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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Meal 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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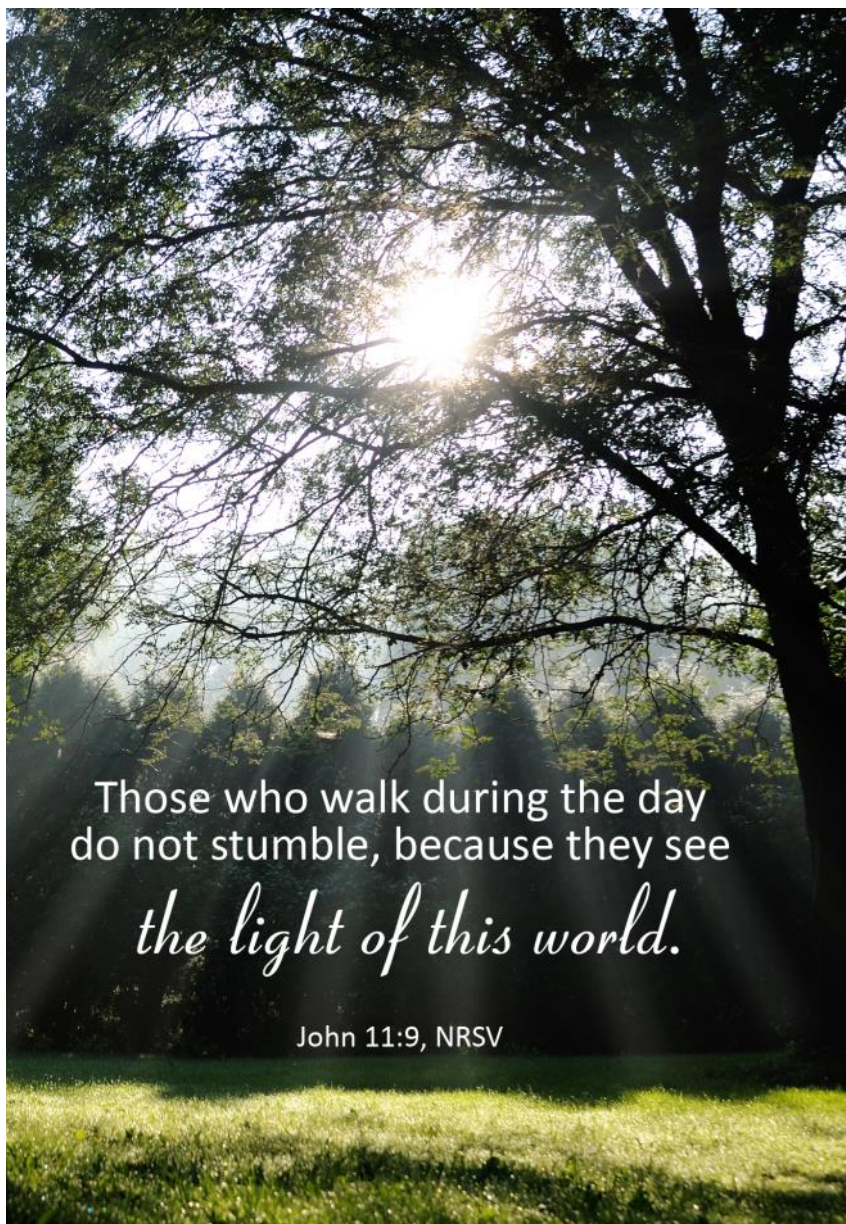
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Those who walk during the day
do not stumble, because they see
the light of this world.

John 11:9, NRSV

Guest Article....

Gossips: Worse Than Thieves!

Our words can be extremely powerful, either for good (Eph. 4:29) or ill (James 3:6). One form of evil use of the tongue is gossip. The following illustration by an unknown author drives this point home: Once upon a time, an old man spread rumors that his neighbor was a thief, as a result, the young man was arrested. Days later the young man was proven innocent. After he had been released he sued the old man for wrongly accusing him. In court the old man told the Judge, "They were just comments, didn't harm anyone." The judge before passing sentence on the case, told the old man, "Write all the things you said about him on a piece of paper. Cut them up and on the way home throw the pieces out the window and then come back tomorrow to hear your sentence."

The next day, the judge told the old man, "Before receiving the sentence, you will have to go out and gather all the pieces of paper that you threw out yesterday." The old man said, "I can't do that! The wind spread them and I won't know where to find them!" The judge replied, "The same way, simple comments may destroy the honor of a man to such an extent that one is not able to fix it. If you can't speak well of someone, rather don't say anything. Let's all be masters of our mouths, so that we won't be slaves of our words." Gossips are worse than thieves because they steal a person's dignity, honor, reputation, and credibility which are impossible to restore. So remember this: when your feet slip you can always recover your balance; but when your tongue slips, you cannot recover your words! Let us remember the damage gossip can do! "Where there is no wood, a fire goes out; and where there is no talebearer, strife ceases" (Proverbs 26:20)

-Matt Clifton

Please Pray For...

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of **Estelle Morgan**. She passes away this past weekend and services were Tuesday at Watt's in Madill. **Cecil Buck** is now at Brookside Manor here in Madill. He is not doing well at this time. Please keep him and Floyce in your prayers. Augusto Hernandez has asked that we pray for , **Ivania Sandoval**, a member in Nicaragua who is very ill. **Kevin Jocop** will be undergoing brain surgery on October 19th at Children's Hospital in Dallas, Texas. Mora Spence has asked that we pray for her cousin, **Charles Spence**, who is having various health issues. **Kenneth Harrison** had to have emergency surgery last Tuesday in Ardmore. He is home and doing well. **Lyndon Mincey** remains in the hospital in Durant with heart issues. Others to pray for are: **Mary Hasselman, J.W. Bennett, Jill Muegge, Mack Purnell, Loyd Upchurch, Kirk, Hallmark, Lillie Hallmark, Lucy Ette Ayres, Mary Huebsch, Charlene Chidester, Joseph Chidester, Larry & Bettie Goff, Nathan Couch, Kevin Jenkins, Jacob Jones, Sandra Fort, Dee McGlaughn, Ashley Bradbeary, Lloyd Harkins, Scott Dutton, Victor Jefferson, Ron Kelley, Patricia Kelley, Carroll Davis, Karen Herndon, Colton Contreas, Hubert Baker, Damion Meitzene, Michael Thomas Gray, Terry Simpson, Ethan Slinger, George Barr, Joni McCulloch, Martha Stafford, James Willis, Eva Woodley, Frank Mitchell, Donna Anderson, Lisa Thurman, Jerry & Junior Honeycut, Karen Thomann, Isa Smith, Dr. Shannon Goodwin Chambers, Primitivo Aguirre, Franny Aguirre, Donna Bond, Bryan Chapman, Royce & Sharon Bartee, Joyce Prentice, Leslie Ernst, Armelia Mach, Maxine Albright, George Smith, Larry Morgan, Jake Mincey, Kevin Delashaw, & Lisa Brimcombe.**

Upcoming Events– September

1 - Lady's Outing to Lavender Ridge in Gainesville, Texas—leaving at 9 am

5 - Wed. Night Meal- "Anything Chicken"



Our Men's Retreat

We will be hosting a Men's Retreat on November 4-6 at Broken Bow, Oklahoma. This will be a time for fellowship, devotionals, good food, and fun activities. The cost for the whole weekend is \$40. See Doug Jones or Francis Nelson if you will be attending.



Fall Gospel Meeting

The 4th & Jackson St. Church of Christ in Hugo, Oklahoma is hosting this meeting on October 2-5. The theme is "*The Gospel Really Is Good News.*" The guest speaker is Peter Bumpass and it will begin at 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning and start each evening at 7:00 p.m. A special luncheon will be held that Sunday after morning worship.

Attention Teens!

There will be a Youth Rally in Ada Oklahoma on Saturday, October 8th. The van will leave the building at 3:30 p.m. for all who would like to attend. See John Thomas for more details.



Youth Rally

The Church of Christ in Rush Springs, Oklahoma will be hosting this event on Saturday, October 29th at the Jeff Davis Park. It will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. The theme is "*Order My Steps.*" Lunch will provided and there are no fees of any kind. RSVP to pauleddwardkirkpatrick@gmail.com.

C.I.A. Groups

Our "Compact" Sunday and C.I.A. Meetings are coming up on October 9th. We will have our regular morning worship and then a potluck meal at noon and at 1:30 p.m. we will head out to Brookside Nursing Home for a short devotional (Dalan Larason's Group is in charge of this) and this will conclude our worship for the day. NO evening services. Then that evening all of our C.I.A. Groups will meet in various homes. Doug Jones and Duane Salyer's Groups will meet at Francis & Sue Nelson's home at 3:00 p.m. for some kite flying, then at 4:30 p.m. they will have a farm scavenger hunt, and at 6:00 p.m. they will be having Bar B Q bris 'quit and everyone needs to bring the sides. You will also need a lawn chair. Dalan Larason's group will be meeting here at the building at noon.



You're Invited!

Our very own **Wesley Kite** will be performing Thursday, October 6th at the Indie Theatre in Tishomingo at 7:00 p.m. Admission will be \$7.00. He will also be performing on Friday, October 14th at the Red Dirt Café in Ardmore, Oklahoma. Come out and hear this very talented young man!



Hayride & Hotdogs

The Kenedy's will be hosting their annual Hayride and Hotdog event on Saturday, October 22nd. The hotdogs and drinks will be provided and everyone needs to bring the sides and desserts to go with it. You will need a lawn chair and the kids can come in costume for a contest later in the evening. This is always a spooktacular event! See you there!

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	9/25	1 yr	5yr
AM Worship	164	165	205
PM Worship	59	47	88
Wednesday	nc	88	75
Contribution	\$3,780	\$4,256	\$nc
Hispanic Church	A.M 34		
	P.M. 15		
	Wed. 30		
	Cont. \$142		

A Special Thanks!



We want to say a special "Thank You" to Desiree & Jacob Smith for donating the material and to Dalan Larason for constructing the "Blessing Box" in front of the church building. You guys did an awesome job and we look forward to providing help to those who are in need in our community! If you would like to help by donating items for this project please let the office know!

Gospel Meeting



The McLish Avenue Church of Christ in Ardmore, Oklahoma invites us to attend their Gospel Meeting on October 2-5. The theme for this event is "Challenges of Christianity" and Brant Stubblefield will be the guest speaker. Topics include: "Discovering the Will of God," "Cheerful Giving," "Being Evangelistic," "Learning the Mind of Christ," "Defending the Truth," and "Fleeing Idolatry." On October the 2nd times will be 9:30 am, 10:30 am, and 6:00 pm, and the meeting will be held at 7:00 pm the following evenings. For more information you may contact them at (580) 223-3289.

"A gossip betrays a confidence; so avoid a man who talks too much."

-Proverbs 20:19

On The Lighter Side.....:)



The Paper:

Student: "I don't understand why my grade was so low. How did I do on my research paper?"

Teacher: "Actually, you didn't turn in a research paper. You turned in a random assemblage of sentences. In fact, the sentences you apparently kidnapped in the dead of night and forced into this violent and arbitrary plan of yours clearly seemed to be placed on the pages against their will. Reading your paper was like watching unfamiliar, uncomfortable people interacting at a party that no one wanted to attend in the first place. You didn't submit a research paper. You submitted a hostage situation!"