

EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

OCTOBER 31, 2021



Minister: Bryant 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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FELLOWSHIP MEAL

WE INVITE EVERYONE TO STAY AND ATTEND



FOLLOWING OUR WORSHIP SERVICES

Today's Sermon

Forgotten Virtues: Forgiveness
Luke 17:1-4

And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴ and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

Luke 17:1-4 ESV

Events for this week:

Tuesday:

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

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Next Sunday:

Lads to Leaders: will have Bible Bowl practice at 4:30 PM on Joshua 11-12.

Ice Cream Social to Welcome our New Comers: following our evening Bible Classes. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board for volunteers to bring finger foods, ice cream and toppings.

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Holiday Food Boxes Our holiday food program for is fast approaching! We hope to distribute boxes at a total cost of \$60.00 per box. If you can help with this community outreach, make your donation to the church, noting that it is FOR food. Any amount donated would be appreciated and will go directly to the purchase food.

We will be assembling the boxes on Nov. 14th.

Congratulations to Dwight & Julia

Isenhower on the birth of their grandson, Ezra Gray Sandrell. Anna is registered at Amazon and Target if you would like to send a gift.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

11/03 Sid Chupek
11/07 Jo Ann McDonald
11/14 James & Becky Day
11/15 John Langham
11/18 Johnny McLaughlin
11/20 Jacquelyne King
11/24 Dakota Clevenger
James Day
11/25 Johnny & Susan McLaughlin
11/26 Anna Sharpe

Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin!

God picks you from the patch and
brings you in.
(John 15:16)

Then washes all the dirt off of you.
(2 Corinthians 5:17)

He opens you up and scoops out all
the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds
of doubt, hate, greed, etc.
(Romans 6:6)

Then He carves you a new smiling
face.
(Psalm 71:23)

And He puts His light inside you to
shine for all the world to see.
(Matthew 5:16)

Mark Your CALENDAR

- 11/07 L2L Bible Bowl Practice, 4:30 pm on Joshua 11-12.
Ice Cream Social to welcome our new members following our evening Bible Study. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
- 11/09 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 11/12-14 FUEL Youth Conference at Gulf Coast Bible Camp
- 11/14 Packing holiday food boxes after our evening Bible Study.
- 11/16 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 11/20 Ladies Bible Study, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item to share.
- 11/23 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
Our Mid-week Bible Study has been moved to Tuesday evening due to the Thanksgiving holiday.
- 11/25 Thanksgiving— office is closed.
- 11/28 L2L forms and half of registration fees are due.
L2L Bible Bowl Practice, 4:30 pm on Joshua 13-15.
- 11/30 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

“Part 1: Understanding Forgiveness”

By: Wayne Jackson for the *Christian Courier*

There may be no word in the English Bible that quickens the beat of a sinner’s heart more than that of “forgiveness.” Little wonder, then, that poet Alexander Pope wrote: “To err is human; to forgive, divine.”

In this study, we wish to probe this theme from two vantage points: divine forgiveness, that which proceeds from God to man, and human forgiveness, that which we extend to one another.

Forgiveness Biblically Portrayed

There are a couple of interesting words in the Greek New Testament that are rendered by the English, “forgive.”

One term is *aphesis*. Etymologically, it means “to send away.” The word had a variety of meanings in secular Greek, but in its thirty-six times in the New Testament, it always is associated with the “pardon of sins” (Spicq 1994, 242).

See, for example, the use of “forgiveness” in Matthew 26:28 and Acts 2:38.

A second term used for forgiveness is *charizomai*. It meant to bestow a favor or to show kindness.

In Romans 8:32, *charizomai* is rendered “shall ... freely give.”

In his second Corinthian epistle, Paul admonishes the saints to forgive a certain wayward brother. Presumably, he was talking about the offender mentioned in 1 Corinthians 5. The impulse for the forgiveness he was commending was so that the erring brother might not be overcome with sorrow (2 Cor. 2:7).

In Colossians 3:13, Paul twice uses the term—once for the forgiveness we ought to extend to one another, and then to that which we received from Christ. There is the suggestion that just as the Lord graciously forgave us, we should wholeheartedly extend the same kindness to others. Although, as we shall presently note, forgiveness is not extended unconditionally.

God’s Forgiveness Portrayed in Word Pictures

There are numerous exciting expressions of figurative language in the Scriptures that portray a rich picture of forgiveness as such flows from the mind of God.

David praised the Creator for his loving-kindness because:

“As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us” (Psa. 103:12).
The good king Hezekiah thanked the Lord for his redemption, proclaiming that “you have thrown all my sins behind your back” (Isa. 38:17).

The prophet Micah is even more picturesque. He describes Jehovah as treading our iniquities under his feet and then casting the residue into the sea (Mic. 7:19).

What a lovely promise, so brimming with comfort.

The New Testament is equally vivid in its characterization of pardon. When one turns to God in obedience, his sins are “blotted out” (Acts 3:19; cf. Psalm 51:1,9). The Greeks used this term of “washing out” the ink from a papyrus sheet so that it might be used for writing again (Moulton 1963, 221).

Another interesting term is *apolouo*, to “wash away” (used of water immersion, Acts 22:16). The middle voice form here shows the individual’s personal involvement in the act. Saul had to make the decision to submit to the washing away of his sins. Vine notes that Saul had “to arrange for the thing to be done” (1965, 132) — hardly something an infant can do!

The Scriptures use the term “redemption” as an equivalent for forgiveness.

Paul declared that it is in **Christ** that we have our “redemption apolutrosis through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses” (Eph. 1:7).

Redemption originally had to do with buying back a slave from his captivity (Arndt and Gingrich 1967, 95). In the New Testament, it suggests the offer of freedom from the consequences of sin on the basis of Jesus’ atoning death (cf. Rom. 3:24).

The Lord was a blemishless sacrifice who bore the penalty for our sins (cf. Isa. 53:5-6).

To be continued.....

Please keep in your prayers:

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

Mike Martin– in room 2225 at Thomas Hospital and is not doing well.

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

Jamie Langham, Mike Sanford, Bryant Evans, Gus Stranch (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine), **Jeff Stewart** (friend of Jerry Doughty), **Sharon Vandevender** (wife of Donna Neu's nephew), **Sarah Kennedy, Dot Oubre and Jim Bose** (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), **Mary Neely Hopkins** (sister of Jamie Langham).

Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:

MaeBelle Perry, Lum Morrison, Elizabeth Till, James & Ann Christopher, Don & Phyllis Gill, Sue Long and Jane Betts.

Privileged to Serve

Greeters:	TR & Marvetta Clevenger
Usher:	Tim Kenney
Building Lockup:	Chad Chupek
Treasurer Assistants:	Jerry Brown and Jonathan Ling

Sunday Morning

Lord's Table (presiding):	Sid Chupek
Leading Prayer:	Scott Kelly Garlin Farris
Leading Singing:	Jesse Olive
Scripture Reading:	Andrew Ashley

Wednesday Evening

Leading Prayer:	Scott Kelly Noah Evans
Leading Singing:	Todd Sanford

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