

THE LIGHTHOUSE

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Stone Creek Fellowship Church



From the Pastor Jeremy Tennery

Hello Friends,

I pray that everyone is doing well and having a great summer so far.

I want to take just a minute and talk about faith from a very personal perspective. This is going to be an exciting and hard month for our family.

As many of you know, our son Jake will be moving off to start college at Dallas Baptist University on August 6th. Jake is a tremendous young man and has served God faithfully in many areas of our church, from the children's department to helping lead us in worship every Sunday.

Jake moving is bittersweet for us because we are so proud of our son and what God has accomplished. But on the other hand, we are used to seeing him every day, knowing that he is safe, eating well, going to bed at a decent time, and all the other things parents worry about with their kids daily. Now, he is moving away from home and will be three hours away, and I won't be able to see him every day and know that he is safe.

As I was thinking about how to deal with all this change and how to handle Jake leaving home, I realized I wasn't living out what I preach. Scripture tells us in Philippians 4:6-7, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." This verse tells me that instead of worrying about Jake, I need to pray for Jake and then thank God for the young man that he is, the man he is going to become, and how God is going to work in his life so he can continue to do God's work in the world around him. I am certain God's word is true and I believe in His word so I know He will give us peace during this transition.

So, I will lay my fear and worry at the feet of Jesus and pray for Jake. I also know that many of you are going through difficult times right now, and I will pray for each of you. We serve an amazing God! A God of love, hope, joy, and peace that passes all of our understanding. And He is good!

Please continue to pray for Amanda and me (especially Amanda because now she is stuck with just me at home).

And thank you for loving, supporting, encouraging, and praying for Jake.

We love our church family!

Pastor Jeremy

Birthdays in August

Jackie Walker - August 12th
Jim Cunningham - August 15th
Paul Drake - August 23rd
Ritch Carroll - August 24th

Walker Mitchel - August 13th
Jo Ann Cole - August 20th
Kaitlyn Warren - August 24th

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Bible Verse of the Month

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9 (KJV)

True or False

- 1) Jesus fed five thousand people with two loaves of bread and five fish.
- 2) Judas Iscariot betrayed Jesus for twenty pieces of silver.
- 3) Jesus was crucified on a Thursday.
- 4) Peter denied knowing Jesus two times before the rooster crowed.
- 5) Martha was the first person to see the risen Jesus.
- 6) The Apostle Paul was originally named Simon.

(Answers on page 4)

DID YOU KNOW?

1972 Equal Rights Amendment

The Equal Rights Amendment was originally written in 1921 by suffragist Alice Paul and had been introduced to Congress every year since 1923, and finally passed this year. Hawaii became the first of 34 other states to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment and prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex, but the bill hit anti-feminist backlash in the mid-'70s and failed to become ratified by the necessary 38 states by its July 1982 deadline.

[Pictured: Women Equal Rights parade in Washington D.C. on Aug. 26, 1977.]

Suggested Day Trip—Schulenburg Painted Churches Tour

The Painted Churches are located in the communities of Dubina, High Hill, Praha, and Ammannsville. They appear unassuming as you approach them, but as you enter the front doors prepare to have your breath taken away by the incredible beauty found inside.

To book a Tour of the Painted Churches or for more information, please call (979) 743-4514. The churches are all active and do conduct services on Saturdays and Sundays.



Take a picture of the QR code to the left with your smartphone to go to the webpage for the Painted Churches Tour. You can also go to: <https://www.schulenburgchamber.org/painted-churches-tour>



Ways To Be Involved In Church

- Teach & help in a class
- Mentoring youth & new members
- Discipleship Ministry
- Greet People/Usher
- Visit people in the hospital
- Send cards and letters
- Cook, assist with meals & cleanup
- Visiting the sick, take meals, pray
- Invite others to Church
- Set Up & take down for events
- Audio/Visual Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Nursery
- Church Security
- Give Financially
- Join a Prayer Group
- Introduce people to each other
- Attend Church regularly



BIBLE TRIVIA

(Answers on page 4)

- 1) Jericho city's walls fell after the Israelites marched around it for fourteen days?
- 2) Who betrayed Samson to the Philistines, leading to his capture?
- 3) Which prophet saw a vision of a valley of dry bones coming back to life?
- 4) What was the name of the tower that the people tried to build to reach the heavens?
- 5) Who was the first king of Israel, anointed by the prophet Samuel?
- 6) Paul and Silas were praying at midnight what happen?

“Light Up The World” By Dr. B.L. Worsham

“You are the light of the world---” (Matthew 5:14)

And, Jesus continues; “you cannot be hidden.” (5:14) Beloved: “a challenge extended—a question proposed! In this year of opportunity, who are we? Standing on faith in Christ? Trusting in His saving grace? Who are we spiritually? Are we people of prayer?

How have we chosen? To be great in the world’s eyes, or to be loved by our Lord? Who are we? What a question! One that will be judged and tested all the days of our life. Are we soldiers of the cross, or do we cast aside the truth of God when it conflicts with our desire? The Bible says, if you choose you can, “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16) Does this describe your life? Is this the person our family sees---our church friends know; the person God is acquainted with?

This reminds us of the standard of today’s world; it causes us to ask ourselves--- “Who are we?” We know the moral, ethical, political, and business standards of society are moving lower and lower—are we joining them? Are we leading our family, “in the nurture and admonition of the Lord”; (Ephesians 6:4) or is society; the theology of Situational Ethics and Secular Humanism teaching our loved ones how to think?

Let us judge ourselves with Jesus Christ as our example! Let us send a “good light” to those who see us: an honest view; a Christian beacon; a guiding beam; and a flash of warning to those in danger. We will influence many through our lifetime. Let it be for God and good. Who are we? “Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16)

---Don’t forget to pray each day!



God Bless You,

HOPE WORDS

God calls us to go against the grain when the grain is going against God. Be in the world, not of the world.

Cybersecurity Tip

Never respond to online (email) requests for personally identifiable information (PII) or click on any links to open files or log in to any of your accounts that you receive in emails. There is a 99% chance that it is a scam!!!

“Bring the full 10 percent into the storehouse so that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this way”, says the Lord of Hosts. “See if I will not open the floodgates of heaven and pour out a blessing for you without measure” - Malachi 3:10

May Recipes & Kitchen Tips

Air Fryer Potatoes

Ingredients:

- 24 oz small red potatoes
- 1-2 tbs extra virgin oil
- Salt and pepper for seasoning
- 1-2 tbs minced fresh herbs, such as thyme, chives, rosemary, parsley or oregano
- 1/4 cup freshly grated parmesan cheese



Directions:

- Place halved potatoes in a bowl and toss with olive oil.
- Season with salt and pepper and toss again
- Cook in an air fryer at 380 degrees for 20 minutes, shaking the basket halfway through
- Toss warm potatoes with herbs and Parmesan and serve immediately

Turmeric Rice With Peas

Ingredients:

- 2 Tbs olive oil (or clarified butter)
- 1 clover garlic, peeled
- 1 Cup Basmati rice
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp ground turmeric
- 2 cups water
- 1 cup frozen petite green peas



Directions:

- In a saucepan, with fitting lid, heat oil over medium heat. Add garlic and cook, flipping garlic occasionally to prevent burning, until lightly brown.
- Leaving garlic in the oil, add 1 cup rice and 1 tsp salt. With a wooden spoon, stir the rice in the hot oil until the rice turns a chalky white color.
- Add 2 cups water and 1 tsp turmeric and stir to combine. Increase heat to high and bring to a boil. Immediately reduce heat to low, cover with lid, and simmer on low for 15 minutes.
- Remove lid and quickly add frozen peas. Replace lid and cook for 5 minutes more and turn off heat.
- Fluff rice with a fork, remove garlic and serve

Mom's Signature Vanilla Wafer Cake

Ingredients:

- Cream 2 sticks of butter with 2 cups of sugar
- Add dash of vanilla
- Add 6 eggs (1 at a time after beating)
- Add 1 box of crushed Vanilla Wafers to egg mixture
- Add 2 cups of chopped pecans
- Add 2 cups of shredded coconut



Directions:

- Mix well and pour into greased and floured bunt pan.
- Bake at 300° for about 1 hour. It should be light golden brown. Just make sure the center doesn't jiggle. Over cooking it is the worst thing you can do.
- It is a very moist cake that gets better everyday.

Pepper Jack Bacon Jalapeno Scones

Ingredients:

- 2 cup Bob's Red Mill® Organic All-Purpose Flour
- 2 tbsps Freeze Dried Jalapeños
- 2 tbsps Freeze Dried Garlic
- ¼ tsp Salt
- 1 tbsps Baking Powder
- 2 tbsps GloryBee® Artisan Fermented Honey
- ½ cup+ 2 tbsps. Buttermilk or Heavy Cream, plus extra for brushing on top
- 1 ea Egg
- ½ lbs Cooked Maple Bacon, about 4 slices, cut or crumbled into small pieces
- 1 cup Grated Pepper Jack Cheese
- ½ cup Cold Butter, cut into small pieces
- 1 ea Flaky Salt, for topping



Directions:

- Preheat oven to 400°F. Lightly grease a baking sheet, or cover with parchment paper.
- Combine the flour, Freeze Dried Jalapeños, Freeze Dried Garlic, salt and baking powder in a medium bowl. In a separate bowl, whisk together fermented honey, buttermilk or cream and the egg.
- Add the wet ingredient mixture, crumbled bacon, and cheese to the flour mixture. Mix gently with a spoon to moisten the dough.
- Add the cold butter pieces to the flour mixture. Using your hands, an electric mixer or a pastry cutter, work the butter into the flour. The dough should be soft and crumbly, with different sized pieces of butter. If it remains too dry, add more buttermilk or cream, 1 tablespoon at a time, until it comes together into a ball.
- Transfer the dough ball to the prepared baking sheet and press it into a round disk, ¾ of an inch thick.
- Slice the dough into 8 wedges. Separate the wedges slightly on the baking sheet. Brush with cream or buttermilk, and sprinkle each with a pinch of flaky salt.
- Bake for 18-22 minutes, until golden brown. Let cool on the baking sheet and enjoy warm or refrigerate in an airtight container. Reheat to serve!

Links To Cool Kitchen Tips & Recipes

For links to kitchen tips and recipe videos you must open this newsletter in a web browser on your computer. To get a copy of this newsletter online, click or enter the following address into your browser.

<https://elwsjw.churchtrac.com/card/10>

- [Fresh Fruit Watermelon Jelly](#)
- [Fireman Freddy's Meatloaf](#)
- [Homemade Pizza With Red Lobster Cheddar Bay Biscuit Mix](#)
- [Bacon, BBQ wrapped boneless chicken thighs](#)
- [Homemade Peanut Butter Pie](#)
- [Kitchen Hacks You Should Try](#)
- [Bacon Wrapped Cheeseburger Rolls](#)
- [How to cut fruit](#)

WE WANT YOUR RECIPIES!!!

We encourage you to send us your recipes for the our church newsletter. We are also building a library of recipes and hope to publish a church cookbook with recipes from members. Please send your recipes to bparker@stonecreekfellowship.org or to ewilliams@stonecreekfellowship.org. You can also bring them to the church and give them to either Bill or Emmett

EVENTS, NEWS & GENERAL NOTICES

Trivia Answers:

- 1) Seven days (Joshua 6:20)
- 2) Delilah (Judges 16:19)
- 3) Ezekiel (Ezekiel 37:1-10)
- 4) The Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:4)
- 5) Saul (1 Samuel 10:1)
- 6) Earthquake cell doors were all opened and chains were all released (Acts 16:26)

True/False Answers:

1. False 5 fishes 2 loves Barley (Matthew 14:13-21)
2. False 30 pieces of silver (Matthew 26:14-16)
3. False (Jesus was crucified on a Friday - Matthew 27:62-64, Mark 15:42-47)
4. False three times (Matthew 26:69-75)
5. False Mary Magdalene (Mark 16:9, John 20:11-18)
6. False - Saul (Acts 13:9)

Free Cybersecurity Awareness Training

We live in a world where everyone is online and uses the Internet on a daily basis for email, surfing the web, managed our prescriptions, bank accounts, order products online and much more. We are now offering [FREE Cybersecurity Awareness Training](#) to all SCF members. Contact Bill Parker by email at bparker@stonecreekfellowship.org or call 802-602-3551 for more information

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES (A Newsletter Series - Part 3)

Amendment XII.

Passed by Congress December 9, 1803. Ratified June 15, 1804.
(Note: A portion of Article II, Section 1 of the Constitution was changed by the 12th Amendment.)

The Electors shall meet in their respective states, and vote by ballot for President and Vice-President, one of whom, at least, shall not be an inhabitant of the same state with themselves; they shall name in their ballots the person voted for as President, and in distinct ballots the person voted for as Vice-President, and they shall make distinct lists of all persons voted for as President, and of all persons voted for as Vice-President, and of the number of votes for each, which lists they shall sign and certify, and transmit sealed to the seat of the government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate;-the President of the Senate shall, in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the certificates and the votes shall then be counted;-The person having the greatest number of votes for President, shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of Electors appointed; and if no person have such majority, then from the persons having the highest numbers not exceeding three on the list of those voted for as President, the House of Representatives shall choose immediately, by ballot, the President. But in choosing the President, the votes shall be taken by states, the representation from each state having one vote; a quorum for this purpose shall consist of a member or members from two-thirds of the states, and a majority of all the states shall be necessary to a choice. [And if the House of Representatives shall not choose a President whenever the right of choice shall devolve upon them, before the fourth day of March next following, then the Vice-President shall act as President, as in case of the death or other constitutional disability of the President.-]* The person having the greatest number of votes as Vice-President, shall be the Vice-President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of Electors appointed, and if no person have a majority, then from the two highest numbers on the list, the Senate shall choose the Vice-President; a quorum for the purpose shall consist of two-thirds of the whole number of Senators, and a majority of the whole number shall be necessary to a choice. But no person constitutionally ineligible to the office of President shall be eligible to that of Vice-President of the United States.

*Superseded by Section 3 of the 20th Amendment.

HUMOR FOR THE SOUL



HOPE WORDS

Your future doesn't have to be determined by your failures.

Brokenness is often the road to breakthrough. Be encouraged.

"Do the right thing even when no one is looking...because someone is...God!



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Sunday

Sunday School 9:30 AM

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM

Children's Church 11:00 AM

Tuesday

Praise Team Practice 5:30 PM

Churchtrac—Your Web Window Into The Church

<https://elwsjw.churchtrac.com>



The second way to access the site is to open up your smartphone's camera and point it at the QR code shown to the right.

Your login name will be your email address. Click the "Forgot Your Password" to set your password. Contact Emmett Williams or Bill Parker for assistance

Recommended Christian Movies & Series

Top Rated Christian Movies & Series Recommended For Families

Jesus Revolution

Sound of Freedom

The Chosen (Series)

His Only Son

The Case For Christ

God's Not Dead: We The People

An Interview With God

I Am Gabriel

Fireproof

The Book of Daniel

The Encounter (Series)

Courageous

War Room