

## PINNACLE INFORMATION

### Times of Worship

Sunday Bible Class.....9:00 AM  
Sunday Worship.....10:00 AM  
Sunday Evening.....Date to be Announced  
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 PM  
Thursday Morning Class.....10:30 AM

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Anyone who would like to visit with our ministers or find out more about the Pinnacle Church of Christ may contact

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Wednesday 9:00 AM—12 Noon

Thursday 9:30 AM—12 Noon



WELCOME TO

**PINNACLE**  
CHURCH OF CHRIST

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**October 17, 2021**

### Welcome/Announcements

Song Leader — Steve Thompson

"We Praise Thee, O God" — 2

"He Bore It All" — 351

### Communion & Offering

Michael Regauld

"Praise Him! Praise Him!" — 300

### Lesson

*Fixing What Is Broken*

Chuck Monan

"Where He Leads I'll Follow" — 417

### Closing Prayer

Leon Johnson

"When We All Get to Heaven " — 853

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME VISITORS!

**Thank you for joining us today!** Your attendance at our worship service is important to us. Please text your info to 501-367-7188 or fill out a visitor's card located in the seatback pocket of a chair in front of you. You can leave it in your chair for pick up or drop it in the contribution basket as you leave.

There is an attended toddler/nurse area during morning Worship.

### EVENTS

#### Fall Treats For Kids

We will have a cool treat bucket for each of our kids Sunday morning, October 31. Come grab some fun!

#### Men's Fellowship Opportunities

The men's weekly Friday Coffee will be at **Guillermo's Gourmet Coffee** at 10700 N Rodney Parham Road, A2 from 7:00 AM—9:00 AM. Also, monthly on the third Tuesday from 7:00 AM-8:30 AM there will be a Men's Breakfast at **Homer's West** (9700 N Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, AR 72227). Come get to know your brothers and enjoy good Christian fellowship.

#### Second Sunday Lunch Bunch

We gather following worship on the second Sunday of each month to eat lunch together at a local restaurant. Please join us.

### CLASSES

#### Children

New Children's Classes are now available for ages 2—4, K—3rd grade and 4th—6th grade. We are excited to see all our kids in class.

#### Teens

The teens class (7th—12th grade) taught by Coleman Westbrook is meeting in the multi-purpose area.

#### 20s and 30s

Gary Smith and Nathan Monan are teaching the class on "Cultural and Biblical Relevance" in the kitchen area. Please come and bring a friend.

#### Thursday Morning Bible Class

Meets at 10:30 AM in auditorium. New class study on the "Fundamentals of the Faith". Make plans to join us and bring a friend.

### SERVING AND GIVING

#### Nursery Helpers Needed

Childhood memories involving church last a lifetime. You have an opportunity to influence a young child by volunteering to sit with toddlers during worship service. Please sign up. If you have questions, contact Jeannine Smith at 417-631-2744.

#### Arkansas Food Bank Holiday Meals

Our partners at the Arkansas Food Bank have requested we focus our attention over the next two months on food specific to holiday meals. Your contribution should consist of traditional items that you would normally see on your Thanksgiving or Christmas table. A specific list can be found clipped to the Food Bank barrel.

#### Online Giving

Online giving is easy! Simply scan this QR code:



#### Contribution/Attendance 10-10-21

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## FROM OUR MINISTERS

### I'm O.K., You're Biased

The salaries of CEO's are ostensibly tied to their company's performance. Ostensibly.

Verizon had a bad year in 2005, but its chief executive had a good year. While the company's earnings dropped by more than 5 percent and its stock fell by more than a quarter, the CEO received a 48 percent increase in salary and compensation. This sweetheart deal was based on the recommendation of an independent consulting firm that relied on Verizon (and the CEO's good will) for much of its revenue. When questioned about this conflict of interest, the consulting firm explained that it had "strict policies in place to ensure the independence and objectivity of all our consultants."

You are forgiven if that made you laugh.

It is typical for decision-makers to imagine their objectivity is immune from outside influences. Harvard Univ. professor of psychology Daniel Gilbert observes,

Doctors scoff at the notion that gifts from a pharmaceutical company could motivate them to prescribe that company's drugs, and Supreme Court justices are confident that their legal opinions are not influenced by their financial stake in a defendant's business, or by their child's employment at a petitioner's firm. Vice President Dick Cheney is famously contemptuous of those who suggest that his former company received special consideration for government contracts.

Voters, citizens, patients and taxpayers can barely keep a straight face. They know that consultants and judges are human beings who are pulled by loyalties and pushed by animosities, and that drug reps and lobbyists are human beings who wouldn't be generous if generosity didn't pay dividends. Most people have been around people long enough to have a pretty good idea of what drives their decisions, and when decision-makers deny what seems obvious to the rest of us, the rest of us get miffed. Sell our democracy to the highest bidder, but don't insult our intelligence.

The human brain knows many tricks that allow it to consider evidence, weigh facts and still reach precisely the conclusion it favors. Want proof? The Bible suggests we look in the mirror.

How often do we assume we are objective but that others are not? Or that others are biased but that we are fair? Or judge others with a harsh, unyielding standard while giving ourselves the benefit of the doubt due to mitigating circumstances? We need to read anew the words of Jesus:

Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, "Let me take the speck out of your eye," when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.  
~ Matt. 7:1-5

Gilbert concludes, "Doctors, judges, consultants and vice presidents strive for the truth more often than we realize, and miss that mark more often than they realize. Because the brain cannot see itself fooling itself, the only reliable method for avoiding bias is to avoid the situations that produce it."

For us that means giving others the same benefit of the doubt we routinely give ourselves.

—Chuck Monan