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SEPTMEBER BIRTHDAYS:

Pat Lyckman (9), Ann Armstrong (10)

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THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

Mark Speir-mark.speir@gmail.com

VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Sept. 10: Tyler Montgomery & Daniel Owens
Sept. 17: Keith & Phyllis Siebert

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

Sept. 17: David Hopkins & Charlie Elliot

WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITES

SUNDAY: Bible Classes 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM
TUESDAY: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May), Men's & Ladies' Bible Classes
WEDNESDAY: Bible Classes, 7:00 PM

RECORD FOR 8.30.2026

BIBLE CLASS: 209
AM ASSEMBLY: 255
PM ASSEMBLY: 180
WEDNESDAY: 197
CONTRIBUTION: \$11,731

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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt
David Hopkins
Keith Siebert
Mark Speir

PREACHER:

Ross Haffner

ASSOCIATE PREACHER:

Bryce Mayfield



Trent Kennedy, Director
Steven Lloyd, Assoc. Director



OUR DESIRE FOR GODLY HOMES, PART 1

Ross Haffner

When a family watches their home being built from the foundation up their excitement grows as they anticipate a house that promises new possibilities and a better future. Likewise, God built the family, framing and finishing it as He saw fit. What does a godly home look like? It will likely be a family with a husband and wife and their children (Gen. 2:24, 3:20). It could be a husband and wife without children. Perhaps they would like to have children and cannot or are not able to have children yet. Possibly they have chosen to remain childless. In some circumstances families have been devastated by sins of the past and once they begin to pick up the pieces they realize they can no longer have a traditional family. A household might be multigenerational which could include unique challenges. There are families of one, the individual who may or may not wish to get married in the future. All of these scenarios can result in godly homes. A home with a homosexual couple, a polyamorous relationship, a live-in boyfriend or girlfriend, or a marriage not sanctioned by God exists outside of the authority of scripture and **by definition** cannot be godly (Matt. 19:4-9).

Because of these varying situations, we have to rely on principles from scripture to make specific applications to ourselves **to build** God-honoring

homes. A godly home is a place where people are safe physically, emotionally, and spiritually (Matt. 7:12, Eph. 5:29, Col. 3:12, 1 Tim. 5:8, Eph. 5:28). A godly home is a place where God and God's ways are taught (Deut. 6:4ff), and not just that but they are upheld as the standard for the home (Jas. 1:22-24; Amos 3:3). A godly home is a place where the husband loves his wife, the wife respects her husband, and the children are taught to obey their parents (Eph. 5:25, 33; Eph. 6:1-2). A godly home is a place where the wife submits to the will of her husband and the husband willingly takes on the responsibility of the spiritual direction of the **home**, making it safe for her to do so (Eph. 5:22-24). A godly home is a beautiful place, not only because God's rule is observed, but because that observance has flourished into the fruit of righteousness (Jas. 3:18). A godly home is a place where sin can be repented of, mercy and forgiveness will be offered, and reconciliation enjoyed. A godly home is a hospitable home (Heb. 13:2). A godly home prioritizes the church and God's righteousness (Matt. 6:33). The home is not designed to make musicians, athletes, and scholars, but Christians—though musicians, athletes, or scholars they may be. A godly home is a place where God is worshipped, served, and the object of our devotion.

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September 6, 2026

“Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.”

Psalm 61:1-2

WORSHIP	MORNING	AFTERNOON
ANNOUNCEMENTS	David Hopkins	David Hopkins
PRAYER	David Hopkins	
SONG DIRECTOR	Steven Petrosky	Wade French
PRAYER	Gary Goodpaster	Branyon May
SCRIPTURE	Robert Wright	
POWERPOINT	Brock Cessac	Brock Cessac
SERMON	WHAT DOES THE CHRISTIAN LIFE LOOK LIKE	A PSALM OF CALM: “HELP, I’M OVERWHELMED!”
SCRIPTURE	MATTHEW 23:1-5	PSALM 61
	Ross Haffner	Bryce Mayfield
LORD’S SUPPER	Tom Genduso Jonathan Retana Josh Holloway David Nuckels Blake Norman Ed Grumbles Jordan Franklin Troy Kennedy Ty McClellen Seth Gibson	Tom Genduso Ed Grumbles
CLOSING PRAYER	Mike Parks	Jamie Harris

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Rusty Altizer, Jacquelyn Fox , Tom Hanks,
Martha Smith, Mary Jo Stewart, Clarence Whetstone

CONGREGATIONAL WORKS: YOUTH PROGRAM

We have many opportunities for our youth throughout the year for study, fellowship, edification and benevolence.

- Host a devotional
- Fund activities
- Pray for our youth

COORDINATORS:
Bryce Mayfield
Mark Speir

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY:	9:30 AM	Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	1 st Sunday Fellowship Meal
	1:00 PM	Afternoon Worship
WEDNESDAY:	7:00 PM	Bible Class & Devotional Songs: Ross Haffner Devotional: Justice Imhoff Prayer: David Hopkins PowerPoint: Brock Cessac
THURSDAY:	7:00 PM	CONNECT Weekly Dinner & Bible Study
FRIDAY:	6:30 PM	Congregational Game Night

UPCOMING EVENTS

- SEPTEMBER:
- 1st Sunday Fellowship Meal(Today)
 - CONNECT Weekly Dinner & Bible Study (10th,17th,24th)
 - Game Night (11th)
 - Tuesday Bible Classes Begin (15th)
- WVBS Honorary Dinner (18th)
 - SWSBS Student Lectures (18th-20th)
 - Youth & Family Day (20th)
 - SW Annual Ladies’ Day (26th)
 - Congregational Singing (30th)