

October 26, 2025

9:30 AM Worship

Song Leader – Tyler Binkley

Let God Arise

Firm Foundation

866 – I Will Call Upon the Lord

Opening Welcome and Prayer – Travis Shivers

694 – To Canaan's Land

How Deep the Father's Love

Lord's Supper/Contribution –

Will Pendleton

523 – Our God, He is Alive

Dismissal to Junior Disciples

Reading: Rev 19:1-10 – Ford Rutherford

Sermon: Revealing the Lamb's Feast -

Mike Peters

961 – On Bended Knee

841 - Sing and Be Happy

Closing Prayer – Paul Mahaney Jr.

Nursery – Shannon Nicholson

Greeter – Kerry Delashmitt

Junior Disciples (2yr-3rd Grade)

Bible Class – 10:45 AM

Cradle Roll

2-4: Edwin & Amanda Rutherford

K-5th: Brad & Thea Moser

6th-12th: Seth Riley

Nehemiah (Auditorium) – Wayne Pinckley

Against the Grain (Class behind Auditorium) – Mike Peters

Wednesday Bible Class – 7PM

Auditorium

Men's Class – Mike Peters

Ladies Class – Tonya Crouch

2-3's:

4's-3rd Grade - Tyler and Kaylee Binkley

Teens: Seth Riley

Internet Guest Password: 1John4:4

Visitors, please use this QR code to let us know you are here.



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The Best Place To Be On The Best Day Of The Week

When Cities Fall: Understanding Babylon the Great in Revelation

Have you ever watched a movie where familiar landmarks lie in ruins? Those apocalyptic scenes serve as sobering reminders that the things we consider permanent are actually quite fragile. The book of Revelation delivers a similar wake-up call through John's vision of a great city's fall.

In Revelation 17, John sees a vision of a city portrayed as a harlot with "Babylon the Great" written on her head. This isn't literal ancient Babylon, which had fallen 600 years before John's time. Instead, this represents a city that operates like Babylon—most likely Rome, the capital of the empire in John's day. John describes this harlot as sitting on seven mountains or hills, making the identity unmistakable to first-century readers. Rome was famously known as the city built on seven hills.

While Rome appeared beautiful and majestic to visitors, John pulls back the curtain to reveal a different reality. This great city rides on the back of the beast, has made kings of the earth her lovers, is adorned with gold and jewels but drinks from a cup of abominations, and is drunk on the blood of the saints.

Like a harlot, this city takes resources from others while promising friendship, affection, and protection in return. Rome had enriched itself at the expense of others, trading in everything from gold and silk to "human souls"—a pointed reference to the slave trade that reduced people to mere objects.

When Babylon falls, two groups have very different reactions. Kings, merchants, and shipmasters who profited from the city's exploitation weep because their source of wealth is gone. Heaven, saints, apostles, and prophets celebrate because God has brought justice for those who were oppressed and exploited.

The central message to Christians is clear: "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues." Christians cannot divide their loyalty between the beast and the Lamb. They must choose: Will they go along to get along, enjoying the luxuries and comforts the world offers? Or will they resist and remain faithful to Christ, even if it costs them?

The church in Laodicea thought they were rich and needed nothing because they enjoyed Rome's prosperity. But Jesus told them they were actually "wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked." True wealth comes from Christ, not from worldly cities.

John's message is timeless: Do not allow any earthly city to become your hope or homeland. These cities will fall, these kingdoms will be judged, and these empires will crumble. Christians have a different city—one whose foundations will never fail, where God reigns forever. This is our true homeland and our lasting hope.

Upcoming Events

11/2 Shining Stars meal in FLC after classes are concluded.

11/8 – Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am in the FLC. Sausage and Biscuits will be provided. Please bring breakfast sides.

11/13 – Lunch Trip to Que'd Up 615 in Pleasant View. There's a signup sheet in the foyer. It's open to anyone that wishes to go. The church van will leave promptly at 10:45 am. (The date has been changed)

11/23 – Family Meeting with meal after class. The church will provide fried chicken. Please bring sides and desserts.

12/4 – Trip to Pattis 1880 Settlement for lunch.

12/6 - Breakfast with Santa (More Details to Come)

News

Assignments for the month of November have been posted in Lightpost. If your information is correct, you will receive an email and text message to confirm or decline. A copy will also be posted on the back bulletin board that you can check there as well.

If you need assistance to get into Lightpost please text Tonya.

There's a Second Harvest Food box located to the left of the pulpit. Lanelle Craig is collecting nonperishable items for Pleasant View Elementary till the end of October. Here's a list of most needed items: Peanut butter, canned chicken and tuna, canned fruits and vegetables, beans, mac and cheese, pasta, cereal and rice.

All announcements for the bulletin need to be sent to Tonya by Tuesday at accocsec@gmail.com Thank you.

Prayer Requests

Juanita Glasgow has been moved to Riverview room 106 (Formerly Hillcrest).

Melinda Riley the mom of Seth Riley will be starting treatments on Thursday. Will be 6 to 8 months of 1 treatment every 4 weeks.

Karen Sullivan had a coronary artery spasm that mimics a heart attack but is not one. She is at home and doing well.

Our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Gail Reed on the loss of her brother-in-law Robert Blue who passed away last week.

Shut-Ins

Louise Beshears (Vantage Point); Juanita Glasgow (Vantage Point); Linda Pewitt; Preston & Dot Tucker (Vantage Point Room 414)

Birthdays

Jason Hughes 10/26
Barbara Hackett 10/28
Paulette Mitchell 10/31

Anniversaries

Mike and Ieva Peters 10/29

Stats For 10-26

AM Worship – 121

Wednesday – 55

Contribution - \$5513.00

Weekly Budget - \$5731.00

YTD Avg. – \$5418.08

IRONY - Brad suffers a paper cut while reading **HE 4:12**
... the Word of God is sharper than a 2-edged sword.



Continued Prayers for...

Darlene Baxter, Joe Bruggeman, Sr.; Barbara Craig, Joe Demonbreum, Ricky Hackett, J.W. Hymer, Anita Lunn, Kim Mayberry, Char Nicholson, Trudy Thrasher, Ridge Tittle, Dee Shivers, Marilyn Delashmitt