



The Crest Connection

Connecting people with the Life that counts for eternity!

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October's mission emphasis will be the

Southern Baptist Convention's Global Hunger Relief. 100 % of funds go directly to hunger insecure needs in the U.S. and around the world.

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday:

- 8:45 a.m. Adult S.S. Class via Zoom
- 9:00 a.m. Adult S.S. Class (In-person)
- 10:00 a.m. In-person Worship at Crest; Worship on Facebook
- 11:00 a.m. Adult S.S. Class via Zoom

Tuesday:

- 9:00 a.m. Women's Study
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Study, GriefShare

Wednesday:

- 7:00 am Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 pm Children Zoom, Youth In-person

Thursday:

- 6:30 pm In-person Worship at Crest
- 7:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study at the McRae's

Beloved,

We returned to in-person worship three months ago and attendance has been increasing every month. Some other in-person meetings will begin this month:



Women's Ministry

The Tuesday Women's Bible study resumes on October 6 with both in-person and online options. Cindy Fisher will be teaching from Revelation and sign up is on our website under the "Women's Ministry" tab.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

October 18 will be the relaunch of our 9:00 a.m., in-person preschool—adult classes. At this time all preschool—youth teachers and students (except under two) are asked to wear masks. Adults are still asked to wear masks where social distancing is difficult. Additionally, some adult classes may continue to be online only.

Worship Services

RSVPs are still requested for Sunday service to ensure safe seating for all. If you desire to limit your exposure to others, attendance on Thursday is under 40.

Harvest Party

This will be an outdoor fellow-

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Hi Church,

This month I just wanted to share something that God's been teaching me recently. In the last few months, we've all learned a lot about the world, about our coun-



try, about the people close to us, and about ourselves. We have seen difficult times bring out both the best and worst in people. We've had to make decisions about things that we never would have imagined even a year ago.

God's been working on teaching me humility for a long, long time, but particularly in the last few months, He's been showing me that I do not always know as much as I think I do.

My take-away lesson has been this: hold your opinions with an open hand. Let me explain. I have a lot of opinions. About myself, about others, about God, about the way things really are, about the way I think they should be. I don't hold these opinions, thinking they're wrong, but my goal is to hold them with an open hand. I may have an opinion about the way things SHOULD be, but I have often found that I am wrong.

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ADULT BIBLE CLASSES ON SUNDAYS

NOTE: With only one of our three adult classes being in person, if you would like to get a Zoom class link, email info@crestbaptistchurch.com.

SUNDAY (8:45 A.M.)

A Long Obedience in the Same Direction — This study in the Psalms of Ascent (120-134) considers the treasure these psalms are in guiding people in the Christian way and directing people of faith in the conscious and continuous effort that develops into maturity in Christ.

(MasterWork/Steve Marean)

SUNDAY (8:45 A.M.)

After God's Own Heart: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments — People want to live life on their own terms, but God has given us a succinct and clear path to follow through the Ten Commandments. Looking at these Commandments through David's life and psalms, we will find good examples of what happens when we follow the Ten Commandments and bad examples of what happens when we don't.

All in: A Life of Commitment (beginning October 18) -

Commitment is a rather loose word in our culture, but we no have greater idea of what commitment means than when we look at the commitment Christ



made for us. Our response to Christ calls for nothing less than a full, all-in commitment to Him. We will dig into what that commitment entails, and in the process, we will discover there is no greater place to be than "all-in" for Christ (Bible Studies for Life/Jamie Travis) Fellowship Hall.

SUNDAY (11:00 A.M.)

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Cancer Support Ministry: We are reaching out to families who are living with cancer. Contact Joe or Gay Lynn Owens at 641-202-5004. Meetings are suspended until in-person small groups resume.

ADDITIONAL CLASSES

TUESDAYS

Women's Bible Study — Peter said in 2 Peter 1:19, "*we do well to pay attention to the prophetic word of The Almighty God because it is like a lamp shining in a dark place.*" Come study with us the book of Revelation. In-person and virtual options for both the 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. studies. (Worship Center)

GriefShare—This is a Christ-centered 13-week series for those grieving the death of someone close. Cost is \$15 for materials. Contact Brian Cramer for info about online classes at (641) 344-6249.

THURSDAY

Celebrate Recovery—Contact Amanda Davis, 344-2440 for current details about opportunities through this ministry.

Since online Zoom classes are continuing, Fall quarterly curriculum is available for pick up in the foyer. Call 782-2018 if you would like it delivered to your home.

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When I hold onto that opinion with everything I have, it is more difficult for God and wiser people around me to teach me what is right than if I approach the situation with hu-

mility, acknowledging that I may not even have all the relevant information.

So this is my lesson, and one I would encourage you to consider: hold your opinions with an open hand, allow God,

when He presents you with truth, to remove your faulty opinions and replace them with ones that reflect His attitude.

Neal

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Sundays</p> <p>8:45 am Bible Study (Zoom)</p> <p>9:00 am Bible Study (In-person)</p> <p>10:00 am In-person and Online Worship</p> <p>11:00 am Bible Study (Zoom)</p>	<p>Tuesdays</p> <p>9:00 am Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 pm Women's Bible Study; GriefShare</p>	<p>Wednesdays</p> <p>7:00 am Prayer Group at church</p> <p>6:30 pm Pre-school, Children Zoom meetings; Youth in-person</p>	<p>Thursdays</p> <p>6:30 pm In-person Worship Service</p> <p>7:00 pm Young Adult Gathering at McRae's</p>	<p><i>1</i></p> <p>Anniversary: <i>Jesse and Valerie White</i></p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>Birthdays: <i>Allie Holliday; David Marroquin; Aaron Richardson</i></p> <p>Anniversary: <i>Ray and Jane Wilson</i></p>	<p><i>3</i></p>
<p><i>4</i></p>	<p><i>5</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Erica Wolfe</i></p>	<p><i>6</i></p> <p>Anniversary: <i>Tim and Cindy Fisher</i></p>	<p><i>7</i></p>	<p><i>8</i></p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Michele Simmons</i></p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>Birthdays: <i>Steve Johnston; Ben Walker; Nancy Young</i></p>
<p><i>11</i></p>	<p><i>12</i></p>	<p><i>13</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Caleb Cramer</i></p>	<p><i>14</i></p> <p>Birthdays: <i>Drew Dobbs; Shannon Howe</i></p>	<p><i>15</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Shawna Carr</i></p>	<p><i>16</i></p>	<p><i>17</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Tom Young</i></p>
<p><i>18</i></p> <p>9:00 a.m. Return to In-person Sunday School</p>	<p><i>19</i></p>	<p><i>20</i></p> <p>4:00 p.m. Finance Committee</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting</p> <p>Birthday: <i>Chelcee Downing</i></p> <p>Anniversary: <i>Don and Carolyn Duskin</i></p>	<p><i>21</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Bethany McRae</i></p>	<p><i>22</i></p> <p>Birthdays: <i>Steve Marean; Malissa Richardson</i></p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Teresa Pendegraft</i></p>	<p><i>24</i></p>
<p><i>25</i></p> <p>Congregational Meeting (end of worship)</p> <p>Harvest Party (after church)</p> <p>Birthday: <i>Ray Wilson</i></p>	<p><i>26</i></p> <p>Birthdays: <i>Kyle Harvey; Kathy Peterson</i></p>	<p><i>27</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Nicole Hogue</i></p>	<p><i>28</i></p> <p>Birthdays: <i>Joni Gillam; Wileen Seeley</i></p> <p>Anniversary: <i>Chuck and Jennifer Hoyt</i></p>	<p><i>29</i></p> <p>Birthday: <i>Misty Deemer</i></p>	<p><i>30</i></p>	<p><i>31</i></p> <p>5:00—6:30 p.m. Drive-thru Trunk or Treat Church East Parking Lot</p>



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ship on the church property, following worship on October 25. All the food will be prepared this year.

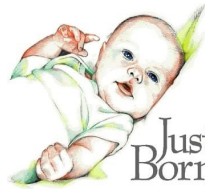
Trunk or Treat

Our annual public outreach on October 31 will be a drive-thru event. Candy donations and volunteers to bag and distribute the candy are needed!

As we continue to navigate our response to this pandemic, our prayer is that we can maintain our health and safety while meeting spiritual needs. Thank you for your flexibility and care for one another.

In His love,

Chuck



Congratulations to Ross and Monica King on the birth of Jacob

Dee Quinn, who was born on September 8th. The proud grandparents are Tom and Jane King.

Congratulations to Hanna Johnston on the birth of her son, Asher Alan, who was born on September 12. The proud grandparents are Steve and Suzanne Johnston.

Children are a heritage
from the LORD,
offspring a reward from him.
Psalm 127:3



Rosella Putnam's after the death of her brother, Howard Putnam, on September 2.

Karen and Dale Magee after her brother, Charlie Fletcher, passed away on September 3.

Mark and Peg Eblen and family following the death of his father, Arnold Eblen, on September 20.

Joe and Karla Powers and family following the death of his mother, Anne Powers, on September 24.

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