Sermon
2023 FV Series - Being the Church
"Here to Serve"
Matthew 20:17-28

We want to remember five points in this text.

1. Jesus shared what seemed to be _____ news with his disciples.

2. Jesus actually shared _____ news with his disciples.

3. The _____ of James and John had a request of Jesus.

4. Jesus said that His apostles were not to be like worldly _____.

5. The key to being a great spiritual leader is _____.

Record for December 17 2023

Sunday Morning Bible Classes	182
Morning Worship	382
Contribution	$14,424.38
Budget	$15,650.00
Wednesday Evening 12/20	129

Elders

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Elder In Charge for the week of:
Dec 24 - Ken Keiser
Dec 31 - Lawrence Robinson

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Evening Classes	7:00 p.m.

Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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FVCC Wireless access: Jesus Saves Christians Serve
Worship services and Bible classes are available to view on the https://www.youtube.com/c/faithvillagechurchofchrist channel. Select "**Live**" to find the most current service.

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#1018 Joy to the World

Welcome

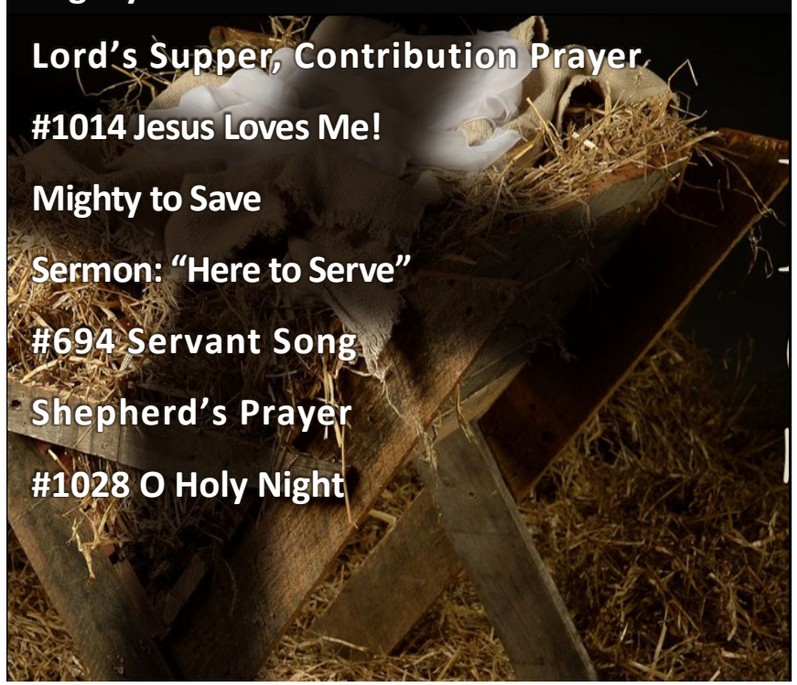
#147 I Stand Amazed

#387 Tell Me the Story of Jesus

#185 Jesus, Thy Name I Love

Prayer

Highly Exalted



Lord's Supper, Contribution Prayer

#1014 Jesus Loves Me!

Mighty to Save

Sermon: "Here to Serve"

#694 Servant Song

Shepherd's Prayer

#1028 O Holy Night

Good Morning!

If this is your first time with us, welcome! Thank you for being our guest today. We're glad you're here.

In order for our church staff members to enjoy family time during the holidays, the church office will be closed the following days:

Monday, December 25 & Tuesday, December 26.

and the following week, **Monday, January 1.**

Should you have an urgent need during that time, you may contact one of the elders by text or phone call or by the ***office*** email. Contact information for both may be found on the back of this newsletter.

December is coming to an end...

Sunday Mornings

-Nursery (birth to 24 months): Attendants are available during the Sunday morning and Wednesday evening classes and/or service.

-There will be no children's Bible lesson during the sermon for the next two Sundays.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class Winter Quarter

-Auditorium: Dennis Haws -1 & 2 Peter

-FC2 and FC3 combined: Chris Swinford - Nehemiah

Sunday Evening Worship/Activities

This Evening: Dec 24: No evening activities

Dec 31: **5th Sunday Service** (Potluck and devotional immediately after service. Bring enough food for your family plus one other. Devotional will follow.

Tuesday (26)

-**Men's Bible Study**: 6:30 pm, every Tuesday, in the FC.

Wednesday (27)

-**Church-Wide Devo:** 7:00 pm in the auditorium

The Village Youth (FVYM) Upcoming Events (7th-12th grade)

-**End of the Year Bash:** ***8 pm—midnight*****, Thursday,** ***December 28th***. Meet in the YC!

-Parent meeting: 8 pm, Wednesday, January 3rd at in YC

-No *Hangout & Dinner* or ***class*** the **Wednesdays** of the **20th** & **27th.** *Class will meet in Family Center at 7 pm*.

Save the Date!

-**10th & Broad Church of Christ city-wide service**: 6 pm, Sunday, Jan 7th. (Refreshments will follow.)

-Gordon Wallace's 100th Birthday Celebration: Saturday, Jan 13th

-**Annual Ladies' Day:** Saturday, Jan 27th

-LTC Practice: Plans are underway for LTC March 2024.

Faith Village 2023 Tax Return Information

Just a reminder that all checks given to the church that you want to count on your **2023 tax return** must be in the office or contribution **on or before December 31, 2023**. The law does not allow us to issue tax receipts for 2023 for anything *received after December 31,* 2023, even though it may be dated 2023. The only exception would be if we were to receive money in the mail postmarked on or before December 31, 2023. (Tax receipts will be sent out for individual checks of $250 or more by **January 31, 2024.**)

You may also access your giving statement at any time through our online database (or call the office for a copy).

*Go to your Profile page. Click the Involvement tab under your name. Scroll down and click the three dots that appear when you hover over the "Financial" box. Select Giving Statement.

HomeMission 2023 Tax Return Information

All donations given to **HomeMission** which are to be counted on your **2023 tax return** must be received in the office and /or postmarked **on or before December 31, 2023**. The law does not allow us to issue tax letters for 2023 for anything *received after this date*, even though it may be dated before. **Tax letters will be sent out by Jan 31, 2024.**

You're invited to a shower welcoming

Baby Girl Carter Jane Waugh

infant daughter of Zachary & Taylor Waugh

Sunday, January 7th,

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm in the Parlor.

Carter's due date is February 18, 2024.



Let us not forget the widows, widowers, and those alone during the holiday season.

Please remember those who are hurting, who have lost loved ones or are facing serious medical issues.

Information as of cutoff time: *12:00 pm*, *Thursday*

Please add the following to your lists of prayers, thoughts & deeds.

Under Hospice Care

-Bonnie Beck: Royal Estates of Wichita Falls

-**George Fonville**: Hospice of Wichita Falls

-**Mary Nabors**: Brookdale Sikes Lake

Prayer Request

-Shara Brown has been diagnosed with stage two breast cancer. Prayers would be greatly appreciated at this time for encouragement and that the treatments will be successful.

-**Wassel Lewis:** Recovery from a fall on Tuesday, December19

-**Wesley Rice**: Healing of a concerning spot on his leg

Thanks & Gratitude

We would like to thank our Faith Village family for all of the thoughtful cards and prayers for the passing of Angela's aunt, Maxine Holland. You all brought great comfort in our time of grief.

In Christian Love, **Angela & Gary Douglas** and **family**