

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Wednesday Evening Class We invite each of you to attend the mid-week Bible Study upstairs on Wednesday evening beginning at 6 p.m. We are involved in a Bible study series entitled "Authentic: Developing the Disciplines of a Sincere Faith". We encourage you to attend these vital and exciting studies!

Church Clean-Up We will regularly have monthly church cleanings on the last Saturday of each month, beginning at 10 a.m. However, the next cleaning day will be on November 21 because of the holiday, so be sure to attend and help!

BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER:

- Maurice Agee
- Kristin Agee
- A. Cecily Carter
- Cheryl Pruitt
- Preston Scarber, Jr.



Funnies...

- A programmer is someone who solves a problem you didn't know you had in a way you don't understand.
- A consultant is someone who takes the watch off your wrist and tells you the time.
- A banker is a fellow who lends you his umbrella when the sun is shining and wants it back the minute it begins to rain. (Mark Twain)
- An economist is an expert who will know tomorrow why the things he predicted yesterday didn't happen today.
- A statistician is someone who is good with numbers but lacks the personality to be an accountant.
- An actuary is someone who brings a fake bomb on a plane, because that decreases the chances that there will be another bomb on the plane. (Laurence J. Peter)
- A mathematician is a blind man in a dark room looking for a black cat which isn't there. (Charles R. Darwin)
- A topologist is a man who doesn't know the difference between a coffee cup and a doughnut.
- A lawyer is a person who writes a 10,000 word document and calls it a "brief."
- A psychologist is a man who watches everyone else when a beautiful girl enters the room.
- A professor is one who talks in someone else's sleep.
- A schoolteacher is a disillusioned woman who used to think she liked children.

A big-city lawyer was representing the railroad in a lawsuit filed by an old rancher. The rancher's prize bull was missing from the section through which the railroad passed. The rancher only wanted to be paid the fair value of the bull. The case was scheduled to be tried before the justice of the peace in the back room of the general store. The attorney for the railroad immediately cornered the rancher and tried to get him to settle out of court. The lawyer did his best selling job, and finally the rancher agreed to take half of what he was asking. After the rancher had signed the release and took the check, the young lawyer couldn't resist gloating a little over his success, telling the rancher, "You know, I hate to tell you this, old man, but I put one over on you in there. I couldn't have won the case. The engineer was asleep and the fireman was in the caboose when the train went through your ranch that morning. I didn't have one witness to put on the stand. I bluffed you!" The old rancher replied, "Well, I'll tell you, young feller, I was a little worried about winning that case myself, because that durned bull came home this morning."

Welcome to the EVERLASTING COVENANT CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT

To promote membership in the body of Christ by bringing people to Jesus, enhancing their spiritual growth towards Christian maturity, and nurturing them for their ministry in the church and life mission in the world, thereby magnifying God's holy name.

ORDER of SERVICES

Fellowship / REFRESHMENTS – 9:30 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 10:00 A.M.

Trusting the Spirit:
"Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?" – Acts 11:17, KJV



MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES – 10:45 A.M.

- Devotion Deacons & Congregation
- Responsive Reading Pastor & Congregation
- Selection Choir & Congregation
- Announcements & Recognition of Visitors
- Tithes and Offerings Deacons
(Visitors are NOT required to contribute - members are encouraged to do so)
- Prayer of Thanksgiving Pastor
- Selections Choir & Congregation

Sermon
Invitation to Christ



BENEDICTION

SERMON NOTES

Scripture: _____

Subject: _____

Notes: _____

Words of Wisdom:



God's Cake

Sometimes we wonder, "What did I do to deserve this", or "Why did God have to do this to me". Here is a wonderful explanation!

A daughter is telling her Mother how everything is going wrong, she's failing algebra, her boyfriend broke up with her and her best friend is moving away.

Meanwhile, her Mother is baking a cake and asks her daughter if she would like a snack, and the daughter says, "Absolutely Mom, I love your cake."

"Here, have some cooking oil," her Mother offers. "Yuck" says her daughter.

"How about a couple raw eggs?"

"Gross, Mom!"

"Would you like some flour then? Or maybe baking soda?"

"Mom, those are all yucky!"

To which the mother replies: "Yes, all those things seem bad all by themselves. But when they are put together in the right way, they make a wonderfully delicious cake!

God works the same way. Many times we wonder why He would let us go through such bad and difficult times. But God knows that when He puts these things all in His order, they always work for good! We just have to trust Him and, eventually, they will all make something wonderful!

RESPONSIVE READING: ROMANS 12:9-21 (NIV)

- 9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.
- 10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.
- 11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.
- 12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.
- 13 Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.
- 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.
- 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.
- 16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.
- 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.
- 18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.
- 19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.
- 20 On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."
- 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.