

# The Messenger

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### Todd's Take

Good Morning and welcome to our worship services today. In our sermon time we will continue our journey through the Gospel of John. This week's stop will be chapter 11—the raising of Lazarus.

COVID has slowed us down, but not stopped us. There are several ways to serve and to fellowship in spite of the restrictions placed on us by the virus.

For service, we will be hosting the **North Texas Mobile Food Pantry** again on Monday, November 23. PACOC is also helping with **Meals on Wheels** during the month of December.

For fellowship and worship, the women are planning a social-distance-sensitive **Gift Exchange** on December 7. The Denison Ministerial Alliance will be hosting a **Community Thanksgiving Service** on Sunday, November 22. Our **DMC's** continue both in person and over Zoom. And every Sunday we are meeting for **worship** in person while streaming it online. Our **adult class** is meeting at 9 AM on Sunday mornings. Our Wednesday morning **Ladies Class** is continuing to meet. Our **Youth ministry** is regularly meeting on Sundays and Wednesdays. Our **children's classes** are meeting on Sunday as well.

I know we have to take some measures during this time, but do not allow yourself to be totally isolated from the spiritual nourishment we always need.

Having an effective online presence has become more and more important these days and we are taking measures to make that happen. We have recently updated our webpage. If you

haven't taken a look lately, log onto pacoc.net. We continue to encourage all our members to create accounts on our new Church Management System. Many of you have the church app as well. There are many ways for us all to stay connected digitally, so please take advantage of these resources.

One casualty of 2020 has been our **5th Sunday Debt Reduction Contributions.** Given the circumstances we have not offered any of these special giving opportunities, but this month we will. Sunday, November 29 is the last Fifth Sunday of 2020 and we will designate our entire contribution that week to apply to the mortgage of the Ark. Please give generously as we accelerate the payoff date.

May God continue to bless and lead us as we serve him in Texoma and around the globe.





This will be a safe, fun evening. We will practice social distancing, wear masks (except when eating), use hand sanitizer before eating and before touching gifts. We will serve a special Christmas dessert (individually wrapped cookie) prepared by Denise McAlister along with hot cocoa, hot apple cider, tea, and coffee so please eat dinner before you come. We hope you will make plans to attend. Please see **Amyee McAlister** for questions.

## **NEWS & NOTES**

#### Sympathy

Our sympathy is with the family of **Venita Johnson**, a former member at PACOC who passed away on November 6. Services were held last Wednesday.

Our sympathy is also with the family of **Jean McIntosh**, who passed away November 7.

A graveside service for **Darrell Allen**, who passed away on November 5, will be held this afternoon at 2 PM at Kemp Cemetery, Kemp, OK.

#### **Congratulations**

Our grandson, **Kory Waller** and **Gabby Chavez** were married Saturday, November 7 at Pecan Grove Event Center in Caddo, OK. They will reside in Durant, OK.

**David & Vickie Waller** 

#### Thank You

Thank you very much for the cards and calls after Roy's knee surgery. He has done quite well and for that we are very thankful. Love to all, **Roy & Mary Galyon** 

#### Budget 2021

We are currently putting together the 2021 budget. If you have a budget request please submit your request to the church office by December 1.

#### Meals on Wheels

We are looking for volunteers to help with meals on wheels during the month of December (Tuesday-Friday only). If you can help please indicate that on your communication card this morning along with the dates you are available. Any questions please contact **Basil McClure**.

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

What a Christmas surprise many children around the world will receive because of your generosity! Our congregations filled **309** boxes for Operation Christmas Child! Thank you to Flight 56 for your leadership and hard work on this project!

#### **Prayer List**

Betty Clark, James Hawk, Kathy Pryor, Roy Galyon, Gary Dodd, Brett Moore, Peggy Parkey, Dewey Martin, Bob Corley, Sandra Aynes, Arlene Joines & Family, June Washburn, Nancy Richard

#### **Ongoing Needs**

Jim & Jane Scroggins, Terry Waggoner, Pat Ardis, Kay Skelton, Lisa Cobble, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Sandra Thomas, Larry Long, Corky Armstrong, Judy Shelton, Mary Pope, Gene Stogner, Kimberly Pendergrass, Kaile Williams (Norris)

#### Homebound

Barbara Corbett, Ray & Marsha Jones, Chris Keene, JD Huffman

#### Missions

Hammer & Dela Afakule (Togo), Mario "Pepe" Torre (Monterrey, Mexico)

#### Friends of Park Avenue

AJ Atherton (friend of Linda Tollison), Rebekah Taylor (great niece of the Russells), Becky Sanchez (wife of Gil Sanchez, Director of orphanage in Mexico), Betty & Misty (family of Pat Chandler)

#### Fifth Sunday

November 29 is a fifth Sunday. The contribution that day will go toward the debt reduction on the Family Life Center.

#### **Youth Ministry**

Park Avenue Youth will be meeting outside in the Church courtyard on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30 PM.

**Sunday Nov. 15**: Park Avenue Youth will be meeting today from 5:30-7:30 PM outside in the Church courtyard.

**Sunday Dec. 6:** Park Avenue Youth Parents Meeting in the Youth Suite from 5-5:30 PM.

#### Mobile Food Pantry

The North Texas Food Bank will be at the building Monday November 23 from 10 AM to noon. If you can volunteer please sign up on your communication card this morning.





For The Record - November 8, 2020	
Worship	296
Giving Goal	\$18,785
Received	\$20,665
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