

The Encourager

Country Club Road Church of Christ

Song Leader: Kent Taylor
Song: 141 – Words and Music
Welcome: Doug Austin
Songs: 230 – All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name (vs. 1, 3 & 4)
467 – I Must Tell Jesus (vs. 1, 2 & 4)
529 – You Are My All in All (vs. 1 & 2)
541 – Blessed Assurance (vs. 1 & 3)
Communion Songs: 310 – Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (vs. 1,3,4)
Communion Offering: Denny Gumfory
No Kid’s Church Today!
Song: 430 – My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
Sermon: Doug Austin – “Solomon: What is the Meaning of Life?”
Invitation Song: 977 – Why Do You Wait? (vs. 1 & 4)
Closing Song: 994 – Who Will Follow Jesus? (vs. 1)
Closing Prayer: David West

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)
John – David West (Rm. 27)
The Church – Jesse McCarty (Small Fellowship)
Parenting through Philippians – Doug Austin (Couch Room)
Hebrews (Spanish Class) – Oscar Hernandez (Rm. 15)
Revelation (Sun/Weds Evening Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez
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 Rd.

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!



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AND TO MAKE HIM
KNOWN.

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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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What is the Meaning of Life?

Does our life have any purpose?

- I. Ecclesiastes is a cynical, despairing, depressing journal.
 - a. Ec. 1:2.
 - b. Ec. 12:8.
 - c. Is Solomon just a pessimist or is he a realist?
- II. Three things about this life that are hard to hear.
 - a. Life is monotonous.
 - i. Ec. 1:3-11.
 - ii. Do you ever feel like your life is in a rut?
 - iii. What have we done that has changed the world?
 - iv. Ec. 1:15.
 - b. Life is frequently merciless.
 - i. Solomon essentially says, “Bad guys often finish first.”
 - 1. Ec. 5:8-9.
 - 2. Ec. 7:15.
 - 3. Ec. 8:14-15.
 - ii. Look at some of the things that upset Solomon:
 - 1. Work and fortune. Ec. 2:21-23.
 - 2. Death. Ec. 5:16-17.
 - c. Life is meaningless.
 - i. If you are nothing but a complex germ.
 - 1. Man refuses to believe this? Why?
 - 2. Ec. 3:11.
 - ii. Most people cope with a meaningless existence by looking for a better deal.
 - 1. He took the three most popular roads:
 - a. Intellectualism.
 - b. Hedonism.
 - c. Materialism.
 - 2. The real hope is not found under the sun; it is found above it.

Either you are the big deal or God is.
Ec. 12:13-14.

Prayer Requests

- **Bobbie Doyle's** hip replacement surgery will take place in Lubbock on Wednesday, 3/26.
- **Judy Linton** was transferred to the Crown Point Health Suites Nursing Home Community, 6640 Iola Ave., Lubbock, TX, 79424.
- Please continue to keep **Diana Bergman** in prayer as she is dealing with some issues related to recovering from her recent hip surgery.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Sam Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Robert Gomez, Rita Hughes, Gale Wright

From the mailbag...

Dear Church Family, Thank you for all you did to support Chad & I as well as my mother-in-law, Nancy, during the devastating flood. I am so grateful to be part of such a caring, loving, and generous church family.
-Jen Cole



The first day of spring 2025 is on Thursday, March 20, 2025! So what does that mean? Essentially, on this day, the Earth's axis is not tilted toward or away from the sun, causing roughly an equal amount of sunlight and dark hours at all latitudes. Our days will continue to get longer until June 20th when we reach the Summer Solstice.

Life@CCR

- **Kid's Church will take off one more Sunday and is set to return on March 30th. In the meantime, there are some activity sheets along with crayons available for kids** (approximately 5 yrs. & up). Be sure to pick them up on the foyer table on Sunday morning!
- **Our condolences are extended to Chris & Glenna Bertola at the passing of their son-in-law, Dana Taliaferro last Sunday in Severy, TX.** Cards of sympathy can be mailed to Chris & Glenna and their daughter, Crystal at 141 U75 Rd., Severy, KS, 67137.
- Recharge is back next week! **The menu will feature tacos with beans and rice. Dessert will be cake.** Hope to see you at 5:30.
- **You can start picking up your copy of the April-May-June Power for Today as early as this Sunday!** Be sure to check any of the tables near the entryways. We always have extra copies, so please feel free to take an extra to share with a friend or neighbor.
- **Our kids will be treated to an egg hunt on Wednesday evening, April 16th!** We have begun accepting donations of treat filled eggs. Please look for the metal basket in the church foyer where donations can be left!
- **Melissa has started looking for teachers who can volunteer to teach on Sunday's & Wednesday's,** during the Spring/Summer quarter whether it's for one week or one month! If you're willing to help, please get in touch with her as soon as possible.

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....	123/--
Sunday AM.....	222
Kid's Church.....	--
Social Media Count.....	548
Weekly Contribution.....	\$7,203

Week @ a Glance
Celebrations & Happenings

23rd	A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube. Jennifer Franzoy & Lily Houghtalin's b-day.
26th	Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 a.m. Recharge @ 5:30 p.m. Bible Class @ 6:30 p.m. Lacey Emerson's b-day.
29th	Kimber Perkins b-day.

Small Group Study Guide

Text: Ecclesiastes 1:1-11

1. Do you think the book of Ecclesiastes is cynical and depressing or something else entirely?
2. Is Solomon a pessimist or a realist? Why?
3. What does "vanity of vanities" mean in your own words?
4. Do you agree with Solomon that life can be monotonous? Why or why not?
5. Discuss the popular roads Solomon tried to take. Are they the same roads people try to take today? Do these roads bring happiness and meaning?
6. If you can't find help "under the sun" how can you find it "under the Son?" Why don't we look there first?

Those Scheduled to Serve for March

Deacons on Duty: Greg Nibert, George Escalante, Joe Sanchez, Bryce Taylor
Men on Duty: Ron Doyle, Ronnie Merritt, Jerry Ringheimer