

From Robert's Desk

Why Do You Pray?  
By Robert Orren

When examining your prayer life, let me encourage you to look at the big picture. You could look at the small picture and ask “For what *things* do I pray?” The answer to that “small picture question” could be a number of things. In fact, the Bible tells us many things for which to pray. But when you look at the big picture, you can ask “*Why* do I pray?”

In Matthew 6:8, Jesus says “For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.” Why would you spend time in prayer to God if He already knows what you need anyway? I would suggest the answer is to improve your relationship with God.

Have you ever asked someone a question and they did not answer? Or have you tried to talk to someone who ignored you? One sided communication is not very efficient. In fact it is very frustrating. It is this way in our communication with God. God communicates to us through His word. We communicate back to God through prayer. If we do not take advantage of two-way communication with God, the relationship with Him is not all that it can be or all that He wants it to be.

You should pray at all times—even if you don’t think you pray well. Paul said in Romans 8:26-27, “For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.”

God is listening. He is waiting on you to talk to Him. *Have a great week!*

<b>Attendance and Contribution</b>	
<b>September 19<sup>th</sup></b>	
Bible Study	21
Morning Worship	26
Evening Worship	23
<b>Wednesday (Sept 15<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Offering (Aug Avg)</b>	<b>\$1,784</b>
<b>Offering (YTD Avg)</b>	<b>\$1,757</b>

UPCOMING

- Forward Youth Rally**  
October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>  
At Barton Bible Camp
- Gospel Meeting w/ Steven Ford**  
October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>
- Men’s Meeting**  
Monday, Oct 11 at 6:30 PM  
at the old house
- Ladies Day at Night**  
At Hope church of Christ  
Tues, Oct 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM
- Blaze Youth Rally**  
October 29-31  
70 West church of Christ,  
Hot Springs

“A word of encouragement during a failure is worth more than an hour of praise after success.”  
— Unknown

See Acts 15:36-39

Helpful Resources:

- Good News Today*  
7:00 AM Sunday  
KARZ-42 / Little Rock
- In Search of the Lord’s Way*  
7:30 AM Sunday  
KASN-38 / Little Rock

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Prayer Requests

- Mary Lewis, Ron Lewis’ mother—**  
complications after surgery
- Continue to remember:** Amy Ware, and Boyce & Betty McClane.
- As always, remember to check in on our shut-ins:
- Annie Smith** (ONRC)
  - Camille Petree** (ONRC)



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## THOSE TO SERVE

Communion preparation for September  
Brandon and Lacey Burns

September 26<sup>th</sup>

### Morning Worship

Lead Singing Colt Moore  
Script. & Prayer Garrett Smith

Scripture: Exodus 8:20-24

Announcements David Rowen  
Opening Prayer Doug Sanders

Lord's Table:

Preside Brandon Burns  
Preside Randy Reynolds  
Closing Prayer Homer Bradshaw

### PM Worship\*

Lead Singing Colt Moore  
Opening Prayer Terry Sanders  
Lord's Table & Prayer Seb Sanders

Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>

Devotional Brandon Burns  
Opening Prayer Terry Sanders  
Closing Prayer Cash Orren

September 26, 2021

# WELCOME



We are glad to have the opportunity to  
worship God with you.

We hope you find our worship to be in spirit  
and in truth (John 4:24).

## WEEKLY SERVICES & TIMES

Services will be streamed via Facebook Live. Like our Facebook page to  
get notifications.

### Sunday Bible Class

9:00 AM

Exodus  
Robert Orren

### Sunday Morning Worship

10:00 AM

The Acts of the Disciples: **Prayer**  
Robert Orren

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

1:00 PM

Sibling Rivalry (Obadiah)  
Robert Orren

### Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesday 7:00 PM

A Study of Encouragement  
Robert Orren

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