

The Mind of Christ

We continue our sermon series on the book of Philippians. Our worship this week will be based on Phil. 2:1-11. Contained in this section is the rather lyrical section known as "the Christ Hymn." It begins in verse 6. Some scholars believe that this may be one of the earliest Christian hymns sung by the church of the first century. If that's the case, then Paul is using a well-known hymn to illustrate a point about the Mind of Christ.

We begin in the heavenly realm with Christ who is on equal footing with God. But he emptied himself of all privilege; he humbled himself and became a servant. That obedience leads to his death on the cross. It is a low, low point for one who was equal with God. Death is not the end. Because of his obedience and faithfulness, God exalts him and gives him authority over all things. This is why we will all bow down and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Let's all continue to learn and grow together - all to HIS glory!

Have you missed worship or want to hear a sermon again? All recordings of worship and sermons can be viewed at westark.org/stream.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES / **SUNDAY WORSHIP** / **WED BIBLE STUDIES**
 9:30AM / 10:30AM / 6:30PM

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GIVING

Feb 23 Contribution - \$ 12,107.11
 2025 Average - \$ 17,293.00

WAYS TO GIVE:

- Click [here](#) for online giving.
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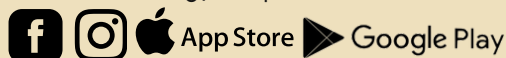
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Happy Birthday!

MARCH

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| 2 Chancey Smith | 9 Melissa Ray |
| 7 Rider Baker | Larry Roper |
| | Ann Selig |



March 2, 2025

WELCOME!



We're so glad you're with us!

MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

Please let us know you're here by going to WestArk.org/hello, scanning the code, or completing a card on the back of the pew and leaving it in a basket at the coffee counter.

ALSO AVAILABLE:

- Communion (at entrances to auditorium)
- Nursery/Nursing Room
- Contribution baskets (at coffee counter)
- Fun Pew Pouches (check-out for young children at entrance to auditorium)
- Worship hearing assist device (room in back of auditorium)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Leader - Danny Baker

Behold Our God

PRAYER

Exalted

WELCOME & PRAYER

Highest Place

Lamb of God

COMMUNION

Highly Exalted

PRAYER FOR BREAD

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

PRAYER FOR THE CUP

Jesus, Only Jesus

PRAYER FOR COLLECTION & COINS FOR CHRIST

At the Name of Jesus

Hallelujah for the Cross

THE MINDSET OF CHRIST

All to Us

SENDING OUT PRAYER

NURSERY ROTATION - Week 1

CAMPUS

KIDS

HEALING

HOPE

This WEEK at WESTARK - Mar 2 through Mar 8

- **Sunday:** Bible classes (9:30AM); Worship (10:30AM); Men's Leadership Workshop (after worship - Room 100); Burkett Baby Shower (see details below)
- **Monday:** Quilting Group (9AM); Celebrate Recovery (6PM)
- **Tuesday:** Men's Class (9AM); Ladies' WinGS class (9:30AM)
- **Wednesday:** Bible Classes - 6:30PM
- **Thursday:** Pickleball - 1:30PM (Gym)

Volunteers Needed

WoW (Widows or Widowers & other singles) typically meets for brunch/ lunch on the first Saturday of every month. The group is generally 8-12 ladies. **Would you be willing to host this group in your home for a meal?**

If so, please contact Donna Brown at 479-225-2004 or Shannon Horton at 479-461-9207.



CURE (Compassionate Utilization of REsources) has supported flood victims in Perry County, KY, by sending funds and partnering with Disaster Assistance Mission CoC to provide meals. To donate, visit www.disasterassistancecoc.com or mail checks to: Disaster Assistance CoC, C/O Lake Jackson Church of Christ, 402 Center Way St, Lake Jackson, TX 77566. Please keep the victims and Disaster Assistance in your prayers as they provide support and share God's love.

JOIN US FOR A DROP-IN BABY SHOWER CELEBRATING THE ARRIVAL OF

Baby Burkett

Daughter of Nash & Brooke Burkett

SUNDAY, MARCH 2 FROM 2 TO 4PM

PERK COFFEE HOUSE, 518 N PLAZA DR STE 6, VAN BUREN

Registered at [BabyList](http://BabyList.com)

Ladies' Getaway

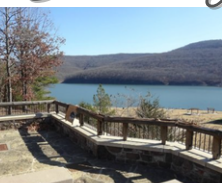
Limited Spots!



March 7 - 9

Lake Fort Smith State Park, Mountainburg, AR

westark.org/ladiesgetaway



Join us for a wedding shower for

Brynn Walker & Preston Prock

Sunday, March 16th

in the WestArk foyer at 1:00pm

The couple is registered at [Amazon](http://Amazon.com), [Target](http://Target.com) and the Knot.com

THE  WAY

Annual Meeting

Sunday, March 9

Immediately following church (lunch provided)

RSVP here!



Join us if you're a student, parent, sponsor, or are interested in learning more about our ministry!

Continued Prayers

- David Beneux
- Ann Cook
- Bob Faries
- Rusty Howard
- Carlene Payne
- Jack Richardson
- Carolyn Smith
- Ellen Smith
- Merle & Mary Thomas

Prayer List

- Jeff and Wade Pressley were in a car accident in west Texas. Jeff has a broken ankle, ribs, and arm, and was airlifted to Fort Worth for surgery. Wade has facial fractures and a broken ankle and also had surgery in Sweetwater. Please pray for Jeff, Wade, and their family during this difficult time.
- Larry Roper's most recent knee surgery went well, and he has begun rehab. Your continued prayers are appreciated.
- Cade Richards continues to battle painful back issues. Please pray that his pain will subside and that long-lasting solutions are found.
- Carlene Payne's most recent PET scan indicated new cancer. The results were inconclusive if the treatments are working on the existing cancer. She will have a CT scan in six weeks to see if there is any additional growth. Please pray that the side effects of the treatments will be minimal and for complete healing.
- Carolyn Smith continues to experience significant fatigue as she battles cancer. Recent blood tests were not favorable. She and Ken will be traveling Sunday (3/2) back to MD Anderson. Please pray for clear answers, relief, and complete healing.
- Karen Benjamin's brother-in-law, Larry, has gone back to the hospital in Tulsa to be treated for an infection. Please pray for complete healing.
- Carl Williams' heart surgery has been rescheduled for March 13th. Please continue to lift Carl up in prayer.
- Sam Baker asks for prayers for his friend, Larry Porter, who is in the advanced stage of cancer.
- Annette Rotta asks for continued prayers for her mom, Iris. Her chemo is not working, and her bone cancer is getting more aggressive. She has begun radiation treatments again. Please pray for healing, peace, and wisdom for Iris and her medical team.
- Former member Vicki Hardin is in an OKC hospital with double pneumonia and is very weak. Please pray for her complete healing.
- We still have several in the WestArk family (and others we love) who continue to battle various illnesses such as COVID and flu.

WORSHIP

SERVE

GROW

GIVE