

CyberServant for 9/27/2026 with Pastor's Report

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Christ the Servant

Find Hope • Make a Difference • You Matter!



Come Sunday for our first ever CtS Podcast: Love your Neighbor.

Pastor Cheryl will be joined by Pastors Miyoung and Siyeon Kim to learn more about our new neighbors and how different cultures worship our same God! You don't want to miss this; hosted by our very own Steve Secora! See you Sunday, in house or on-line.

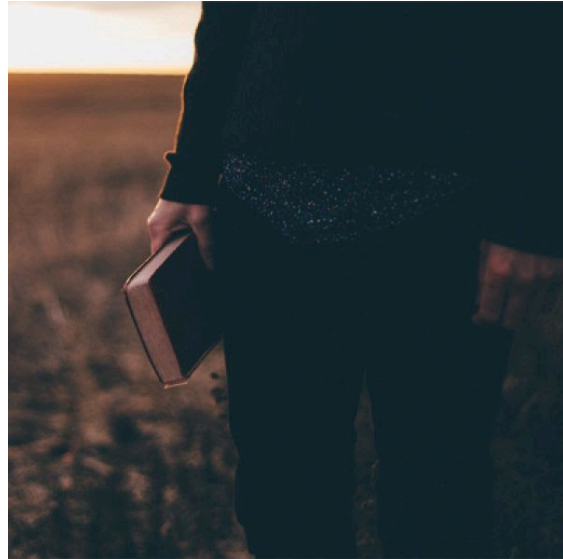
Our Service Schedule

Sundays 9:30 am

If you cannot join us in person, we offer a live broadcast of our service every Sunday starting at 9:20 AM on Facebook and on YouTube.

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Church Office Hours

The church office is open
Tuesdays and Thursdays,
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

However, the week of Sept. 27, the office will be open Tues., Sept. 29 and Wed., Sept. 30. The office will be closed Thurs., Oct. 1.

Call 972-727-3191 if you have any questions. Calls will be returned as soon as possible during office hours.

CHURCH COUNCIL
CHRONICLE

The Church Council met on Sunday, September 20th. Topics of discussion were:

- 45th Anniversary Celebration
- Church Campus Access Control Framework

- Live Nativity outreach event
- 2027 Generosity Plan
- Tithely Implementation

Each month, find council meeting highlights here. For all the details, meeting minutes are posted on the kiosk in the narthex.

Pastor's Report



¹⁴ In the temple courts [Jesus] found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. ¹⁵ So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.

John 2

Traditionally, the money changers in the temple were there to offer the service of convenience to the hordes of people pouring into Jerusalem for Passover or other festivals. We can easily see how their location would make it easier on the travelers. If they needed to exchange currency to purchase animals for sacrifice, they could do it right there, on location. Easy, right? Well, Jesus sure didn't see it that way. The ONE time we read of Jesus physically expressing his anger in the Bible is revealed in all four gospels. John is the only one that mentions a whip. Jesus knew the money changers were really there to charge exorbitant exchange rates that many travelers could not afford. He could see their self-interests getting in the way of welcoming these pilgrims to God's Holy Temple.

The one time Jesus gets mad in the bible was when he witnessed individuals blocking access to God.

It is a very exciting time at CtS with the implementation and almost completion of our long-awaited security system! The system is much more complex than a small church like ours probably needs, but along with the new electronic door locks, cameras and enhanced parking lot lighting, our hope is that everyone feels a greater sense of safety while on our property. A security system can be a double-edged sword: we want to feel safer, and yet our calling as Christians is to welcome outsiders. I hope you will join me in remembering the security system does not define who we are, Jesus Christ does. And although the system is designed to "keep people out", as a church our mission remains to welcome people in. As we move to fully implement this new system, we will definitely have some growing pains and ask for your patience during this time.

God's peace, **Pastor Cheryl**



Sunday School - Topics will be:

Elementary: Joseph, Part 2

Confirmation: Love Your Neighbor



Trunk & Treat!

October 17 | 4:00–6:00 PM

Get ready for an afternoon of treats, costumes, and fun! We're looking for people to **decorate a trunk and hand out treats**. Interested in participating? Please sign up on the Trunk & Treat sign-up sheet in the narthex. Come decorate, bring the candy, and let's make it a fun night for everyone!

Church News



Notice of Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 18:

A congregational meeting will be held on October 18 immediately after the church service to vote on funding the repair of the fire and smoke doors in the Educational Wing. The City of Allen recently added an annual inspection of the fire doors. CTSLC failed the inspection in May. The fire doors must pass the inspection to allow Little Texans to operate the daycare. The approximate repair cost is \$20,000. Our constitution requires congregational approval of unbudgeted items greater than \$10,000. ***An information session will be held on October 11 during the Sunday School hour for those who are interested in the details.***



Grief Work

Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Our church family will host a weekly Grief Support small group Thursday evenings ***beginning Thursday, October 1*** from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the church library. This 8-week gathering will provide a safe, confidential space where your stories are honored, your tears are welcome, and your faith is anchored—TOGETHER, we will look to God's promises for comfort in community... plan to join us.



All Saints Day Chair Drapes

in memory of loved ones who have passed can be ordered now through Sunday, October 11th. There are order forms with the ushers and on the table in the narthex. You may also contact the church office.



Church Worship Song Suggestions

As we celebrate Christ the Servant's 45th Anniversary this year, we would love to hear music from our history and music for our future. This is where you come in! Please share a favorite

New Church Management System Transition Update



All Members: We have changed our email process to help in delivery to your Inbox. You should have received an email from the church regarding North Texas Giving Day dated Sep 16, 2026 around 10:00 AM. It would have come from: areidmiller57_rt+gmail@email.breezechms.com. If you did not get this in your normal Inbox:

- Please check your Spam / Junk / Promotion email folders. You can also do a Search All mail for emails that end in @email.breezechms.com
- All email systems (gmail, yahoo,...) have ways to mark these emails as NOT Spam/Junk or Promotions. Please see your specific email system's guidance to set this up your inbox.
- You can also contact Alan Reidmiller at [214-551-7257](tel:214-551-7257) if you need assistance.

Ways to Serve



TUESDAY, Oct 13, 2026 - ALLEN MINISTRIAL ALLIANCE (AMA) SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

Christ the Servant will cohost with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints the AMA Luncheon at St. Jude's Catholic Church on Tuesday, October 13. Volunteer Sign-up sheets will be available for the congregation to:

- ☐ 1. Provide 9x11 inch cakes
- ☐ 2. Assist with setup, takedown of the table coverings, serving cakes (if volunteering, please wear your yellow "God's Work Our Hands" t-shirt)
- ☐ 3. Donate door prizes.

A highlight of the event is the door prizes. We are asking for donations of small door prize items - small baskets, coupon holder, cups, tote bags, note cards, after shave, scarves, picture frames, playing cards, word/crossword puzzle books, etc. There has always been quite a variety of items. Please place items in a gift bag inside the marked plastic container in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for your help with this community outreach to our senior citizens.

Questions? Shirley McDowell 713-412-4419



House of Hope - Beginning Sunday, October 4

Last year we supported House of Hope with Tom and Sharon Brian by sending large Ziplock bags of items to children in Honduras for Christmas. These are the same children that receive our packed bags of food through Kids against Hunger. There was such a positive response that we decided to participate again this year.

Throughout the month of October beginning October 4th the church will be providing the 16 by 20-inch Ziplock bags to interested parties to fill as directed by a handout. Also, due to import requirements, monetary donations of \$5 per bag are needed to purchase some toiletry items in Honduras.

The bags and further instructions will be provided on October 4th after the church service. Completed bags will need to be returned to the church by October 25th. They can be dropped off in the grey bin labeled House of Hope Christmas Bags in the donation station. For questions, see Ann Reidmiller.

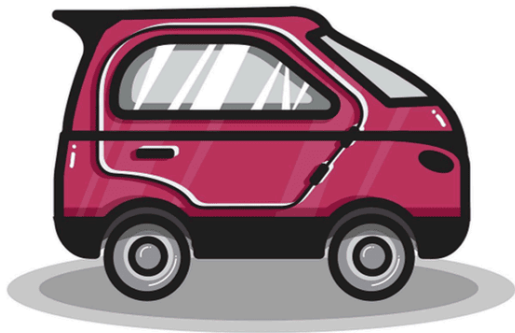


AMA Needs Your Help!

**Household cleaning items
requested by the
AMA Food Pantry:**

September All Purpose
Cleaner

October Shampoo,
Deodorant, Toothpaste



Car Pool Ministry

There are times when our members may need a ride to church, or the store or doctor's appointments. We even have had regular visitors that have needed a ride to church. If you are willing to help, please contact Pam Grosze pgrosze@tx.rr.com to get on the list. Thank you!

Fun & Fellowship



Empty Nesters

will not be meeting on Fri.,
Sept 25.

Our next meeting will be
Fri., Oct. 9.

See you then!



Lunch at Jason's Deli Thurs., Oct. 1, 12:00 PM

Meet for food, laughter and
fellowship at the Jason's Deli in Allen



Crafters' Coalition Sat., Oct. 3 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Bring your craft and your lunch to the
church and share some fun as you
work on your project!



Game Night! Sun. Oct.4, 6-8:30 pm

Meet for fellowship and fun in the Fellowship
Hall. Bring snacks and any games you'd like
to play or just come and play a game you've
never tried before!

NTNL SWO Retreat



October 23-24 2026
St. Matthew Lutheran
Church
800 N. New Road
Waco, TX 76710

NTNL SWO Retreat

2-days: Early Bird ends 10/2/26 \$35,
Registration Ends 10/16/26 \$40,
At the door \$45,
Sat Only \$30

Register for the retreat at:
<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/11349211>

Coming in January! Used Book Sale



Save your used books. Watch for
an announcement on when to
bring them in.

In Case You Missed It

On Homecoming Sunday, Sept. 13, Gary Johnson had Da'Guys pose for a photo. What a great looking group of guys!



On Thursday, September 17, WoW Bible Study had a celebration of Mazie Conarty's birthday. Mazie turned 96 this past week! Here she is seen with Marty Coates, who prepares to serve the cake for Mazie. (Photo courtesy of Gary Johnson)



Sandy Dick was also in attendance taking pictures. Below she captured Angie Osbon, Kristin Clancy, Linda Federle, Kathy Smith and Shirley McDowell.



Below: Others Sandy found at the party were Ginny Grundei, Shirley Sprague, Sarah Norton (seated in front of Linda), Bettye Klempin, Janet McChesney (behind Angie) and Lennie Gunderson.



Below: The WoW Bible Study presented a nice spread for Mazie to honor her.



All photos courtesy of Gary Johnson. Thank you, Gary!

Book/Bible Studies



Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday school meets in the church library after Sunday service at 11:00 am in the church library.



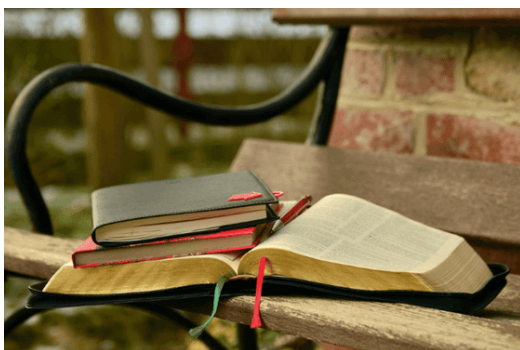
Tuesday Morning Bible Study

This Zoom Bible Study meets on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00. Join us this month for a new Bible Study series - *Paradoxical People: The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12)*. For more information, please contact Ginny Grunde at ggrunde51@gmail.com.



Wednesday Evening Bible Study

meets in the church library 7-8 pm. All are welcome! For information, please contact Tina Lewandowski or the church office.



WoW - Women of the Word

meets in the church library Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

For more information, contact Paula Edwards at ped129@yahoo.com.



Da Guys' Book/Bible Study

2nd and 4th Saturdays, 8:30-10 am.

Next meeting, Sept. 26th

To participate, contact [Steve Secora](#) or [Lennie Gunderson](#). You may also contact the [church office](#) for information.

Other Ways to Serve



Lawn Mowing Teams

Sept 27—Team Gunderson

Oct 4—Team Hundtofte

Sat., Oct 10—Fall Fix Up



Assisting Ministers

Sept 27 Tim McCord
 Oct 4 Julia Whannell
 Oct 11 Doug Egner
 Oct 18 Linda Federle
 Oct 25 Bill Henke
 Nov 1 Cheryl Lindberg
 Nov 8 Larry Lutz
 Nov 15 Kathryn McCord



Rehearsals:

Lutherings Bell Choir
 Wednesdays, 6:30 pm

Chancel Choir
 Wednesdays, 7:30 pm



Mini Parish Schedule 2026

September G3 - Spirit Seekers
 October G1 - One Way
 November G2 - Sunday Servants

Leaders:

One Way	K. Miller/K. Smith
Sun. Servants	Sedlacek/Whannell
Spirit Seekers	Wang-Jones/Wilson

The entire schedule for 2026 is posted on the kiosk in the narthex. The schedule is also posted through November 2026 on the website under

[Resources > Worship Leaders](#)

For questions, call Ceci Gunderson in the office 972-727-3191 during office hours.

Prayer List



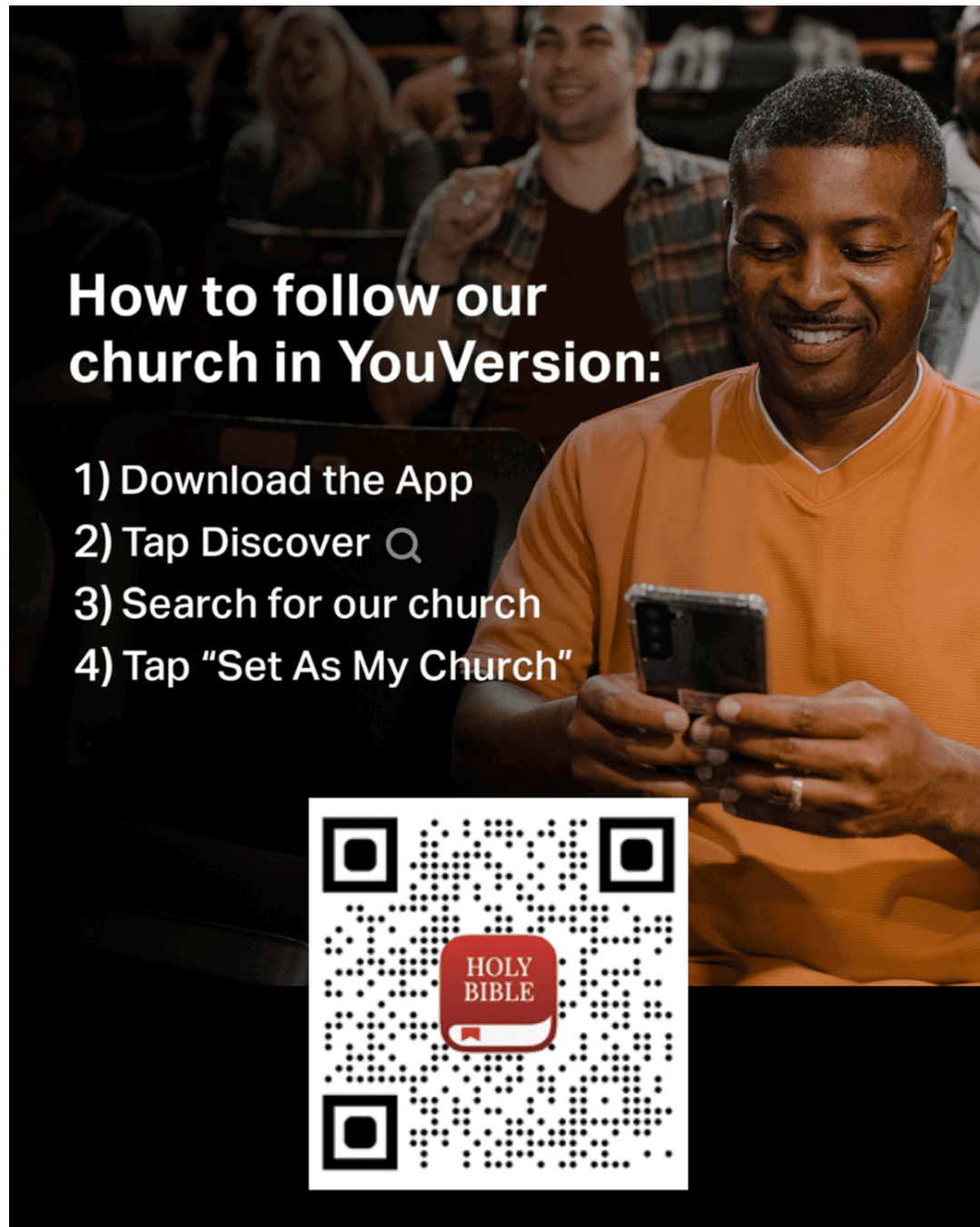
Kennedy
 Bill Linam
 Chris McCullom
 Pflueger family
 Ginger Pickett
 Karen Whannell
 Ashley
 Marlette
 Sarah
 Shante

Continuing Prayers for:

Chrissy Andrews, Ellen Andrews, John Andrews, Betty, Mary Blitt, Kent Bode, Macey Boland, Jerry Cardenes, Alec Chavez, Chris, Chuck, Clouse family, Patricia Collis, Mazie Conarty, Bishop Yehiel Curry, Brenda Daily-Brooks, Deborah, Doug, Glenn & Caroline, Alex Gonzalez,

Grundeir family, Rob Harris, Linda James, Jessica, Karrell Johnson, Kimberly Judy, Julie, Kelly, JR Lawson, Leischski family, Chad Lindberg, Sue Long, Mark, Lucy Markovich, Richard Marquez, Bob Morgan, Jane Morgan, Weston Offield, Deloris Olson, Doris Schmidt, Ken Schmidt, Jack Terry, Whitney, David Wilson, Ashleigh Wright, Mac Wright

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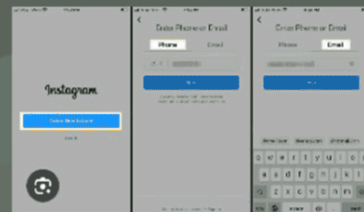
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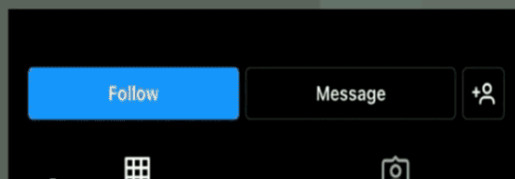


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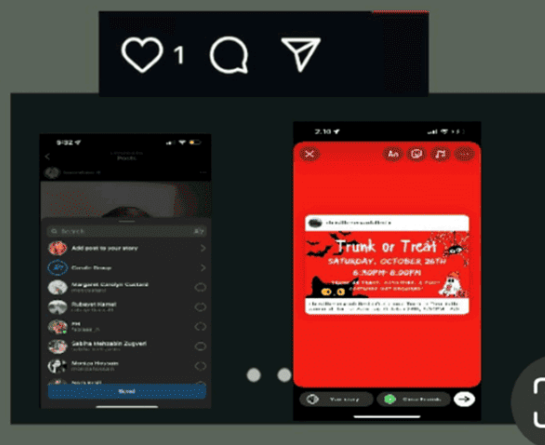


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