



The Messenger

BE JOYFUL IN HOPE, PATIENT IN AFFLICTION,
FAITHFUL IN PRAYER. ROMANS 12:12
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- FOR THE NEXT
MONTH'S
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Carl's Comments - Reverend Carl Thompson



I am thankful to be a citizen of these great United States. But as a citizen, you see, I have responsibilities as I enjoy those liberties. I ask you is the world a better place because we are a citizen of this country? Is our community a better place because we are a part of it? Is our church a better church because we are a member of it? Or are we like many, enjoying the fruits, but not tending the tree of liberty?

Peter Marshall, before the U.S. Senate said it ever so well in a prayer many years ago. "Lord Jesus, thou who art the way, the truth, and the life; hear us as we pray for the truth that shall make all free. Teach us that liberty is not only to be loved but also to be lived. Liberty is too precious a thing to be buried in books. It costs too much to be hoarded. Help us see that our liberty is not the right to do as we please, but the opportunity to do what is right."



When our forefathers came to this country and founded our system of government, they were convinced that there was a Higher Power who was involved in the destinies of people and nations. They believed that all were endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights and that among these were life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. This was evident in the way they wrote, the way they lived, and the way our nation developed. There was a moral fiber, a moral strength in our nation.

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Calendar of Events

Unvaccinated are asked to wear masks &
stay a safe distance from others.

- Sunday Worship at 10:00 am.
- Communion on First Sunday each mo.
- Men's Prayer Breakfast Tues. @ 8 am .
- Chair Yoga Tuesdays and Thursdays
- June 30, Summer Bible Study to begin, then each Thursday
- July 4th Celebration

July 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Bible Study	1	2
3	4 th	Yoga 1 PM	5	6	7	8
				Yoga 10:30		9
10	11	Yoga 1 PM	12	13	14	15
				Yoga 10:30		16
17	18	Yoga 1 PM	19	20	21	22
				Yoga 10:30		23
24	25	Yoga 1 PM	26	27	28	29
				Yoga 10:30		30
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Carl's Comments Continued

As we celebrate the Fourth of July don't forget all those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom. I know you have heard the expression "Freedom is not Free," many times, but it doesn't always sink in. Living close to Ft. Hood we are constantly reminded of young patriots who have given their all. We see planes leaving Killeen almost daily going to some part of the world carrying soldiers to serve our country. No matter what we think about our involvements in these conflicts, we should pray for these folks and their families daily.

-- Freedom isn't Free --

God Bless You. *Carl*

CONCERNING OUR COUNTRY...

.."Any kingdom divided by civil war is doomed. A town or family splintered by feuding will fall apart." Matt 12:25

Hear no Evil. See no Evil. Speak no Evil. Post no Evil.



Common Lectionary Readings (Carl will change topics at times due to requests - especially in the Summer)

	4th Sunday after Pentecost - July 3	5th Sunday after Pentecost - July 10	6th Sunday after Pentecost - July 17	7th Sunday after Pentecost July 24	8th Sunday after Pentecost July 31
1st Reading	2 Kings 5:1-14	Amos 7:7-17	Amos 8:1-12	Hosea 1:2-10	Hosea 11:1-11
Psalms	Psalms 30	Psalms 82	Psalms 52	Psalms 85	Psalms 107:1-9, 13
2nd Reading	Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16	Colossians 1:1-14	Colossians 1:15-28	Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)	Colossians 3:1-11
Gospel	Luke 10:1-11,16-20	Luke 10:125-37	Luke 10:38-42	Luke 11:1-13	Luke 12:13-21

July Birthdays



- Charlotte Carl 4
- Evelyn Thompson 7
- Danney McCort 15
- Nancy Healey 27

"Always pray to have eyes that see the best in people, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith in God"

About our Members (and Prayer Requests)

Sharon Michael continues a rather slow recovery from her surgery. She appreciates the congregation and its support during this trial. She is home and able to perform most of her normal activities.

Carl Thompson is continuing to deal with his medical issues. He has good days and bad days, but he knows God is good and with him through all of it.

Linda Lloyd has some pinched nerves, a lot of pain, and some problems with neck movement. Pray for relief.

Charlotte Carl, Evelyn Thompson's mother, will be celebrating her 95th birthday on Monday, July 4. All four children are gathering this week to help her celebrate. They are coming from the Netherlands, Tennessee, California, and Oklahoma. Pray for good health (especially for Evelyn) during this time. Thank the Lord for Charlotte's long and faithful life!

Jeff Aldridge's Mom, **Lois Aldridge**, who

lives at "The Colonial" facility in Bay City is having difficulties with pain management after a fall. She is making slow progress and Jeff has been spending time there. Pray for improvement.

Matt Haynes is the child with leukemia that Evelyn and Jerry Matthews have asked for prayers. He's 10 years old and lives in Wills Point, Texas. His dad's mother is Sally Bailey, one of the Matthews' very best teacher friends from back in Kaufman. Matt's currently in Children's Hospital in Dallas. He will have chemo weekly for at least 7 months and then care for 3 years.



Summer Bible Study Starting Thursday, June 30

Church members who have reserved a study book may either attend the weekly class, which begins on June 30th at 11:30 AM in the Sunday School room, or study at home on their own. New participants are welcome to join the study by contacting Pat Rehm at 512-876-4211.

The author's "**Introduction**" in the study book presents the Sabbath as *a gift to us from God*. Reverend Bechtel intends this study experience to be *an opportunity not only to learn about the Sabbath, but also to embrace it and practice it as a way to enrich our own faith*. She considers the Sabbath to be a blessing, not a burden, and she believes that it can inspire us to do our best in everything we do.



Each of the nine weekly lessons will focus on a particular passage of scripture from either the Old or New Testaments without having a single storyline, but eventually developing into each participant's own story, with help from the Holy Spirit. Lesson One will feature Sabbath as a celebration of our relationship to God and His Son, Jesus Christ. It begins with recognizing Jesus as the Lord of the Sabbath and being willing to learn about how to celebrate it.

Pat Rehm



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1602 Bowen Ave.
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Presbyterian Church of Salado Benevolence Giving 2nd Quarter, 2022

Grace Presbytery Pledge	\$ 3000
Salado Family Relief Project Backpack	\$ 2000
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance	\$ 1000
Presbyterian Children's Home	\$ 1000
Community Chair Yoga	\$ 625
Faith in Practice	\$ 500
Hearts in Hands Bread Donation	\$ 294

2nd quarter total **\$ 8419**

Year to Date Total **\$13,319**

This total represents 24% of our offerings to date.

One Great Hour of Sharing is not included in these figures since it is a special collection.



Arlene Dewhurst has been visiting our church recently. If you get a chance, say hello, and introduce yourself (to her or anyone else you don't know).

