TODAY'S ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome by: Bobby Rader / Opening Prayer by: Jerry Mallernee
Morning Assembly Song Leader: Danny Balch

#869 Come We That Love the Lord
#543 Wonderful Words of Life

Scripture Reading by: Rock Cary
#313 The Old Rugged Cross

Communion Devotional by: Craig Girard
Lord's Supper and Contribution

#2 We Praise Thee, O God
Sermon: "Rejoice and Remember"
Ecclesiastes 11:7-12:8

#904 Have You Been to Jesus?
#957 This World Is Not My Home
Closing Prayer by: Ken Coleman

Our Small Groups will meet tonight.
Robert Ward's group will meet tonight
at the building at 5:00 p.m.

Other Opportunities For Spiritual Growth

Sunday: 9:00am — Bible Study Classes, 10:00am — Worship, 5:00pm — Worship
Wednesday: 6:30pm — Bible Study Classes

Oct. 29, 2023

"Stand Firm in…Liberty"

Galatians 5:1

Even to Old Age, Do Not Forsake Me

We are drawing near to the end of the book of Ecclesiastes in our Sunday morning sermon series. In our text today, we will see the Preacher famously urge us to *Remember your Creator in the days of your youth.* But there is a flipside to that which we will not have time to explore in detail in our lesson, but is absolutely worthy of our consideration: even if we do not always remember Him, our Creator remembers us. He is faithful despite our faithlessness, even into our old age.

Psalm 71 is probably not a well-known passage to most of us. But it expresses this idea beautifully, of a God who does not abandon us throughout life. I encourage you to read it and mediate upon it.

[1] In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame!
[2] In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me, and save me!
[3] Be to me a rock of refuge,
to which I may continually come;
you have given the command to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.
[4] Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.
[5] For you, O Lord, are my hope,
my trust, O Lord, from my youth.
[6] Upon you I have leaned from before my birth;
you are he who took me from my mother's womb.
My praise is continually of you.
[7] I have been as a portent to many,
but you are my strong refuge.
[8] My mouth is filled with your praise,
and with your glory all the day.
[9] Do not cast me off in the time of old age;
forsake me not when my strength is spent.
[10] For my enemies speak concerning me;
those who watch for my life consult together
[11] and say, "God has forsaken him;
pursue and seize him,
for there is none to deliver him."

Family News & Notes

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Sick

Walden David will be having eye surgery on Wednesday.

Continued Prayers
(Need cards, phone calls & visits)

Steve Ward, Oscar Cantu, Caitlin Smith, Virginia Cole, Ken Coleman, Joe Edd Stifflemire, Donna Wilson, Patricia Prater, Edna Semien, Wilson Semien, Betty Spencer, Willie Spencer, James Wilson, Jo Ella McKewen, Kelly McCain, Wayne Noonkester

Shut Ins
(Need cards, phone calls & visits)

Jim Smith, Winona Angelle, Catherine Parker, Peggy McIntosh, Lois Watts, Willo Dean Ellis

Our Missionaries

Aaron & Marisa Bailey in Montepuez, Mozambique , Rod Kyle in the South Pacific

Upcoming Activities

Elders, Minister meeting Monday, Oct. 30th at 5:30 p.m.

We will have a Houston Food Bank truck on Tuesday, Nov. 7th at 8:00 a.m.

Baby Shower for Kora Ward on Sunday, Nov. 5th at 2 p.m. Kora is registered at babylist.com and amazon.com

New Phone Number

Jo Ella McKewen has a new phone number: 940-843-5941.

Elders	Deacons	Minister
Ken Coleman	Zach Arthur	Bryant Perkins
Bobby Rader	Daniel Balch	
Don Taylor	Danny Balch	
Robert Ward	Walden David	
	Gus Tristan	

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12 O God, be not far from me;
O my God, make haste to help me!
13 May my accusers be put to shame and consumed;
with scorn and disgrace may they be covered
who seek my hurt.
14 But I will hope continually
and will praise you yet more and more.
15 My mouth will tell of your righteous acts,
of your deeds of salvation all the day,
for their number is past my knowledge.
16 With the mighty deeds of the Lord God I will come;
I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone.
17 O God, from my youth you have taught me,
and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.
18 So even to old age and gray hairs,
O God, do not forsake me,
until I proclaim your might to another generation,
your power to all those to come.
19 Your righteousness, O God,
reaches the high heavens.
You who have done great things,
O God, who is like you?
20 You who have made me see many troubles and calamities
will revive me again;
from the depths of the earth
you will bring me up again.
21 You will increase my greatness
and comfort me again.
22 I will also praise you with the harp
for your faithfulness, O my God;
I will sing praises to you with the lyre,
O Holy One of Israel.
23 My lips will shout for joy,
when I sing praises to you;
my soul also, which you have redeemed.
24 And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long,
for they have been put to shame and disappointed
who sought to do me hurt.