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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 Mac Brockman

Communion Leader Ryan Segari

Adult Bible Classes:

“Are You Growing Spiritually?”

by Mac Brockman—Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A101

“The Book of Revelation”

by Bob Klemm—Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Worship Center Room A102

“Extraordinary Part 2 A Study of Acts: 13-28”

by Marty Miller
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Auditorium

“One Day It’s Really Going to Happen: The Day Christ Comes Again”

(Young Professionals) by Kevan Taylor

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel Center Room C106 (Magnolia Rm)

“People Watching”

by Scott Logan
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center Auditorium

“The Bible Quoting the Psalms Book 2”

(Ages 18-25) by Andrew Isherwood
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in Worship Center Room A102

Teen Bible Classes:

“1, 2 Peter, 1, 2, 3 John”

(9th–12th) by Trent Tadlock
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-107

“Life of Christ”

(7th–8th) by Morgan Whatley
Sundays @ 9:00 a.m. in the Education Center B-101

“Ezra, Nehemiah”

(9th–12th) by Jordan Blake, Cameron Gardner, & Kaleb Steinhauer
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-107

“United Kingdom”

(7th–8th) by Morgan Hughes
Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center B-101

Treehouse Kids Bible Classes:

0–1 year	A103
1 year	A105/A106
2 years	C103
3 years/Pre-K	A108
Kindergarten	B200
1st grade	B202
2nd grade	B203
3rd grade	B207
4th grade	B208
5th grade	B206
6th grade	B209

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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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, December 8, 2024

9:00 AM Bible Class	411
10:15 AM Worship	625 @ WOCC 284 Views online
6:00 PM Worship	213
Contribution	\$59,345.30

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

7:00 PM Bible Class	332
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You may give online at:

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

Or mail contributions to our PO Box at:
Woodland Oaks Church of Christ
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Budget

Actual unrestricted contributions through October 31, 2024 were \$1,642,594.34 compared to a budgeted amount of \$1,596,155.80 producing a surplus of \$46,438.54.

Notes

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN YOU DIED?

By Gregg Woodall

Paul reminds us in Romans 6:1-4, “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.”

When we committed our lives to Christ by being baptized, we buried our old self and died to sin so that we could be raised to walk in our new life. As we continue to walk in our new life, Satan is there at every corner, tempting us back into living like our old self. Far too often, it seems as though we have forgotten that we died (to sin) and we live like that old person we buried in baptism. When we do this, it is as if we are the walking dead, which is not someone any of us want to be, and none of us want to see.

The apostle Peter put it this way in 2 Peter 2:20-22, “For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. For it would have been better for them never to have known the way of righteousness than after knowing it to turn back from the holy commandment delivered to them. What the true proverb says has happened to them: “The dog returns to its own vomit, and the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire.” Also, it’s not a pretty picture.

Have you forgotten that you died to sin? Live for Christ and walk in the new life every day!

God loves you!

Shawn

Keep reading your Bible!

Announcements

Those who have a **Dorcas Secret Santa** will meet TODAY in between Bible Class and Worship in the Family Life Center for the Secret Santa Reveal.

Volunteers are needed TODAY immediately following the morning assembly to set up tables and chairs in the FLC.

The **L2L Boys Song Leading Class** scheduled for today has been postponed.

Everyone is invited to the **Cookies and Cocoa Sunday Social** TODAY from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the FLC. We will decorate gingerbread men cookies, while also having a cookie swap where everyone will get to go home with a small container of a variety of holiday cookies. This event is open to the congregation. Please bring a tray of your favorite holiday cookies to share with others.

Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck Supper will be this Monday, December 16 at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel Center.

Men's Luncheon will be this Tuesday, December 17 at 11:30 a.m. at Red Lobster.

There will be **No Community Bible Class** for the remainder of the year. Classes will resume Thursday, January 9.

There will be **No Activity at Church Building** Wednesday, December 25.

There will be **No Celebrate Recovery** on Thursday, December 26.

Sign up to **Read Through the Bible in 2025!** Sign up at the table in the foyer.

The **Senior Saints Progressive Dinner** will be Friday, January 3. Please sign up in the foyer by Sunday, December 29 if you will attend.

There will be a **Blood Drive** Sunday, January 5 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. Please sign up at: <https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive.schedule/395790>.

Prayers

✚ **Becky Stephens**/hip surgery December 8 went well/released from hospital December 9.

✚ Please remember our members: **Dennis Daulton, Peggy McKee, Valerie Lowry, Cleve McMillion, Laurie Riggs, Gina Talbott, Denise Tolbert, Betty Yovanovich.**

✚ Please remember our friends & family: **Ryan Bates, Lacy Hunter, Debbie Newsom, John Temple.**

✚ Members battling cancer: **Bill Blumenshine, Tania Cantu, Pharis Fowler, Cynthia Haney, Cynthia Lockwood, Terri Lowry, Erica Lunn, Roger McDonald, Bob McDougal, Marsha Owens, Jeanne Riggs, Janice Tadlock.**

✚ Friends & family battling cancer: **Lisa Geerman, D'Ann Norwood, Erika Phillips, John Singletary, Sabrie Stamper.**

New Members

Gerald & Kelli Gardner

Youth News

WOCC Youth have been extended an invitation by the Enterprise Boulevard Church of Christ to participate in their weekend **Youth Rally** on February 21-23, 2025. WOCC Youth deacons will need a RSVP by TODAY in order to facilitate planning. Find more information & RSVP at basicyouthministry.com.

We are thrilled to invite you to a **Youth Singing Event at Heritage Oaks** on December 21! We will be leaving promptly at 2:30 p.m. to ensure we arrive in time for the 3:00 p.m. singing. After the event, we'll make a fun stop for ice cream on our way back to WOCC.

There will be a **Youth Invasion** Sunday, December 22 immediately following the evening assembly.

Please RSVP at basicyouthministry.com for the **Youth Progressive Dinner** that will be on Tuesday, December 31. Vans will depart WOCC at 5:00 p.m. and return at approximately 10:00 p.m. To participate in the gift exchange, please re-gift something from home or purchase a maximum \$10 gift.

Treehouse Kids

The **Treehouse Kids will be Caroling** and delivering candy cane treats to the residents of Worthington Manor in Conroe on Saturday, December 21 at 10:30 a.m. We will meet at Worthington Manor inside the foyer area at 10:20 a.m. Parents are responsible for their child's transportation, and are asked to stay for the entirety of the event. If you would like to pick up your child's Caroling Songbook prior the event so your child can make sure they're familiar with the songs we will be singing, please pick up your songbook on December 18 from the Welcome Center. Please only take one songbook per child. Worthington Manor is home to several WOCC members such as the Malones and Mr. Howard Yates, and we are excited to visit with them. Please let Janna Wilkerson know if you are planning to attend.

Our **Memory Verse** for this month will be found in James 1:17. Our Memory Verse Check-In will take place on December 22.

There will be a **3rd—6th Grade Girls Sleepover** Wednesday, January 1 from 8:00 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center. Sign up in the foyer. See Krista Chapman or Denise Tolbert for more information.

There will be **NO Bible Builders** or **Sprouts Storytime** for the remainder of the year. We will resume in January.

Please click the QR code to access the **December Newsletter** and find more information about upcoming events.



Thank You

A big 'Thank You' to both Jen Tolbert & Jessica Hooks for coordinating this year's Christmas for Impact Kids. Also, a big 'Thank You' to all our Woodland Oak members who adopted these 50 precious children by providing gifts to them. Our brethren, Eric & Caroline Morales at Impact are a blessing for these children, and are thankful for WOCC's help. God bless you all.

Thank You, Todd Watrous

Thank you so much for the encouraging notes, prayers, and snacks as finals come up I really appreciate y'all!

Aubrey LeMaire

This Week

Today	9:00 a.m.	Sign Up for Youth Rally Due
	9:45 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:15 a.m.	Dorcas Secret Santa Reveal
	11:30 a.m.	Worship
	5:00 p.m.	Set Up Tables & Chairs in FLC
	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Social: Cookies & Cocoa
		Evening Worship
		TX Bible Bowl Practice
Monday	4:00 p.m.	Pickleball-Women
	5:00 p.m.	Senior Saints Game Night & Potluck Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Pickleball
Tuesday	11:30 a.m.	Men's Luncheon—Red Lobster
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Quilting Group
	5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
		Basketball
Saturday	10:20 a.m.	THK Caroling at Worthington Manor
	2:30 p.m.	Youth Service: Singing @ Heritage Oaks

Upcoming Events

December 22	THK Memory Verse Check In
	Youth Invasion
December 23-27	Church Offices Closed
December 25	NO ACTIVITY @ WOCC
December 26	NO Celebrate Recovery
December 29	Sign Up for Senior Saints Progressive Dinner Due
December 31	Youth Progressive Dinner
January 1	Church Offices Closed
	Combined Devo—No Children's Classes/No Meal
	3rd—6th Grade Girls Sleepover
January 3	Senior Saints Progressive Dinner
January 4	Men's Breakfast
	Kylie McLeod & Caleb Myers Reception
	Youth Service
January 5	Blood Drive
	Congregational Singing
	High School Devo
January 9	Youth Girls Dinner Devo—Whatley Home
January 12	Youth Invasion
January 14	Youth Bible Study—Watrous Home
January 19	Junior High Devo
January 24-25	Men's Advance
January 26	Youth Invasion
January 29	GriefShare Begins
	5th Wednesday—No Fellowship Meal

Expectant Families

Lindsey & Doug Peak
Whitney & Jeremiah White

A cart for all donations is in the Worship Center foyer.
The WOCC Sharing Pantry is in need of Personal Care Items: shampoo, liquid & bar soap, toothpaste, hygiene products, baby care items.

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