Video Recording on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/grahamstreetchurch/>**)**

Graham Street Grill: Live Q & A Bible Study and Church Member Interviews

On pause—announcement about restart in the near future.

<https://www.facebook.com/grahamstreetchurch/>

“First Things First Bible Study” Video for Small Groups and Bible Classes is on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/grahamstreetchurch/>

Study materials on website: <https://www.grahamstreetchurch.com/house-church> or

<https://grahamstreetchurch.com/small-group-materials>

Chronological Bible Reading: <https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-reading-plan/chronological.html>



UPCOMING DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, 11/22/2020—Special Thanksgiving Services Sunday morning next week



Sunday, 11/22/2020—Sunday evening Community Thanksgiving Service to be held at First Baptist Church 6:00 pm—sermon by Wayne Hancock, preacher at Cross Timbers Church of Christ next week

Sunday, 11/29/2020—Special Sunday Night Worship Service for everyone (5:00 p.m. in auditorium)

Sunday, 12/27/2020—No evening worship

Sunday, 01/03/2021—Special Sunday Night Worship Service for everyone (5:00 p.m. in auditorium)

NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Night of 100 Casseroles will be on November 19th this month. On November 19th, drop off your casserole at the Family Center between 4:00 and 4:45. Casseroles are given away from 5:00 to 7:00 or until they are all given away! If you want to help, but cannot actively participate, donations are gladly welcome!

The Church Office will be closed Wednesday, November 25th through Friday, November 27th, for Thanksgiving.

Giving Update

Contribution 11/08/2020 \$10,243 Budget: \$9,700 YTD Contribution \$ 435,502 YTD Budget: \$436,500

Building Fund \$273,016 (this is the total amount given since start of Phase 2— the funds given to date have been used for the new roof and new A/C units.)

Be sure to see the thank you cards from **Bobbie Pederson, Mike & Cindy Lively, plus the Gaines family** posted on the hall bulletin board.

Basic Needs Totals for October:

Seniors 121 Families Served 106 Individuals 368 New Families 9



Charles Williams; Ronnie Moring; Doug Gassett; Denise Powell; Paula Busby; Paula Oliver, Micaela Moore, Cynthia Price, Jody Caudle who has continuing health problems, Mike DeMott, Tabitha McClellan, James Young; Patty Jones; Debbie Kitchens; Peggy Glover; Jerry Lindley; Pam Clayton; Billy Powell; Steve & Ginger Ham request prayers for their family; Bobby Tate; Brad & Shirley Fry (they both have been diagnosed with COVID-19—he has been preacher at Tolar Church of Christ); The family of Kenneth Gaines who recently passed away. The Lively family, Cindy Lively's father, Web Jordan passed away recently. The Ramirez family Rai Ramirez's father, Rafael Ramirez, passed away last week.



Mark your calendars! The Community Christmas Dinner will be held on **Wednesday, December 16, 2020, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.** It will be an event similar to Nights of 100 Cassettes and be a drive-through for people wanting to have a Christmas dinner provided by Graham Street Church of Christ. Prep will be from December 12—16. Servant's Supper, for those who help prepare the meal, on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.



We will be participating in this great upcoming event and we will need volunteers. More information will be coming soon, but plan on being there if you can!

**Saturday, November 28th, 2020
6:30 p.m.**