

Prayer Focus Thank God for His great love for us by giving us a plan of salvation. John 3:16 Ephesians 2:8 1 John 4:9-10

The annual Congregational Business Meeting will be held after church on Sunday, November 10th, where we will elect officers and set a budget for 2025. Lunch will be served as a part of this meeting. Please plan on joining us for this important meeting!

A NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will be starting Sunday, December 1st, using a book published by LifeStone publishing. Bonnie Reagan will be teaching this class, which will meet in the classroom to the east of the Overflow off the church Sanctuary.

Seniors!!! Our next Senior Gathering will be Wednesday, November 6th, from 8-10am in the Fellowship Hall. Our own Becky Balon will be giving a presentation on avoiding falling prey to Internet and Phone Scams. Invite friends and plan on joining us on the 6th!

Hey Ladies! The Brethren Retreat's annual Ladies Retreat is THIS WEEKEND! Join with other women in worship, and hear from local novelist Kim Mishler. Registration starts as low as \$129 for the weekend. Go to brethrenretreat.org for more info!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Needed to make Budget each month in 2024: \$8,612

Given in October (as of 10/27): \$7,590

2024 Budget giving needed (Jan-Sept): \$86,120

2024 Actual Budget giving (Jan-Sept): \$85,522

(\$598 under budget for the year)



November 3rd, 2024

Today's Message:

Balaam's Story

Numbers 22-24

9am– Sunday School

10:15am– Morning Worship

Pastor Jeff Estep

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Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

Calendar:

Sun., Nov. 3rd– Youth Group, 6-8pm

Mon., Nov. 4th– Youth serving Lions Club Dinner, 6pm

Tues., Nov. 5th – Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am

Wed., Nov 6th– Senior Gathering, 8-10am, Prayer Mtg. 6:30pm

Sun., Nov. 10th– Congregational Business Meeting after church

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Tues., Nov. 5th– June Fowler Sat., Nov. 9th– Austin Mullins

Wed., Nov. 13th– Abigail Balon, Ruby Beachy, & Bonnie Weaver!

Sat., ,Nov. 16th– Eli McKeown

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Sun., Nov. 17th– Jim & Becky Balon

Prayer Concerns:

- Eva E.– recovering from broken toe, Fairfield Cheer going to state!
- Doyle– Barry is doing well at the Waters in Wakarusa, Brenda's aunt Diana is maintaining
- Prayers for the Lantz family, Josh's knee replacement 12/17
- Becky B.– continued prayers for grandmother Joyce who is adjusting to life after passing of her husband
- Joyce Gill is loving her new place, getting closer to her daughter

**November 3rd, 2024–
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude, Welcome and Announcements

Entering with Worship– The Worship Team

Morning Prayer

Service of Child Dedication

Scripture Reading– Psalm 22:27-31

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations. All the rich of the earth will feast and worship; all who go down to the dust will kneel before him— those who cannot keep themselves alive. Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord. They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!

Hymn #471– The Way of the Cross Leads Home

Message– Balaam’s Story
Pastor Jeff Estep

Closing Hymn #435 – What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Dismissal

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Sermon Notes:

God chooses to send a _____ to Moab and all _____ through Balaam.

God is _____ - whatever He says will happen, WILL HAPPEN!

Through the cross, God’s blessings are ours, nothing will _____ what Jesus died to give us.

GOD’S PLANS WILL NOT BE THWARTED!

- The _____ will go into all creation (Acts 1:7-8)
- Israel will be regathered and _____ Jesus Christ (Isaiah 49:22, Zechariah 12)
- Christ will _____ at a time of God’s choosing (Matthew 24:36-37)

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Numbers 22 **Monday–** Numbers 23
Tuesday– Numbers 24 **Wednesday–** Romans 8:28-39
Thursday– Acts 1:1-8 **Friday–** Zechariah 12
Saturday– Matthew 24:36-44

Leading Worship Today– Willie Hostetler

Serving Today– Nursery– Eva Estep & Aubrey Lantz

Upcoming Sermons:

11/10- “Manoah’s Story”- Judges 13– When an angel shows up to announce the coming birth of Samson, Manoah fears seeing the angel will cause his own death. But God comes not to destroy but to save!

11/17- “David’s Story”- 1 Chronicles 21– Taking a census may not seem like a scandal to us, but when King David chose to trust his own military might it had disastrous consequences for Israel. Thankfully, God can use even our rebellion to bring about His glory!

