

Fun Times

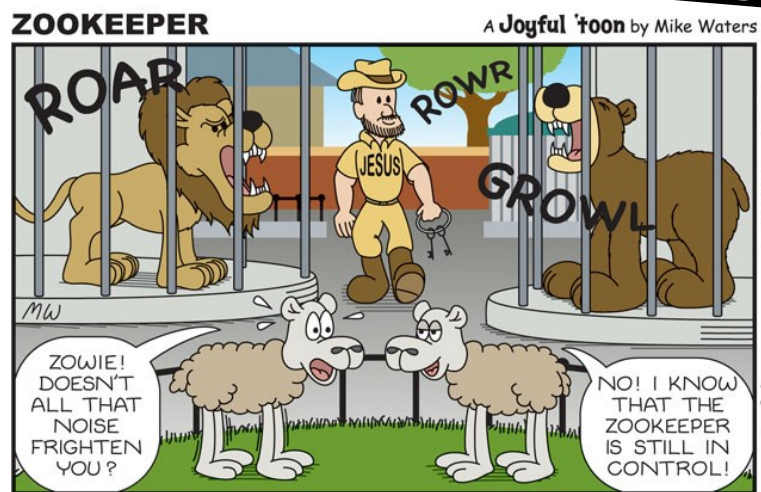
Write a word under each column that begins with the letter on the left. Do not use any word twice. Give yourself 1 point for every box you can fill! How many points can you make?

	Book of the Bible	Male Bible Character	Female Bible Character	Place in the Bible
H				
E				
A				
R				
T				

THE GOSPEL ALPHABET

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest - Matthew 11:28

Have a favorite recipe? Get it to the Melanie or the church office to be put in the newsletter. She needs some for upcoming newsletters.



Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. — PSALM 46:6-7 NIV

Cow Patty Cookies

INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups oats
- 2 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1 stick oleo or butter
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup peanut butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup peanuts (optional)

DIRECTIONS

Melt the oleo/butter in a heavy pan, add milk and stir in the dry ingredients. Bring it to a boil over medium heat. Cook for one minute. Remove from heat. Add peanut butter and vanilla. Beat slightly. Drop by teaspoon onto wax paper.

Makes about 4 dozen Deon Hathaway

Connection Point

United Baptist Church ~ March 2024

United as One Body in Christ



Pastor's Corner

Dear Church,

It is hard to believe that February has already come to a close. At this point, I am feeling the weight of many of the prayer needs within our church. There are many that we need to care for and commit to prayer. While we must not neglect our ministry to each other, we also have a call to minister to the lost world around us. This month I want to focus on our need to do more than just model our faith before others. Over the past few months, I have shared practical ways that you can live as followers of Jesus outside the church walls. Many of these ways do not involve speaking. We have seen that we can display God to others when we model Godly character, when we work for God in all circumstances, when we care for others with grace and love, when we recognize our position as children of God, and when we stand up for truth and justice. This month, I want to remind you that we also have a call to proclaim the gospel to the people around us with words. This call is not replaced by the actions listed above. It works in conjunction with them. Peter reminds us of this call in 1 Peter 3:15-16. In the middle of a conversation about suffering and persecution, he reminds his readers to always be ready to give the reason for the hope that they have. There are some serious expectations in these verses. First, there is the expectation that we are going to have people in our lives who question the hope that we have. There will be people who do not understand and even those who may try to stop you from seeking after Jesus. Secondly, there is the expectation that we will be living in such a way that they not only notice our hope and faith, but they see it as significant enough to question us about it. This is a challenge. It means that we are going to be uncomfortable and the people around us are going to be uncomfortable, but it is not until that point comes that we will have a true opportunity to share the hope that we have. It is the hope of the gospel that drives us to respond in a Christlike way when life is unfair. It is what drives us to love in the midst of hate, praise God in the midst of suffering, and seek God in the midst of chaos. This month, take some time to think about how you will respond when people question the hope that you have. Do not be afraid to be around people who will question it, those who don't know the peace, love, and joy that Christ brings. Ask the Father to help you trust the Holy Spirit to give you the appropriate words and timing when sharing this hope.

In Christ,
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Join Us

~ Sundays ~

Bible Study 9:30
Service 10:45 am
Nursery provided

~ Wednesdays ~

Meal 6:00
Bible Study 6:30

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### Office Hours

Monday to Thursday  
9:00 am to Noon &  
1:00 pm to 4:30 pm  
Closed Fridays

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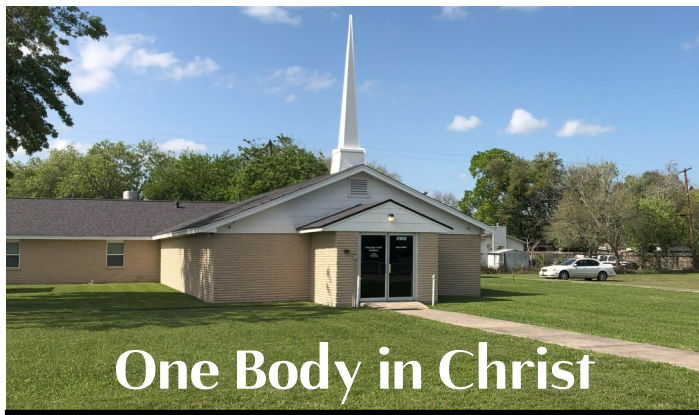
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# One Body in Christ

## Upcoming Events

**March 7 5:30 p.m.**  
CPR/AED training

**Sunday Evenings 6:00**  
Season 2 of The Chosen will be shown in the Fellowship Hall! Come join us and bring a friend.

**Saturdays 9:00 a.m.**  
Men's Discipleship Coffee

**Saturdays 10:00 a.m.**  
Drive Up Prayer

**Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.** Meal  
**6:30 p.m.** Bible Study

**2nd Mondays**  
**6:30** Church Council Meeting as needed

**2nd & 4th Tuesdays**  
**10:00-4:00** Visitation

**2nd Wednesdays**  
**6:00** Potluck Meal  
**6:30** Church Business Meeting

## Memory Verse

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16



Dean Wetherbee & Winona Klacman in the death of their wife and niece, Linda



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## Call To Action



Make a point to invite one person to church or one of our events this month. We have several things planned for the week of Easter. That would be a great time to invite someone to come with you. We are also still showing The Chosen on Sunday evenings. Invite them to come with you to that.

## Annie Armstrong

This month we are collecting for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Money given goes to the North American Missions Board and used for missions and missionaries across North America. This includes Canada, the United States, and Mexico. Our church wide goal is \$1,000. Prayer Guides are available in the church office.

## Easter Schedule

There will be no Bible Study on Easter Sunday. The church service will be the usual time. Check out the calendar for Easter Week happenings! We have things planned for Thursday and Friday evenings starting at 6:00 and Sunday morning at 10:45.

## Inspiration for the month

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good, therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again." - Stephen Grellet

## CPR / AED Training

We will have CPR / AED Training on Thursday, March 7th at 5:30 p.m. at the church. Everyone is welcome. Staff and those working with our children are encouraged to attend. Certification cost is \$25 if you want to be certified.

## Online Giving

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# CHURCH NEWS

## Church Sign

If you haven't looked at it lately, glance at our church sign by the street. We no longer have banners at the top of the sign with our name. Panels are there now! Plans are being made to paint the poles soon to make it stand out even more.

"It is so wonderful to be thought of and blessed by our neighbors. Thank you and all your congregation. We appreciate all you do!"  
- Denise H

"Thank you for the Valentine's treats you all delivered for STEM MS. We are blessed to have you!!!" -Denise M

## STEM Middle School

On Tuesday, February 13th, Liz Andres delivered Valentine goodies to the school for the faculty. She also left a few of our Connection Point newsletters for them.

"Thank you very much for thinking of our campus. It is greatly appreciated." - James G

February's business meeting was canceled. Regular Business Meetings will resume March 6 with a potluck meal beforehand. Since the 2nd Tuesday and Wednesday are during the week of spring break, March's meetings will be the 1st Monday, March 4 (Church Council) and 1st Wednesday, March 6 (Regular Business).

## THE GOSPEL ALPHABET

**B**ehold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! - John 1:29b

## Financial News

The business meeting was canceled so financials for January and February will be presented and voted on at the next business meeting on Wednesday, March 6th.

## Agape Sunday

On Sunday, February 18th, we had our Agape Fellowship. After the morning service, we welcomed our new members, Leah Garrett and Brian Munday. Brian was in England, so he will receive his welcome bag when he comes back! After that, we adjourned to the fellowship hall for the Lord's Supper and a meal.

## Men's Disciple Coffee

Saturday mornings at 9:00 there is Men's Discipleship Coffee at the church. They have been doing a study through the book of Acts and discussing how they can help support our community. Once a month they take goodies to the fire station down the road to let them know we support and pray for them. If you haven't come, this month is a good time to join in one Saturday!



## All About Us

### Membership for January

84 Total Membership

### Average Attendance for January

Worship : 42 Online : 7

Bible Study : Sunday: 25 Wednesday: 16

### Giving for January

Contributions : \$8,349

### Gifting for January

\$183 was spent on Serving Hands

# March 2024

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## Regular Weekly Schedule & Events

### Sundays

9:30 a.m.  
Bible Study  
10:45 a.m.  
Worship  
6:00 p.m.  
The Chosen Season 2

### Wednesdays

6:00 p.m.  
Meal  
6:30 p.m.  
Bible Study

### Saturdays

9:00 a.m.  
Men's Discipleship  
10:00 a.m.  
Drive Up Prayer

### 2nd Monday

6:30 p.m.  
Church Council Mtg  
when needed

### 2nd Wednesday

6:00 p.m.  
Potluck Meal  
6:30 p.m.  
Church Business  
Meeting

### 2nd & 4th Tuesday

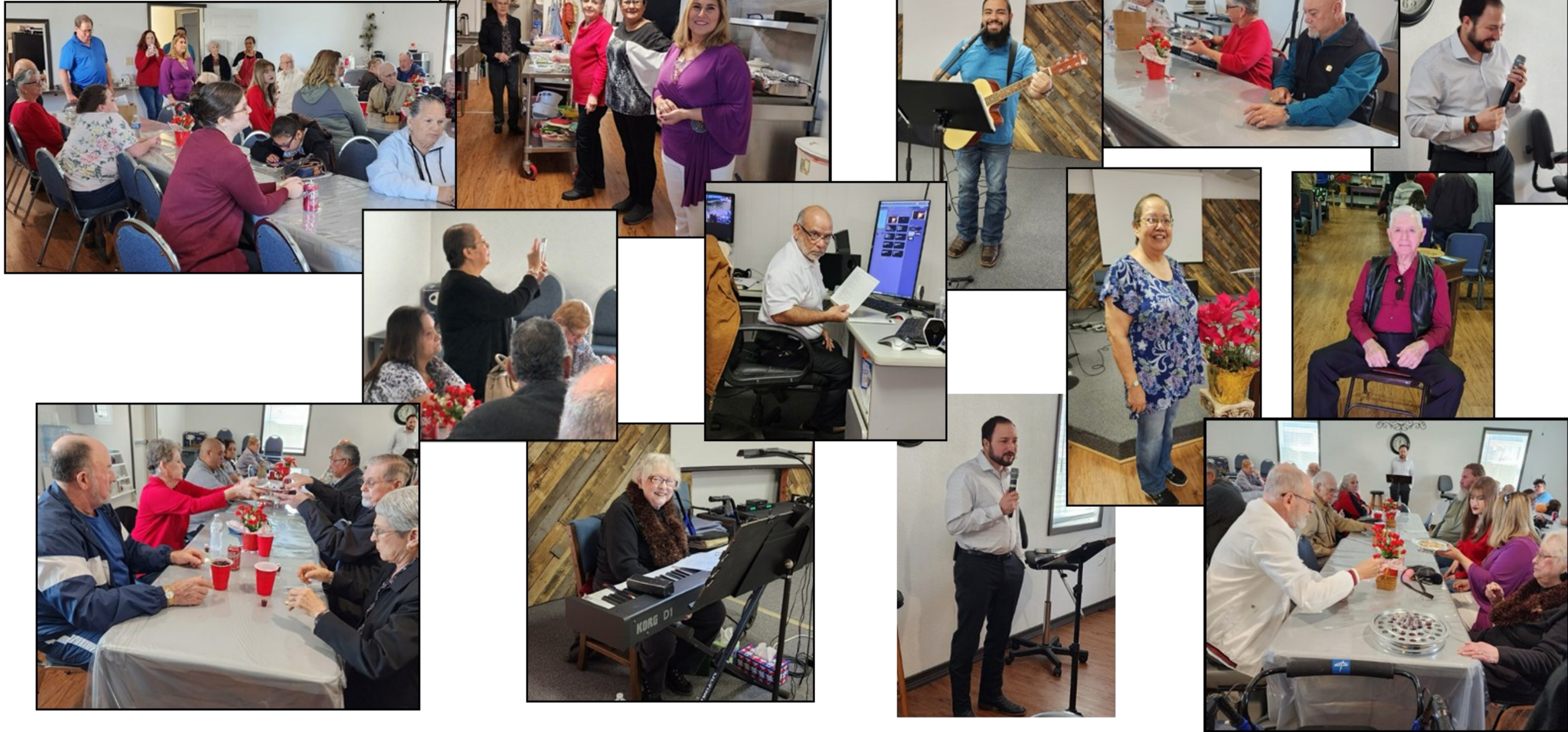
10:00-4:00  
In-Reach/Outreach  
Visitation

| Sun                                                                        | Mon                      | Tue                                            | Wed                                                                                 | Thu                                                                  | Fri                               | Sat                           |
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| Collecting for Annie Armstrong North American Missions Offering this month |                          |                                                |                                                                                     |                                                                      | 1                                 | 2                             |
| 3<br>Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer                                        | 4<br>6:30 Church Council | 5                                              | 6<br>6:00 Potluck Meal<br>6:30 Church Biz Mtg<br>*James Anzaldua<br>*Bobbi Ellinger | 7<br>5:30 CPR/AED training                                           | 8                                 | 9                             |
| 10<br>VISD Spring Break                                                    | 11                       | 12<br>10:00-4:00<br>Visitation<br>*Tyler Kutac | 13<br>♥ Nancy & Al Pena                                                             | 14                                                                   | 15                                | 16<br>*Alice Cockrell         |
| 17                                                                         | 18                       | 19<br>*Larry Cockrell                          | 20                                                                                  | 21                                                                   | 22                                | 23                            |
| 24                                                                         | 25                       | 26<br>10:00-4:00<br>Visitation<br>*Dot Shaw    | 27                                                                                  | 28<br>6:00 Foot washing/<br>Lord's Supper<br>♥ Judy & David<br>James | 29<br>6:00 Good Friday<br>Service | 30                            |
| Easter 31<br>10:45 Service<br>No Bible study                               |                          |                                                |                                                                                     |                                                                      |                                   | *Birthdays<br>♥ Anniversaries |

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# Agape Fellowship



# New Sign

