

# Church of Christ deer park

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## Ticks and Sin

Ever had a tick on you? Ticks are small blood sucking mites. They spend a good bit of time just waiting in bushes, grass and woods for a victim –you! Once you happen by, they jump on and attempt to quickly crawl to a protected spot on your body. Then they sink their mouth parts into your flesh and begin to feed on life blood. If undetected, a tick will fill itself full and then drop off, often leaving its host inoculated with some debilitating disease such as spotted fever, relapsing fever, Lyme disease, tularemia, encephalitis or rickets. The tick is a lot like many kinds of sin:

- It may get on you when it is small and almost undetectable.
- It doesn't demand much sacrifice, but it may cause a little irritation.
- Once embedded, it's hard to get off.
- It gets bigger the longer it stays on you.
- It leaves you very seriously ill.

Some advice for dealing with ticks and sins:

**DON'T WALK IN PLACES THAT ARE INFESTED.** *"See then that you walk circumspectly not as fools, but as wise" (Ephesians 5:15).*

**EXAMINE YOURSELF DAILY.** *"Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith" (2 Corinthians 13:5).*

**HAVE OTHERS EXAMINE YOU, AND HELP EXAMINE THEM TOO.** *"But exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today', lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin" (Hebrews 3:13).*

**IF ONE GETS ON YOU, GET IT OFF IMMEDIATELY.** *"Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed" (James 5:16).*

**IF YOU REALIZE YOU ARE GETTING SICK, SEE THE DOCTOR.** Jesus said, *"Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance" (Mark 2:17).*

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LOOK  
at THIS!

Mark your Calendars for our  
**SUPER SUNDAY**  
**October 19th**  
Bring your Family & Friends  
Luncheon following services  
Details to follow

*Mark Your Calendar*

*(see details inside)*

## Prayer Page

*"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12*

## Pantry Needs p.3

## SUPER SUNDAY

October 19th

## Daily BIBLE

Reading Schedule

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Ladies Pillow Ministry & Devo

Tuesdays

9:00 to 11:00

## Lifeline Screening

12-11-2025

## Facebook Page

Church of Christ Deer Park,  
Texas



*"...but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 4:6*

## Prayer Needs & Requests:

Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God; God Bless & protect President Trump & God Bless the United States of America; People of Israel & Ukraine; Hill Country Flooding Victims; Charlie Kirk's Family after his senseless death; Gene Barton was hospitalized last Sunday with A-fib - he is home recovering; Debby Mining - test canceled and she is feeling better; Dennis Gray had pace maker replaced 8/29 & is back leading singing; Justin Imel finally got his permanent crown-no more tooth ache; Donna Datray asked for prayers-had a second kidney stone removed; Betty O'Bannon fell 8/8th; Personal Bible Studies that are in progress; Rosa Reeves who has suffered Macular Degeneration received good news regarding her eyes - no more shots for a year; Mary Miller had good results from testing; Dale Guillory aneurysm is under control & due an ultrasound regarding circulation in his legs; Tony Cable (Jason Cable father) triple by-pass 8/11 and is home now; Jeff Riggs (Kay Riggs son) back surgery went very well on 7/21 & sciatic nerve pain is much improved but dealing with bone on bone now; Eileen Adair PET Scan 6/6 was clear;- next one in December; Roseann Hudoba former member is being treated for cancer, had her last treatment 7/22, pray for successful results end of August; Karl Vinson had his 2nd cataract surgery on 8/20 which went well; Aimee Lopez (Mary Miller granddaughter) broken foot is not healing right; Crue Lopez (Aimee's son) saw a new doctor & had new, promising treatments for his mouth & tongue; Adrian Burke as his job takes him to Israel; Copper Kimbrough (husband Avery Cable Kimbrough) still undiagnosed - please remember this young couple; Carolyn Sparks & Marion Hood (Shannon Burke mother & aunt) are being cared for at home now & Shannon as she travels often to the San Antonio area to check on them; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-law) has been diagnosed with sarcoidosis & will continue seeing doctors for plan forward in addition to kidney function problems; Stephany Plank-breast cancer; Maurene Martin-colon cancer; Tracy-prostrate treatment, Charlott Wagner still needs our prayers (all friends of Dale Guillory); Building Program; Inmates of our Prison Ministry (600 Inmate students); Share the Gospel of Jesus; Remember God is in Control; A Faithful God Deserves Praise; Are We Faithful to Him; PUT GOD FIRST!; God Keeps His Promises; Be Present; Hallelujah! What a Savior!; Produce Much Fruit; Ask for Wisdom; Give; Commit; Let Your Light Shine; FEAR GOD! Practice Our Christianity Daily; Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; We must hear The Word to be saved - DEVOUR THE WORD; Hunger for God's Word & Read It Daily; Listen; Keep Our Eyes on Heaven; Love Our Neighbor; Be rich toward God; Actions Speak Louder; Jesus said, "Do you love me?"; Earnestly seek our God!; Come, great is the Lord and most worthy of our praise; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Serve Others; Deny Self & not be Mere Human; Breathe the Spirit of God; Excitement & Enthusiasm for the Lord; Pray That We Know God's Word & Live It & Put it into Practice; Us as we strive to be better Servants for the Lord, Share Our Lord, Serve Each Other; Love! Church; Love one another; Strengthen one another, Forgive one another.

## Continual Prayers:

Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton's husband); Diaine Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Donna Bomfalk (Erin Burke friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; David & Patsy Camp; Deanna & Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law); Dennis & Mary Gray; Louise Friday; Pat & Hugh Fletcher; Edna Earl Goodman; Deavyn Gordon; Joyce Gray (mother of Dennis Gray); Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Myra Higgins and her granddaughters-Alysa & Samantha Higgins; Justin Imel health issues; Summer Imel (Justin & Tammy Imel niece); Wil Imel; Pat Jackson & Norma McBride (Peggy Burke friends); Copper Kimbrough (husband Avery Cable Kimbrough); Ann McKinney (Tammy Imel mother); Betty O'Bannon; Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Mike Ritter; Bobby Rowan; Johnny Salas; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara Tucker (Nancy Barton niece), Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's sister); Susan Williams, Karl Vinson

## Please Remember These Battling Cancer:

Tammy Adair; Amy Cote (O'Bannon & Burke friend); Gerald Elliott; Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter friend); Frances (Sonoma O'Bannon friend); Nathan Lunday-prostrate cancer & Tracy Park (Dale Guillory friends); Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law).



*Pick up a Daily Reading Schedule  
from the table by the door.*



**RICE,  
INSTANT POTATOES,  
& FRUIT COCKTAIL**



### Daily Bible Reading

September 14- September 20

Sun 14	am	Proverbs 25-27
	pm	2 Cor 6
Mon 15	am	Proverbs 28-29
	pm	2 Cor 7
Tues 16	am	Proverbs 30-31
	pm	2 Cor 8
Wed 17	am	Eccles 1-3
	pm	2 Cor 9
Thurs 18	pm	Eccles 4-6
	pm	2 Cor 10
Fri 19	am	Eccles 7-9
	pm	2 Cor 11:1-15
Sat 20	am	Eccles 10-12
	pm	2 Cor 11:16-33



### **LIFE LINE SCREENING**

will be here  
Thursday,  
DECEMBER 11, 2025  
We will need some  
Volunteers  
to be present during  
the day 8:00 - 5:00  
Some FREE Certificates  
Will be available  
More Information Later



### *Ladies' Class & Pillow Ministry*

Tuesday Mornings - Devo & Pillows  
9:00 to 11:30

Stay as long as you can.

You do not need to sew. We have a  
lot of hose that need cutting.

**COME JOIN US!**



## **SEPTEMBER** *birthdays*

<b>Bradley Burke</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Otis Riggs</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Sonoma O'Bannon</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Karl Vinson</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Patsy Camp</b>	<b>27</b>

## *The Church in the New Testament ...* **TODAY**

We all agree that the right church is the church that existed in the first century, the church of which Peter, John, James, and Paul were members. If we can find that same church existing in our day, it will still be the right church.

How do we know when we find it? We must ascertain its essential identifying features. We then need to search for the church today that has the same features. When we find it, we will have found the right church. As we open our New Testaments, what essential identifying features do we find about the church?

The church was guided solely by Christ's doctrine, through the apostles. The church had no man-made creed, discipline, confession of faith, or catechism (Acts 2:42; Philippians 1:27; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:3).

The church worshipped on the first day of the week (1 Corinthians 16:2), when they sang acapella (Ephesians 5:19), gave of their means (1 Corinthians 16:2), observed the Lord's supper (Acts 20:7), prayed (1 Corinthians 14:15), and studied God's Word (Acts 2:42; 20:7).

The church was organized on a local, autonomous, congregational level (Acts 14:23), with elders, deacons, evangelists, and members (Philippians 1:1).

The church was designated "the church" (Colossians 1:18), "the churches of Christ" (Romans 16:16), "the church of the Lord" (Acts 20:28 asv), and "the church of God" (1 Corinthians 1:2).

People entered the church by becoming penitent, baptized believers (Acts 2:36-47).

This was the church as it existed in the first century, the church of which Peter, James, John, and Paul were members. Now, with no intent to be boastful, but to be kindly clear, we affirm that the church of Christ in your community is the same church. The church of Christ in this century has the same essential identifying features:

We have no man-made creed, discipline, confession of faith, or catechism. We are governed solely by the apostles' doctrine found in the New Testament.

We worship on the first day of the week by engaging in acapella singing, praying, studying God's Word, giving of our means, and observing the Lord's supper.

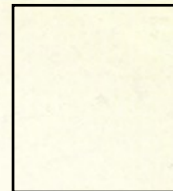
Each congregation is local, independent, autonomous (self-governing), having elders, deacons, evangelists, and members. We are designated as "the church of Christ" or by an equivalent.

If you were to ask, "How do I become a member of the church of Christ today?" you would be kindly instructed that you must become a penitent, baptized believer.

We plead for the church now (this century) as then (first century). Such is pure, simple, and beautiful New Testament Christianity! —Wendell Winkler, *The Church Everybody Is Asking About* - House to House Heart to Heart



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### *Meet With Us*

#### Sunday Morning

Coffee & Donut Fellowship	9:00am
Bible Class	9:30am
Morning Worship	10:30am

Children's Bible Hour offered for  
3yrs to 3rd grade during  
Morning Worship.

#### Wednesday Evening

**REMEMBER WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:** I am blessed to be with brethren. I am blessed to serve. I am blessed to learn from others. I am blessed to hear the Word of Life. I am blessed to remember what's important. I am blessed to recharge my spirit. I am blessed to correct my life. We look forward to seeing you Wednesday!

## *Serving this Week:*

September 7, 2025

**Donut Fellowship 9:00am**

**Bible Class 9:30am**

**Worship 10:30am**

*Song Leader:* **Dennis Gray**

*Scripture Reading & Prayer:*

**Proverbs 6:6-11**

*Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:*

*Sermon:* **"Shall We Sit Idly?"**

**Dr. Justin Imel**

*Closing Payer:*

**Jimmy Burke**

*Greeter:* **Tammy Adair**

*Communion Prep:* **Patsy Camp**

*Livestreaming:* **R.J. Imel**

Stay tuned to our Tithely Messages,

#### **REMEMBER**

