



# GRAHAM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Rooted - Growing - Reaching**

**March 16, 2025**



**Youth Group Lock In—Monday, March 17**

**Bridge Group Lock In—Friday, March 21**



**Come Meet One Of The Campus Minister Candidates, Charles Delong, his wife, Kristen & their children on Sunday, 3/30/2025.**

**Charles will be giving the Sermon. Come hear him and meet the family.**



**LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST  
2025**

**LTC is rapidly approaching. There will be an opportunity to see the children and young people read their Bible verses on 4/9, an actual rehearsal in the Family Center on 4/13, and Bible Bowl practice on 4/16. You are warmly invited to come and watch them practice.**



**Community Food Pantry on Thursday,  
March 20th from 5:00 to 7:00  
in the First Baptist Parking Lot—Come early & help set up—Stay & help distribute the food  
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**Basic Needs Wants to Know...**

**Do you have a need for a walker, potty chair, shower chair or other medical device? Check with Basic Needs as they now have several on hand.**



**No Wednesday Night Meal at 5:30 in the Family Center**

**No Meal Served During Spring Break**



**Spring Approaches**

**I love our Oklahoma Eastern Redbud Tree--the official state tree.**

**We planted it when it was about 2 feet tall. Right now, it looks dead from a distance. But the closer you get, you see buds beginning to emerge. It is God's DNA in the life of the tree--a testimony to the rhythm of the seasons, to the nature of creation. The remarkable thing is that I did nothing to encourage those buds to appear; it's a testament to the DNA inherent in the tree's life. This serves as a reminder of the changing seasons, the beauty of creation, and how God has ordered the plant kingdom. I know Solomon is speaking of people, but the first part of the verse sure sounds like our Redbud tree :) "He [God] has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end." Ecclesiastes 3.11 (ESV). It is comforting to know that as homely as we feel some days, God makes everything beautiful and 'suitable' [NIV] in His time. Thank you, Lord**



**Mark Your Calendars—the Basic Needs Garage Sale will be here soon—Preparation days will be Sunday, June 1—Wednesday, June 4th. The actual sale dates will be Thursday, June 5th—Saturday, June 7th. As always, there will be a need for many volunteers. So make your plans and be ready to come help.**



**Month of January 2025**

Individuals	519
Families	133
New	9

**Compared to 2023, we saw 1,554 more individuals than we saw in 2024.**

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**Love Basket News**

**The Love Basket Served 134 Families and 439 Individuals in January**

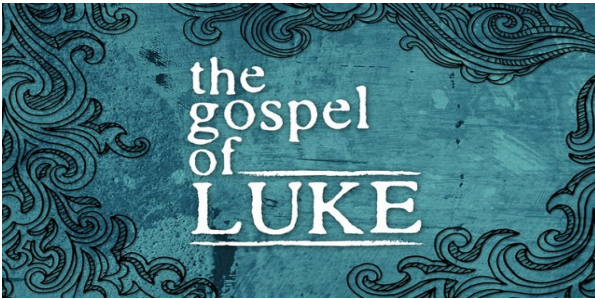


**Basic Needs has an URGENT need for these items: CEREAL, 1 lb BAGS of RICE, 1 lb BAGS of Beans , etc. Your help is appreciated!**

**Let's Fill The Cart & More!**



**Adult Bible Study Opportunities**



**On Sunday, 03/16/2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium with Rusty Rose continuing to teach from Rom. 8**

**You don't want to miss it.**



**Young Adult Class**

**This Sunday, 03/16/2025, at 9:00 in Room 109, join Evan McLeRoy as he leads the discussion on "Discipleship 101".**



**GPS Class**

**David Bearden has been leading the Godly Parenting Skills class in the GPS room. Join in the "Family Walk Through The Bible" as we study parenting principles from The Gospel of Luke. This week the study will be on "Temptations" (Luke 4).**



**New Bible Study Discussion Class**

**Doug Young is holding a discussion class in the Family Center at 9:00 a.m. on March 16. The name of the class is: "Collision or Convergence: Life, the Christian, and God's Plan."**



**Ladies' & Men's Wednesday Night Bible Class**

**The Men's & Women's Bible Class will meet on Wednesday, 03/19/2025, at 6:30 in their respective class locations. "Spiritual Growth Starts With Faith"**



## SUNDAY March 16

- March 16: **Adult Class— 9:00 a.m.** In the auditorium with Rusty Rose continuing to teach out of Romans 8.
- March 16: **Young Adult Class**—Evan McLeroy leads a discussion on “Discipleship” in Room 109
- March 16: **Adult Class**—David Bearden leads a class on Godly Parenting Skills on “Family Walk Through the Bible” in the GPS Room
- March 16: **Bible Discussion Class**— 9:00 a.m. in the Family Center—Doug Young is the facilitator and the class is titled: “Collision or Convergence: Life, the Christian, and God’s Plan.”
- March 16: **Sunday Morning Worship** at 10:00 AM David Bearden will preach the lesson on “Spiritual Growth Starts With Faith ”

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 19: **Wednesday Night Meal** - No Evening Meal Due to Spring Break



- March 20: **Community Food Pantry**—starts at 5:00 in the First Baptist Church Parking Lot (come early and help set up— stay and help distribute groceries)



- March 27: **Night of Casseroles**—drop off your casserole by 4:45 Stay and help distribute starting at 5:00 until they are all gone



- March 30: **Charles & Kristen DeLong & family** will be here as one of the Campus Minister candidates. Come hear him preach and meet this great family.

- March 30: **The Mission Committee** meets immediately following worship service. A meal will be furnished.



- April 8: **Duracells Meet at NOON** in the Family Center—bring a covered dish to share and be ready for food, fun and fellowship.





Pat Lovell, COVID, Mary Havens, Merle Parks, Fred & Cathey Alvord; Billy & Linda Powell, Courtney Clayton; Mischelle Oliver; Ricky Caudle; Mildred Buchanan; Susie Barnes; Karen Bills; Micaela Moore; Kenneth Wylie; Chantelle Mora; Peggy Rice; Mary Havens; Keith Fredrickson; Sympathy & prayers for the Jimmie Green Family, Doug Svien, Theresa Young in hospice

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**Giving Update**

<b>Contribution 03/09/2025</b>	<b>\$ 15,866</b>	<b>Budget for 2025</b>	<b>\$12,900</b>
<b>YTD Contribution</b>	<b>\$120,433</b>	<b>YTD Budget for 2025</b>	<b>\$129,000</b>
<b>Percentage of YTD Contribution Budget 93.35%</b>			

**Texans For Christ Campus Ministry**

**Spring Break Week**

**No Sunday morning class 3/16 or 3/23**

**Regular schedule events resume Sunday evening Mar. 23 with regular Bible Study at the TRI-C**



**CareFlite Insurance is Still Available**  
**\$75.00 covers your entire family for 5 years**  
**Enrollment Forms are in the Church Office**



**Monday Evenings, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Family Center**  
**For any Hurt, Habit or Hangup**

**If you are New or Visiting? Connect with Us!** Use your phone camera to scan this QR Code and fill out a Connection form online!  
**QR Code to access Connection Form**





Heart | Soul | Mind | Strength  
Graham Street Youth Group



# TEENS

## Children's Ministry



For ages 3—1st Grade  
\*Volunteers See  
Courtney McGuire\*



### Children's Bible Lessons

03/16 Sunday Morning at 9:00



There Will Be Children's Church  
03/16/2025

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The next Children's Ministry Meeting is  
April 27



VBS will be here before we know it!

The First VBS Planning Meeting  
Will Be On Sunday, March 23rd

There will be a LOT of steps that need to be taken care of between March 23 and the first day of VBS (which will be July 27th)  
If you can help any at all, please plan to be at this important meeting.

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**LOCK-IN**

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**Camps for 2025:**  
June 1-5 Cisco  
June 8-13 Encounter (Lubbock)  
June 15—21 Bandina

### Meeting Times Sunday

Classes 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Meal 5:30  
Wednesday Class 6:30

### Church Office Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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