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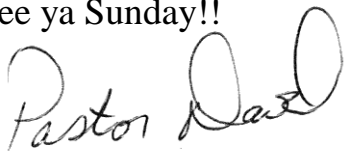
A note from our pastor ....

Over the past 5 weeks, we have witnessed some of the worst natural disasters in American history. Hurricane Harvey hit the coast of Texas on August 26<sup>th</sup>, Hurricane Irma hit the Florida Keys on September 10<sup>th</sup>, Hurricane Maria devastated Puerto Rico on September 20<sup>th</sup>, and hurricane season isn't officially over until the end of November. That's not to mention the wildfires in the northwest and the earthquakes in Mexico. It's been an extremely rough beginning to the Fall season. Though there hasn't been much that we could do to help, I'm proud that Cedar Heights has done what we could. Together, we accepted the challenge and delivered 20 buckets to the Buckets for Harvey incentive. Thank you for your part in providing much needed supplies to 20 families in South Texas. Though it doesn't seem like much, when we add our 20 buckets to the buckets collected by the thousands of churches across the state, I know that we've made a significant impact. Let's not forget to continue lifting up our fellow-Texans in prayer, not to mention all those impacted by these natural disasters. Let's pray especially that their momentary loss will bring them to the Savior Who loves them.

As we enter into October we're reminded that our Fall Festival is just around the corner. October 31<sup>st</sup> lands on a Tuesday this year, so please mark your calendars now so that you can join us in the one annual event that brings the community of Cedar Hill within the walls of our building. Every year, we are able to host children and families who fill our Fellowship Hall, knowing that Cedar Heights provides a safe place for their children to play games for candy. As they see the smiles on our faces, our prayer is that they will see the hope of Christ in our hearts so that we can give them "an account for the hope that is in us," as Peter says (1 Peter 3:15). Our main goal is to help people understand their need for our Savior; the games and candy are the tools! To prepare, we need candy – lots and lots of candy! Also, if you know of a game that we could add to our festival, let's talk about it!!

On a personal note, Suzanne and I would like to thank the church once again for the generous love offering that you gave us this month. What a blessing! You are truly a wonderful church family and we love you!

See ya Sunday!!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor David". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the text "See ya Sunday!!".

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## STAFF

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Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Lunch 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.  
Closed Friday

## SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY:

Bible Study	9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.

### WEDNESDAY:

Fitness & Fellowship	6:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study & Prayer	7:00 p.m.
Youth, Living God's Word	7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	8:00 p.m.

## A WORD FROM OUR YOUTH DIRECTOR

Wow, this month has flown by! We've been having great discussions during our bible studies. Our September's 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fun day on September 10th, we went ice skating. We had quite a few people come out and a good time was had by all. While I don't believe anyone in our church that came out is a budding professional skater, I believe everyone that strapped on a pair of skates had fun and stayed upright. If anyone ended up taking a seat on the ice, I didn't witness it.

Our next 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fun day is on October 8<sup>th</sup> and is a trip to Shadow Creek Pumpkin Farm in Midlothian. This is an exciting trip for us. This is the very first year that the owners of the farm are doing this and they are really excited for us to come out. The cost is \$5/car to get in, so carpooling as much as possible will be our best option. We'll plan to meet at the church and load up and leave by 3:30 pm. The farm has tables for our use while we are there. They're also offering us a discount on the 'tokens'. Usually, the tokens are \$5 apiece and are only needed for the hayride and corn maze. However, for our church, they are offering them to us at a discount of 2 for \$7. If you are worried about mobility issues, there is 1 hayride wagon with a ramp and the other has stairs. They have shuttles that will pick us up where we park and take us up to the farm. Also, that everything is hard, level ground and that there is no problem getting around, no matter who you are. It sounds like a great time and I really hope to see lots of us there. Please take notice, this is a **cash only**, small business.

I just wanted to take a moment and explain out thoughts behind 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fun day with the Youth. Traditionally, the youth group in the church kind of did their own thing. Except for service on Sunday morning, the church body and the youth had very little fellowship together. While true that the youth are invited to all the church functions (fellowship meals, men's breakfasts, lady's ministry events, etc.), it is often the case where the youth are very often "doing their own thing". While this will still occur, I wanted something to keep the youth and the church body connected as one. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fun day is our attempt to do that. To keep the connection between the youth and the church, so all generations can know each other and fellowship together.

In November, we'll be changing it up a little. With the campout the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend, and then Thanksgiving later in the month, we thought we would just call that month's fellowshiping done. There has been discussion of a bowling trip on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. More info to come on that later.

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Dearest Ladies of CHBC,

What an exciting time we had blessing the teachers at Waterford Oaks Elementary School this month. On September 13<sup>th</sup> we filled bottles with

Beth Gister's homemade hand sanitizer. Thank you Beth for mixing and sharing your resources. Then we labeled and made wonderful and creative cards to attach. Beth and Linda Hague delivered the bottles and the collected snack items to the teacher's lounge on September 18<sup>th</sup>. I received kind and sincere thanks from the volunteer coordinator as well as the principal for our efforts.

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So, on to our next challenge:

**October 20<sup>th</sup> 6-8 pm** we will hold a MINI FALL FEST for Bridges Safe House/Hope Mansion. We will take some of our fall fest games, do some face painting and help the moms with inexpensive costumes for their children. We will be leaving the church at 6 p.m. loaded with the Fall Fest items. It would be good to know who will be going so that we can plan travel and coordinate the games. So, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

**November 8<sup>th</sup>, 10-11:30 a.m.** we will meet in the fellowship hall to make Christmas cards and gifts for the Ladies at Cedar Hill Nursing Home. Since we blessed the men on

Father's Day, we want to now bless the ladies. We will be collecting ladies' socks and using Pinterest ideas for cute and festive presentations.

The month of **December** we will be coordinating with the Ladies II Sunday School class for the annual Christmas Brunch. Stay tuned for those details coming later on.

Thank you for your involvement in our Ladies Ministry. It is a joint effort and we want to continue to glorify God in what we do in this ministry. You are loved and appreciated.

In Christ,

*Suzanne*



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## SUNDAY FUN DAY OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup>

Join the youth as their next adventure takes them to the Shadow Creek Pumpkin Farm in Midlothian. We will target a 4pm arrival time. They are a CASH ONLY business. It's \$5 per car to get in. There is a Corn Maze and Hayrides for \$5 per person extra. I would like to see if we all can at least meet up for a hayride together! I will be contacting them to see about any group rates, but from what is listed on their website, we might be better off paying as we go. Again, we will be happy to give anyone a ride. With the entrance fee based on per family car, we should all car pool as much as we can and reduce the cost for all.

We are trying to get the church more involved with the youth on a regular basis. We will schedule a fun day on the second Sunday each month. Join the fun!



READ THRU THE  
OLD TESTAMENT IN 2017  
Challenge yourself this year!

Check your bulletin each week for the weekly reading assignment. Spending time in God's Word is profitable! Assignment is also posted on our Web Page and on our monthly calendar.

## Summary of October Opportunities

- 1<sup>st</sup> **Ecclesiastes – Song of Solomon**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Night Activities
- 8<sup>th</sup> Lord's Supper
- 8<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting & lunch
- 8<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fun Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> **Isaiah 1- 21**
- 11<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Night Activities
- 14<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- 14<sup>th</sup> Country Day on the Hill
- 15<sup>th</sup> **Isaiah 22 – 44**
- 18<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Night Activities
- 20<sup>th</sup> Women's Ministry 6:30 – 8 pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> **Isaiah 45 - 66**
- 25<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Night Activities
- 28<sup>th</sup> Work Day
- 29<sup>th</sup> **Jeremiah 1 – 17**
- 29<sup>th</sup> Decorate for Fall Festival
- 31<sup>st</sup> Fall Festival



**Fall Festival  
Coming soon**

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**Church work days  
September 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Come lend a hand as we  
clean up and fix up our  
property to properly  
honor GOD and present  
a welcoming location for  
our community to come  
worship.



## CHBC SHIRTS

We are still working on our third order of polo shirts with the church logo. We will submit another order as soon as we receive 13 requests. I still need 6 more to turn in an order.



## INVITATIONS

Be sure you are replenishing your supply of church business cards to share as you go about your daily tasks. Use them to meet a stranger as you are shopping, hand them a card inviting them to church. This just may be the opening to share who Jesus is in your life. If not, be sure to tell them about the back side of the card, which contains the name of a website they can visit to get sound answers to tough questions.



**ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL  
OCTOBER 31<sup>st</sup>  
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

**FOOD, CANDY, GAMES  
COME JOIN THE FUN**

Bring your children, grand children and neighborhood children to enjoy this carnival like atmosphere to show off their costumes and get rewarded with candy treats. Our games are for younger children K-6<sup>th</sup> grade.