

NINTH AVENUE

Church of Christ

HAPPY LABOR DAY

September 1, 2025



I've heard it said that grudges are like "ugly pets." And if we let them, those ugly pets will sit on our shoulders while we feed and pamper them. Actually, grudges will weigh us down, and eventually they can consume us.

So how do we get rid of a grudge? The apostle Peter offers just the right formula for killing pet grudges.

Throughout his letter to Christians who are facing hardship and persecution in Asia Minor, Peter often refers back to ground zero, his main point of reference: Jesus Christ. As Jesus has forgiven us, we too must forgive people who have offended or hurt us. So instead of nursing grudges against others, we must nurture those people with love.

How do we do that? Reflecting on Jesus' words to put no limits on forgiveness (Matthew 5:43-45; 18:21-22), Peter writes, "Above all love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins."

Peter then lays out intentional steps for putting love into play: offering generous hospitality and using the gifts that God has given us to bless and serve others.

As Peter learned from Jesus himself, when we forgive others, we demonstrate that we have been forgiven and are loved by God.

Youth events

There will be a trip to **Top Golf** on Labor Day! If you would like to go, please let Josh know!

Area Wide Youth Series kicks off at Maywood on September 14th.

There will be a **movie night** at the youth building on September 20th at 6pm.

Lads to Leaders registration opens up very soon, so we will be having a **kick off lunch** on September 21st. Please plan to attend as we will hand out registration paperwork and explain a few changes.

Weekly Assignments

Announcements- Will Romine

Scripture Reading - Bryton Frost

Opening Prayer - Gary Mize

Closing Prayer - John Gardner

Song Leader - Matthew Balentine

Sermon - Josh Wade

Worship Attendance - 173

Bible Classes - 124

Contribution In Person - \$3981

Contribution Online - \$710

Communion Prep- Scott McAlpine

Communion Lead - Bruce Hood

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Haley Dobbs

Maddox Hood

Pete Reynolds

Jamie Page

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Scott McAlpine

Wyn McAlpine

Danny Tedford

Eric Baker

Balcony Tim Hill

*** THE TABLE MEMBERS WILL BE THE SAME FOR
THE ENTIRE MONTH OF AUGUST***

Weekly Prayer Needs

Prayers

Tillman Hill, W.C. Dickinson, Evelyn Hicks, Sonny Fell,
Linda Howell, Bobbie Hatton, Maddie Bishop, Barry Hill,
Linda Cagle, Rhonda Hester, James McCreless, Becky Davis,
Glenda Dye, Michael Humphries, Joan Burleson, Jerry
Farris, Tim McNutt, Mona Whitt, Judy Postell, Tracy
Messer, Sally Gist, Donald Loveless, Sue Scruggs, Jamie Dye

Shut-Ins

Hester Bowley, Becky Davis, W.C. Dickinson, Bobbie
Hatton, Mona Whitt, Ara Lou Burleson, Sonny Fell, Betty
Dobbs, Michael Humphries, Harold Vickery, Annette Lawler

Please don't forget to be in
prayer for our search for new
elders and for our current
leadership!



Birthdays and Anniversaries

August

27th- Logan Dye

27th- Brookleigh Cockrell

30th- Selena Alls

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A Church of Christ Caring for its Community

Service Schedule:

Sunday

Bible Study...9:30am

Worship... 10:30am

Evening... 1:00pm

Wednesday

Bible Study ...6:30pm

Elders

Brian Fortenberry

Jamie White

Deacons

David Albright

Haley Dobbs

Tanner Goddard

Bruce Hood

Will Romine

Minister: Matthew Balentine

Youth Minister: Josh Wade