

Hope Rises: Work

Ec. 2:17-26.

- I. Work does not “work” as a reason for living.
 - a. Many things irritate Solomon about work.
 - i. It is often motivated by baser desires. Ec. 4:4.
 - ii. The “heir” factor. Ec. 4:7-8.
 - b. It simply cannot sustain a lasting legacy. Ec. 1:11.
 - i. We have equated “living” with a job.
 - ii. Ec. 2:11.
- II. Two things we need to know:
 - a. Do not shirk work.
 - i. Ec. 10:18.
 - ii. Prov. 24:30-34.
 - b. Do not worship work.
 - i. Ec. 5:15.
 - ii. Our life is given meaning because of God’s preoccupation with us, not our occupation.
- III. Solomon’s counsel.
 - a. Work at keeping your life in balance.
 - i. Ec. 4:6.
 - ii. Story of Mary and Martha. Luke 10:38-42.
 - iii. Ps. 127:2.
 - b. Work for the joy God gives in the moment.
 - i. Ec. 5:19.
 - ii. Ec. 3:13.
 - c. Work with others in mind.
 - i. Ec. 4:9.
 - ii. Eph. 4:28.
 - iii. Loving God and loving people has always been our most important job.

COUNTRY CLUB ROAD
CHURCH of CHRIST

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Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Minister:

Doug Austin

Elders:

Tim Dunnahoo - Lee Rogers

Kent Taylor - David West

Elder Chairman of the Month:

David West

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Song Leader: Rollah Aston

Song: 639 – How Sweet, How Heavenly (vs. 1 & 2)

Welcome: Marco Ramirez

Songs: 2 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah!

542 – Faith Is the Victory

73 – A Mighty Fortress

Communion Song: 533 – Nearer, Still Nearer

Communion Offering: Robert Austin

Dismissal for Kid’s Church

Song: 763 – We’ll Work Till Jesus Comes

Sermon: Doug Austin – “Hope Rises: My Emotions”

Invitation Song: 920 – Just As I Am (vs. 1, 2 & 6)

Closing Song: 745 – Soldiers of Christ Arise! (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

Closing Prayer: Oscar Hernandez

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

The Period Between the Testaments – Jon Young (Rm. 27)

How We Got the Bible – Jesse McCarty (Library)

Philippians – Doug Austin (Couch Room)

Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 15)

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 4th – 6th grade – JL History Room

JL 1st – 3rd grade – JL Bible Room

4’s, 5’s & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

2’s & 3’s – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Life Group meeting times & locations:

Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in Room 25

Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room

Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland



Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you’re worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

- **Gale Wright** will undergo her much anticipated foot reconstruction surgery in Alamogordo on Friday.
- **Alice Ray Eldridge** underwent a gene therapy treatment in Albuquerque for spinal muscular atrophy on Wednesday. The Eldridge’s continue to await test results regarding staging for **Anna Lynn’s** SMA diagnosis.
- **Rogert Gomez** is slated for knee surgery on November 21st. Please pray this surgery is a success.
- **Joseph Holmes** fell and badly injured his hip. He is seeing specialists to determine whether he will need hip replacement. Prayers are appreciated.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O’Neil, Sam Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Sharen Anderson



With the holiday season quickly approaching please note that our Recharge meals will be taking a brief hiatus from Thanksgiving through New Year’s (we have one meal left this year).

Recharge will pick back up on January 8th.

In addition, the Elders have made the decision to forego Wednesday evening service on Thanksgiving Eve (November 27th).

Please take this opportunity to spend time with friends and loved ones as we thank God for his many blessings to us!

Life@CCR

- **Our sweet Spanish class stepped up and cooked another feast for Recharge this week!** Thanks so much to each member of that class who worked for two days to pull off such a tasty meal. Look forward to next week’s menu of bbq sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw and cookies.
- The **church pantry** is currently running low on the following items: ramen noodles, canned corn, canned chicken, jelly, macaroni & cheese, and tuna.
- **Doug will continue his “Hope Rises” sermon series this Sunday by bringing a lesson on the value of work.** We have been excited by the social media presence this series has brought about! Take a look at the numbers in the “For the Record” box!

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, 11/20 – Last Recharge of the year!

Wednesday, 11/27 – Church office closes @ noon; all Wednesday evening activities canceled

Thursday & Friday, 11/28 – 11/29 – Church office closed

Tuesday, 12/17 – Best Friends from LCU will be here to perform

Wednesday, 12/18 – Pizza, singing devo & open gym

Journey Land Rotation (Week of 11/17/2024)			
Red Team		Blue Team	
Sunday	Wednesday	Sunday	Wednesday
11/17: Review	11/20: Intro to Rot. #3	11/17: Review	11/20: Intro to Rot. #3

Those Scheduled to Serve for November

Deacons on Duty: Greg Nibert, George Escalante, Joe Sanchez, Bryce Taylor

Men on Duty: Ron Doyle, Ronnie Merritt, Jerry Ringheimer

Week @ a Glance
Celebrations & Happenings

17th	A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube. Linda Bergman & Sharon Christian’s b-day.
18th	Elders meeting @ 4:30 p.m.
19th	Phil Sexton’s b-day.
20th	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m. Recharge @ 5:30 p.m. Bible Class @ 6:30 p.m. Quinton Franzoy’s b-day.
22nd	Matt Rogers & April Bailey’s b-day.

Life Groups Study Guide –

1. What motivates you to work hard?
2. What kind of work ethic should Christians have? When Christians don’t work hard, what does it say about God and the church?
3. How do we keep a balance between working hard and worshipping work?
4. How in your life has work become an idol? Is it an idol that quietly slips onto the shelf next to God?
5. How can you leave your work at the office? Why is this easier for some? What can you learn from them?
6. How do we handle the stress that comes with some of our jobs?
7. Should your job be life enriching? How would you define life-enriching?
8. Does a Christian ever retire?

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....	123/---
Sunday AM.....	232
Kid’s Church.....	34
Social Media Count.....	860
Weekly Contribution.....	\$7,687