



The Messenger

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Todd's Take

Welcome to our Sunday morning services. Whether you are with us in-person or joining us online, please take a moment to complete a communication card.

I hope everyone spent some special time giving thanks for all of God's favors, but above all, for his presence in our lives. We are indeed blessed to be called children of God!

We continue to make improvements to our online presence and recently we have updated our website. We have the same web address as before (www.parkavenuechurch.com and www.pacoc.net) but you'll notice a new design. If you haven't taken a look at it lately, give it a whirl. You'll find that it is much more mobile friendly than our previous site. If you have any problems or issues with any of our online communications, please let us know so we can make it right as soon as possible.

Last Sunday was a blessed time as we gathered together for the annual community Thanksgiving service. Basil lead a couple of songs and we were encouraged by testimonies and worship. What a joy to be able to cooperate with other believers in our city. It is a testimony to the unity we have in Christ.

Attention all men! You've been hearing about our Men's conference for months, and it is finally upon us. Make plans to be here Friday and Saturday for what promises to be a rich time of fellowship and encouragement. Carlos Whittaker will lead us with inspiring and insightful teaching. Register today at RiseUpTexoma.com or call the church office.

I know we are all getting virus weary but let us continue to run with perseverance the race set before us keeping our eyes on Jesus. It's been an uphill battle and it seems like there are more hills ahead of us, but God will

give us the strength to maintain our hope and trust in him. Many things will fail us, but God is the constant through all of this. Stay faithful. Stay in the Word. Continue the weekly practice of worship. And pray continually.

RISE UP MEN'S CONFERENCE DECEMBER 4-5

“With his trademark blend of humor and transparency, gifted storyteller Carlos Whittaker shares how the key to his freedom was rediscovering a wild faith. That key can be yours, helping you open the door to leave mild and enter wild.”



CARLOS WHITTAKER
AUTHOR OF ENTER WILD

RISE UP MEN'S CONFERENCE 2020

Register At RiseUpTexoma.com

NEWS & NOTES

Meals on Wheels

We still have a couple of dates in December (10 & 11) to fill. If you can help please indicate that on your communication card this morning. Any questions please contact Basil McClure.

Ladies Gift Exchange—December 7

Bring a \$10 wrapped gift and a friend! 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.

The Way in the Manger Activity

Families, please pick up your copy of this Advent/Devotional Sticker book outside the church office

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. Contact Blake Smith or the church office if you have any questions.

Toys for Tots

Attention Discipleship Ministry Leaders! If you are sponsoring a family for Christmas and need toys for children up to the age of 10, please contact the church office with the family name, gender, and age of each child. The deadline is this Friday, December 4.

Prayer List

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

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)

Expectant Mothers

Melanie Truxal

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)

Youth Ministry

Sunday Nov. 29: Park Avenue Youth will meet at the McAlister's House (675 Yellowjacket Rd. Denison) From 5:30-7:30 PM! Dinner will be provided. Please bring your own chair. Please meet at their house!

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

Sunday Dec. 13: Youth and Families Service Project Day! More details to come!

Youth Parents—Starting Dec. 1 we will be going through an advent devotional called "Hope is Coming"! Tyler will be sending out the daily devotional through our email, instagram, and remind. We hope you will join us on this journey.



NOV 29 **Debt Reduction SUNDAY**

Sunday's entire contribution will go to offset the mortgage on the Family Life Center.

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. Today is the last Fifth Sunday of 2020 and we will designate our entire contribution this week to apply to the mortgage of the Ark. Please give generously as we accelerate the payoff date.

For The Record - November 22, 2020

Worship	383
Giving Goal	\$18,785
Received	\$13,984

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Thanks for your ongoing financial support