

PRAYER & PRAISE

Continue praying at 7:28 every evening for the church, Pastor Charles Wells & family, our district superintendent Dr. Jim Bond & wife Donna.

- **Pastor Chris Meek & Family** – Ada Church (death of granddaughter)
- **Karen Adams** (biopsy results came back positive for cancer)
- **Matthew** (Georgia's great-grandson; has cancer)
- **Hess Family**
- **Doug Bohlen** (Has been placed on the kidney transplant list)
- **All who are sick and those recovering from surgeries.**
- **Salvation** for lost loved ones
- **Back to Church Sunday** (who to invite, preparations, BTC Sunday, follow-up)

Don't hesitate to get in touch with me anytime if you have a need, prayer request, or emergency. I'm here for you in good times and bad. I love you and want to support you! – Pastor Charles (903) 249-1271"

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

WIFI Password: alvanaz728

Children's Church: Children will be dismissed to go downstairs during our connection break.

Text Message Service: Get updates for everything AlvaNaz. Text "join" to (833) 284-9953 and we will ensure you are added. Send all interaction including prayer requests to this number.

Offering: Offerings are collected in the red church box in the foyer. Thank you for your generosity!

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Sunday School..... 9:30 am

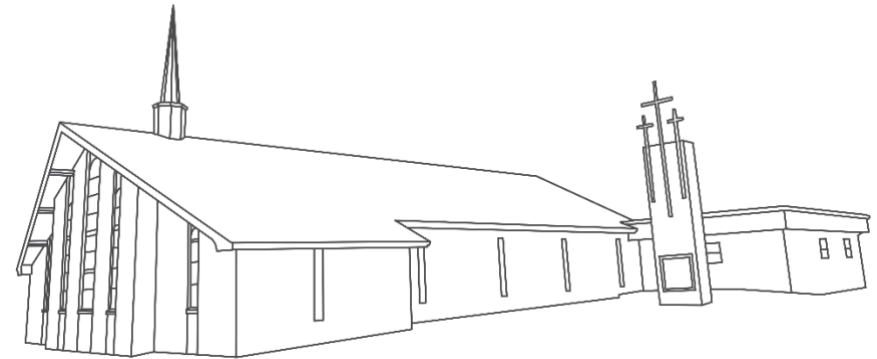
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am

Ladies' Bible Study..... Wednesday @ 6:00 pm

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September 1, 2024

**Celebration Sunday: Pastor Charles & Family
1 Year Anniversary**



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WELCOME!

Welcome, familiar faces and new friends! Your presence lights up our congregation. To our regulars, thank you for your ongoing support. To our visitors, we're delighted to have you with us. Let's share in the spirit of fellowship, worship, and love. Your journey is now a part of ours. Welcome to our church!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship/Opening Prayer

Song: Blessed Be Your Name (*Matt Redman*)

Song: Jesus Messiah (*Chris Tomlin*)

Welcome & Announcements

Song: What A Beautiful Name (*Hillsong*)

Song: Worthy (*Elevation Worship*)

Prayer: Seeking God Together

Connection Break: Embracing Meaningful Fellowship Together

Gathering at the Table: The Communion Celebration

Reading of the Word: Genesis 2:2-3; Matthew 11:28-30 (NASB)

Preaching of the Word: "The Gift of Sabbath: Finding Rest in God"

Song: In Jesus' Name (*Darlene Zschech*)

Benediction: Have a Blessed Week!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

To God be the glory! These words fill my heart as I reflect on the past year. It is truly an honor to serve as your pastor. I always tell people that this church is a rare gem. How you live your lives fully committed to Jesus, combined with your love for each other and this community, is a dream come true for me. After waiting 16 years for this opportunity, it was worth the wait. I'm excited to see what God has in store for us in the coming year!

Back to Church Sunday is just two weeks away, and now is the time to start inviting people. I have flyers available today to help with this. Reach out with a text, make a call, or give someone a flyer to invite them to church. This is just the beginning of our efforts to welcome back those who have attended in the past and to bring in new faces. We will continue these efforts through various outreaches and ministries. I'm thrilled to see this initiative finally take off!

Have a great week! I love you all! -Pastor Charles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alva Kids Ministry Meeting – **September 3rd @ 6 PM**

Church Board Meeting – **September 9th @ 7:30 PM**

Little Disciples Club – **September 10th @ 6 PM**

Back to Church Sunday Events

- **Coffee & Donuts w/the Pastor 9:45 AM**
- **Morning Worship 10:30 AM**

September Missions Sunday – **September 22**

- **AM Service: Missionary Josh Herndon from Native American Christian Academy**

- **Missions Fellowship Lunch Following Morning Worship**
- **Mission Sunday Evening Encounter @ 6 PM**

Game Night – September 28th @ 5 PM

Interfaith Choir – If you are interested in singing with the interfaith Choir in this upcoming season, please see Pastor Charles for more information.

Following Morning Worship, there will be a short meeting in the foyer for those attending the girlfriend's retreat this Friday and Saturday.

Ladies Bible Study – Coming back soon! Stay tuned for more info!

