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What Every Christian Needs

Phil Sanders

“But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love” (1 Corinthians 13:13).

In our confused, broken, and chaotic world, there are some fundamental things every person needs! Yes, they need each of these things. These things are not to be taken lightly or dismissed as trivial. They are basics of life.

We need faith. Without faith we cannot please God (Hebrews 11:6). Without faith we cannot be saved (John 3:18; 8:24). Without trust in God, we are left to trust our feeble thoughts or the fickle opinions of the world. Opinions are guesses in the absence of evidence, while faith is built on God’s evidences in the world and in Scripture.

We need hope. Life without hope leaves us empty in our souls. The struggles, disappointments, and heartaches of life leave us longing for something better than what we now know and have. The Lord provides us a living hope in Christ Jesus (1 Peter 1:3-5). We have hope for forgiveness and hope for eternal life in heaven. Hope comes from trust in God’s promises. Since God keeps His promise, our hope is not in vain.

We need love. Love is the summum bonum of life, the highest good, the ultimate goal by which we determine our goals and morals. There is nothing higher than loving God with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength and loving our neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40).

God loves you!

Shawn

Keep reading and studying the Word of God!

Welcome to Woodland Oaks Church of Christ

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Thank you for visiting us today! We look forward to meeting you!

Schedule of Services

Sunday	9:00 AM	Bible Classes
	10:15 AM	Morning Assembly
	6:00 PM	Evening Assembly
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Classes

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Elder of the Day Butch Merriman

Adult Bible Classes:

- “Parables of Jesus” by Shan Jackson
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium
- “Conversations about Christ: Practical Strategies for Sharing the Gospel”
by various teachers: Bryce Caldwell (4/6), Mac Brockman (4/13)
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101
- “Studying the Bible in Depth”
by Tyrone Mynhier—Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102
- “Christians and Hardships”
(Young Professionals) by Randy Sparks
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Rm)
- “Joshua” by Ross Randow, Colten Cavanaugh, Bryce Caldwell, Chris Fowler
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center Auditorium
- “Ephesians” (Young Professionals) by Raymond Walker
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in Worship Center Room A102
- Teen Bible Classes:**
- “1 Corinthians” (9th–12th) by Aaron Trent
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-107
- “Acts” (7th –8th) by Todd Watrous
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101
- “World Religions” (9th –12th) by Mike Smith
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-107
- “Divided Kingdom” (7th –8th) by Brant Mathis
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-101

A **Facility Map** and other information is available at the Welcome Center.

A **Secure Check-in System** is active for children ages 0 to 4 years.

A **Nursery** is available during Sunday morning worship for children 0-23 months. For children 24 months and up, there is a **Training Room** available at the back of the auditorium, behind the glass windows.



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Missions

For updates regarding the mission efforts supported by WOCC, please visit our church website, woodlandoaks.org, under Connect, click Ministries and Missions.

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Last Week’s Attendance

Sunday, March 30, 2025

9:00 AM Bible Class	439
10:15 AM Worship	629 @ WOCC 190 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	272
Contribution	\$42,612.42

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

7:00 PM Bible Class Not Counted

You may give online at:

<https://woodlandoaks.givingfire.com/>

Or mail contributions to our PO Box at:
Woodland Oaks Church of Christ
6700 Woodlands Parkway Suite 230-252
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Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through January 31, 2025 are \$195,545.36 compared to a budgeted amount of \$169,665.17 producing a surplus of \$25,880.19.

Notes

Announcements

There will be a **Lads2Leaders Meeting** TODAY at 5:15 p.m. in room A102.

There will be **Congregational Singing** TONIGHT during the evening assembly.

Men's Prayer Breakfast will be this Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00 a.m. at Denny's (28669 I 45 N, Shenandoah, TX 77381) .

Please consider joining us for our **VBS Prep Days** where we will prepare decor, craft and science station packets, and to help ensure a successful VBS! We will meet in the Chapel Center at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8 & 29.

Those signed up to attend **Aladdin**, at the Lynn Lucas Performing Arts Center, will meet at WOCC this Friday, April 11 at 4:45pm. We will eat at McKenzie's BBQ and Burgers in Conroe. The play begins at 7 p.m.

The **2025 Senior Banquet** will be held on Saturday, May 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Please sign up by Wednesday, April 16 in the foyer or at <https://forms.gle/bBjkrhMGG9ewWopb7>.

The **WOCC Celebrate Recovery** was launched 8 years ago by Nathan Ingram and a handful of members. It has provided a safe place to share hurts, habits and hang ups. Please join us on April 24 at 6:30 p.m. for lite bites and a celebration program which will be led by Nathan Ingram. If you'd like more information about Celebrate Recovery, please contact Tom Kernan.

The **WOCC Golf Tournament** will be Saturday, April 26. Men & Women, aged high school and above, are able to play. Please sign up in the foyer and see Robert Shock for more information.

The **Senior Saints** will attend the Port of Houston **Boat Tour** on April 29. Please sign up in the foyer.

Due to increased interest in Family Camp, we only have a few rooms left. Registration moving forward will be on a waiting list and handled on a case-by-case basis. **WOCC Family Camp 2025** will be June 6-8 at Lakeview Methodist Conference Center in Palestine, TX. The cost is \$125 for families, \$60 for individuals.

Interested in helping with **WOCC VBS 2025** being held on July 23-25? We are so blessed to have you with us! Please scan the QR code to sign up to volunteer.



Prayers

- ✚ **Helen Ikerd**/Raymond Walker's sister/hospitalized with flu and fluid on her lungs.
- ✚ **MaryJane Nevels**/home after surgical procedure/more tests and decisions in the coming weeks.
- ✚ **James Keeney**/procedure went well/at home resting.
- ✚ Please remember our members: **Charlyn Baker, Gary Erwin, Valerie Lowry, Jennifer McLeod, Laurie Riggs, Gary Smith.**
- ✚ Please remember our friends & family: **John (Buddy) Charleston, Sheila Corley, Billy Dearing, Helen Ikerd, Hatsue Lucas, Kay Orange, Donna Stone.**
- ✚ Members battling cancer: **Rodney Burke, Tania Cantu, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Terri Lowry, Erica Lunn, Roger McDonald, Bob McDougal, Marsha Owens, Jeanne Riggs, Janice Tadlock.**
- ✚ Friends & family battling cancer: **Brenda Booth, Glenda Coyle, Lisa Geerman, Steve Harding, Lacey Hunter, Crissy Kyle, Erika Phillips, Barbara Starr.**

Youth News

There will be a **Combined Devo** TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly in the FLC.

Tuesday Bible Study will be April 8 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Watrous Home.

There will be an **Elevate Hike Day** Sunday, April 13 at Klein Memorial Stadium. We will leave after the morning church assembly and should return to church around 3:30 p.m. Please bring a sack lunch and change of clothes.

The next **Youth Invasion** will be Sunday, April 13 immediately following the evening assembly at Crust Pizza (Panther Creek).

The next **Girls Dinner Devo** will be Thursday, April 24 at the home of Kendra Blake.

Treehouse Kids

Bible Builders: Children ages 2 to 5 will be dismissed at the Sunday evening assembly to go through the Bible in a year.

WOCC Camp Awesome registration is currently open. We have a set number of spots, and registration will be first come first serve based upon time stamp. The dates are July 30-August 3. You can sign up [here](#). For more questions, please contact Janna Wilkerson.

Sprouts Storytime meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in room A109.

The next **Dorcas Bible Class** (for girls K- 6th grade) will be Saturday, April 12. Meet in the room A101 from 9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. For more information, please see Jane-Ann Fleming.

The **April Memory Verse Check-in** will take place April 27 in the foyer, in between Bible class and Worship. Our verse for the month is Job 29:23.

Scan/Click the QR code to read the **April Newsletter** and find more information on upcoming events!



Thank You

Dear Woodland Oaks family,
Our sincere thanks for the love and support you have shown with the passing of Jeanette. Your texts, calls, cards, visits, attendance at the service, and prayers have sustained us through this tough time. This church family was always loved by her and by all of us. Thank you again.

In Christian Love, Bill, Richie, & Kevin Malone

Expectant Families

Lindsey & Doug Peak
Whitney & Jeremiah White

Donations Requested: A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.
WOCC Sharing Pantry: Tomato Products and Pasta
Sunny Glen Children's Home: Canned Nacho Cheese, Flour, Apple Sauce, Variety Chips, Tea Mix, Kool-Aid, Cooking Spray, Cup Cake Liners, Hand Soap Pumps (individual), Small Space Air Fresheners (Febreze), Lysol Spray, Mr. Clean Mop Fluid, Tooth Paste, Hair Products.

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Sunny Glen Donations Due
	10:15 a.m.	Bible Class
	5:15 p.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	L2L Meeting
	6:15 p.m.	Evening Worship—Congregational Singing
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Builders
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Combined Youth Devo
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball-Women
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Pickleball
	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast—Denny's
	9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Class
	12:00 p.m.	VBS Prep Day
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Sprouts Story Time
	5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
		Basketball
Friday	4:45 p.m.	Senior Saints NYT Aladdin
Saturday	9:30 a.m.	Dorcas Class

Upcoming Events

April 13	Elevate Hike Day
	Youth Invasion—Crust Pizza, Panter Creek
April 15	Men's Luncheon— Portino Woodlands
April 16	Sign Up Due for Senior Banquet
April 18-20	Lads2Leaders
April 18	Church Office Closed
April 24	Celebrate Recovery 8 year Celebration
	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—Kendra Blake
April 25	3rd-6th Boys Devo—Car Museum
April 26	Golf Tournament
	Baby Shower for Whitney White
April 27	Memory Verse Check-in
	Elder/Deacon Meeting
	Congregational Meeting
	Youth Invasion—Raising Cane's
April 28	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck
April 29	Senior Saints Port of Houston Boat Tour
	VBS Prep Day
May 3	Men's Breakfast
	Senior Banquet
May 4	Senior Sunday
	Congregational Singing
	High School Devo
May 8	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—Jenn Tolbert
May 10	Memorial Service for Bob Klemm
May 11	THK Mother's Day Service Project
	Youth Invasion—CAVA

Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Sandy Klemm at the loss of her husband and our brother in Christ, **Bob Klemm**, on March 29. The memorial service will be Saturday, May 10 at 10:30 a.m. at WOCC. Please keep Sandy, their son, Robert, his niece, Jaime Faulkner, and the family in your prayers. You can read the obituary and find more information at: <https://www.addisonfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/robert-bob-klemm/#!/Obituary>.

If you could use meals during times of need, please contact the church office at 936-273-0010 or information@woodlandoaks.org