

# CHASE PARK MESSENGER

## What's Right Is Right

I can remember, as a young boy, helping my grandmother clean the church building, which was her responsibility for many years. One of my jobs was often to straighten the song books in the racks. She taught me to turn them all the right way (right side up with the front facing out) and to make sure that the markers were in the books and not hanging out. I have thought many times that there are probably very few people who noticed or cared which way the song books were placed in the racks. They only cared that they were there and available for use. But the fact of the matter is that my grandmother didn't place the books a certain way because it was expected of her or because she knew that someone would be checking them. She did it because she believed that was the right way for them to be and, no matter what anyone else thought, right was right.

I think that there is a valuable lesson to be learned from this simple example. So often, we allow the attitudes and opinions of others to determine our choices and actions as we bow to peer pressure and compromise our standards in favor of popular opinion. While there are certainly situations when compromise is admirable and called for, we need to understand and remember that, in many situations, what's right is right! No matter who is watching or what anyone else says, if something is right or wrong in the sight of God, then it is absolutely and always right or wrong. That's why Paul says in 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22, "*Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil.*" This process of testing and choosing is one that is often much easier said than done. Satan is skilled in using the world's voice to confuse us and convince us to use other standards of right and wrong than the perfect standard of God. However, we must always remember that, no matter what the world might say, when it comes to those issues that God has addressed through His word, right is right! May God grant us the wisdom to discern right from wrong and the courage to hold to what is right.

*Rusty*

## 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

### Elders

Curtis Hill            Dennis Lawson  
Sam Kachelman        Greg Parker  
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



## YOUTH NEWS

### Children's Ministry (Little Lights-6th Grade)

**Sept. 16**      **Family Devo**  
*(at building after  
PM worship)*

**Sept. 22**      **Bike Night**  
*(in parking lot)*

### Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)

Each Monday      M4 (7:00 am)

Every Wednesday      Hang Time  
*(5:30)*

**Sept. 9**      **Area Wide Youth Devo**  
*(7 p.m. @ Sharon Johnston Park, #1)*

**Sept. 16**      **Family Devo**

**Sept. 28-30**      **Camp Joy**  
*(applications now  
available and due  
by Sept. 16)*

### Lads to Leaders

**Sept. 23**      **L2L Work Day**  
*(2:00—4:30-youth room)*

**Sept. 23**      **L2L Kickoff**  
*(young men will lead  
pm worship)*

Theme for 2019:

**I AM**

*(Exodus 3:14)*

L2L Convention:  
April 18-21, 2019

*Stay tuned for more details on these events or see  
Joel Heady, Wes McDonald, or Stephen Trammell for more information.*

## Outreach News—Pat Cowden

Truthfully, the last week has been one of the hardest of my life. Except for the time surrounding Sarah's surgeries, there really have not been many to compare. The closest would be the tragedy and heartache that came with 9/11. If I have one takeaway from all of those "times" it is this, I cannot imagine going through them without God. And yet, the vast majority of people on earth are "without God in the world" (Ephesians 2:12).

So, how does someone face trials if they do not have God? Some become bitter and hateful. Some become resolved that there is nothing they can do, "So why try?" Some shut down and become hard and unwilling to listen to truth. But some become soft and receptive, and I would submit that these are the ones we need to be reaching out to. They ask, seek, and knock (Matthew 7:7, 8) looking for answers or meaning to life. I (we) need to be ready to open the door to one who is truly seeking. I (we) need to prepare for that time so that we can guide them (Acts 8:31) through something they do not understand. I (we) need to do what we can so that they can make an informed decision about following Christ. If they obey the gospel, that is wonderful, if they do not, at least they have been given a response to their asking, seeking, and knocking.

Evangelism challenge:

Do you have a "special" friend who you would love to see obey the gospel? This could be a family member, neighbor, friend, coworker, etc. If you do, and if you will, please email me ([patcowden@cpcofc.org](mailto:patcowden@cpcofc.org)) their name and I will join you in praying for their hearts to be open to the gospel. If you are ready for someone to help you approach them with the gospel, please let me help you.

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

Pat



Think Souls First

## News Of Interest

**Sick**

**Crestwood Hospital**

**Juanez Tanner.** Short visits.

**Sympathy**

We express sympathy to the family of **Leo Johnson** in his death.

We express sympathy to **Betty Counts**, Keith Griffin’s mom, in the death of her husband, Ed, in Mississippi.

To the family of **H. W. “Bud” Belew**, in his death. He and wife, Norma, were former members at Memorial Parkway.

To the family of **Emily Schott**, Kimberly Rowe Washer’s sister-in-law, in her death.

**New Baby**

Congratulations to Ricky and Eberel Davidson on the birth of a girl, **Kynslee Mackela Davidson**, born September 4. 8 lbs., 6 oz., 19 1/4 inches. Great-Grandmother is Aleta Davidson, Grandparents are Rick and Molly Davidson, Aunt is Kylie Ivey.

**Anniversary Celebration**

The congregation is invited to the 25th Wedding Anniversary of **Dena and Glynn Hutchison** on Saturday, September 15, 4:00—5:00 p.m., in the fellowship hall.

**Diana Singing**

Friday, Saturday, September 14, 15, 7:00 p.m.

**Pantry item:** Canned potatoes.

## Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

**Family Care Meeting**

A and H meet today for potluck lunch. **A Leaders: McDonald, Row, S. Trammell; H Leaders: Jennings, Lambrecht, McCall.** Visitors are invited. There will be no meeting September 16.

**Regency Retirement Service**

Today: 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: **Ron McCall**

Song Leader: **Ray Brown**

**Hospital Visitation**

Team (2) **Emerson**, please pick up your assignments today after p.m. service.

**Super Seniors:** Wednesday, September 12. No lunch.

**Monthly Thursday A.M. Ladies Bible Study**

Begins September 13. Will meet every 2nd Thursday from 10:00—noon, in Ladies Class room. Contact Amy Lambrecht if you need childcare. If you need a workbook, see Maria Cowden. Invite a friend.

**Saturday For the Savior**

Saturday, September 15, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

**Family Day**

Sunday, September 16, 2018. Father/Son lead a.m. worship, bible class, potluck lunch, young men p.m. service. Family/youth devo after p.m. service. Be sure to make your plans to attend this day of worship and fellowship.

## Worship Participants

SUNDAY AM SEPTEMBER 16, 2018	
READING .....	Nathan Hill
F PRAYER.....	Curtis Hill
LS PRAYER.....	Eric Corder
C PRAYER.....	Andrew Corder

SUNDAY PM SEPTEMBER 16, 2018	
READING .....	The Young men will be
F PRAYER.....	conducting the service.
C PRAYER.....	

## Thank You

Dear Chase Park family,  
 There was such an outpouring of love shown to us when Pat got hurt and now as we deal with the loss of Pat’s mom. You brought us food, sent prayers, cards, and calls. We had so much goodness done for us. We love you, our family, so much, and we thank you for taking such good care of us in our recent needs.

*Pat and Maria Cowden*

Focus For  
JULY - AUGUST

*I Am An Ambassador  
for Christ*

**I AM THE CHURCH**



*Chase Park*  
CHURCH of CHRIST

# ***FAMILY DAY***

***Sunday, September 16th***

- AM & PM worship services will focus on family.
- Potluck lunch following Bible classes.
- Young men will lead PM worship service.
- Family Devotional following PM worship.

*Invite your friends and family to be  
with us and come enjoy this great day of  
encouraging worship and fellowship.*



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## **Statistics**

**Sunday, September 2, 2018**

AM Worship .....	337
Month Average .....	337
Bible Class .....	262
PM Worship .....	264
Wed., Sep 5, Bible Classes.....	266
Regency Ret. Worship .....	41
Offering.....	\$18,556.82
Budget.....	\$18,000
Average '18 .....	\$18,583
Over Budget for year ....	+\$20,396
<b>Building Fund .....</b>	<b>\$102.00</b>

## **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)**

**The Bible—God's Holy Word**