

*learning to follow Jesus, inviting others to join the journey*

## Message from Pastor Jeff

Here's an update on our building closing and COVID19 testing. We presently do not have any staff members that have tested positive for COVID19. Not all have gotten results yet, but no one has any symptoms. We have some members who have tested positive and are recovering quite nicely and some who are having some issues. Please be in prayer for our East Cross family and our community as we continue to battle this virus.

Staff members are released to go back to work as soon as they get a negative result from their COVID19 tests, so if you need anything call the church office or one of our phones and we'll help as we are able.

We will do church online one more Sunday, July 12, then be back open for in-building worship on the 19th. Stay tuned for the latest news as it unfolds.

*Jeff*

## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

If you're like me, this second shutdown has hit you hard. Just when things at the church were slowly progressing back to some sort of normal, we fall back to virtual services and having to stay home. Ironically enough, our team was set to introduce a new song this past Sunday called "Yes I Will" by Vertical Worship. It's a song that reminds me of the story of Job, where God allowed Satan to take everything from a faithful man and to put his faith to the test. For some of us, this season has tested us and this shutdown is yet another valley. I think God is still challenging us in the midst of all of this, to continue to lift Him high, to continue to bless His name, to continue to sing for joy. When Satan desires for us to drop everything and quit, we must respond together as a church family that we will continue to praise and glorify the Name of all names that nothing can stand against! I hope you enjoy this new song, and that we get to sing it together very soon!

God Bless,

*Zack Michel, Contemporary Music Director*

## PRAYER LIST

### Condolences to...

Bill Zoldoske and family on the death of his wife, Allie, on Sunday, July 5.

### Monthly List of Prayer Requests...

Norita Akers, Chris Ambler (Scott & Martha Ambler's son), Elaine (Holly Binau's friend), Lois (Clyde Black's sister), Karen Boswell, Gary Brown, Amelia and Kate Callaway (Drew and Debbie Coffee's granddaughters), Kathy Christian, Jerry Cox, Debbie Dagenette, L.H. Dupire, Summer Flenniken and Tyler Lorenz (Diana Trammel's grandchildren), Loyce Gerth (Terry Gerth's mother), Marcia Goode, Gerald Graham, Sandy Harris, Don Keeler, Amy Kelton (Teresa Dietz' friend), Emily Kuntz, James Kuntz, Steve McAllaster (Joyce Taylor's brother), Barbara Nissan (friend of Teresa Dietz), Colleen Oldfather, Jack Randall, Deb Richardson, Gary Rohlfing (Bonnie's son), Tammy Shepherd, Jeana Smith (Tim's sister), Pat Smith, Donna Sturn (Rachel Sweeden's aunt), Joyce Taylor, Nita Wakeley, Jeremy Waldorf, Chris Watson (Chad Perceful's aunt), Beth Wiley (long-time missionary from East Cross), Michele Willoughby, Bill Zoldoske

Dear Members of East Cross Methodist Church,  
How surprised I was to find your check in our PO box! I wasn't expecting any donations and had not been out to check the box due to the virus. This donation has brought new life to the car fund. We were just about out of money and I thought it would shut down completely. Now we are back in business. I had a recent request and was able to send them an application rather than a denial. Thanks so much for keeping this fund going.

**Roseanne Shveima, Washington County  
Wellness Initiative and car fund committee**

*WCWI received some of the proceeds  
from the East Cross Chili Cook-off.*

## OUTREACH NEWS

### Frances Willard Ministry Center Volunteers Needed August 20

The Frances Willard Center is a campus that provides the second largest care ministry in Oklahoma. Pearl Hope is for homeless women and children, and houses a food distribution ministry.

The work on August 20 will be a half day tearing down a shed and emptying a storage building. Meet at East Cross at 7:45am to carpool to Frances Willard. Lunch is on your own. There is no fee for this half day VIM. We will also look at other possible half day projects for the future.

For more information contact Bill Amburn at [bill.amburn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bill.amburn@sbcglobal.net) or phone 918.607.9911.

## Ways you can give.



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to see if your group  
is meeting virtually this week.

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