

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may . . . glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:16

The Coastal Light

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Evangelize

"Go therefore and, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Mt. 28:19-20
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"The churches of Christ salute you"

Romans 16:16

Sunday Services

10:00 am Class

11:00 am Worship

Wednesday Service

7:00 p.m.

In respect of the worship service, please turn off or place your cell phone on silent during worship.

THANK YOU



Welcome Visitors

You are our honored guest.
Thank you for coming to visit with us.

Please complete a Visitor's Card and put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men and please sign the register in the foyer so we can have a permanent record.

You are encouraged to take any DVDs or tracts you find in the foyer and enjoy some Visitors Bread in the basket beside the door as you exit.

Past sermons can be found on our website at:
www.churchofchriststm.org.

If you have any questions about anything you have heard or seen, please feel free to ask.

PRAYER REQUEST FRIENDS & FAMILY

Glenda Weaver – (Rhonda Busby’s mom)
Breast cancer treatments.

Brittany & the girls – Traveling

Dane Amey – Underway

Tim Warrington – Traveling

Charlie – (Susan’s uncle) cancer

Gwendelyn Flurry – (Joanne Tebaults
famiy) cancer

Today’s Sermon

Better Understanding God

Art Wilson

Self Denial

Larry Hays

And he said to all, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.'" Luke 9:23

Have you ever asked yourself, “What does it look like for me to deny myself?” To help us consider self-denial, Dewey Howard, the education minister as Greenlawn church of Christ in Lubbock, TX, compiled the following list.

Denying self-life means turning my back on human standards for success or the “good life,” and instead taking up the cross of God’s standards for real life.

Denying self-life means turning my back on human ideas of what pleases and glorifies God, and instead taking up the cross that truly brings a smile to God’s face and represents him well to others.

Denying self-life means everything in life – whether perceived good or bad, success or failure, pleasurable or uncomfortable – is viewed as an opportunity to bring glory and praise to God.

Denying self-life views possessions as a way to bring glory and praise to God rather than as (a) a substitute for the Giver, and (b) a means to preserve and glorify self.

Denying self-life revisions trials, difficulties, and challenges as a way to bring glory and praise to God rather than as circumstances to be avoided at all costs.

Denying self-life means that ultimately my reputation is unimportant. All that is important is God’s reputation through me.

In taking up my cross, I turn my back on things that this world insists will bring happiness, joy, comfort, security, etc., and instead turn into the mission for which God has placed me on this planet.

In taking up my cross, physical Death is no longer the enemy and therefore is not to be feared. Spiritual Death is to be avoided at all costs by living all of life on the path that Jesus travelled.

In taking up my cross, I can expect challenges to be the rule of life, not the exception, because I follow Jesus and share in his life, death, and reward.

When other disciples experience difficulties because of Christ, I encourage them with evidence of their following Christ rather than minimize the challenges, or explain them away, or hope that life will somehow treat them better.

When discipling others, I hold these words of Jesus out to them rather than conceal them with a promise of pain-free, self-serving religious experience.

Announcements

Team **A** is in charge of the card ministry this week. Cards are available in the fellowship hall.

✂ Live streaming of the 10AM & 11 AM Sunday morning service and Wednesday’s 7 PM bible study can be watched on the St Mary’s church of Christ Facebook page.

✂ Continue to pray for the inmates at the Woodbine jail during this time. All of their bible studies and baptisms are postponed due to Covid-19.

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Hear the Word

Romans 10:17

Believe the Word

Hebrews 11:6

Repent of Your Sins

Luke 13: 3, 5

Confess Jesus Christ as the Son of the Living God

Mathew 10:32

Be Baptized for the Remission of Your Sins

Acts 2:38

Remain Faithful unto Death

Revelation 2:10