

September 14, 2025	
A.M. Worship	97
Contribution	\$4,969.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,104.00

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

**September 21**                      **September 28**

**LOCK BUILDING**

Gerry Austin                      Gerry Austin

**PROJECTOR AM**

Brian Casey                      Joe Davis  
Shane Young                      Lane Timaeus

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Gerry Austin                      David Johnson

**FIRST PRAYER**

David Johnson                      Curtis Sanford

**LORD'S SUPPER**

Curtis Sanford                      Kelly Hudson  
Stephen Bailey                      Carl Barrow  
Roger Peltier                      D.D. Lindsey  
Kelly Hudson                      Taylor Rieck  
Joel Sarabia                      Justin Alsobrook  
William Stidman                      Caleb Griffith  
Solomon Hamilton                      Randy Wilkinson  
Larry Timaeus                      Gary Faycosh  
James Carr                      Darrin Griffith  
Vic Leon                      Rick Arnold

**CLOSING COMMENTS**

Curtis Sanford                      Curtis Sanford

**CLOSING PRAYER**

Kyle Teat                      Gerry Austin

**EVENING**

**PROJECTOR PM**

Jeff King                      Curtis Sanford  
Gary Faycosh                      Brian Casey

**SCRIPTURE READING**

David Johnson                      Jeff King

**FIRST PRAYER**

Scott Ratcliff                      Joe Davis

**LORD'S SUPPER**

Randy Wilkinson                      Dan Talbot  
Joe Maywald                      William Stidman

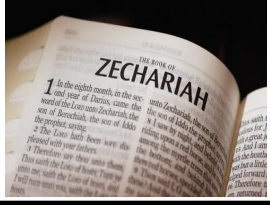
**CLOSING PRAYER**

Dan Talbot                      Stephen Bailey

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT WITH THE MASTER**



Taco Salad will be the meal this Wednesday 9/17, at 6pm. We hope you will join us!



There will be a Men's Bible study this Thursday, September 18th, at 7pm.

**September 21, 2025**

**GREETERS**

September 21 James & Christina Henry  
Curtis & Tammy Sanford  
Dan & Barbara Talbot

September 28 David Johnson  
Carl & Sharon Barrow  
Nita Fry

**MONITORS**

September 21 Kyle Teat  
September 28 Curtis Sanford

**MEN TO COUNT CONTRIBUTIONS**

September 21 T Rieck, J Davis, B Casey  
September 28 J Davis, B Casey, J Maywald

**SPECIAL SERVICE**

Communion Prep The Barrows  
Communion Clean The Barrows

**SONG LEADERS**

**September**  
21 Stan Murray                      28 Stan Murray

**October**  
5 Scott Ratcliff                      12 Richard Thompson

**ELDER** Curtis Sanford

**DEACON** Darrin Griffith

Jeff King  
Scott Ratcliff

William Stidman  
Stephen Bailey

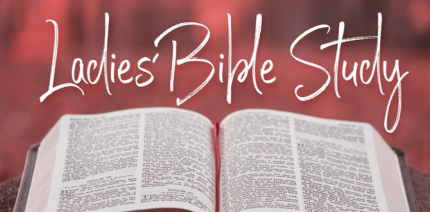
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"WITH ACCENTS ON ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH"

**September 16, 2025**

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**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
1100 E Wilkins  
PO BOX 688  
ANGLETON, TEXAS 77516  
Phone: (979) 849-6391



There will be a Ladies Bible Study this Saturday, September 20th in the Fellowship Hall at 10am. Come join the study!

**WORK DAY!** We have a work day scheduled for September 27th starting at 9am. Please make plans to come, everyone's help is appreciated!




On September 28th, our morning and evening services will be on the subject of the missions and missionaries that this congregation supports. Please make plans to attend. James Henry will speak to us during our morning service and Scott Ratcliff will speak in the evening.

**Reach Team One** will have a meal and fellowship on September 28th, following morning worship. Team members please bring sides and desserts to accompany BBQ. If you do not know what team you are on, please check the bulletin board.



**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES	9:30 A.M.
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP	5:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT WITH MASTER	6:00 P.M.
ACTIVITIES & BIBLE STUDY	6:30, 7:00 P.M.

## FROM THE PREACHER

By: Blake Hudson

Over the past several weeks, a brief history of the use (or non-use) of instruments in the Church's worship has been sketched. The main point I wished to drive home was that, while a cappella worship is strange in our culture today, it is absolutely *not* strange when the entire breadth of Christian history is taken into account. In this article, I would like to briefly sketch three reasons why we, along with many others throughout history, choose to worship with a cappella singing in our assemblies.

### Silence of the New Testament

When it comes to the New Testament Church, the silence on musical instruments is deafening. In the Old Testament, musical instruments are associated especially with David and the temple. Many of the Psalms make refer to instruments and instructions were given for the Levites to play musical instruments within the temple. But when we read through the New Testament, we find no reference to instruments in the worship of the early Church. There is mention of Jesus and the disciples singing, and of the early Church singing, but absolutely no mention of them making use of musical instruments. Why is that? This silence should be a red flag causing us to inquire further, not plow forward without a second thought. The fact that the New Testament mentions singing and prayer, but makes no reference to the early Church using instruments certainly gives the impression that the early Church was in fact *not* using instruments.

### The True Instrument of Praise is the Heart

Not only are instruments not mentioned, but where singing is explicitly mentioned, it is the heart that is identified as the true instrument of praise (Eph 5:17–21, Col 3:16). It's also worth noting that Paul contrasts intelligible speech with "lifeless instruments" in 1 Cor 14:7. As Paul makes clear in all of these passages, it is the meaning and understanding of spiritual words, not merely sounds being produced, that constitutes the true spiritual worship of the Church. The addition of instruments, while entertaining and emotionally moving, cannot add to the intelligibility of the words sung, but can only detract. Therefore, they have no place in our worship service.

### Maturity of the Church

A final reason for excluding instruments from the Church's assemblies is recognizing that the Church is the mature form of God's people. The Mosaic Law, animal sacrifice, the temple, incense, Levites, priests, etc. were given for a period of time in order to teach the people, lead up to the Messiah, and to serve as foreshadows of what was to come (see Galatians 3:19–24 and practically all of Hebrews). With the death and resurrection of Jesus and the establishment of the Church, the old "immature" things were done away with. This included the Mosaic Law, the sacrifices, and the temple with its ordinances. Now, here is the question before us: do the musical instruments of the Old Testament fall within the category of "immature" things that are done away with in the Church? The Church for several hundred years answered in the affirmative, and I believe they are correct. The harps and lyres and cymbals – all of the musical instruments associated with the temple – are in the same category as the temple sacrifices, incense, Levites, and priesthood. While there is not a specific verse stating this explicitly, the book of Hebrews, combined with passages such as Colossians 3:16 and Ephesians 5:17–21, would certainly seem to point in this direction.

While there is more to be said on this subject, that's all I'm going to say for the time being. I hope this series on instruments in worship has been beneficial to you. God bless.



**Happening this Saturday!**  
COME HAVE FUN WITH US IN OUR

# YOUTH GROUP OLYMPICS

HOSTED BY MIDWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST  
**SATURDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2025**  
**3:00 PM**

MIDWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST      10408 HWY 6 HITCHCOCK, TX

PLEASE GIVE US TENTATIVE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS BY 9/7  
PATRICK ARMSTRONG 903-503-8752



Reach Teams have been updated and are on the bulletin board. If you are not on a list, please contact an elder or one of the office secretaries.

- The two rooms where we store items for Impact are full. Please put your items in the King's Kids room behind the partition.
- We need men to give short devotionals on Wednesday evenings. If you are willing to participate, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.
- We need help with locking up the building following our services, if you would like to help, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.
- If you would like to host a Teen Devo., there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Devotionals are scheduled to be held once a month.

Adult Bible Study

**Sunday morning's Adult Bible class will be covering Acts 12: 1-25**

**We are accepting candy donations for our annual Trunk-or-Treat. If you would like to donate please leave your donations in the tub in the foyer.**

**Canned Meat Drive**

Goal: 10,000  
Current: 6,513

You are doing GREAT! We are more than halfway to our goal! We have just 5 weeks of collection left. Kroger has plenty of cases available for purchase. Please, keep up the good work!

## Please Pray

Barbara Filipp is home...Bryan Evans, nephew of Bess Buck, is doing better but, still needs prayer...Phil Carter is home but, still having some health concerns...Jackie Haynes is home recovering from back surgery...Johnny Toon, Karen Lowe's son is not doing well...Charm Moser, sister of Donese Peltier, still needs our prayers

### PLEASE REMEMBER:

Shirley Brown, Deena Damron, Robert Gautney, Jeanie Granger, Cliff Harper, Erin West Janik, David Johnson, Dorothy King, Marie Leblanc, Theresa Malish, Karen Smith, Charles and Elizabeth Street, Andy Tilley, Ceaser Vereen,