

When you pray, please remember...

- The Boser family: celebrating the birth of Caleb Andrew to Joel & Mary Stuart
- Aiden Campbell: recently baptized
- Pregnancies: Molly Davis (August)

THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH DIFFICULTIES:

David Ables **Nancy Blacketer** Debbie Bratcher **Betty Chastain Doris Chittick** Billie Dewhirst

Teresa Evaline Martha Fleming Paul Hoke **Yvonne Jones** Lisa Martin **Bob McElwain Shirley Roberts** Freedia Zurschmeide

This afternoon

(after our Bible classes):

 The Encouragement Group will meet at Donna Hines' house

This Friday (6:30 PM):

 The Young Couples Group will meet at the Hardins' house



Members of our church family still have the opportunity to use this QR code to:

- Join a Small Group for 2023
- Men: Make Your 2023 Serving Preferences
- Update Your Directory Information



Sundays:

9:30 AM - Worship 10:45 AM - Bible classes 5:00 PM - Worship

Wednesdays:

7:00 PM - Bible classes



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God of My Praise

Jason Hardin

Be not silent, O God of my praise!

This is David's plea in the first line of Psalm 109. Take a moment to meditate on how he refers to the Almighty Creator. "God of my **praise**." There's a significant difference between that and:

- "God of my wishes," as if the LORD were nothing more than a wish-granting genie in a bottle
- "God of my wants," as if the Almighty were a cosmic vendingmachine to be pushed whenever I'm craving something
- "God of my **needs**," as if the everlasting God were simply an ambulance to be called in times of trouble
- "God of my **demands**," as if the I AM could be summoned like a divine butler

Does God want to hear from us? Absolutely. Is he capable of intervening on our behalf? Most certainly. Is he willing and able to save us? Without a doubt. But he is so much more than a means to an end. He is beautiful. He desires and deserves to be the object of our daily adoration, not simply a worst-casescenario SOS button when we don't know what else to do. Don't treat him as your last resort. Walk with him this week. Let's magnify him together throughout the day—with our songs, through our prayers, in our observance of the Lord's Supper, with open Bibles and eager hearts—as "the God of our praise."

With my mouth I will give great thanks to the LORD; I will praise him in the midst of the throng. For he stands at the right hand of the needy one... (109:30-31)

To our guests...

WELCOME

We're glad you're here today. Here's what you can expect in our **Sunday morning** assembly:

- Welcome
- Song
- Prayer
- Song
- Lord's Supper song
- Lord's Supper
 - Song
 - Sermon
 - Invitation song
- Closing song
- Closing prayer
- Announcements

We're thankful you're here. You matter to us because you matter to God. If we can be of any help, please ask.



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SUNDAY MORNING SERMON JASON HARDIN



Colossians 1:15-20

HE IS...

The _____ of the invisible God

The of all creation

BY HIM...

All things were created; _____ him and ____ him

HE IS...

▶ all things

IN HIM... All things _____ together

HE IS...

The firstborn from the

IN HIM...

All the fullness of God was pleased to ______

THROUGH HIM... God was pleased to ______ all things to himself

But what does this ultimate starting point have to do with me?

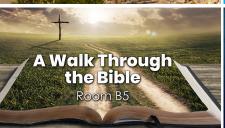
- People alienated from God can be reconciled _____ his death (1:21-22)
- Peace with God is available by the blood of his _____ (1:20; 2:11-12)
- Now ___ can walk in a way that _____ him (1:9-10; 3:1-17)

...and what was (1:22-23)

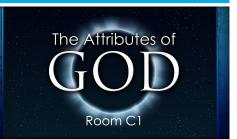


Bible classes for **ALL AGES** begin 7 minutes after our morning assembly has ended and we'd love to have you join us. ADULTS have four options:











This Afternoon

(4:00-4:40 PM)

in the Auditorium

All invited!



DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

MONDAY - 1 Kings 14 & 2 Corinthians 6

TUESDAY - 1 Kings 15 & 2 Corinthians 7

WEDNESDAY - Psalm 111

THURSDAY - 1 Kings 16 & 2 Corinthians 8

FRIDAY - 1 Kings 17 & 2 Corinthians 9

SATURDAY - Proverbs 5

SUNDAY - Psalm 112

