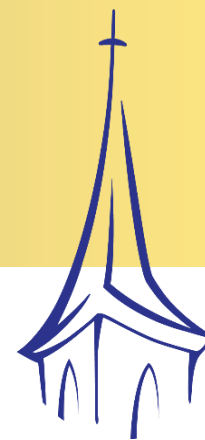


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WEST SHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

UPDATE



From the Desk of Pastor Kelly

If my math is accurate, Galveston will be my tenth mission trip. Over the years I've traveled from Africa to Alaska, Haiti to Houston, and Puerto Rico to Parchment Valley (WV, of course!), with more stops in between. I was, by far, the least helpful, least qualified, least productive member of every team I've even been on. The work has always been challenging, the conditions stretching, and the temperatures rarely to my pampered liking.

And I would not miss them for anything.

Do you know why? Because God does absolutely incredible work in and around me when I go. Serving on mission teams forces me to come face-to-face with my love of *comfort*, blows open my tiny view of the world, pauses me long enough to open my eyes to God's grace and generosity in new contexts, and shows me the Church in action around the world. They give me the beautiful opportunity to get to know my brothers and sisters in Christ in ways utterly unlikely to take place back home. Oh, and they invite me to see that Jesus's love extends to far beyond people who look or speak or think like me.

The trip we have scheduled for April 30 – May 7, 2022 will be no different, friends. While away, the 25-people called to partner with Galveston Urban Ministries in tangibly showing the power and provision of the Father, the love of the Savior, and the comfort of the Spirit will be stretched in ways that will cause our church to grow in His image. And that's beautiful.

So how will you partner with what the Lord is doing that week? I've said it before, and I'll say it again: *all* of us are called to participate. All of us can **pray** for Spirit to embolden us to bridge the Gospel to our neighbors. Many of us can **pay**, either for ourselves or toward the \$1,000 fee for others to go (and you may do so online or in-person by marking your donation "Galveston Trip"). Some of us can **pack** and join the team to go. If you're interested in coming, fill out the application online or pick up a paper copy in the lobby and return it, with a \$50 deposit, by Sunday, November 28.

It's going to be a great experience. Thank you for joining in what God's doing.

Love ya,
Pastor Kelly

From Pastor Greg

One of the most influential people in my life is Francis Schaeffer. Francis Schaeffer was an American theologian who wrote in the mid-20th century. I've learned much from him, but one thing I've been reflecting on recently was his discussion of the two types of orthodoxy. In theology, orthodoxy is correct belief. The virgin birth, the bodily resurrection, and the trinity would all be examples of orthodox Christian beliefs. A denial of the resurrection would be an example of an unorthodox belief. Thus, for Schaeffer and every Christian, having orthodox doctrine is of utmost importance.

But Schaeffer proposed a second type of orthodoxy. In contrast to orthodoxy of doctrine, Schaeffer talked about an orthodoxy of community. An orthodox community is a church community that doesn't merely have the correct beliefs on a drop-down menu on their website, they actually believe it; and they *live* it. After all, what good is orthodox doctrine, if our lives don't display it? We've all seen many a church *un*-say with their actions what they say with their doctrine. And there's nothing uglier than a cold, uncompassionate, ungentle, unloving doctrinal orthodoxy.

But what exactly does an orthodox community look like? Well, it's rather simple, actually. An orthodox community looks like a group of people who take the gospel seriously. They take sin seriously, so they regularly confess it to each other. When you're in an orthodox community, you don't feel the need to pretend to be better than you are - everyone knows you're a sinner. An orthodox community welcomes all types of sinners because they understand that the ground is level at the foot of the cross. An orthodox community cares about doctrine because you cannot love people well and not care about the God who has commanded us to love people well. An orthodox community is saturated with grace - there aren't people looking down their noses at others. An orthodox community is gentle because they seek to welcome others as God in Christ has welcomed them. And an orthodox community is supremely friendly. It's easy to become a part of it because it's constantly outward focused on images of God who don't know Him yet. If you had to give an answer, how much of an orthodox community do we have here at WSBC? How much do you have in your family? How much are you contributing to us being orthodox in our culture? Here are a few diagnostic questions that, to be honest, I've been personally convicted by as I've asked them of myself. Ask them of yourself too.

1. Do you welcome sinners? Would it make you uncomfortable if prostitutes, drug dealers, and addicts began coming to our church? Or if they became a part of your community group? Do you regularly gravitate toward these people to be your friend? How quickly do you invite guests into your home?
2. Do you confess your sin? Do you have at least one person in our church to whom you on a *regular* basis confess your sins? Do you have at least one person in our church that knows the worst thing you've ever done?
3. Do you care deeply about doctrine? Does truth about God matter to you? Do you discuss Scripture and spiritual things with your friends and family? How often do you talk about God around the dinner table?

As you ponder these questions, I hope God does for you what He's done for me. Namely, I hope He gives you an awareness of how far you have yet to go, and simultaneously an eager desire to get there. The gospel can truly transform cultures, communities, families, and friend groups if we let it. To be honest, I'm seeing it happen here at WSBC - and I couldn't be more excited about it.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Associate Pastor Greg Kabakjian

T – Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do which must be done whether you like it or not. – Charles Kingsley

H – Hope is like the sun, which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadow of our burden behind us. – Samuel Smiles

A – A string of opinions no more constitutes faith, than a string of beads constitutes holiness. – John Wesley

N – None but God can satisfy the longing of the immortal soul; as the heart was made for Him, He only can fill it. – Richard Chenevix Trench

K – Kindness and love are never wasted. They always make a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and they bless you, the giver. – Barbara De Angelis

S – Sometimes you have to give up your version of the story and accept God's. – Tracy Wilde-Pace

G – God is the great physician. His specialty is heart transplants. – Martin Tomback

I – If it weren't for the optimist, the pessimist wouldn't know how happy he wasn't. – Unknown

V – (O) Victory in Jesus, my Savior forever. – E. M. Bartlett

I – It fortifies my soul to know
That though I perish, truth is so;
That, howso'er I stray and range,
Whate'er I do, Thou does not change.
I steadier step when I recall
That, if I slip, Thou does not fall. – Arthur Hugh Clough

N – No matter what I see, I choose faith. No matter what I feel, I choose faith. – Craig Groeschel

G – Gossip
There is so much good in the worst of us,
And so much bad in the best of us,
That it ill becomes any of us
To find fault with the rest of us. – Unknown

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Hanging of the Greens

Join us on Saturday, November 27th at 9:00 a.m. as we “decorate” the church for Advent.

Benevolence Fund

Thank you for your generous gifts to the Benevolence Fund.

These funds continue to be used to meet the practical needs of congregants and the community. This offering is collected the second Sunday of each month but can be donated anytime online or in person by designating “Deacon's Benevolence Fund”.

Clothes Closet

The Clothes Closet ministry will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Gently used/clean clothes, toys and books may be dropped off in Room G-2 Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. or any Sunday.



If you would like to volunteer in any way please connect with Dawne Strock at: dawne1954@aol.com.

Midwest Food Bank Food Drive

We will collect canned goods for the Midwest Food Bank throughout the month of November. Donations may be stacked on the table in the Lobby.

Candy Cane Walk

WSBC will be joining the Downtown Camp Hill Association (DCHA) to reach the community during the Candy Cane Walk. This will be on Sunday, Nov. 21st 12-4 p.m.. Volunteers are needed to hand out cookies and hot cocoa. You can also sign-up on your Connect Card to provide cookies (2 per bag) for the event.

Operation Christmas Child

Please return your filled shoeboxes to the table in the Lobby by November 7.



[From the Christian Education Board](#)

Community Groups

Community groups continue to meet at a variety of times and locations. If you are interested in becoming involved in one please contact Pastor Kelly to see what group may work for you.

Men's Community Group

On Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. you are invited to a men's community group meeting in Davidson Chapel. The topic of the group is the book "Gentle and Lowly" by Dane Ortlund. If you are interested in joining this group, you can learn more by contacting Clark Stefanic or Pastor Greg!

November Meetings

Advisory Council Meeting

The Advisory Council will meet on **Tuesday, November 2**, at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet on **Monday, November 8**, at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Deacons Meeting

The Board of Deacons will meet on **Tuesday, November 9**, at 7:00 p.m.

Missions Board Meeting

The Missions Board will meet on **Tuesday, November 16**, at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Christian Education Meeting

The Board of Christian Education will meet on **Tuesday, November 16**, at 7:00 p.m.

Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 20, at 8:00 a.m at Summit Family Restaurant.

Ladies Breakfast

The Ladies Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 20 at 8:30 a.m at West Shore Plaza Family Restaurant.

The Baptones in Concert

The Baptones will be hosting an "Evening of Music" on November 7, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The goal is to give God glory through the medium of music. The location is: Compass Point Church, 15 W. Church Street, Dillsburg, PA. The Baptones will be singing many songs familiar to all. Also appearing on the program will be two local musicians: a guitar player/singer and a trumpeter. A freewill offering will be taken. We look forward to seeing you there!

Ordination Service

Join us on Sunday, November 14 at 3 p.m. as we affirm Pastor Greg's ministry here at WSBC and to join in praying for him as we set him apart for ordained ministry within Christ's Church.

Christmas Poinsettias

Please watch for bulletin inserts regarding Christmas Poinsettias during the month of November. The deadline to order poinsettias in honor/memory of loved ones is Sunday, November 14. The cost will be \$12 each and the colors will be red, white and pink.



Special Dates



Birthdays:

1 – Dick Loucks

5 – Charlie Alford

Brenda Webb

6 – Connie Behney

9 – Bethany Malykh

11 – Rosemary Sleboda

12 – Steve Campbell

13 – Jayne Metz

14 – Tom Gabel

15 – Lilah Kabakjian

16 – Rev. Frank Frischkorn

25 – Dick Karschner

Loretta Royer

28 – Bill Zoll

29 – Dave Kennerly

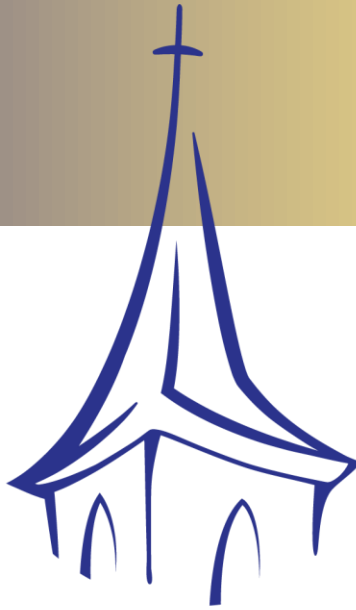
30 – Ron Keeney

Anniversaries:

7 – Tom & Edie Kennerly

11 – Duane & Deena Kennedy

30 – Doug & Beth Ice



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SUNDAY SERVICES:

Worship Service — 10:30 AM

Live streaming online and at church

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