

Welcome To The Killeen Church of Christ!

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."-Ecclesiastes 12:13



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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM

Give the Lord His Day

By Phil McIntosh

We live in a nation of laws. There are laws for walking, driving, hunting, voting, educating, and a whole host of other facets of life. You likely know many of the laws and have constructed your life as an adult around operating within their boundaries. There are some laws that have fallen out of practice and public knowledge; some have long gone unenforced or even unacknowledged, though they technically remain on the books. In the vein of antiquated or widely known laws, I wonder if you know what "blue laws" are. One website gave this simple summary:

"In Texas, blue laws prohibit the sale of liquor on Sundays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day, with additional restrictions on beer and wine sales. Beer and wine can be purchased from 7:00 AM to midnight Monday through Friday, from 7:00 AM to 1:00 AM on Saturday, and from 10:00 AM to midnight on Sunday, while car dealerships must choose to close either on Saturday or Sunday but cannot operate on both days of the weekend." (Source: versustexas.com/blog/texas-blue-laws/)

The blog goes on to explain some of the history behind "blue laws." The current laws are only a small list compared to those of the previous century. According to "A Short History of the Texas Blue Laws" (by William G. Harper), so called "blue laws" in America date all the way back to the 17th and 18th centuries in the colonies. They were designed at their outset to protect Sunday and were meant to encourage worship attendance by "limiting secular and commercial activities." In 1962, Texas' blue law forbad the selling of 42 items from being sold on "consecutive weekend days" (i.e. Saturday and Sunday). The items which were included in the laws ranged anywhere from hand tools to pet supplies. Another source states that, in 17th century America, the blue laws were utilized to prohibit almost all activity except church.

Blue laws have largely been repealed throughout the country, although you still usually see car dealerships closed on Sundays. For the most part, business booms on Sundays; restaurants especially see an influx in patronage. In fact, the most notable restaurant that closes on Sunday (Chick-fil-A) is often mocked because of such a decision. If you observe what most people are doing on Sunday, you'll notice that any form of church is likely not in the plans. People rest, go to the lake, travel, plan outings, play golf, do yardwork, or anything else that gives them an opportunity to fill the Lord's day with activities other than honoring the Lord.

The church doesn't have this problem. The church knows better than anybody that Sunday is not the last day of the weekend, but the first day of a brand-new week with which God has blessed us. The church knows exceptionally well that Sunday belongs to the Lord.

Or does she?

By the activities of some, we might question how much the Lord's church has volunteered her Lord's day to the Lord. There are never as many attendees to Sunday morning Bible class as there are present at the morning worship service. As for Sunday

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night, that number again heads south, closely mirroring the number from Bible class. What happened? It's still Sunday; the evening of the Lord's day is still the Lord's day. Have some lost the understanding that God expects us to be present in the assembly of the saints (*Heb 10:24-25*)? Have some prioritized worldly things over spiritual things (*Col 3:1-3*)? Have some simply given God what they believe is enough and concluded that the rest of the day belongs to them (*Exod 20:8*)? Maybe; only those who skip worship services or fail to offer their Sundays to the Lord truly know why they do so.

As the Bible is capable of addressing every facet of life, we have the blessing to be able to open the sacred text and find motivation from God which touches even this habit. The text is in the Old Testament, so it was addressed to God's people of old, but the importance God places on a day He has designated as special easily transfers to our understanding of the Lord's day in the New Testament. Take a few seconds and read what the Spirit wrote through the pen of Isaiah:

"If you turn away your foot from the Sabbath, From doing your pleasure on My holy day, And call the Sabbath a delight, The holy day of the Lord honorable, And shall honor Him, not doing your own ways,

Nor finding your own pleasure, Nor speaking your own words, 14 Then you shall delight yourself in the Lord:

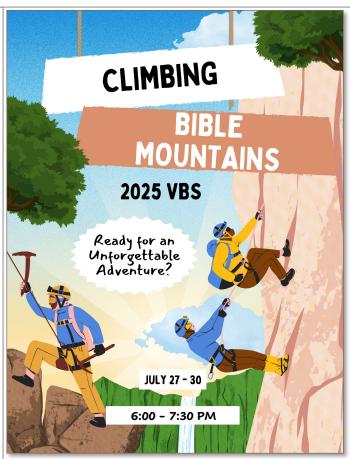
And I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth,

And feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father.

The mouth of the Lord has spoken."

-Isaiah 58:13-14

I encourage you to remind yourself that Sunday belongs to the Lord (the whole day) and ask if you are honoring the Lord appropriately on His day by giving Him control of your actions, your attitudes, and your plans on the first day of the week. It is, after all, the Lord's day (*Rev 1:10*).



•Sunday: Moses on Mount Sinai

(Exodus 3-4: 19-20)

•Monday: Elijah on Mount Carmel

(1 Kings 18)

◆Tuesday: Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration (Luke 9:28-36)

◆Wednesday: Jesus on Mount Calvary (Luke 23:33-47); Jesus on the Mount of Olives (Acts 1:9-12)

Daily Schedule:

•6:00 - 6:15 pm: SINGING

•6:15 - 7:15 pm: LESSON & CRAFT •7:15 - 7:30 pm: REFRESHMENTS

PLEASE HELP WITH VBS!

We need teachers and helpers. Please sign up 🐉 in the foyer. If you wish to donate for the food, 🕏 please see the Amanda Petties or Natalie Fisher. 🖏

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: "God Loves Those He Corrects" Hebrews 12:7, 11

"If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? "I Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it."

Sunday PM: "How Do You Respond to Your Sin?" 2 Corinthians 13:5

"⁵ Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified."

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We are collecting school supplies through August 10th. Please place the items in the fover.



July Nursery Schedule

6/29-Evelyn & Victoria 6-Amanda & Natalie 13-Gayle & Tracy 20-Nichole & Josephine

27-Briana & Brittni

*We are in need of more ladies to help in the nursery. If you would like to be on the nursery list, please contact the office. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025

•ANNOUNCEMENTS: PAUL PORTLEY

•1ST PRAYER: SEAN MALDONADO

SONG: REGGIE BASS

•SCRIPTURE READING: KEYSHAWN DAY

•SONG: REGGIE BASS

SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH

•INVITATION SONG: REGGIE BASS

SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:

REGGIE BASS

•COMMUNION:

IVAN MCINTOSH & LEX MCINTOSH

•SONG: REGGIE BASS

•OFFERING:

IVAN MCINTOSH & LEX MCINTOSH

•CLOSING SONG: REGGIE BASS

•CLOSING PRAYER: BILLY GAITHER

•AUDIO/VISUAL:

PATRICK SELLERS & DEREK COLE

•SECURITY: ROGER DEEM, BRUCE BROWN,

& SCOTT DAVIS

Nichole

•NURSERY: GAYLE & TRACY WILSON

July Cleaning Calendar

•May be done any time before the next Sunday.
•Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

27-TEAM ROGER

Patrick Brenda

Linda

Alexis

Sid

13-TEAM PHIL 6/29-TEAM ZACK Amanda Michelle Diedre Beverly Paul **Ivette** Rubye Juelz Ashley 6-TEAM Madison **KINGSFORD** 20-TEAM LEE Kim-Marie Gavlen

Natalie
Ken
Adam
Nicole

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NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Tim Matter is contracting in Saudi Arabia.
- -Zack Petties' son-in-law, Glenn Jr., is in Kuwait.
- -Tracy Wilson's son, Zane, is in the Middle East.
- -Madison Walter's husband, Lakeith, has returned for duty at the border.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- -Eddie Gandy was in the hospital last week.
- -Adam Zak received good results from his lab work and procedures last Thursday. He still has a medical procedure on Monday.
- -Julie Odum's mother is in the hospital with vascular problems.
- -Josephine Spear's family is traveling from Detroit to Alabama for a funeral, Gaylen Williams' mother and sister are traveling back from Italy, Yolanda Wright is traveling until the end of the month and Donna Hines is traveling for three weeks.
- -Please keep the families of those who lost loved ones and those missing in the Texas floods in your prayers.

CONTINUED PRAYERS LIST: Yvonne Hardiman's twin brother & sister; Madison Walters' grandmother; James Garner & wife; Jonathan & Jon-Jon Simmons; Dawn Ramsey; Al Wilson; Tracy Wilson's mother; Danielle Santos; Cheryl Flores' father & mother-in-law; Lois & Rufus Brown; Judy Wall's husband; Quincy Daniels' mother & friend's mother; Rey Cruz; Ken Sellers; Martha Chafin; Amy Cole's mother; Rubye Portley & sister; Jim Dukes; Nichole Williams' friend; Janet Bass' sister; Tom Holubec; Nicole Tooley's mother; Diane Holubec's brother; Jaden Seay's aunt; Carolyn Williams' sons & daughter; Barbara Hughart; Gaylen Williams's friend; Alexis Gaither's brother & uncle; Kim-Marie Seay's sister; Brenda Sellers' coworker; Hannah Fane's father & husband; Mary Lou Daines' family & friends; Barbara Anderson's grandson & brother; Glenda Boudreaux, mother & friend; Michelle McIntosh's aunt's husband, & cousin; Linda Ray; Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law; Nada Miller; the Arch family; Tim Matter & family; Josephine Spear's friends, family & ex-coworker's daughter; Linda Deem's nephew; Zack & Amanda Petties' family; & Jessie Turner.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL: Join us for a Youth Devotional tonight at 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. Please bring food and drinks.

YOUTH GATHERING: There will be a youth gathering at the Williams' on Thursday, July 17th, at 7:00 pm. Please bring snacks & drinks.

YOUTH SINGING AT ROSEWOOD: Join us for a Youth Group Singing on Sunday, July 27th, from 3:00 - 3:45 pm, at Rosewood Villas.

Our Speaker is Phil McIntosh

We want to especially welcome our visitors!

If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card from the back of the pew directly in front of you, and drop it in offering box as you leave. Thank you for your visit and please join us again!

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CSJULY CALENDARCS

13-Youth Devotional @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall

17-Youth Gathering @ 7:00 pm at the Williams' 27-Youth Singing @ 3:00 pm at Rosewood Villas 27-30 Vacation Bible School @ 6:00 pm

CSAUGUST CALENDARCS

- 2-Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 am in the fellowship hall 3-Fellowship Luncheon following morning worship in the fellowship hall
- 10-Sheep Keepers Leader meeting following morning worship in the front of the auditorium 9-Ladies Breakfast & Workday @ 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall
- 10-Youth Devotional @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall
- 21-Youth Gathering @ 7:00 pm at the Williams' 24-Youth Singing @ 3:00 pm at Rosewood Villas