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Sunday, May 4, 2025

9:00 AM Bible Class 405

Last Week's Attendance

10:15 AM Worship 684 @ WOCC 296 Views online

Contribution \$41,076.85

6:00 PM Worship

7:00 PM Bible Class

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

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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.

Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through March 31, 2025 are \$571,790.99 compared to budget of \$508,995.50 for surplus of \$62,795.49.

Notes

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

May 11, 2025

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: Rocky Rutledge (5/11, 5/18) 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 <u>0-23 months</u>.

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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Wisdom For Our Graduates

Aaron shared some wisdom for our graduates at the Senior Banquets. Our shepherds shared some godly wisdom with our graduates last Sunday as they were presented with Bibles. I thought I would join in and share some wisdom as well.

Plans change, but God doesn't. "So, what are your plans?" You've probably been planning and dreaming big, and you should. You might have some things already mapped out like a degree plan, your roommate, an on-campus job. You might even have an idea of where you want to work after you graduate from college. But if your plans change or if they fail, know this; God does not change or fail. His plans for you remain the same. In Jesus His plan is for you to shine bright in a dark world (Phil. 2:15). His plans for you are to follow Jesus and along the way show love, grace, and mercy to others as you love them and share with them the good news of Jesus.

A degree is optional, godliness is not. Do you need a college degree to be successful? You do in some fields, but you can be successful without one. But there's more to life as a child of God. You need to consider your future work and how you will provide for yourself and possibly a family, but more than that you need to consider your heart and soul. Integrity, honesty, compassion, sacrifice, and spiritual disciplines will uphold you through the tough times you will face as an adult. Growing a heart that authentically loves Jesus and others more than yourself is the definition of real success (Matt. 22:34-40).

The world will entice you, so stand firm. The world will whisper lies to you. The world will try to lure you, trap you, and enslave you in sin. The world will try to force you to be something you were not created to be. You must stand firm. You are an image bearer of the Almighty God. He has created you to be the salt of the earth and a city set on a hill. You are to be steadfast, immoveable, and always abounding in the work of the Lord (1 Cor. 15:58). One of the very best ways to grow your faith and stand firm in the Lord is to find and be involved in a healthy Church family. Don't go to Church, be part of the Church.

Keep Jesus first! Listen very carefully to the words of Jesus. "You cannot serve two masters!" Please, please, please keep Jesus as your master. It is a matter of life and death. Put Him front and center in all that you do and make sure everything else flows around Him. Filter everything you do through Jesus. Let the Spirit of God change your heart to be like Jesus. Be wise and build your house on the rock! When you graduate you will hear encouraging words like, "Reach for the stars!" "You got this!" "Go conquer the world!" "Follow your dreams!" Those are mostly hollow words. Here's wise counsel; "Always keep Jesus first!"

God loves you!

Shawn

Keep reading and studying the Word of God!

Announcements

Congratulations to Bridget Gordley who was baptized Saturday, May 3. Welcome to the family Bridget!

Woodland Oaks Church of Christ is proud to announce **Andrew Gidden** as the honoree of the 2025 John Jackson Memorial Scholarship and Aly Faulkner as the honoree of the 2025 Mary Young Memorial Scholarship. Congratulations Andrew & Alv!

We are still needing Bible Class Teachers for the Summer Quarter. Please contact Mike Arnold or Matt Fitzgerald if you can help!

The **Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 a.m. at Denny's (Research Forest & I-45).

The **Young Professionals** will have a movie night in the Education Building on Tuesday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m..

Speed Fellowship will be Sunday, May 18 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center!

For those signed up, the Lads2Leaders Awards/Recognition Banquet will be Sunday, May 18 immediately following the evening assembly in the Chapel Center.

WOCC VBS 2025 Registration is now active! Please woodlandoakskidministry.com and click on the VBS 2025 tab to learn more about VBS and register your child. WOCC VBS is open to children PREK4 -Entering 6th Grade. Your child must have turned 4 years of age by May 31st in order to register and attend. Registration closes June 1st so don't delayregister today!

Family Camp Talent Show registration is now open through June 1. Please scan the QR code to sign up.



Interested in helping with WOCC VBS 2025 being held on July 23-25? Please scan the QR code to sign up. If you are volunteering and have a child ages 0-3 that will be needing childcare, please register each child here.

Please note that there will be NO monthly Men's Breakfast for June. The next Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, July 12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center.

Prayers

- * Ken Cornett/mild stroke on May 6/at Houston Methodist The Woodlands/ no visitors please.
- **Paul Isherwood**/is home recovering and managing pain.
- **Debra Thompson**/surgery on May 8 went well.
- Please remember our members: Sara Blake, Michael Deming, Barbara Dickinson, Eathel Higgins, James & Carolyn Keeney, Philip Leonardos, Valerie Lowry, Marylane Nevels, Pam O'Connor, Laurie Riggs, Michael Salas. Don & Eve Southall.
- The 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, Lisa Geerman, Steve** Harding, Lacey Hunter, Crissy Kyle, Erika Phillips, Barbara Starr.

Youth News

There will be a **Youth Invasion** TONIGHT immediately following the evening assembly at Cava (6700 Woodlands Pkwy, Ste 170).

The next **Elevate Hike Day** will be this Saturday, May 17! Meet at Flintridge Park at 8:00 a.m.

Treehouse Kids

The WOCC Children's Ministry is partnering with our Faithful Fathers Ministry to show how much we honor, love, and appreciate our Mother/Mother Figures! Kiddos- please visit the Mother's Day Flower Bar Booth TODAY to pick out a flower to take to your Mom. While you're there, bring her along and take a picture at the photo booth!

There will be **NO Bible Builders** TONIGHT.

Parents of 5th and 6th Graders for the 2025-2026 school year: please join the Children's Ministry Team on Wednesday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m. in A102 to introduce and explain the new curriculum changes happening for this age group. We will go over the new Bridge Kids curriculum, and we would love for you to be there to understand what your child will be starting in June.

The **May Memory Verse Check-in** will take place May 25 in the foyer, in between Bible class and Worship. Our verse for the month is Psalm 127:3 "Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from Him."

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

Summer Camp Sign Up

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.

Camp Bandina: June 1-7 https://bandina-cecilhutsonsession.registration/

Camp Red Oak: June 9-14 https://form.jotform.com/250586922763163

Thank You

Dear WOCC Family,

Thank you for all the calls, meals, cards, adorable videos from the children, visits, and many prayers following my total knee replacement surgery. The hardest part of recovery has been not being able to actively be with everyone.

Love you all, Jane-Ann Fleming

Expectant Families

Elise & Daniel Fair Lindsey & Doug Peak Whitney & Jeremiah White

Donations Requested: A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer. WOCC Sharing Pantry: Macaroni & Cheese, Peanut butter, Jelly

This Week

Today		Family Camp Payments Due
	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class
	9:45 a.m.	THK/FF Mother's Day Flower Bar Booth
	10:15 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Invasion—Cava @ 6700 Woodlands Pkwy
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball-Women
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast—Denny's
	6:00 p.m.	Young Professionals Movie Night
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
	6:30 a.m.	THK Bridge Kids Parent Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Community Bible Class
	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
		Basketball
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Elevate Hike Day

Upcoming Events

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May 18	Speed Fellowship	
	Lads2Leaders Awards/Recognition Banquet	
May 20	Men's Luncheon—Jason's Deli (near Woodlands Mall)	
May 21	Quilting Group	
May 24	Senior Saints Astros Game	
May 25	Memory Verse Check-In	
May 26	Church Offices Closed	
May 31	Youth Induction	
June 1	Summer Quarter Begins	
	VBS Registration Closes	
	Deadline to Sign Up for Family Camp Talent Show	
	Bridal Shower for Heidi Gidden—bride elect of Kade Hulett	
	Congregational Singing	
	Youth Invasion—Freddy's	
June 1-7	Camp Bandina	
June 2	Monday FUNday	
June 3	THK Outing—Snow Cones	
June 4	Family Camp Meeting	
June 6	Church Offices Closed	
June 6-8	Family Camp	
June 9-14	Camp Red Oak Springs	
June 15	Youth Invasion—MOD Pizza	
June 16	Monday FUNday	
June 20	Youth FNL	
June 22-28	Camp Blue Haven—Session 3	
June 27	Youth FNL	
June 28	Elevate Hike Day	
June 29	Memory Verse Check In	
	Bridal Shower for Sarah Catherine Fleming	
June 29-July 11	Camp Blue Haven—Session 4	
June 30	Monday FUNday	
July 4	Church Offices Closed	
July 6	Congregational Singing	
	Youth Invasion—Coop's Hot Chicken	
July 7	Jabberwacky @ WOCC	
July 8	THK Outing—Altitude	
July 10	Elevate Packing Party	
July 11	Youth FNL—Girls	