

South Canadian Valley Church of Christ
c/o Larry Minson
1525 Oakhurst Ave.
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Verse: 2 Corinthians 4:16

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

Thought:

While we joke about growing older, the challenges of aging are tough. We realize our mortality. Our bodies can betray us. We can't do what we once could do. As Christians, we know that our aging actually brings us closer to home and to the time when Jesus gives us immortal bodies not subject to decay. God can help us use these physical realities to be heavenly reminders of what is important.

With the help of his Spirit, we can be transformed to be more like our Savior and to be more ready for our heavenly home!

Prayer:

Almighty God, I confess that I like getting older less and less, the older I get. I am thankful, however, that each day older I get, the closer I am to coming home to you. Please help me not to become cynical, negative, or bitter as I grow older. Instead, please renew me and use me to bless others who need to find their way home to you. In Jesus' mighty name I pray. Amen.

Phil Ware



SOUTH CANADIAN VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

2217 24th Ave SW - Norman, Okla. 73072 - Ph 405-364-4051

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Church of Christ

Web Site: normanchurch.com - Email address: normanchurch@coxinet.net

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Elders

Glen Taylor ~ Bruce Kessler ~ Mark Woody

Deacons

Travis Ashley ~ Larry Minson

Our Mission and Commitment Statement

As Christ's church our purpose is to go and make disciples of Christ, foster their spiritual growth, and equip them to serve the church and the community, thereby glorifying God.

Church Service Schedule

Sunday Mornings 10:00
Wednesday Evenings 7:00

Location: **2217 24th Ave SW
Norman, Okla.**

From HW 9 and 24th Ave SW, go
two blocks south (on the left)

(check inside for more detailed monthly
scheduled activities)



to our visitors. We're very happy to have you here with us today. We hope we have made you feel welcome and invite you to be back with us anytime. Let us know if you have any questions or if we can help you in any way. Please fill out a visitors card.

Call if you need a ride to Church:

Glen Taylor	360-2762
Bruce Kessler	820-8474
Larry Minson	820-9506
Travis Ashley	818-1144



ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Woody family Bible study is tomorrow, Sept 16th, 7:00 pm
3030 Santa Rosa Ct

Men's Business Meeting

Scheduled for September 21st, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served. Men young and old are welcome & encouraged to be there.

Clothing Give Away

Saturday, October 5, 2019

9:00 a.m. to Noon

FREE Clothes for Children and Adults



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Today

Clothes sorting and a sandwich lunch immediately following morning services

Next Sunday

Pot luck lunch and afternoon services at 1:00

Your Invited

The Hayes family are inviting you to join them at their residence at 617 Ridge Lake Blvd in Norman on September 21st at 6:00 p.m. for games. Bring finger foods, snacks, or desserts.

April and I have set up a CPR training class for October 19th in the church fellowship room beginning at 10:00 a.m. The class will last about 2 - 2 1/2 hours and the cost is \$45. We have used this trainer before and he is very good. You will receive your certification card good for two years. Just let April or Larry know if you want to do this.

September Communion Preparation
September Birthday Cake - 4th Sunday
September Greeters

Topher & Cathy
Jordan & Aubrey
Jordan & Hannah

September Sunday 2019 Schedule

	1	8	15	22	29
AM Speaker	Jordan Danser	Jordan Winslow	Dustin Gaskins	Craig Hayes	Travis Ashley
PM Speaker				Topher Taylor	
Communion Lead	Youth	Dustin Gaskins	Charles Vallee	Travis Ashley	Jordan Danser
Usher	Youth	Cuinn Hayes	Larry Minson	Charles Vallee	Corbin Hall
Usher	Youth	Joe Addison	Amon Rowe	Jordan Danser	Joe Addison
Usher	Youth	Paul Woody	Tibor Siklosi	Cuinn Hayes	Chase Barrett
Usher	Youth	John Robinson	Chase Barrett	Dustin Gaskins	Charles Vallee
Reading	Youth	Corbin Hall	Cuinn Hayes	Chase Barrett	Amon Rowe
Prayer	Youth	David Robinson	Chris Taylor	Joe Addison	Tibor Siklosi
AM Songs	Youth	Mark Woody	Corbin Hall	Craig Hayes	Jordan Winslow
PM Songs	Youth			Amon Rowe	
AM/PM O/C	Mark Woody	Bruce Kessler	Glen Taylor	Larry Minson	Travis Ashley

September Wednesday Schedule

	4	11	18	25
Speaker	Pizza & Singing	Bruce Kessler	Paul Woody	Mike Hall
Text				
Subject			Compassion 2	

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Of all people, Jesus certainly knew about Heaven. He knew that Lazarus wasn't suffering. But He also knew that it hurt to lose him.

Even though we know someone is suffering less, or something is for the best, God doesn't expect us to just act like nothing has happened - He knows that it hurts. It is good to keep an eternal perspective. At the same time, we need to be able to work through our grief with God.

God cares about our pain. He knows everything, including our emotions, but He wants to hear from us.

Psa 62:8 (NRSV) "Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us."

He cares for us in our griefs! He wants us to pour out our hearts to Him. He wants to hear our hurts. He isn't an aloof God who distances Himself from what we are going through. He is a loving God, a Shepherd, a Father. Those of you who are parents -- think about how you feel for your children when they are grieving over a friend who has moved or a beloved pet who has been killed. And our Heavenly Father loves us even more than we love our children.

But the ultimate perspective we have does need to take into account eternity, God's glory and His purpose even now. Eventually the intensity of the pain will subside. Sometimes it goes away completely while we are still here on Earth, and sometimes it doesn't.

God wants to teach us valuable lessons from it. I think of two valuable insights I have gained through pains I have encountered:

I can now better understand others' pain. When we are hurting, as well as afterwards, we need to ask God to use this for His glory and to help His other children.

2 Cor 1:4 (NIV) "who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God."

Rom 8:28 (NIV) "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

I cherish the relationships that I have now. I realize how short life can be, and that we need to tell people now how much we appreciate them. We need to take time for the family and friends God has blessed us with.

By Jan

Praying for you

James 5:16 - *Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The Effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*

Please feel free to share with us your blessings and answered prayers. We'd love to join you in thanking God for the wonderful things He's done for you.

If you need prayers from the church, please let us know. Call or text Larry at 820-9506 or April at 833-7207 or email us at: Lminson@cox.net and we'll get you on the prayer list.

Lucille Burk is scheduled for an Angioplasty procedure to remove a blockage on Sept 19th.

Kitty Addison would appreciate your prayers for family of a friend of hers, Cheryl Dupuy who passed away recently.

Cathy Taylor's grandmother, Louise will be having a mastectomy on Monday, Sept. 16th. She suffers with cancer.

Shirley Robinson is asking for your prayers for her 14 yr old great-granddaughter, Kylie Pate who is having appendectomy emergency surgery. Also, her 14 yr old great-grandson, Jace Ellis has been diagnosed with type 1 Diabetes.

Mary Evelyn injured her wrist from a fall a few weeks ago, she suffered sprained muscles and ligaments. She is wearing a splint for another week or so then will have exercise therapy for a few weeks.

Rachel Vallee is asking for prayers for muscular tension and pain she's been experiencing.

Leslie Jones continues to improve following shoulder surgery several weeks ago.

Leslie and Cathy's sister-in-law, Debby Jones has been receiving treatments with steroids to shrink or hopefully destroy a mass right behind one eye. She is doing much better and is doing physical therapy. Please pray for Debby, husband Tim and the children.

Suffering with cancer:

Cathy Taylor's grandmother Louise has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Chris Taylor is asking for your prayers for a coworker, Reva Sweetin, undergoing cancer treatment.

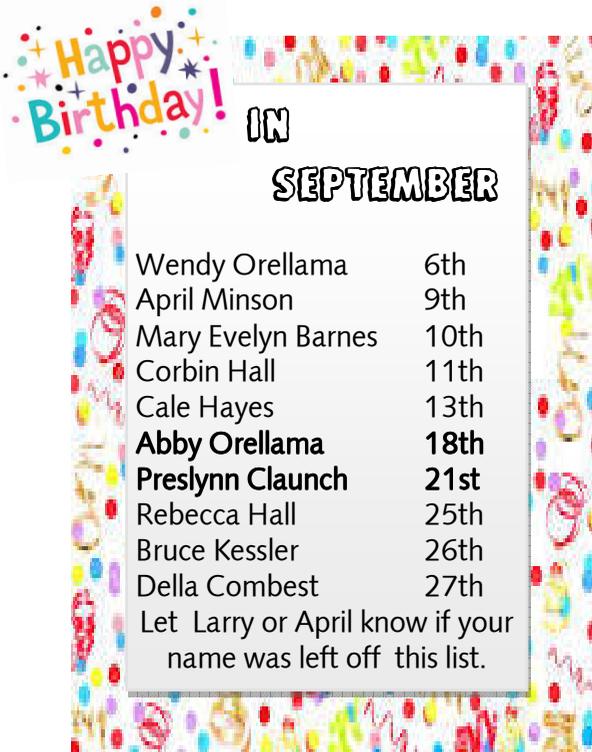
Joe Addison is asking for prayers for Martha Morris, the wife of a co-worker, who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Mary Taylor is asking for your prayers for David Bradley. David is the son of Bob Bradley, a good friend of Glen & Mary Taylor & is suffering with stage 4 cancer. Glen & Mary Taylor's cousin Retha Jantz's daughter, Denise Jennings has multiple cancers.

Always keep in our prayers:

Rachel Vallee suffering with Fibromyalgia * Catherine Vise, mother of Cathy Jones * Emily Hayes' grandfather Kenneth Jarrell * Loraine Ashley with a severe auto immune disorder * Leslie Jones' father and mother * Dean Howard.

Mary Taylor is having lots of pain in her back all the way to her knees. Please pray for her. Please keep in your prayers those serving in the military or in a civilian capacity.



Happy Birthday! ON **SEPTEMBER**

Wendy Orellama	6th
April Minson	9th
Mary Evelyn Barnes	10th
Corbin Hall	11th
Cale Hayes	13th
Abby Orellama	18th
Preslynn Claunch	21st
Rebecca Hall	25th
Bruce Kessler	26th
Della Combest	27th

Let Larry or April know if your name was left off this list.

September Anniversaries

Charles & Rachael Vallee 6th
 Chase & Mary Barrett 14th
Joe & Kittie Addison 18th
John & Nicole 22nd
 Danny & Shelia Foy 28th

Statistics For Last Sunday & Wednesday Services

Sun. Morn. Attendance	83
Afternoon Attendance	n/a
Wed. Attendance	61
Last Sunday Contribution:	\$2,674
Last Building Fund Offering	\$ 887

Go to mixlr.com/bkess & listen to Bruce Kessler's on-line radio show, "Passion for Christ"

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

1st Sunday	1st	12:00	Nursing Home Singing-Gardens at Rivermont
1st Monday	2nd	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study at the Woody home
2nd Saturday	14th	10:00 -11:30	Food Pantry Opened
2nd Sunday	8th	Noon	Hot Dog & Burger Lunch
3rd Monday	16th	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study at the Woody Home
4th Monday	23rd	7:00 p.m.	Youth Study at the Hayes home
3rd Wed	18th	6:15 p.m.	Prayer Service
4th Sunday	22nd	Noon	Pot Luck Lunch & 1:00 Services
4th Saturday	28th	9:00-11:00	Men's Teacher Training

"You don't have to be alone in your hurt! Comfort is yours. Joy is an option. And it's all been made possible by your Savior. He went without comfort so you might have it. He postponed joy so you might share in it. He willingly chose isolation so you might never be alone in your hurt and sorrow."
Joni Eareckson Tada

Area Meetings - 2019

2020 Southern Region Meeting
 Oxford, Al

Theme:
Learning From the Men of the Old Testament

"Learning From Moses"
 Mike Hall, Purcell, OK

"Learning From Job"
 Jay Loyd, Greenwood, AR

"Learning From Solomon"
 Donald Bryant, Gainsboro, TN

"Learning From Joseph"
 Jim Hays, Panhandle, TX

Tulsa Church of Christ
 Meeting w/ Tony Springer
 October 4-6, 2019
 Topic - Manuscripts & Translations
 Evenings 7:30 pm, Sunday 10:30 & 2:00

If you are aware of any area church meetings, revivals, etc, please contact me and I will post them for you.

God Cares About Our Pain

Mat 5:4 (NRSV) "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."
 We all suffer grief. Sometimes it's the excruciating pain of losing someone we are very close to, whether through death, a move or a loss of the relationship. Sometimes it's a change in a relationship. It might be a job loss, the loss of a pet, or a failure of some sort, which is the death of a dream. Whatever our pain, we need to remember three facts:

- God understands.
 - God cares.
 - God can bring us through it and even make something beautiful out of it.
- God empathizes with our pain. His own Son, Jesus -- Who is God -- suffered grief. I think readily of one example.

John 11:33-35 (NRSV) "When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see. Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"