

OCTOBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 6pm <i>The Chosen series begins</i>	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 6 pm <i>The Chosen series</i>	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 2pm baby shower	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 6pm <i>The Chosen series</i>	26	27	28	29	30	31 Daylight saving time ends

Elders & Deacons



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If you are interested in a personal bible study, or a study at your office or other public venues, or a free correspondence course, please contact the office and we would be happy to assist you.

If you need a bible we will make sure you are able to have one, absolutely free to you!

Northtown Church of Christ

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Trust in God

When did you know you were an independent person? When you got your driver's license? Graduated high school? College? Got married? Started your career? It's hard to know when the process actually began because there are many little steps that led to each (or most) of those achievements. The process of becoming more confident in life is quite complicated. The actual driver's license doesn't mean you really know how to drive, anymore than the diploma means you've learned what's needed in your job. And having a marriage certificate doesn't mean you understand what it means to pledge your heart to someone or that you've got it all figured out.

Somewhere in that process there are natural moments of doubt, conflict, and then growth. These are points along the pathway that cause you to question whether or not you're on the right path – career, spouse, even faith! Does that equate to sin? Is it wrong to pause and reflect on your choices? Perhaps the sin comes in when I realize a flaw in my plan and choose not to do anything about it. **James 4:17**, "If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them."

During Jesus' ministry he was under fire by the religious leaders. People who, we would assume, longed to know God and his will better. Yet, when his will was revealed they refused to budge. In other words, they had doubts of some kind about the legitimacy of Jesus' claim to be "one with the father" – (*Read John 6*). At one point he was asked in **John 6:28**, "What must we do to do the works God requires?" Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe (*trust*) in the one he has sent." To which they asked, "What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe (*trust*) you?"

People all throughout the bible didn't always understand what they were experiencing, which seriously threatened their trust in God! (*Read Psalms 88 & 89 as an example*). Even Job wanted a face-to-face counsel with God, Jacob wrestled God, multiple people weren't persuaded to fully trust God yet. In part, that's the beauty of scripture – we get a raw glimpse into the lives of people who chose to trust even in the uncertain spots, a decision that led to a more mature faith, but the complete abandonment of faith for others. Struggles happen! Jesus demonstrated that he not only has power over illness, disease, hunger, even death, but he also demonstrated how he was acting out what had been prophesied about the Messiah. They could trust him (believe in him) to be the Messiah, the promised anointed king, or they could reject it. But that's true for us today as well – we can choose to accept the words of God as the map that leads to our heavenly father, or we can reject them and head out to the pig pins (*e.g. Luke 15:11-32*).

The widow in **Luke 21:1-4** trusted God with her livelihood. Her trust in God, was her faith in God. That faith led her to give all. Those who wouldn't be persuaded gave nothing except themselves over to their own jealousy. On this path of life there are many turns and twists that challenge our trust in God, but remember that God's words and his actions were the proof that they needed to trust God... Are you persuaded?

Kelley

Worship leaders:

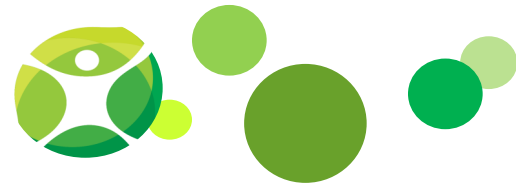
Songs— Steve Weeks

Shepherds prayers— Jim Kelley

Sermon—Kelley Benson

Scripture: Luke 21: 1-4

Closing prayer— 10:30 am service -
Greg Shores



Psalm 100:4, "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name."

Acts 9:36, "[Dorcas] was always doing good and helping the poor."

"Sew many things to do", The sewing group would like to share with you the projects they are working on: The sewing groups work goes beyond sewing-goods for those in need. Please pray for this work to continue and see how you can contribute to the success of this program. Please feel to join us on Mondays we have 4-6 women here fellowshiping. **The sewing ladies are needing empty 2 pound or larger Velveeta cheese boxes. You can give them to Nancy Workman.**

Thank you for all of the sheets you have donated in the past. We have either donated them to a local shelter or have made bandages and shipped them off. That means we are in need of more sheets. Any condition and any size. Thanks again for supporting our mission.

Other News!

- Oct 25 6pm *The Chosen* series and discussion at the home of Kelley and Jade Benson, weekly study questions and APP info will be posted on Facebook**
- Oct. 25 Magi boxes are due back**
- Nov. 1 Sunday AM Classes resume —summer quarter teachers, for questions get with Steve Weeks**

Service Schedule

- Sunday:** Bible Classes—
Worship— 9am and 10:30 am
Evening Worship—
- Wednesday:** Bible study—
Evening Bible Class —

Bible Reading

10/25--2The 2; Jer 5-6	10/29--1Tim 3; Jer 14-16
10/26--2The 3; Jer 7-8	10/30--1Tim 4; Jer 17-19
10/27--1Tim 1; Jer 9-10	10/31--1Tim 5; Jer 20-22
10/28-- 1Tim 2; Jer 11-13	

Youth Group Corner

Prayer Requests

1 Thess 5:17, "pray continually", for...

Our Members...

Ron Hightower, Kathryn Maxwell, Sherrie Handley, Melba Self, Karen Vaughn, Billie Corder, Dian Jenson, Sherry & Arlon Rowe, Chuck Glover, Betty Pickle, Curtis Smith, Jan Terry, Stan Beck, Don & Jean Brewer. If you wish to be added to this list call the church office at 918-423-7332

Our Friends...

Juanita Williams, Gayle Bagerly

If you would like the church to pray for you please call 918-423-7332 and call the church office weekly with updates to remain on the list.

Our Military...

Rachel Elwell, Nathan Elwell, David Long, Ty Osborn, Mike Stevens, Rodney Scott, Anthony Lara, Gannon Beck, Christian Bohanon, J.T Thomas, Levi Gray, Noah Thomas, Miles Roland

Please call the office, or email us at ntcoc2400@gmail.com, to give us an update on any requests. Thank you. (918) 423-7332

1 Tim 2:1 ~ "I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people..."

The services will have a live feed on FaceBook for those of you who would like to continue worshipping with us from home!

We will continue our ZOOM meetings on Sunday night and Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm

You can access the meeting via our FACEBOOK page or request a text from Randy Hughes to join the class. You can call the office and get on the list to receive the text.

Also Wednesday nights at 6:30 the youth will meet and eat at the O'Neal's house for a study of Acts.

Email your athletic or extracurricular activity schedules to the office at ntcoc2400@gmail.com and we will try to support as many of our kids as possible.

MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:

College Ministry:

- Ada—505 W. 17th, Ada, OK 74820
- Durant—624 W. Beech, Durant, OK 74702
- Wilburton—100 N. Leland, Wilburton, OK 74578

Evangelical:

- Raynard Screws—Honduras
- Ron Babbit—Contact church

Children's Homes:

- Hope Harbor—PO Box 1047, Claremore, OK 74017
- Tipton Home—1000 N. Bdwy. Tipton, OK 73570

Media:

- Search program
- Truth for Today

For the record...

Sunday	
Class _____	
A.M. Worship_____	139
P.M. Worship_____	
Wednesday_____	
Contribution	
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