

EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

OCTOBER 7, 2018



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Thank you for joining us today at Eastern Shore Church of Christ!
Whether you are a long-time member here or a visitor, we are thrilled to have you. Please be sure to stick around following services so we can get to know you a little better, and let us know if we can do anything for you!

Elders

Sid Chupek
Bill Jordan
Scott Kelly
John Langham

Deacons

Chad Chupek
Tim Kenney
Jonathan Ling
Scott Lloyd
Kent Purser

Sunday

Bible Class 9 AM
Worship 10 AM
Worship 5 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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Today's Sermons

Morning Service

The Son
Matthew 16:13-16

Afternoon Service

Q & A: The Christian and Hate
Luke 6:22

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."
¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Matthew 16:13-16 ESV



We have a wide variety of events, such as game nights, trips to various local events, singings, and devotionals for all ages.

**See more
details inside the bulletin!**

Events for today:

Lads to Leaders will have puppet practice at 4:00 PM. Bible Bowl will be on Exodus 11-15 and will be held after evening services.

Homecoming & Gospel Meeting at Flomaton church of Christ

Sunday, Oct 7th—Tuesday, Oct. 9

Guest Speaker: Billy Lambert

More info is on the bulletin board across from the library.

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Events for this week:

Tuesday:

Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM

Men's Weekly Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM
(all meet in the Fellowship Hall).

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Next Sunday:

Middle/ High School Youth Devo at the home of Tommy & Dawna Ratliff following our evening services.

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Ice Cream Social for our Newcomers and Truck or Treat: Saturday, October 27th at 5:30 PM here at the building. Sign up sheet for the ice cream social is in the foyer.



10/09 Ed Johnson
Tommy & Dawna Ratliff
10/10 Ashley Elkins
10/13 Andy Ford
10/14 Melinda Sanford
Gretchen Wolfe
10/16 Bill Jones
10/17 Elizabeth Till
10/19 Susan McLaughlin
Eli Ratliff
10/21 Garlin & Linda Farris
10/22 Lyndon Saint-Louis
10/23 James Christopher
10/25 Jacob Sanford
10/31 Elena McLaughlin

Hospitality Team for October is:

Dianne Jones & Jo Ann McDonald

If a need arises, these ladies will help provide food to the sick or bereaved. If you would like to help, please contact the ladies in the Hospitality group.

Mark Your Calendar!

- 10/14 Youth Devo at the Ratliff's after PM services.
- 10/16 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 10/18 Ladies Bible Study, 11-12 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 10/20 Ladies Monthly Bible Study, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item.
- 10/21 Area Wide Youth at Margaret St. church of Christ.
- 10/22 Knowledge Seekers, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
- 10/23 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 10/27 Ladies Day at Bay Minette Civic Center, given by 14th St., Atmore & Halls Fork Church, "Living The Salty Life", 9-12 PM. More info on bulletin board across from the library.
Truck A Treat & Ice Cream Social, 5:30 PM at the church building.
- 10/28 L2L puppet practice, 4:00 PM and Bible Bowl following our evening services on Exodus 16-20.
- 10/30 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Christian Stress Relief

By: Bryant Evans

I'm thinking about family this morning; not physical family but the larger house of God. If you've been with us lately, we've talked some about being God's people and he being our God. Those were his words through inspiration to the Patriarchs and later, to the Hebrews ([Genesis 17:8](#); [Exodus 29:49](#); [Jeremiah 32:38](#); [Ezekiel 37:27](#)). Those words also echo to us from John's report of the Revelation. Concerning our heavenly estate, the Lord declares, "*Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.*" ([Revelation 21:3](#))

The Bible also speaks of the adopted family that belongs to the Father ([Romans 8:15, 23](#); [9:4](#); [Galatians 4:5](#); [Ephesians 1:5](#)). The church is the family of God. Our physical attributes vary widely, but we have all been granted a place in the family.

It's precious. It's beyond value.

So when stress arises in the family, it ought to be dealt with fairly and quickly. Grudges have no place in this house. There must be no rivalry. We share a common mission, a common foe, and a common name: Christian.

Christian Stress Relief: Know the Facts

Tension often comes because of cloudy facts or uncertainties. We owe it to our brothers and sisters to be clear on the facts related to any possible conflict. Rumors are like a nasty cold virus; they don't require much to spread. When questions arise about a brother we must quickly learn the true facts before ever saying a word to someone else.

A man was once publicly accused of a crime. He was arrested, jailed and brought to trial. The trial proved his innocence and he was set free. But his name had been tainted. He was ruined. His comment to reporters? "*Where do I go to get my life back?*"

Isn't this the heart of the Golden Rule? Would you not want someone to inquire of you *before* raising unfounded suspicions among others ([Matthew 7:12](#))?

Christian Stress Relief: Privacy

Privacy is the by-word of our very public life. If you have any kind of online presence you are subject to having private details about your life stolen. (As I write this, Facebook is trying to cleanup after 50 million users had their information stolen). We should respect the privacy of our brothers and sisters too.

None of us are without sin (c.f. [John 8:7](#); [Romans 2:1, 22](#)) and ought be very careful about the way we deal with other sinners. Jesus offers the perfect principle in Matthew 18:15ff: "*If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone.*"

"Alone" did not include others.

You did not take the rabbi, you did not take the ruler of the synagogue. You did not take a member of the Sanhedrin. You went alone. Such a singular approach protects the privacy and dignity of the brother, limits embarrassment, precludes the damage of a misunderstanding and prevents the offended brother from being publicly scorned for spreading rumors.

Family is too important to shatter over a misunderstanding. It is more than reasonable to take very step to thwart trouble among brethren.

There are times when a public approach is needed. We'll talk about those next time. I suspect, I sure do not know, that over 90% of all family disagreements can be solved privately. We should at least try, don't you think?

Please remember our friends and loved ones who are fighting cancer:

Gus Stranch– leukemia (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine).
Betty Holt- Breast cancer & Alzheimer's (friend of Glenda Verrett).
Kristy Laster– Liver cancer (neighbor of Isenhawers).
Jeff Stewart– Brain cancer. (friend of Jerry Doughty).
Cheryl Lawrence- cancer (friend of Jo Ann McDonald).
Dina Von Campe– Breast cancer.
Patrick Hubble- cancer (mother is a friend of Amanda Lloyd).
Susan Burns- cancer (Daughter of Sue Long).
Ankitha Valdez- a 3 year old who was diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkins Lymphoma. (classmate of John & Sandra Sibley’s grandson, Cameron).

Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:

MaeBelle Perry, Vi Vines, Lum Morrison, Elizabeth Till, Hampton and Gail Bush, James & Ann Christopher.

Help us keep our **bulletin & sick list** up to date!
Please email *Glenda* at glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com
to have someone added, updated or removed from the sick list. Thank you!

Privileged to Serve

Greeters: TR & Marvetta Clevenger
Usher: Dakota Clevenger
Jr. Usher: Eli Ratliff
Communion: Sandra Sibley
Building Lockup: John Sibley
Treasurer Assistants: Scott Lloyd and Peter Verrett
Yard Team Johnny McLaughlin and Peter Verrett

Sunday Morning

Lord’s Table (presiding): Scott Lloyd
(serving): Tony Jackson
Jerry Brown
Bill Jones
Danny Velazquez
Leading Prayer: Todd Sanford
Curt Wolfe
Leading Singing: Chad Chupek
Scripture Reading: Colby Sanford
Nursery: Susan Ling

Sunday Afternoon

Leading Prayer: James Day
Don Gill
Leading Singing: Quincy Saint-Louis
Nursery: Jamie Langham

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