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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

Prayer Meeting - 9:30 A.M. Sweet Singers Practice - 5:00 P.M.
Sunday School - 10:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting - 5:00 P.M.
Adult Choir Practice - 10:45 A.M. Adult Choir Practice - 5:00 P.M.
Worship Service - 11:00 A.M. Evening Service - 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

AWANA Youth Bible Program - 6:45 P.M.
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - 7:00 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school is an important time, dedicated to delving into the Word of God to find all the treasures God has for us there. Our Sunday school teachers systematically teach through the Scriptures each week, line upon line, precept upon precept. There is a Bible class for each age group, and a list of all classes and their locations can be found in the church vestibule.

SUNDAY MORNING & EVENING SERVICES

God has mandated the preaching of the gospel (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 20:21). Because we believe that a service should be designated for this purpose, we usually set aside Sunday morning for this important ministry. The teaching ministry of the shepherd is equally important for the equipping of the saints for the work of the ministry. Establishing believers in sound doctrine is best achieved by an expository teaching ministry. Sunday evening is devoted to this purpose.

MIDWEEK SERVICE

The midweek service is always a refreshing time of Bible study and prayer. On Wednesday evenings at 7:00, line upon line our pastor teaches the truths found in God's Word. Please do not miss what the Lord has for you at this important weekly meeting of our church.

Songs

OF LOUDEST PRAISE

"Come before His presence with singing."

PSALM 100:2

Morning

O Come, All Ye Faithful	249
The First Noel	265
I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day	267

We earnestly ask that every sincere worshiper will enter the auditorium in an attitude of reverence, silencing electronic devices, and as the prelude music begins, to prayerfully seek the Lord's face and blessing.

Please join in the congregational singing, carefully considering what is being taught in the song and, above all, being concerned to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

"Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord."

PSALM 150:6

Notable Quotes

Power is God's hand or arm, omniscience His eye, mercy His bowels, eternity His duration; but holiness is His beauty.

—S. Charnock

I have read through the whole Bible about one hundred times, and I always find it fresh when I begin again.

—George Müller, age 71

Doctrinal preaching certainly bores the hypocrites; but it is only doctrinal preaching that will save Christ's sheep. —J. I. Packer

Whatever keeps me from my Bible is my enemy, however harmless it may appear to be. —A. W. Tozer

Affliction promotes holiness: the more the diamond is cut, the more it sparkles. —Thomas Watson

Imagination is the hotbed where sin is often hatched. Guard your thoughts and there will be little fear about your actions.

—J. C. Ryle

Prayer is the mightiest agent to advance God's work.

—E. M. Bounds

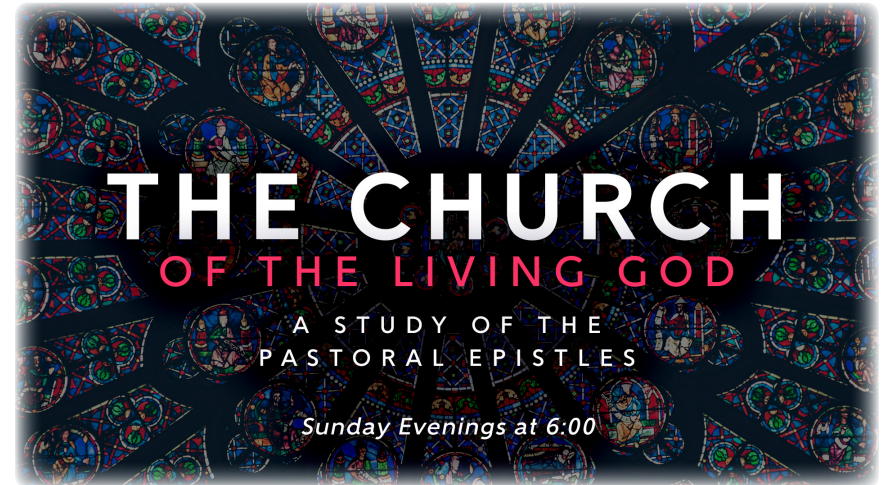
God shapes the world by prayer. —E. M. Bounds

The church represents the highest priority on God's agenda and is His blueprint for completing His plans on earth.

—Erwin Lutzer

[The devil] will tell you at the beginning of your life, "It is too soon to serve God." He will tell you at the end, "It is too late."

—J. C. Ryle



THE CHURCH

OF THE LIVING GOD

A STUDY OF THE
PASTORAL EPISTLES

Sunday Evenings at 6:00

AUDITORIUM WINDOWS

After 73 years and some refurbishing along the way, the stained-glass windows in the auditorium are in dire need of complete restoration soon. The exterior shows much rot and decay, leaving the windows in a very fragile state. We have received several estimates, all of which are very costly. Please consider giving towards this much-needed project.

To date, we have approximately \$60,000 of the \$95,000 needed.

BIBLE CLASSES

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10:00

EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

K4-12 Youth Classes
College and Career Class
Couples' Class
Men's Class

CHURCH BUILDING

Nursery Class
Auditorium Class
Ladies' Class
Membership Class



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Bereavement

We extend our sincere sympathy to Wes and Lauren McKinney and family on the passing of Lauren's grandfather.

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