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Reminder

Reaffirmations for elders and deacons are open until 9/20. There are also three bylaw amendments to consider. In addition to the traditional paper ballots available at the building, you can also nominate/ reaffirm digitally via the link in the email. Contact Matthew Ruiz with questions.

Breakfast For Dinner

Everyone Welcome!

Sunday, August 30th
After evening services

Welcome Home

We're glad you're here this morning.

Whether this is your first Sunday with us or your five hundredth, you've walked into a room gathered around one thing: the cross of Jesus Christ. Paul told the Corinthians he was resolved to know nothing among them "except Jesus Christ and him crucified" (1 Corinthians 2:2). That's still our resolve at Spring Meadows.

The cross isn't a symbol we wear for decoration — it's the center of gravity for everything we do here. Our singing is a response to it. Our prayers are made possible by it. The Lord's Table each week calls us back to it. Even our preaching, however far it wanders into the text, always finds its way home to Calvary, because that's where sin was dealt with and grace won.

Galatians 6:14 puts it plainly: Paul boasted in nothing except the cross, through which the world was crucified to him, and he to the world. That's the kind of worship we're aiming for — not performance, not routine, but people who've been undone by grace and can't stop pointing back to the hill where it happened.

So however you got here today — dragged by a friend, drawn by grief, or simply out of habit — we're thankful. Come sit with us at the foot of the cross. It's the best seat in the house.

If you're a guest with us this morning, we'd love to know you were here. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card, found in the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of our greeters. We want to welcome you personally and keep you in our prayers.

We're glad you're here. Welcome home. - Chuck

SUNDAY BIBLE HOUR

Nursery - up to 24 months
Joy Allen and Saundra Thornton

2 & 3 year olds - Lime Rm
Dana Evans & Kim Gattis

4's - PreK - Blue Rm
Amanda Swiercz & Miki Noah-Wilson

Kindergarten - Purple Rm
Victoria Talbert & Kristina Estabrooks

1st grade - Red Rm
Jenny Chase

SUNDAY CLASSES

Classes begin at 5:00pm.

Up to 24 months - Nursery
2's & 3's - Lime Room
4's - PreK - Blue Rm, **K** - Purple Rm
1st-2nd Red Rm, **3rd-4th**-Green Rm
5th-6th - Orange Rm, **7th-12th** - Youth Room

The Joy Factor - A Study of Philippians
Scott Ford & Brent Spicer (Aud)
Lessons to Learn from People of the New Testament
Various Teachers (Hall)
Why Did This Happen? A Study of Job
Steve Peden (Kitchen)
Lessons to Learn from People of the New Testament
Various Teachers (C20s)
Spiritual Practices (College)
Carson Patterson - College Classroom

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

Classes begin at 6:30pm.

Up to 24 months - Nursery
2's & 3's - Lime Room , **4's - Pre-K** - Blue Room
K - Purple Room, **1st - 2nd** -Red Room
3rd - 4th - Green Rm, **5th - 6th** - Orange Rm
7th -12th - Teen Rooms

A Study of Sin
Clay Tyree (Auditorium)
The Emotions of Psalms
Matthew Ruiz and Carl Grimes (Kitchen)
A Day in the Life of David
Todd Stinson (Hall)
How to Answer the Hard Questions
Jerry Morgan (C20s)
Applying the 10 Commandments to Today
Tim Burton (College)

Remember in Prayer

Continue to Remember: Nancy Heffington, Caroline Thurman, Riley Walker, Bud and Linda Burgess, Heidi Street, Ray Scott, Nova Wayne, Tammi Ettinger, Jasper Wilson, David Bawcum and Lora Daniel.

Expectant Mothers: Lauryn Gaw, Ariel Terry, and Hannah Cottrill



Announcements

Youth Led Service

Sunday, August 30th at 5:00 p.m.

Come support and encourage our youth as they take an active role in leading our time together and as we celebrate their gifts, faith, and involvement in the life of our church.

UPCOMING

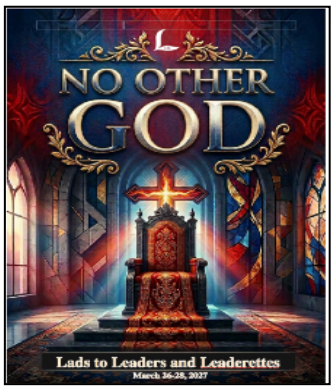
Ladies Day at SMCOC
September 12th
9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

See the email for more information. Sign up on the bulletin board.
Contact Tami Heffington for more info.

Kids Corner

Lads to Leaders/ Leaderettes 2027

Details coming soon!



By the Numbers

Attendance Last Week:

Sunday Worship Service.....539
Sunday Evening Classes.....287
Wednesday Night Classes..
Contribution: $32,943.00

Spring Meadows Youth Group

We had a great time opening up our Pathfinders group this past week- welcoming the new fifth graders into this group. Thank you to Jesse and Hayley Gilliam for making this happen!

TODAY is our Senior and 7's lunch after morning worship. We will be going to Jonathan's. We should be concluding by 1 p.m.

The Garage Bible Study is Monday night at 7 p.m. at our home if you haven't been before we would absolutely love for you to come and be with us and yes, parents are more than welcome to come and stay! It's a great time of studying God's word together.

Coming up in September

13th - Area-wide at Culleoka
26th - RUSH at FHU for grades 9-12

We will also begin our "Lunch Ladies" and "WASH" days.

AREA-WIDE SCHEDULE

"Sweet Ever After: Our Forever Home Awaits" A Year-Long Journey Through the Hope of Heaven.

Scan for the schedule.



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