

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, April 19 - Youth Sunday

9:00 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
11:00 a.m. - Reception - Toddlers Classroom

Tuesday, April 21

7:15 p.m. - Stated Joint Officer Meeting in Genesis Classroom

Wednesday, April 22

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 22 through Saturday, April 25

Rev. Doughton will be visiting his mother in Tennessee

Sunday, April 26

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast - Wilbanks Hall
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Wednesday, April 29

4:00 p.m. - Finance Committee Meeting - Pastor's Office
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 1 to Sunday, May 3

Mo-Ranch Men's Retreat

Saturday, May 2

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Venturing Crew 138 will hold a Cavalcade Planning Meeting in Wilbanks Hall

Sunday, May 3

Lord's Supper will be observed at both Worship Services
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Tuesday, May 5

9:15 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle
7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Night Circle

Wednesday, May 6

5:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 9

7:00 a.m. - Set Up Garage Sale
8:00 a.m. - Man the Garage Sale
3:00 p.m. - Clean Up Garage Sale

Sunday, May 10 - Mother's Day

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Men's Council - Mothers' Day Pancake Brunch, Wilbanks Hall

Tuesday, May 12

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting - Crossroads Class
7:30 p.m. - Worship Committee Meeting - Senior High Classroom

Wednesday, May 13

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 16

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Grace Presbytery - Presbyterian Women Gathering in Wilbanks Hall

Sunday, May 17 - Senior Sunday

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
12:00 p.m. - Luncheon for our graduating Senior - Campbell Futrell

THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
Ryoji Shimpō, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

SPRING CHURCH GARAGE SALE IT'S SPRING CLEANING TIME!! OUR GARAGE SALE IS SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2025 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

You've got stuff ... more than you need ... or have room for. So, clean out those closets and we'll help you get rid of that excess stuff. Remember, your stuff could become someone's treasure at the garage sale ... did we mention May 9?

Mark your calendar and plan to be here and help us.
THIS IS HOW WE FINANCE SOME OF OUR BENEVOLENCES.



SIGN-UP SHEET IS IN THE
WELCOME CENTER!



Thank you,
Gracy Thomas
& Brenda Greer



LIVING WORD CHURCH OF MESQUITE

On behalf of my wife and I, Pastor Javier Martinez, as well as our Living Word Church family, we want to take a moment and say thank you so much for everyone's hard labor and heart full of compassion to bring us into your church house with such love and care.

We're so excited for our first service there. The fellowship hall looks absolutely beautiful.

Our kids are so overwhelmed with excitement and joy because they finally have more than a 6x8 room for their use.

Not to mention our congregation loves how much space there is now to worship King Jesus. They can worship without being elbowed by one another.

Hopefully in the near future our congregation will be able to meet everyone. Again, thank you so much!



GUIDE TO WORSHIP YOUTH SUNDAY

April 19, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Stand Up, Even If You Stand Out

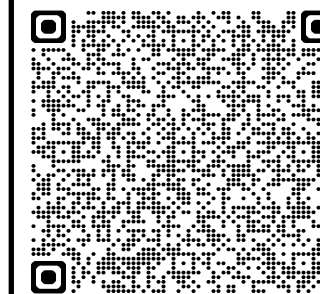


ROMANS 12:2
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And do not be conformed to this world,
but be transformed by the renewing of your
mind, that you may prove what is that good
and acceptable and perfect will of God.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* arr. John Purifoy

INTROIT 701 (x2) *Lord, Prepare Me* arr. Nylea L. Butler-Moore
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,
tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

CALL TO WORSHIP Adeline Aynes

Leader: Nehemiah 9:5 commands us: "Stand up and praise the Lord your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting."

Leader: In a world that often demands we blend in; God calls us to stand out. Let us stand together—physically and spiritually—to declare our devotion to the One Who makes us whole, even if it means standing alone.

People: **We will stand for our God!**

Leader: Let us worship with all our heart, soul, and strength

*HYMN 450 *Be Thou My Vision*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Campbell Futrell

Strengthen my spine, O God. Give me the holy boldness to stand up for truth and integrity, even if I am the only one standing. When I worry about being judged or disliked, remind me that my identity is in You alone, not in the approval of others. Free me from the cowardice that hides its light. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS # Mary Claire Doughton

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION # Kenzie Aynes

Dear God, thank You that Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. God, in a world of confusion, You are the Truth, in a world of darkness, You are Life. We pray that Your Word will illuminate our mind and soul today, that we may not fear standing out for You. Give us the grace to stand up, even if we stand alone, and the strength to reflect actions and character show Your righteousness. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Jeremiah 1:7*

"Get yourself ready! Stand up and say to them whatever I command you. Do not be terrified by them, or I will terrify you before them."

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Ephesians 6:13*

Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON # 1Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Mary Claire Doughton

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

RESPONSE 458 Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet

SERMON Campbell Futrell

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER Kenzie Aynes

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING Kenzie Aynes

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Joel Ramey
Ryoji Shimpo, Pianist

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION † Adeline Aynes

*HYMN 519 *You Are My Strength When I Am Weak*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*RESPONSE 743 *O God, You Are My God* David Strasser

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise you.

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

I will seek You in the morning,

and I will learn to walk in Your ways.

And step by step You'll lead me,

and I will follow You all of my days.


POSTLUDE *You Are My All in All* arr. Mark Hayes

Please be seated for the Postlude.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Mary Claire Doughton

Ushers † - John Futrell, Michael Lee,
Avery Hughes, Noah Hughes, Joshua Hughes,
and Adeline Aynes



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total items collected thus far in April is **21 items**.

Thank you to all who contribute!