

# EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

JUNE 12, 2022



**Minister:** Bryant Evans

**Associate Minister:** Jeffery King

**Youth Minister:** Noah Evans

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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  
Scott Kelly  
John Langham  
Jonathan Ling

## Deacons

Chad Chupek  
Scott Lloyd  
Peter Verrett  
Jesse Olive

## Sunday

Worship 10 AM  
Bible Study 5 PM

## Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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## Today's Sermon

### **Home Improvement Ephesians 6:4**

<sup>4</sup> Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

**Ephesians 6:4 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!**

## Today's Events:

**Lads to Leaders** Second Language (Spanish) following our evening Bible classes.

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## Events for this week:

### Tuesday:

**Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study**, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

### Wednesday:

**Corporate Meeting** following our Bible Classes in the Fellowship Hall.

### Friday:

**Primetimer's Bible Study**, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Open for all ages. Please bring finger foods and drinks.

### Saturday:

**Ladies Monthly Bible Study**, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship

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## Next Sunday:

**Mark Your Calendar Meeting:** following our evening Bible Study. Please bring finger foods and drinks.

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### Save the Roll!

We need paper towel and toilet paper cardboard tubes for camp crafts. There is a box for the rolls in the foyer.



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

06/12 Richard & Vivian Davis  
06/13 Sandy Kelly  
06/17 Don & Phyllis Gill  
06/20 Hampton Sharpe  
06/21 Josh Ratliff  
Danny & Sarah Velazquez  
06/22 Burl & Joy Hill  
Jonathan Ling  
06/27 Laura Anne Ling  
George Owens

### Are you registered for camp?

2022 Summer Registration is now open for the week of **June 26th—July 1st.**



You can register online at [indiancreekyouthcamp.org](http://indiancreekyouthcamp.org) and click on the link. **Select Scholarship as payment method and use the code ESCOC2022. Do not send any funds to camp.** Payment should be given to Bryant or Glenda .

**All Camp Fees are due by June 19th.**

Staff & Staff Child- Free (accompanied by parent, grandparent or guardian)

All other Campers- \$145.00

KAYLEE  
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AND

JOSH  
sanford

are getting married!

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US  
IN CELEBRATION OF OUR VOWS

SATURDAY, JUNE EIGHTEENTH  
AT FIVE-THIRTY IN THE EVENING  
AT IZENSTONE | SPANISH FORT, AL

# Part 1: What is a Christian?

By: Bryant Evans

What is a Christian, you ask? Good question. Once no one asked such a question because it seemed obvious. But today, with many counterfeit faiths, it's harder than ever to define, let alone identify a Christian. We will give you an answer from the Bible. All we can know about true Christians we find in Scripture.

The Bible first uses the word "Christian" to describe the disciples of Jesus in Antioch (Acts 11:26). Surprisingly, we only find "Christian" two more times in the Bible. King Agrippa spoke of being persuaded to become a Christian (Acts 26:28), and Peter speaks of the suffering Christian (1 Peter 4:16), but "disciple" is the name of Jesus' followers in most cases.

A disciple is a follower, one who attaches himself to another and learns his ways and teachings. He submits to the teacher.

Submission is a key characteristic of any Christian. One who refuses to submit to *all* the teachings of our Lord should not be called a Christian. Many give Jesus some, but not all of themselves. Consider the Lord's own words in Mark. "*If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me*" (Mark 8:34). A Christian must deny himself and his desires and wants and follow after Jesus. In fact, the Christian must follow Jesus even unto his own death (Mark 8:35; Revelation 2:10). This is serious. Jesus said in Matthew 10:37, 38.

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*Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.*

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In John 6:66, many disciples left Jesus because they would not accept the totality of his teachings. It's clear: one who clings to anything more than Jesus is not worthy.

What is a Christian? A Christian follows Jesus completely.

In John 13, Jesus washed the disciple's feet. It was an object lesson of servitude that the Lord taught his followers (John 13:12-15).

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*When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you."*

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A true follower of Jesus – a true Christian -- would learn this lesson of humility and service and would quickly duplicate the Lord's example in his own life. Jesus taught another, more sweeping lesson that he couched as a command (John 14:15). "If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

This command would be the identifying characteristic of Jesus' disciples (John 13:35).

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*By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*

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What is a Christian? A Christian is one who loves like Jesus. That's how we can identify disciples of our Lord. Jesus' love is unconditional. It is sacrificial. His love is not contingent on performance or what you can do for him. He loved us first (1 John 4:19)

**Please keep in your prayers:**

**Julie Doughty** is having ongoing health problems (daughter of Jerry Doughty).

**Garlin, Linda and Jeff Farris** are home recovering from COVID.

**Danny Mills** has been hospitalized for a year with COVID. He received a lung transplant and is now set to be discharged from the hospital.

**Tracie Sims** will have gallbladder surgery on Friday (wife of Clark Sims).

**Janette Yates** a member of the church in Danville, Virginia was killed (sister of Karen Schoonmaker and aunt of Toni Sunday).

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

**Mike Sanford, Jamie Langham, Gus Stranch** (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine), **Jeff Stewart** (friend of Jerry Doughty), **Sharon Vandevender** (wife of Donna Neu's nephew), **Sarah Kennedy, Jim Bose and Betty Carter** (friends of Patti Van Iderstine), **Darnell Jackson** (mother of Jaqueline King), **James Doughty** (brother of Jerry Doughty), **Angela Flit** (cousin of Dwight Isenhower), **Will Scott and Paul Thorkelson** (friends of Dwight & Julia Isenhower), **Aaron Bell** (Youth Minister of Valley View church & a friend of the Sanford's), **Wanda Bobinger** (cousin of Patti Van Iderstine), **Joe Smith** (brother of Sherran Brown), **Margaret Tucker** (Sister-In-Law of Linda Farris), **Donna Ellison** (mother of Amanda Olive), **Shea Hovater** (Sister-In-Law of Rickie & Sharon Hovater).

**Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:**

**MaeBelle Perry, Lum Morrison, James & Ann Christopher, Don & Phyllis Gill, and Jane Betts.**

**Privileged to Serve**

Greeters:	James Day
Usher:	Hunter Harp
Building Lockup:	Chad Chupek
Treasurer Assistants:	Jesse Olive and William Hill

**Sunday Morning**

Lord's Table (presiding):	Kent Purser
Leading Prayer:	Robert Cagle
	TR Clevenger
Leading Singing:	Jesse Olive
Scripture Reading:	Josh Ratliff

**Wednesday Evening**

Leading Prayer:	Garlin Farris
	Peter Verrett
Leading Singing:	Todd Sanford

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