



The Messenger

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3000 S. Park Avenue, Denison, TX 75020, 903-465-1288



Todd's Take

Welcome to our worship service. We are glad to have you here, whether you're a longtime member or a first-time visitor. If you have any questions about Park Avenue or need to know more about the Lord, please seek us out.

Last week we drove past a junkyard on I-35 and heard Jesus' invitation to store up treasure in heaven, where moth and rust can't touch it. Today we ask a natural follow-up question: if our treasure belongs in heaven, why would we give toward something as earthly as a building? Can a remodeling project really be spiritual? Can a renovation bring revival?

Perhaps it can. Some of the greatest spiritual awakenings in Scripture began with a repair project. When King Josiah restored the neglected temple, his workers found the long-lost Book of the Law, and the renovation became a revival. When Nehemiah rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem, the finished work led the people to gather around God's Word and celebrate with great joy.

Today we'll also recall two phrases from *Faithful to the Call* twenty years ago, "Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice" and the old proverb about planting trees whose shade we'll never sit in. We'll consider why caring for this house honors those who built it, serves the people who will meet Jesus here, and prepares us for the growth God is bringing to Texoma.

As you pray over your commitment for Pledge Sunday next week, October 25, I'm glad you are here today as we press on together.

PRESSING ON

FORWARD IN FAITH

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pledge Sunday - October 25

On that Sunday, each family will be invited to make a three-year commitment to our Pressing On campaign and to bring a First Fruits Offering to help the work begin. Pledge cards will be provided, and every commitment will be prayed over together. Please be in prayer about what God is leading you to give.

Celebration Sunday - November 1

On that Sunday we will gather together as a church family to celebrate what God is doing through us and set our sights on the future.

Following worship, we'll share a meal together in the Ark! The church will provide the main course, and we're asking everyone to bring a dish to share based on the first letter of your last name:

A-F: Salad

G-N: Side dish

O-Z: Dessert

Please bring enough to share with several people. We look forward to celebrating together!

Schedule

Sunday Bible Classes: 9 AM

Meet the Bible - Rooms D

Everyday Evangelism - Youth Suite, The ARK
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 (214.549.9544)

News

Sympathy

Our sympathy is with **Thana Furr** after the passing of her sister, Jeanette Goode, last Sunday in San Benito, TX. A graveside service was held in Mathis, TX last Thursday.

Baptism

Congratulations to **Naomi Myhre** who was baptized into Christ last Sunday by her father, Carl Myhre. We rejoice with the Myhre family.

Lady Jacket Breakfasts

We will be hosting 2 more lady jacket breakfasts this year. The dates are **October 23** and **November 6**. You can volunteer at pacoc.net/ladyjackets

Trunk 'n Treat

Our annual Trunk 'n Treat is **next Sunday, October 25 from 5-7:00 PM**. We still need hosts to volunteer their trunk! Sign up to host a trunk at pacoc.net/tnt. We are also in need of Candy. Candy donations can be placed in the baskets in the hallways. Contact **Rachel** for any questions.

Park Avenue Wednesday Supper

Join us Wednesday at 5:15 PM for PAWS & a DMC at 6:30 PM. **Amyee McAlister** and her team are preparing **Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Veggie Burgers, & Dessert**.

Ladies Day

Women of all ages (young and old) are invited to a Ladies Day this coming **Saturday, October 24 from 9:00AM-2:00PM in the ARK**. Our theme will be **Abide**. We are excited to welcome our Speaker, **LuAnn Nystrom**, daughter of Kathy Sturch & the late Ernie Sturch. **Revolution Coffee** will be here to provide **Speciality Coffee!** We will enjoy a delicious lunch, and fellowship together. Alyssa Cope is providing us with a **Photo Booth**. The cost is \$10. **Register at pacoc.net/ladies or sign up at one of the tables in the hallways today.**

Prayer List

Kelly Thomas, Matt Hogan, Jane Elmore, Kathy Sturch, Elizabeth Phillips, Stewart Bolerjack, Hazel Winkle, Kristi Porter-Francis, Mike Foltermann, Floyd & Peggy Clark, Patrick Mullins, Dee Stone, Tommy Todd, Harold Porter, Lisa Cobble, Bob Corley, Bennie Smith, Wayne & Becky McLain, Che Che Smith, Brenda Huff, Ronda Bigham

Homebound—Joyce Martin, Daisy Miller, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Arlene Joines

Expectant Mothers—Cina Strickland, Preslee Powell, Shelby Russell, Maddie Cannon

Currently Serving in the Military—Carter Hayes, Jackson Brandt, River Pasich, Christian Morris (grandson of Kathy & Chris Reinsch), William O'Neal (nephew of Jeff & Katie Thompson)

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), Chris Mahaffey (son of Scott & Joyce Mahaffey), Sharon Scroggins (aunt of Ronda Bigham), Judy Allen (friend of Ronda Bigham), Carl Epsy (father of Erin Sexton), Jerry Coulston (friend of Eddie & Belinda Eads)

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



Operation Christmas Child

Pick up a shoe-box to fill with gifts for children around the world. Filled boxes should be returned by **Nov. 15**.

Men's Conference

Join the men of Park Avenue as we travel together to the Men's Conference at **The Hills Church, Jan. 22-23, 2027**. The weekend will feature **Steve Carter, Colt McCoy, Rick Atchley, and Emmanuel Dominguez**. Join us for biblical teaching, encouragement, and time together with other men. **Registration Options are: Shared Room-\$75, Single Room-\$125. Register at pacoc.net/men.**

Family Ministry Dates

- **Today, Sunday, October 18: Front Porch Parenting.** Guest speakers are **David & Lisa Fraze**. Session one is at 9AM and session two is at 11:30AM immediately after worship. Lunch will be provided.
- **November 7-8: Fortify Family Retreat.** Register at pacoc.net/fortify for our family retreat at Texoma Youth Camp.

Youth Ministry

- **Sunday, October 18: Rooted** will meet at the home of Doug & Erin Sexton from **5:00-7:30 PM**.



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For the Record - October 11, 2026

Worship	442 in person/ 148 online
Offering Goal	\$21,355
Received	\$19,910
YTD AVG	\$21,984

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