



The Messenger

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Todd's Take

Welcome! Whether you're a longtime member of our church family or you're joining us for the first time this morning — maybe because your child took part in this week's Christian Theater Workshop — we're so glad you're here.

What a week it's been. Our kids spent the last several days learning, laughing, and rehearsing for their performance of Promised Land, bringing the story of Moses to life — from the basket in the reeds to the parting of the Red Sea. None of that happens without the incredible people behind the scenes. To every volunteer who taught a line, built a set, moved a set, sewed a costume, ran a rehearsal, wrangled a room full of energetic kids, served a meal, sewed a costume, glued a craft, taught a Bible story, ran a game, dimmed a light, or simply showed up to help wherever needed — thank you. Your investment in these children matters more than you know, and it showed on that stage. If you haven't had a chance to see the performance yet, there's one more showing this afternoon at 4 PM— don't miss it!

The Christian Theater Workshop play tells a great story — because it is one. Moses is one of the true heroes of the Bible, and Scripture affirms it again and again. But the play ends at the Red Sea, and there's more to the story than the kids had time to tell.

This week, we're going further — into the giving of the Law at Sinai, and into a truth even bigger than that: as great as Moses was, and as great as the Law he gave was, someone greater was coming.

This Sunday kicks off a new sermon series called Parishioner's Picks, where messages are shaped by topics and Scriptures submitted by you, our church family. Our first pick comes from a request to talk about grace — and there's no better week to do it. Grace isn't just a nice idea; it's the very thing that removes our guilt and draws us close to God. Whether you grew up knowing God mostly as a rule-giver or you're still discovering who He is, this message is for you. Today we will explore what grace does that the Law never could, and why knowing God as a Grace-Giver changes everything.

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Schedule

Sunday Adult Class: 9 AM in Worship Center
*Sonshine Hour for 4 yr olds to 6th grade in gym.
Nursery for under 4 in main building.*

Sunday Worship: 10 AM
Children dismissed to class at 10:45 AM

Sunday Youth: 5:00-7:30

*Discipleship Making Communities throughout the week.
Go to pacoc.net/groups for locations.*

Ministers: Todd Catteau, *Preaching Minister*; Sam Cannon, *Youth Minister*; Tyler Cope, *Family Minister*; Basil McClure, *Worship and Outreach Minister*; Rachel McClure, *Childrens Minister*

Elders: Gary Calvert (972-658.4970), Greg Clay (580.920.6648), Todd Detro (903.267.8285), Shane Haddock (580.775.1803), George Hatfield (903.357.3563), David Kirkbride (903.436.7283), Blake Smith (214.549.9577)

News

Sympathy

Steve Black, the husband of **Judy Black** and father of **Sarah Thompson** and **Cory Black**, passed away on Thursday, July 16. Our sympathy is with their family at this time. No service arrangements are available at present.

Baptisms

Congratulations to **Riley Adams** and **Michael Haley** who were baptized into Christ last Sunday.

Sonshine Hour

This Sunday, July 19 there will be no 9AM Sonshine Hour for kids aged 4 and above. Childcare for children aged 3 and under will still be provided in the main building.

Christian Theater Workshop

Join us at **4:00 PM today, Sunday, July 19** for the final performance of **Promised Land**.

PAWS Lite

PAWS is back this Wednesday. Join us at 5:15 PM for our meal followed by one of our DMC's. **Basil McClure** and his team are preparing **Street Tacos, Salad Bar & Dessert**.

Wedding Announcement

Christina Waggoner & Ron Nelson invite you to join them for their wedding day on **Saturday, July 25 at 2:00 PM** at the 7th and Main Baptist Church, 617 N. Main Street, in Bonham. RSVP & Registry can be accessed through the QR code.



Let's Get Acquainted Luncheon

If you are a new member or have been visiting with us we would like to invite you to join us for a luncheon in the Ark immediately after services on **Sunday, August 2**. This is a great opportunity to meet our Elders and staff whilst enjoying a delicious home cooked meal.

Prayer List

Elizabeth Phillips, Gay Nix, Stewart Bolerjack, Hazel Winkle, Kristi Porter-Francis, Mike Foltermann, Floyd & Peggy Clark, Bill Douglass, Tommy Todd, Harold & Peggy Porter, Bob Corley, Bennie Smith, Wayne & Becky McLain, Che Che Smith, Brenda Huff

Homebound—Joyce Martin, Daisy Miller, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Arlene Joines, Nancy Richard, Verzella Rainwater

Expectant Mothers—Cina Strickland

Missions—Hammer & Dela Afakule (Togo), Mario "Pepe" Torre (Monterrey, Mexico), Jimenez family (Cartagena, Colombia), Cristian & Ana Corrales (Bucaramanga, Colombia), Rio Branco (Brazil)

Friends of Park Avenue—Becky Sanchez (wife of Gil Sanchez, former Director of orphanage in Mexico), Oliver Bush (father of Amyee McAlister & Ashley Tharp), Melanie Hill (sister-in-law of David & Christine Kirkbride), Chris Mahaffey (son of Scott & Joyce Mahaffey), Bailey Woodall (relative of Tracy Woodall), Sharon Scroggins (aunt of Ronda Bigham)

Please notify the church office at office@parkavenuechurch.com for updates.

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— MARRIAGE MINISTRY —
AUGUST 2–NOVEMBER 15, 2026
SUNDAYS FROM 5:00–7:00 PM
BUILD A STRONGER MARRIAGE.
Together.
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS JULY 29
COST IS \$50 PER COUPLE
INVEST IN YOUR MARRIAGE. THE RETURN IS ETERNAL.

Re-Engage

Registration is now open for Re-Engage. This is a disciple-based enrichment for every marriage; whether your marriage is healthy, or in a good place, or you are struggling and need some support. The dates are **August 2–November 15 on Sundays from 5:00–7:00 PM**. The cost is \$50 per couple. You can register on the app or contact either **Basil, Rachel** or **Tyler** for more details. **The Deadline for registration is July 29.**

Ladies Symposium

Howe Church of Christ is having a Ladies Symposium on **Friday, July 24 & 25**. On Friday the registration is 7–7:30 PM. The speakers will begin at 7:30 PM. On Saturday, registration begins at 8:30–9:00 AM. The speakers will begin at 9:00 AM.

Family Ministry Dates

- **October 17:** Marriage Night Out - an opportunity to laugh, connect and grow together (more details coming soon).
- **October 18:** Front Porch Parenting (more details coming soon).
- **November 7–8:** Fortify Family Retreat.

Youth Ministry

- **Sun. July 19:** No Connect tonight due to CTW.
- **Wed. July 22:** Bible class at 6:30 PM.
- **July 22 & 23:** Mystery Trip.



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Worship	420 in person/ 83 online
Offering Goal	\$21,355
Received	\$16,560

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