

IN OUR PRAYERS

Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam's brother), Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen's niece), Bob and Debbie Hartness (Rev. Audrey's parents), Clifton Mabry, Edna Dillard, Kathy Skillen, Marie Dunnam, Trey Bratcher (Clifton Mabry's grandson), Nancy Dougherty, Martha Reid, Henrietta Wright (friend of WPC), Ed Black, Lou Haynes, Colleen Halvorson (Trish McCoy's daughter-in-law), Riley Medlin, Virginia Gordon, Henry Gordon, Kate Jennings, Ann and John Merritt, and Sara Goodno.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Sunday School next Sunday, August 23rd! Rev. Audrey will be our Bible study leader, and we will have another sermon preview of the next two “Ten Words.” We will meet in Gossett Hall at **9:30 am**. Let’s get into God’s Word together!

APPLE FESTIVAL!

Is Apple Festival happening? YES! Will we be selling pies? ABSOLUTELY! Mark your calendars for September 10-12! We’ll make pies on the 10th, then sell them at the festival on the 11th and 12th. Sign ups are in the back, along with recipe cards for apple filling.

UPCOMING SERMON

Join us next Sunday for worship! Our sermon title will be “I Swear to God (And Everything Else) with Scripture lessons from Exodus 20:7 and Matthew 5:33-37. Bring a friend or friends to join us!

FIFTH SUNDAY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us Sunday, August 30th, for a special 5th Sunday Sunday school! We will have a guest from the Gideons, International organization with us. Join us at 9:30 in Gossett!



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GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*”Beethoven

Prayer of Invocation

Choral Call to Worship: “*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place*”

Children's Time

***Hymn 664:** “Morning Has Broken”Farjeon

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

With hearts of sorrow, we come before you, O God, to confess what you already know— we have failed to keep your laws. Again and again, we have followed our own selfish will, rather than your holy and life-giving will for our lives. We have twisted your decrees and institutions to suit our preconceptions and interests rather than your own.

Forgive us, O God, and cleanse us from hidden faults, that the words of our mouths, and the meditations of all our hearts, may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer.

(a moment of silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

THE WORD

Anthem: “*Open My Eyes, That I May See*”Scott

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Scripture: Exodus 20:4-6

New Testament Lesson: John 1:14-18

Sermon: “Let Go of Nonessentials”Rev. Audrey Reese

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

***Apostles Creed** (*Glory to God, page 35*)

***Gloria Patri** (*Glory to God p. 581*)

***Hymn 687:** “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”Watts

Offertory: “*O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*”Gladden

During the offertory, you are invited to take a moment of prayerful reflection. We appreciate your gifts to our ministry. Monetary gifts may be placed in the box in the back of the sanctuary, or in the offering plates at the front, as you leave today.

***Doxology** (*Glory to God Hymnal, p. 606*)

SENDING

***Hymn 610:** “O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing”Wesley

*Benediction

WELCOME!We are so happy to have you with us today! Please take a moment to fill out a visitor card for us to contact you and follow up with a card.