



We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events:

Elders/Deacons Meeting:
Lunch after worship

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 16 – Meal: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Strawberry Pretzel Salad

Oct. 20 – Children’s Church Begins

Oct. 23 – Meal: Fried Tacos, Rice/Beans, Queso, Dessert (& Mac & Cheese)

Oct. 29 – Serve lunch at the Alva Bible Chair

Oct. 30 – Meal: Frito Chili Pie

Nov. 6 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Frito Chili Pie, Salad, Brownies

Nov. 13 – Meal: Pizza, Caesar Salad, Fruit Salad, Dessert

Nov. 20 – Meal: Soups & Sandwiches, Cheesecake

For Our Guests:

- Our guest WIFI password is Mark1615.
- If you would like individual communion cups, they are located on the small table behind the pillar in the back of the auditorium.
- Our nursery, located in the hallway behind the foyer, is staffed with ladies that would love to help you. There is also a nursing mothers’ room that is accessed by walking through the nursery.

Order of Worship

Song Leader/Welcome	Glenn Walker
.....	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>
.....	<i>In Christ Alone</i>
Prayer	TBD
.....	<i>Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross</i>
.....	<i>Break My Heart</i>
Communion Talk	Bruce Swart
Servers	George Gordon, Gordon Jantz, Michael Granberg
.....	Hudson Plummer, Todd Anderson, Dylan Anderson
.....	<i>Unto Thee, O Lord</i>
.....	<i>You’re The One</i>
.....	<i>Firm Foundation</i>
Sermon: ReBuilding with God-Laying the Foundation	Robb Mills
.....	<i>Soon and Very Soon</i>
Shepherd’s Prayer	
Nursery	Kassidy Roberts
.....	Meredith Plummer
Sound Booth/Slides	Dudley Darrow

Sermon Scripture: Ezra 3:8-13

Sermon Thought:

After the Israelites built the altar as a way to surrender to God they began work on the temple. As with every building, the foundation must be laid. Our lives must also be built on the foundation of God

Sermon Questions:

1. When making decisions, like moving or jobs, what do people normally take into consideration?
2. What does it look like to make those same decisions, with God as the foundation?
3. What do you notice in the lives of others when their foundation is God?

October 30th Wednesday Outreach

Mark October 30 for our Third Annual DHS Backpacks outreach. Dinner at 5:30; work from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

These are the items needed for the backpacks:

Full Sized:	
shampoo	nail clippers or emery boards
conditioner	chapstick
body wash	toothpaste
deodorant-male/female	body lotion

We are also purchasing backpacks, Bibles, and extras for the evening. Your donation of money for this project is always appreciated.

Next Week's (10/20/24) Servants:

Song Leader /Welcome:	Robb Mills
Communion Talk:	Cole Roberts
Servers:	Wayne Williams Cory Moore Houston Moore Isaac Taylor John Granberg Brooks Wilson
Shepherd's Prayer:	Terry Sherrill
Sound Booth/ Slides:	Jim Coker
Nursery:	Sue Diel Audrey Darrow
Wed. Toddler/ Preschool Teacher (18th):	Wendy Taylor

This Week's Birthdays:

14 th	Robert Browning
15 th	Kaiser Webb
16 th	Dawn Webb
17 th	Deana LeCrone
19 th	Jeanita Meek

What's Needed Today

On February 2, 1984, President Ronald Reagan spoke at the Annual National Prayer Breakfast in the International Ballroom at the Washington Hilton Hotel. After greeting the assembly which included many U.S. Senators and Representatives, President Reagan said: "In a world today that is so torn with strife where the divisions seem to be increasing, not people coming together, within countries, divisions within the people, themselves and all, I wonder if we have ever thought about the greatest tool that we have -- that power of prayer and God's help." "This power of prayer," continued President Reagan, "can be illustrated by a story that goes back to the fourth century..." Then he told about a monk that lived during the 4th century by the name of Telemachus. Telemachus had been living "in a little remote village, spending most of his time in prayer or tending the garden from which he obtained his sustenance," when he, because he believed it to be God's will, went to Rome.

When Telemachus arrived in Rome, President Reagan explained:

It was at a time of a festival in Rome. They were celebrating a triumph over the Goths. And he followed a crowd into the Coliseum, and then there in the midst of this great crowd, he saw the gladiators come forth, stand before the Emperor, and say, "We who are about to die salute you." And he realized they were going to fight to the death for the entertainment of the crowds. And he cried out, "In the name of Christ, stop!" And his voice was lost in the tumult there in the great Coliseum.

And as the games began, he made his way down through the crowd and climbed over the wall and dropped to the floor of the arena. Suddenly the crowds saw this scrawny little figure making his way out to the gladiators and saying, over and over again, "In the name of Christ, stop." And they thought it was part of the entertainment, and at first they were amused. But then, when they realized it wasn't, they grew belligerent and angry. And as he was pleading with the gladiators, "In the name of Christ, stop," one of them plunged his sword into his body. And as he fell to the sand of the arena in death, his last words were, "In the name of Christ, stop."

And suddenly, a strange thing happened. The gladiators stood looking at this tiny form lying in the sand. A silence fell over the Coliseum. And then, someplace up in the upper tiers, an individual made his way to an exit and left, and others began to follow. And in the dead silence, everyone left the Coliseum. That was the last battle to the death between gladiators in the Roman Coliseum. Never again did anyone kill or did men kill each other for the entertainment of the crowd.

One tiny voice that could hardly be heard above the tumult: "In the name of Christ, stop." It is something we could be saying to each other throughout the world today.

Peace. That's what we need in the world today. Peace between countries, peace within countries, peace in our homes, peace within each of us, and even peace with God.

That's why God sent His Son into the world: that we may have peace with God (Romans 5:1-2), peace with others (Ephesians 2:13-22), and peace within ourselves (Philippians 4:6-7).

It all begins with having peace with God. It is our sin that separates us from God (Isaiah 59:1-2), but Jesus died on the cross to pay the price for our sins so that we can be reconciled to God (2 Corinthians 5:18-21).

"In the name of Christ, stop!" Stop fighting against God and one another. Surrender and submit to the will of God, and then share His grace with everyone around you.

Dan Kent