



For even the **Son of Man** did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. *Mark 10:45*



Live.
Serve.
Love.



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Sunday 8:30a Donuts & Coffee
9:00a Sunday School
10:00a Worship Service
Tuesday 8:30a Prayer Group
Wednesday 5:30p Youth 6-12th grade
Thursday 9:00a Men's Coffee Group- FH
Friday 9:00a Ladies' Coffee Group- FH

Weekly Schedule

Memorials

Ray Weaver - by Steve & Nancy Simoneau, Bill & Nita Holman, Kay Steen, Ronnie Lee, Anonymous

Honorariums

Emily Shoemaker - by Donald & Margaret Settle

Ray Weaver - by The Believers

The Believers SS Class - by Darla Marre

Summer camp workers and campers, Christians persecuted for their faith - by Anonymous

Sunday Attendance

July 1	77
July 8	97
July 15	121
July 22	99
July 29	76

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- 8/8 - Youth - Dinner and Worship
- 8/9 - MOPS Reg. and Play Date 9-11 AM & 6-8 PM
- 8/12 - Youth Dodgeball tournament @St. Pauls UMC
- 8/15 - Youth - Summer celebration and street feed
- 8/19 - Potluck & Prayer Walk
- 8/19-20th - High School Campout @ Abilene State Park
- 8/22 - No Youth - Choir and Bells start back
- 8/23 - First day of school!
- 8/25 - Dorothy Zinn B-day party 2-4 PM F-Hall
- 8/28 - MOPS 6:30 PM F-Hall
- 8/29 - No Youth

BIRTHDAYS !!

8/2 Frances Howle	8/3 Kenstan Canada	8/7 Sharon Hazard
8/8 Danny Tabor	8/18 John Dement Gay Faircloth	8/20 Steve Hooker
8/21 Eddie Craig Bob Gillespie	8/25 Elaine Lee Dorothy Zinn	8/27 Gil Tabor
8/28 Don Craig	8/30 Martie Batley Yonna Green	8/31 Chloe Gonzales

Anniversaries

- Bob & Joy Gillespie - 08/02**
- Dean & Becky Caffey - 08/04**
- Pat & Doris Pritchard - 08/14**
- John & Nancy Moerls - 08/19**
- Mike & Tamra Cotton - 08/20**
- David & Melba Miller - 08/21**
- Ronnie & Elaine Lee - 08/23**
- Donnie & Jessica Fry - 08/30**
- Sammy & Courtney Wilson - 08/31**

This summer in youth...

This summer the youth group met on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 PM. Along with the weekly youth group activities several youth attended camp and participated in Mission week! Here is an inside look at their summer!

In early June, twelve youth attended Mid-High and High School Camps at Butman Camp. God was moving in big ways at both camps. As a youth director, it was such a blessing for me to get to share in their camp experiences and witness the Holy Spirit moving in and around our amazing youth. Have you asked them about camp? I'm sure they will have a lot to share if you ask them how they saw God moving at camp! Thank you to everyone who supported us through the burrito fundraisers and other donations to help make camp possible for these twelve youth.

June 20th marked the start of youth group for our new 6th graders, and the beginning of Summer Youth! Thanks to Candi Hammett and Hendrick Home, we were able to jump into summer youth and celebrate our new additions with a splash at the Hendrick Home pool! We maxed out the capacity of their pool with 40 youth and adult sponsors. What a fun way to start summer.

Our youth group's second annual Local Mission Week took place July 16-20th. This year the youth focused on Mark 10:45, and served through helping with VBS and within the Clyde community.

Have you had a chance to ask one of our youth about Mission Week? I would like to share a re-cap of the week with you, and hope that it will inspire you to ask our students some questions about their experiences! It was a week full of service and fun, and learning about small ways that everyone can make big impacts.

This summer, Mission Week was a "choose your own adventure" for our youth. We have been discussing our spiritual gifts, and I encouraged students to lean into their giftings when choosing which parts of the week they wanted to pour into. We had the opportunity to help facilitate Vacation Bible School in the mornings, and a variety of service projects in the afternoons. Some youth went all-in and decided to participate in everything. We have some real rockstars in our midst!

VBS provided our youth with opportunities to lead our young children in worship, lessons, athletic activities, crafts, and snack fellowship. And some of our youth helped more behind the scenes to make sure that things were all set up and prepared to ensure smooth transitions. In all, twenty-two youth attended VBS as helpers. What a beautiful sight to witness our older kids shepherding our younger ones in such a way.

Thanks to some of our generous members, the youth who helped with VBS and stayed for our afternoon projects got to eat some really great lunches! They also enjoyed spending time getting to know those who came to serve.

Monday afternoon, there was a group of twenty-nine youth who came to work and serve our community. Love and Care Ministries opened their doors for us to come in and help organize the food

pantry, fold and organize clothing, move boxes in the shed to prepare for their back to school Ministry, weed their flower bed, and pile high the donations that were ready to be sent to Africa. In less than two hours, we were able to complete what would have taken their regular volunteers three weeks.

On Tuesday, we had twenty-five youth in five groups visit a number of our shut-ins in Clyde and Abilene. They baked cookies to take, and prepared questions for their visits. Students enjoyed asking about the older generation's high school experience, and how things were different back then. These visits were uplifting for all involved, and will hopefully continue on a more regular basis.

On Wednesday, we split the group of thirty-one youth in attendance into four groups, and prepared them for working outside in 104 degree heat. Two groups went to homes of some of our congregants to complete some outdoor projects, one group went to pick up trash at the park and around town, and the last group stayed at church to trim back all of the overgrowth on the fence in our back parking lot and side yard. You should check it out!

All three afternoon service projects ended with worship in the Sanctuary led by Jared and our awesome worship band. Students reflected on their projects and discussed how noticing little things and helping out in seemingly small ways can have great and lasting impacts.

Wednesday, after working all day in the heat, twelve of our high school youth stuck around and attended Street Feed with Love and Care Ministries. The Street Feed ministry is one that is so important to these kids, that they found energy to keep serving, and prayed some beautiful prayers over folks in our community who were in need.

On Thursday, the youth helped with VBS, then cleaned up and packed up for a trip into Frisco to see the Rough Riders baseball team play. It was a hot night at the ballpark, but we still had a great time. A beautiful church in Frisco, First Frisco UMC hosted us for the night, and then we woke up and headed to Hurricane Harbor to cool off! You should ask the kids what their favorite rides were!

Thank you to each and every one of you who prayed for, prayed for, cooked for, served for, sung for, drove for, or helped with our youth that week! You are appreciated so much. The kids are already talking about making next year even bigger and better, and with your continued support and prayers, I am confident that will happen.

In His Service,
Erin