

CHASE PARK MESSENGER

It Is Not In Man

“O Jehovah, I know that the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.” **Jeremiah 10:23**

- Prayer banned in public schools 1962
- Lord’s Prayer and Bible reading outlawed in public schools 1963
- 10 Deadliest Mass Shootings

Mass Shooting Fatalities

1. Las Vegas (2017) 58 killed
2. Orlando nightclub (2016) – 49 killed
3. Virginia Tech (2007) – 32 killed
4. Sandy Hook Elementary (2012) – 27 killed
5. Sutherland Springs, TX (2017) – 26 killed
6. Luby’s Cafeteria (1991) – 23 killed
7. San Ysidro, CA McDonalds (1984) – 21 killed
8. Parkland High School (2018) – 17 killed
9. University of Texas (1966) – 16 killed
10. San Bernardino, CA (2015) – 14 killed

Zechariah 1:2-6 – Jehovah was sore displeased with your fathers. ³ Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith Jehovah of hosts: Return unto Me, saith Jehovah of hosts, and I will return unto you, saith Jehovah of hosts. ⁴ Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets cried, saying, Thus saith Jehovah of hosts, Return ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hearken unto Me, saith Jehovah. ⁵ Your fathers, where are they? and the prophets, do they live for ever? ⁶ But My words and My statutes, which I commanded My servants the prophets, did they not overtake your fathers? and they turned and said, Like as Jehovah of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath He dealt with us.

2 Chronicles 30:9 – For if ye turn again unto Jehovah, your brethren and your children shall find compassion before them that led them captive, and shall come again into this land: for Jehovah your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away His face from you, if ye return unto Him.

Proverbs 14:34-35 – Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people. ³⁵ The king’s favor is toward a servant that dealeth wisely; but his wrath will be *against* him that causeth shame.

1 Peter 5:6-7 – Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time; ⁷ casting all your anxiety upon Him, because He careth for you.

Your Elders

Welcome, Guests

We are honored that you have chosen to visit with us today! Our time of worship together on the Lord’s Day is one of the highlights of each week and we are thrilled to be able to share this special time with you.

As we worship, our desire is to do so according to the New Testament pattern and in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to God. It is also our prayer that our time together is uplifting to those who are here including you, our guests. If you have any questions about anything that you see or hear today, please feel free to ask. We would love to speak with you about those things and help you in any way that we can.



Ministers

- Rusty Hills Pulpit
 Pat Cowden Evangelism
 Andrew Lamica Youth

Elders

- John Denney Dennis Lawson
 Curtis Hill Greg Parker
 Sam Kachelman Barry Todd

Missionaries

- Jaime Mendoza Chalco, Mexico
 Liborio Encarnacion. Ecatepec, Mexico
 Slava Savkovsky Ukraine
 Barton Kizer Peru
 Isai Cuamba Ensenada, Mexico
 Dewayne Tapscott Southwest

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2018 THEME:

I AM THE CHURCH



Lamifications—*Andrew Lamica*

My heart aches for our country. I miss the time in my life when I innocently went about my days with no understanding of the troubles which exist in this world we live in. You know the days I am referring to, where your biggest decision was which toy you were going to play with first. I miss those days.

There is no mistaking that we live in a fallen world. We live in a world in which sin exists and people are tempted by the lures of Satan. We live in a world that often seeks to serve self over all others. It doesn't take long to see the trouble which exists in the world today. If one turns on the local news or browses a new webpage, we see horrific stories, of kids killing other kids, parents doing terrible things to children, corruption, etc. It can be

easy for us to become cynical as a response to the current state of our world. It might cause us to throw our hands up in disgust and want to walk away from everything. The state of the world might also cause us to wring our hands together and wonder if there is any hope. What type of response ought we to have when it comes to the current state of our world? Let me offer a few suggestions.

1. **Pray** - Yes I realize it seems obvious but sometimes we all need reminding about the power of prayer! James 5:16 reminds us there is great power in the prayer of those who are living righteously. As Christians, we ought to be praying for our country, but not our country alone, we ought to pray for the

entire world.

2. **Share** - The core of Christianity is sharing. Share Jesus with those around you! This is the ONLY way the world changes (Matthew 10:32). Share your possessions with those in need. Don't hoard up worldly possessions, remember they belong to God anyway (1 John 3:17).
3. **Care** - We must care enough about those around to be willing to be inconvenienced if necessary to help others. We ought to be outward focused and resist being inward focused.

Want to change the world? I do too. Will you pray, share, and care with me? Let's be world changers.

Outreach News—*Pat Cowden*

Today, we are kicking off our Total Congregational Evangelism effort which will be an ongoing part of the work of Chase Park. Wednesday night during Bible study we spent some time going over some basic points of the plan and we will be filling in more detail as we go. Please join with us as we try to reach as many people locally as we possibly can for Christ. You can get more information from me personally and you can participate in Monday Night for the Master which kicks off tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m.

What a wonderful day last Sunday was:

- Rusty's morning lesson on the Vital Signs of a Healthy Church.
- Andrew's Lesson about Jesus, Liar, Lunatic, or Lord.
- All the area-wide kids coming in to worship and fellowship with us.
- Brett Rives, having been taught by Gary Holzheimer and then baptized by Rusty.

It would probably be wrong to have asked for anything more...

Here is a continuation of a partial list of potential outreach prospects:

- Those who have recently undergone a high degree of change in their lives.
 - Death of a loved one.
 - Marital problems.
 - Homeless.
 - New graduates.
 - Newly married.
 - Extreme poverty.

Remember, I love you in the Lord and want to go to heaven with you.



Think Souls First

News Of Interest

Sick

Regency Healthcare and Rehab

Mark Henry, room 401

Redstone Village

Jerry Smelser

Valleyview Health and Rehab

Elizabeth Green

Home: Donell Parker, Martha Norris, Greg Parker, Jean Hindman.

Please add **Brett Rives**. Brett was baptized Sunday p.m., February 18, after studying with Gary Holzheimer. Will have more information later.

Membership

Welcome **Mike** and **Cathy Maples** to Chase Park! They worshipped with us at Memorial Parkway several years ago and have recently attended Mayfair. Mike is the Property manager for City Scapes and he is very talented as a cabinet maker, carpenter, song leader, toastmaster, etc. Cathy is a former teacher and is now a homemaker. She enjoys teaching, sewing, and cooking. If you haven't met Mike and Cathy, be sure to meet and welcome them to our Chase Park family.

Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

Family Care Meeting

Teams **A** and **D** meet today for potluck lunch. **A Leaders:** Lamica, McDonald, Row, Trammell; **D Leaders:** Brown, Sims. Visitors are invited.

Teams **B** and **G** meet Sunday, March 4. **B Leaders:** Crabtree, Wells; **G Leaders:** Zlatovich, M. Emerson, Walker.

Regency Retirement Service

Today: 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: **Ron McCall**

Song Leader: **Michael Sims**

Hospital Visitation

Team **#4 (McCall)**, please pick up assignments today after p.m. service.

Children's Ministry Devotional

Today, after p.m. service. Dining room.

Monday Night for the Master

Monday, February 26, 6:00—8:30 p.m., small auditorium.

Ladies Bible Class

Tuesday, February 27, 10:00 a.m.

Balance Class

Tues., Feb. 27; Thurs., Mar. 1; 1:30 p.m.

Super Seniors

Wednesday, February 28. No lunch.

Golden Age Banquet

Saturday, March 10, 5:00 p.m.

Pantry Item

Boxed instant mashed potatoes.

Worship Participants

SUNDAY AM MARCH 4, 2018	
READING	David Brothers
F PRAYER.....	Curtis Hill
LS PRAYER.....	Greg Emerson
C PRAYER.....	Jerry Johnston

SUNDAY PM MARCH 4, 2018	
READING	Parker Clark
F PRAYER.....	Michael Emerson
C PRAYER.....	Don Champion

Thank You

"I would like to thank each of you who have prayed, sent cards, called, offered food, and the encouraging words, stories, and advice sent my way during my recent shingles outbreak. This has been one of the most painful medical issues I have ever encountered and I am finally on my road to recovery. I appreciate your continued prayers for pain relief that I am still experiencing. No matter how much it hurts, I understand that each trial I endure, a lesson is to be learned. In Christian love,"

Judy Deck

"I appreciate the prayers, calls, hospital visits and cards I received during my recent surgery. I know they have a lot to do with a rapid recovery and I thank each one of you."

Carl Harris

Focus For
JANUARY - FEBRUARY

I Am A Child of God

I AM THE CHURCH



Chase Park
CHURCH of CHRIST

DYNAMIC DEACONS

Church Leadership Seminar

March 2nd - 3rd

Friday, 7:00-9:00 pm

Saturday, 9:00-12:00

Though it is called "Dynamic Deacons," this seminar is designed and encouraged for the development of spiritual leadership within the entire congregation, not just those who occupy the position of deacon.

Session 1:

The Deacon's Role

Session 2:

The Deacon's Requirements

Session 3:

The Deacon's Responsibilities

Session 4:

The Deacon's Relationships

Session 5:

The Deacon's Rewards



Aubrey Johnson

Sign up at the hospitality desk!

Statistics

Sunday, February 18, 2018

AM Worship	392
Month Average	377
Bible Class	330
PM Worship	403
Wed., Feb. 21 Bible Classes.....	NC
Regency Ret. Worship	31
Offering.....	\$20,115.40
Budget.....	\$18,000
Average '18	\$18,297
Over Budget for year	+\$2,079
Building Fund	\$0

Services

Sunday

Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
Bible Class 10:15 a.m. Worship.....5:00 p.m. |

Wednesday

Super Seniors 10:00 a.m. Bible Class | 6:30 p.m. |

Web Site Home Bible Studies

<https://www.epcofc.org/home-bible-studies>

(Lesson 1 Link)

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