



GRAHAM STREET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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September 5, 2021 Sunday

DB's Dabblings: "What's Going On?"

With the rise in COVID numbers, I have had some in our congregation and in the community asked if it has changed our plans for church activities. At this point, we are not making major changes to our schedule from what we have previously announced, but we do encourage everyone to take appropriate steps to stay well and protect those around you. We encourage vaccinating, masking and sanitizing you hands often. If you feel in any way unwell, don't take a chance of passing on something that could be dangerous to the more vulnerable. And Please Keep Praying that God will bring this epidemic to an end! I pray that you will all have a safe and fun Labor Day.

Our Plans for Sundays. We have a full Sunday morning schedule with Bible Classes at 9:00 for all ages. The adults have a class in the auditorium on the Book of Revelation taught by Hughbert Collier. We will add the GPS (Godly Parenting Skills) class after Labor Day on Sept. 12. I will be teaching it in the GPS room upstairs from the Youth Ministry Room. Our GPS topic this semester is, "Better Parenting through Better Marriages." The worship assembly will be at 10:00 and with Children's Church for children ages 3-5 years old in the Loft during the sermon. On Sunday Afternoons and Evenings, we will continue to use the 1st and 3rd weeks for small groups. I will be starting a new Connecting Point small group for visitors and new members, Oct. 3. On the 2nd Sundays we are going have a Family Emphasis, more details on that next Sunday, Sept. 12. We will have a Church Fellowship Luncheon on the 4th Sunday, which we will use to meet new members and get to know our guests, and encourage them to attend the Connecting Point small group.

Our Plans for Wednesday nights. Wes has restarted REVIVE for the 6th – 12th Graders in the Family Center. The new Wednesday night program will start this week, Sept. 8. We will bring back our Wednesday night meals under Le Jones' direction from 5:30 to 6:15 in the Family Center. At 6:30, I will lead a short devotional for everybody in the main auditorium focusing on a name, title or description of God that we will study in our classes. We will break out for our classes by 6:45 and they will dismiss at 7:30. Whitney Holt is directing the program for small children through age 2. The parents with children ages 3 – 2nd Grade will be in the Family Bible Class in Room 109 coordinated by Megan Becker.

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The children grades 3-5 will be with Andy Brewer in the Orange Room, and the 6th through 12th Grade will be in REVIVE in the Family Center with Wes. All the adults who are not teaching or in the Family Bible Class will break into small groups for discussion classes. We need volunteers, if you are willing to help in any of these classes see the person directing the particular class for which you have an interest. Please join in this very special Wednesday Night Program!

David Bearden

NEWS/UPCOMING EVENTS

- **September 5, 2021: Children's Bible Class—The Story** Continues: God Builds A Nation
- **September 5, 2021: Children's Church** continues
- **September 8, 2021: Wednesday Night Classes Start—Wednesday Night Meals Start**
Wednesday Night Meals are back—5:30 to 6:15 in the Family Center
(Menu: Sloppy Joes, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, Dessert)
Wednesday Night Bible Classes are back—6:30 in the main building.
"What's in a Name? A Study of the Names, Titles, and Descriptions of God"
Classes for all ages. We will all meet in the auditorium for a short devotional focused on God's Name and then break into classes in various places in the building.
- **September 8, 2021: Revive Continues** (Youth Group—6:30 -meal provided)
- **September 11, 2021: Men's Prayer Breakfast**—8:00 a.m. at the Tri-C (Corner of Ollie & Tarleton)
- **September 12, 2021: GPS Class Starts—"Better Parenting Through Better Marriages"**
- **September 12, 2021: Children's Bible Class: Joseph**— From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh
- **September 18, 2021: Duracells's Church-Wide Picnic**—to be held at the home of Ronnie & Darlene Hearne starting at noon
- **September 26, 2021: Visitor and New Member Luncheon**—
We will use our monthly 4th Sunday Church-Wide Luncheons to meet New Members and for Fellowship with our Visitors
- **October 3, 2021: Connecting Points Small Group - Visitor and New Member Orientation Class**
- **October 28, 2021: Graham Street Church Fall Festival/ Night of 100 Caseroles/ Stephenville Safe Trick 'R Treat**



➤ OPPORTUNITIES TO BE TOGETHER IN STUDY AND PRAYER

Bible Class for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Children's Class:

The Story: God Builds A Nation

Adult Class: Hughbert Collier continues a study of Book of Revelation in Auditorium

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

➤ NIGHT OF 100 CASSEROLES TOTALS FOR THURSDAY August 26:

28 volunteers handed out 97 casseroles in 42 minutes tonight (the first 90 in just 22 minutes)!

➤ **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:** For details and updates for 6th-12th grade students and their parents, go to <https://www.grahamstreetyouth.org>



Mark Your Calendars: **The Duracells** are hosting a picnic for all church members on Saturday, September 18, to be held at the home of Ronnie & Darlene Hearne. (Starting at noon.)



Welcome to Melanie & Johanna Graham! They are now in the Directory. Be sure to say hello to them the next time you see them!



Charles Williams; Rusty Rose; Courtney Clayton; Bill Hodgson; Ronnie Moring; Paula Busby; Micaela Moore; Jody Caudle; Peggy Glover; Mildred Buchanan; Billy Powell; Chuck Gruenwald; Bill Scott; Chuck Arpe; Ricky Caudle; Charlie Hart, diagnosed with leukemia; Rebecca Stephens, her sister, Patti Wall; Brenda Caraway; Vincent Lopez; Patty Jones; Tim Childers; Wendall Ash, who's mother, Margaret Ash, passed away this past week; Carolyn Cook's mother and niece; Mike Kribbs; Family members of Peggy Gruell; Tony Territo and his family as Tony lost his father, Larry Territo. The family of Peggy Gruell's sister-in-law, who lost her brother, Johnny Alvarez; Ben Lewis, son of Marion & Ann Lewis. Sherri Carraway's brother, Carl House.

➤ ONLINE RESOURCES

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

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

Small Group Lessons and Study Materials are on the website:

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

Chronological Bible Reading:

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

➤ Giving Update

Contribution 08/29/2021 \$7,142 (73.6%) Budget: \$9,700

YTD Contribution \$332,565 (97.95%) YTD Budget: \$339,500

Building Fund \$345,949 - Our goal is \$350,000—We are almost there!

➤ To enhance our on-line Church Directory, we will be updating the information. We need your new phone numbers, address. **We especially need any current photos of your family that you would like to be used.** Please send to: office@grahamstreetchurch.com