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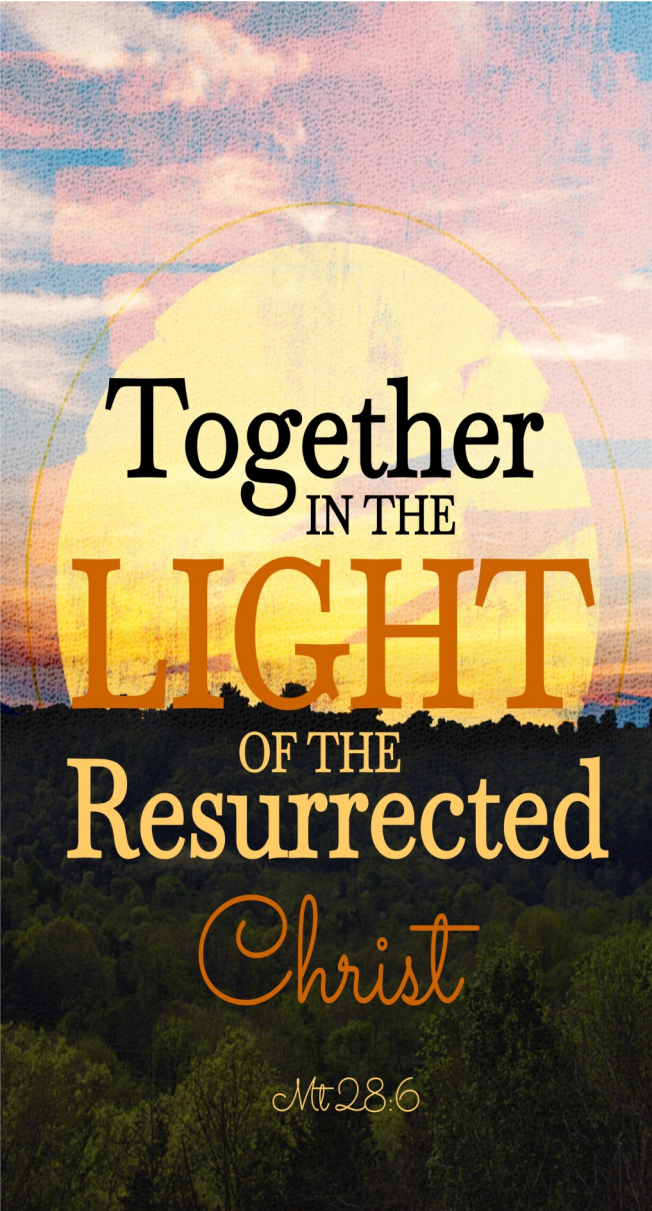
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**Men to Serve**  
**Sunday, April 20**  
*Song Leader:*  
**Junie Chavez**

***Opening Prayer:***  
**Flaviano Enriquez Spanish**  
**Shang Mang English**

***Lord's Supper/Contribution:***  
**Terence Wade**

***Scripture Reading:***  
**Ron Lindsey**



Together  
IN THE  
LIGHT  
OF THE  
Resurrected  
Christ

Mt 28.6

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- **Ladies Bible Class** will take a summer break.
- Last class will be a devotional & Pot luck on
- May 27. Class will resume Sept 2. Teri will
- teach “Fruit of the Spirit.”

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# Together

## STUDIES SHOW MISSING CHURCH DOUBLES DEMENTIA RISK.

Actually, the danger is even greater, but I did make up the caption. Did it do the job and get your attention? It seems that everyday an article begins with a similar title, telling us to eat this or don't eat this and usually ends by urging us to buy a product. We see dementia in our family and loved ones and it makes us fearful. We ask, "what caused it" and "how can I avoid it?" It is frightening! We would give up our favorite foods and activities to avoid getting dementia.

What is MUCH worse is sin and how it separates us from Jesus. The research is still out on what causes dementia, but we know what separates us from God! Sin lures us into situations that are incompatible with godly living. It often happens so gradually, we are not even aware what is happening until we are shocked at where we are and how we got there.

The irony of it is, while we would give up our favorite foods and activities to avoid the dreaded dementia, we will not give them up to avoid sin and separation from Jesus. Our priorities become shewed over the pleasure of the moment and the consequences of actions. There was a bowling alley that offered a 90% discount from midnight Saturday till 4 a.m. Sunday. Is bowling a sin? No, but by the time You got home about 4:30 or 5 a.m. it was not likely you would make it to worship.

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:25

Why should Christians assemble? Does God want our worship? Yes. Does he need our worship? No. WE need to worship. We need to be reminded, we need to encourage our fellow disciples.

Some are more dedicated to a sports team or a TV show than they are to the Lord Jesus. You've never missed a game or an episode of the show. You can name the entire starting lineup or know all the actors and characters they play. But, you can't remember the steps and scriptures in God's plan of salvation?

*Charles M. Clodfelter*

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Welcome our guests.

## Schedule Services

### Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M

Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.

Children's Class 9:00A.M.

### Wednesday

Bible study 7:00pm

**Children's hour  
after communion**

Our Ladies Tuesday Class 10am  
Ladies Bible Class. Rm #63. All ladies are cordially invited to join us for a study in scripture, coffee, conversation. More info call Teri Dove Call 915-637-0351 or 915-822-2419 . Gina Walker teaching Song of Solomon



## Attention

Eastwood Members

The 2025 Church of Christ in Eastwood, Inc.

Operating Budget Report is available for you to view located in the auditorium on the communion table.

Albert Morales

## Happy Birthday

April 3, Linda Ripley  
April 17, Margaret Lee  
April 18, Irma Pechanec  
April 22, Kayleigh Torres  
April 25, Terence Wade



## Happy Anniversary!

April 17, Javier & Yolie Hernandez  
April 21, Ray & Jan Rivera  
April 22, Mike & Teri Dove



[www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ecocmembers/)

## Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: He is Risen

Scripture: Luke 24:1-8



## Doctrinal Issue 3

John Wycliffe, an Englishman and priest, produced an English translation circa 1380. This allowed more to read what the Bible said, instead of having to rely on what the priest/church told them. It planted the seed for questions that challenged the Roman denomination. The anger against Wycliffe resulted in his bones being exhumed and burned, 100 years after his death.

The Gutenberg printing press was invented in 1440 and Bibles were quickly available to even more.

Martin Luther, a priest in the Roman denomination, became displeased with the errors he saw. In 1517, he drafted 95 Theses or propositions that attacked the Roman denomination practice of selling “indulgences” to absolve sin. These protests were the beginning of what came to be known as the Protestant Reformation as other priests also began to speak against what they saw as errors in Roman denomination doctrine.

Huldrych (Ulrich) Zwingli 1519, John Calvin 1536, John Knox 1540, Jacobus Arminius 1630 and many others were among those who sought to reform or correct errors they saw in the Roman denomination.

The Roman Catholic denomination was basically formed when Roman Emperor Constantine granted tolerance to Christianity in 313 AD. Subsequently organized similar to the Roman empire it was set up with a Pope, Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops, Priests. Overtime the Pope gained political power and a king was not a king unless ordained or approved by the Pope. So, the Roman denomination and political power

er of the government were deeply intertwined.

King Henry VIII of England wanted an heir to his throne. Blaming his wife for not having a son, Henry wanted an annulment to marry another wife, the church/Pope refused. So, the Church of England was formed (1530s) with Henry as its head. There were many reformers in England at the time, but the desire for a son, seems to be the trigger.

Most of those we label Reformers, continued to accept the Augustine view of Inherited Sin. But, their focus was not universal, they disagreed with one another of other issues. All were sincere with a deep faith in God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Even though some were willing to follow the Roman denomination practice of killing those who disagreed with them.

They sought to handle the difficulty of “original sin” in different ways. Those who are often called Mainline churches usually practice Paedobaptism or infant baptism, believing this washes the new born clean of the sin of Adam. Those called Evangelical believe you are guilty of, but not accountable for Adam’s sin until you reach the age of accountability. As you recall, Pelagius went to Ireland where he continued to preach the doctrine of Free Will.

The way to be undenominational is to return to the teaching of the New Testament. It is easy and simple but difficult because if you start with the wrong premise you will be wrong and along the way, we all form opinions that could be erroneous.

Charles M. Clodfelter

### Sharing our Easter inheritance

After David Clarke’s mother died in a cycling accident, she left him \$125,000. Inspired by how his mom had lived, he decided to share that inheritance with his community. Clarke chose four organizations that assist people in poverty, those with special needs and others. Liverpool (U.K.) Kids Plant to Plate received one-fourth of the money to teach urban kids about food growth and preparation. Team Oasis, which provides free meals and positive opportunities to disadvantaged families, also received 25% of the funds, as did two other nonprofits.

Through Jesus’ death and resurrection, we too have an inheritance (see Colossians 1:12). Because we did nothing to earn this abundant love and life — and because God teaches us to serve and care for others — we look for ways to share it.

Unlike Clarke’s monetary windfall, however, our gifts of salvation, grace, joy, love and blessing never run out. In fact, the more we share Jesus’ love through word and deed, the more we experience it ourselves. As Clarke keeps his mom’s spirit alive by following her example, so we, as Easter people, make the Spirit of God known far and wide.

### Bible Quiz

From the cross, Jesus prayed words from the book of Psalms. What were they?

- A. “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”
- B. “I thirst!”
- C. “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.”
- D. “It is finished!”



Answer: A (See Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34; and Psalm 22:1.)



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# In Our Prayers

### OUR FAMILY

Mike Breitingner - Mike will be a resident of Rosedale Adult Foster Home, 3111 Edgerock Dr. El Paso TX, 79935. He across from his wife Jill which he enjoys the ease of visiting her. Please keep him and Jill in your prayers....

Leola Deal - Is having a check up this month....

Eneida de la Cruz - Our condolences to Eneida and family, Toni Tovar passed away April 12. send cards to 10915 Cardigan, El Paso, TX 79936.

Alberto Morales - Prayers. Sugar level is high causing dizziness & headaches, chest pressure & heel spur pain....

M.Terry Morales & Son Jr Dominguez - Prayers Jr has high insulin count. Tere has fatty liver & a cyst in liver, receiving medication for both...

Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson ) Thank you for prayers, Please continue to pray for successful legal Issues....

### SHUT-INS:

Mike Baron - He is on dialysis and back home from hospital .prayers.

Jill Breitingner - In home care with dementia, prayers. Send cards to 3116 Edgerock, El Paso, TX 79935

Rose Cobb - Has been feeling dizzy and legs weak. Will be start rehab April 15. Asking for prayers. Appreciates calls, cards, and visits. Please call before visit. 3630 Evelyn Ave., El Paso, Tx 79904, 928-715-9195. Love to all.

Teresa Dalke - Teresa Dalke has increased dementia symptoms and is expected to go to an interim facility for about three weeks until she can be moved to a care facility. She has been put on hospice care. [Glenna Bunn](#) & her siblings request prayers for the family during this time & respectfully request no visitors since it will cause Teresa to become more agitated...

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for prayers. Sending greetings to everyone. Prayers needed. Will be on chemo therapy for a long time. God has been so good to her for cancer treatment....

### Our EXTENDED FAMILY

Tanya Dawkins - Prayers for successful shoulder surgery at Beaumont 5/13

Tully Boizer - (Rose Cobb's son-in law), prayers, Cancer chin surgery May 6  
Ernestina De La Cruz - (Eneida de la Cruz mom) Need prayers. Has high blood pressure & knee pain.

Family of Adam Hernandez (Carol Baker's neighbor) Adam passed away March 8. Prayers for grieving family....

Norma Hernandez (Carol Baker neighbor's daughter) Test results are promising, as cancer seems to be treatable. Please continue to pray for her and family.

Beni Krisko - ( Ina Penala's daughter) Is being deployed to Jordan for 6 mths. Starting Nov. 2024. Pray for safety.....

Josue Licon - (Cristina Morales's nephew) Thank you for Prayers .Tumor surgery removal went well April 10 in Houston hospital..

Charlene Looney (COC Truth or Consequences member) - Her sister Nancy Randlett asking for prayers for Charlene. Charlene is in Casa del Sol rehab, Las Cruces, #207. Prayers are needed.....

Jeremy Marshall - (Rose Cobb great nephew) Thank you for prayers. Should be going home soon. He is going from Phoenix to Hawaii....

Alexas Myre ( Jan Myre daughter in law) Has aggressive breast cancer that was caught early. Please pray for her.....

Celia Perez - (COC Montana member) Prayers needed. She was moved to Pebble Creek Nursing Center Room #108. Thank you for prayers her leg pain has decreased, more active & eating better....

Luna Reyes De Ramos - Asking prayers for a friend who may need neck operation and Mike, Kat for liberation..

Keith Russell - Prayers. Keith has been diagnosed with cancer..

Maria Gutierrez - (Rivera/Luna COC) prayers, in Pebble Creek Nursing Center room, she has less pain #414....

Maria Salazar - (Our Community Neighbor) Maria is asking for prayers, She has been diagnosed with cancer....

Ministro Rocky Whiteman (Rose Cobb friend in Brian, Texas). Had successful surgery April 7. Prayers needed for swift healing.

**Please remember in prayers the military & policeman, fireman in harms way. Please call the office to update our prayer list. Names not updated 4 weeks will be deleted.**

## Our Records

April 13, 2025

Morning Worship - 66

Wednesday - 18

Regular Offering: \$2248.00

Year to Date

### Week

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

### Year to Date

Year to Date - 3

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