



# FAITH, FAMILY, FRIENDS

## Broken Arrow Church of Christ

### FOUR DIMENSIONS

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So, it is true. We now have movie theaters that advertise to be four-dimensional. You may have experienced one. You get to watch the movie through 3-D glasses... and get water splashed on you when there is a waterfall or some big splash in a swimming pool. The families that spent a portion of our Spring Break this year were fortunate enough to experience this 4-D movie at the St. Louis Zoo. Amazing. But what about God's Love in four dimensions?

People who are serious about the love of God in Christ will tell you that they only speak about His love to keep from saying nothing. They freely admit they don't know very much about it and that Paul was right when he said the love of Christ "surpasses knowledge" (Ephesians 3:19). It goes beyond our knowing, but not beyond our sense of how precious it is.

When Karl Barth, regarded by some as one of the twentieth century's greatest theologians, was asked, "What is your greatest, most satisfying biblical discovery." Karl responded, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

In his prayer for the Ephesians Christians, Paul asked God to root them in love so that together with all the saints they could "grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ" (Ephesians 3:18).

God's love is WIDE—wide enough to embrace all humanity. Not just those that love him. Not just those that try to be good. Not just those that don't disparage Him. Oh no, God so loved "the world" that He gave His Son.

What if you heard a man say, "But how can God love everyone? How can He love those that obey Him AND those that go out of their way to disobey Him? Wouldn't a God like that be an amoral loving machine?"

If I heard that being voiced, then just maybe that man doesn't know that the people he is repulsed by have the potential to become people that he admires. "How?" You say. Our God sacrifices His way into their hearts and their hearts are transformed by His love.

God's love is LONG. Is there any length to which His love will not go? Is there any price He isn't willing to pay? It's one thing to like, be pleased with, to enjoy another person. It is quite another to love. It's one thing to feel affection, admiration, even respect for a person, but it is something more to love.

W.M. Clow says, "Love is not love which will not die or make sacrifices which are sometimes more cruel than death."

Maybe we think that's asking too much of humans. Perhaps. But it isn't asking too much of God. And His love isn't just an artist's meticulously planned representation of a flower on canvas. His love is the actual flower. He didn't just say "I love you." He lived it. He gave it.

God's love is HIGH. The love of God tirelessly calls us up! The entrance of the love of God into our lives will not dishonor or cheapen us. We never live so purely, so cleanly, so bravely as we live when the love of God is found overflowing in our hearts.

God's love is DEEP. To love the lovable—even we find that possible. But if people begin to make demands of us, begin to get in our way or get in front of us, not to mention opposing us, then the veneer begins to peel away. "I love you brother." But let them neglect us or dare to disagree with us, let them line themselves up with others against our cherished opinions or pet projects, and the love flies out the window.

But God has descending into the cesspools of this world to love people into life and transformation. No criminal is too far down, not slave of perversion too far gone, no person so contaminated that God will not reach out a loving hand to rescue and bless.

And the four dimensions? God's love is wide, long, high, deep!

### MORNING WORSHIP

Worship Leader – Jason Davis

Welcome

Shepherd's Prayer – Jeff Watson

*I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord*

*Never Gonna Let Me Go*

*Hide Me Away O Lord*

*Clean*

Children's Bible Hour

*I Know Whom I Have Believed*

*We Have an Anchor*

Message – "Confidence in Christ"

Guest Speaker – Don English

*All to Us*

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Communion Thoughts – Jose Lozano

The Bread –

Scott Keele / Gustavo Saldana

The Cup –

Guillermo Banda / Chad Noblett

*It Is Well With My Soul*

Closing Prayer –

Greg Gillin / Gustavo Garcia

### EVENING WORSHIP

Worship Leader – Clayton Fracis

## ADULT AND FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** - Saturday, Apr. 6, 8:00 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

**Spring Cleaning Day** - Saturday, Apr. 6, 8:00 a.m., breakfast, 8:30-12:00 work projects, 12:00-1:00 hotdog lunch. This is a family event and an excellent time to teach our kids and teens to serve.

**Baby Shower for Emily and Ryan Vidal** - Sunday, Apr. 7, 3:00-5:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Emily and Ryan are registered at babylist.com. For more info contact Kristin Talbert.

**Young Adult Girls Group 1 Bible Study** - Thursday, Apr. 11, 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the Talbert's.

**Ladies' Craft Night** - Friday, Apr. 12, 7:00-10:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Bring a craft project, a drink, and a snack to share. Contact Becky Sisson for more info.

**Burnt Cabin Christian Camp Special Contribution** - Sunday, Apr. 14, is a time to show our support for the much beloved camp that has provided so many happy memories with a special contribution to help pay for upkeep and expenses.

**Ladies Lunch** - Sunday, April 28, immediately following morning worship, in the Fellowship Hall, we will celebrate another great year of Women's Ministry! You can register at the event table in the foyer, or see Ladies Lunch Sign Up on our BACOC Women Facebook Page; bring your own lunch, or order a McAlister's boxed lunch as you register.

## YOUTH AND FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

**Stay Plugged In:** Find events on the [Bridge Calendar](#), [BAY Calendar](#), [BAY Instagram](#), and [BAY Facebook Page](#).

**Wednesday Night Fundraiser Meals in April** - come support Burnt Cabin & BAY Summer Programs, 5:30-6:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

**Painting Party** - Saturday, Apr. 6. Come to OC between 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. to help paint the MS and HS classrooms. Lunch will be provided at noon.

**Middle School DEVO** - Sunday, Apr. 7, 6:00-8:00 p.m., at Nathan and Wendy Lee's. Catch the bus and ride together! We will leave the building after evening worship and return around 8:30.

**High School Girls Bible Study** - Tuesday, Apr. 9 and 23, 6:00-8:00 p.m., at Wendy Lee's house.

**"A Night to Remember"** - Apr.12-13! Put on your fancy clothes and enjoy a special night to honor our 11th and 12th Graders! Friday evening 'til the wee hours of Saturday morning. Register [HERE](#). For more info contact Shannah Wartluft or Andrew Lemus.

**Parent/Youth Meeting** - Sunday, Apr. 14 after morning worship, in the Parlor. Meet with Scott, Tim, and Andrew.

**Teen Squad** - Green Country youth groups will be gathering Sunday, Apr. 14, at Tahlequah. Busses will leave the building at 3:30 p.m. and return at 8:30 p.m.

**High School Boys Bible Study** - Monday, Apr. 15 and 29, 6:00-8:00 p.m., at Nathan Lee's house.

**Weekend of Rest** - Friday thru Sunday, April 19-21.


**BAY Wilderness Trek** - Saturday, April 27.



## PRAYERS OF PETITION AND THANKSGIVING

Ray Duwe started radiation on Monday, Apr. 1. He will undergo 8 weeks of treatments, 5 days per week. Prayers are appreciated for effectiveness of the treatments and for minimal side effects.

Hello! My Name Is  
**Wylder Warren Jennings**  
 I was born April 2, 2024  
 My parents are Renee and Patrick Jennings  
 Also celebrating my birth are my Great Grandmother June Smith,  
 my Grandparents Ron and Elaine Lee, my Uncles and Aunts  
 David and Erin Lee and Nathan and Wendy Lee.



**Born again** \* Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here!  
 2 Corinthians 5:17

We rejoice with **Anderson Lemus** and the Lemus family as Anderson confessed his faith in Jesus and was united with Christ in baptism on Wednesday evening. Please share your joy with Anderson over his salvation in Christ, and pray for him and encourage him in his new walk of discipleship in following Jesus.

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS PRAYER NEEDS

Cindy Acord	Carole Ann Griffin	Sam Orr
Justin Adams	Justin Grubbs	Ermalee Ort
Bob Aden	Johnny Hardesty	Jo Gwen Philips
Jack & Joyce Ball	Teiah Zeringue Hillman	Glenda Plemons
Mike Baskett	Micah Hoeshel	Charlie Powell
Austin & Karla Battles	Richard Holleyman	John Rampey
Tom Blakemore	Loren Hollingsworth	Virgil & Patsy Romine
Chris Brown	Renee Humphrey	Claudia Scott
DC Brown	LeRoy Jones	David, Trena, & Jay Slate
Carly Campbell	Cloye Kaiser	Mark Smith
Joni Carmack	Brian Karguth	Rita Spence
Terry Casey	Heidi Keesey	Wes Speights
Craig Chronister	Alan & Loretta Keller	Jack Steele
Glenda Cole	Dottie Kidney	Rhonda Stewart
James Cole	RC Lee	Sue Street
Tucker Coleman	Susan Lewis	Nancy Strickland
Jacob Detherage	Gary Long	Jenelle Stromberg
Jessica Dickey	Marie Mahaffey	Barbara Swanson
July Dotson	Marjorie Maletich	Laura Townsley
Teal Esmeyer	Michelle McArthur	Nick Tucker
Marty Ester	Heather McCarthy	Ethan Vess
Wilson Forrest	Joan Miller	Russ Wadsworth
Chris Duncan	David Jay Motley	Cindy Walker
John Garner	Caden Neal	Jim & Joyce Ward
Phyllis Godsoe	Tom Norwood	Velda Watson
Brailee Green	Laura Nuzum	Anya Wells

Demand Project Girls  
Ukraine

Women's Prison Ministry

## MILITARY PRAYER NEEDS

Blaise Chronister	Ben Lapp	Justin Talbert
Stevens Copeland	Matt McDonald	Sedric Thomas
Michael Eisenlohr	Cody Oliver	Jakob West
Austin Gott	Zachary Robinson	
TJ Harrington	Macaiah Russell	



## COMMUNITY NEEDS

# FOOD

*Pantry*

Canned carrots  
 Canned spinach  
 Canned peas  
 64 oz fruit juices  
 Pickles

*Sing for joy in the Lord, O you righteous ones;  
 Praise is becoming to the upright.  
 Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre;  
 Sing praises to Him with a harp of ten strings.  
 Sing to Him a new song;  
 Play skillfully with a shout of joy.  
 For the word of the Lord is upright,  
 And all His work is done in faithfulness.  
 He loves righteousness and justice;  
 The earth is full of the lovingkindness of the Lord.*

*Psalm 33:1-5*

## ONGOING FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Carla Bare	Sharon Hamilton	Sandra Robinson
Carolyn Billingsley	Christina Hardeman	Russ Rowland
Sherman & Alice Boley	Bruce & Wanda Johns	Jim Schroeder
John & Pam Bonwell	Khyera Keifer	Jan Spink
Sheila Camacho	Jim & Carolyn Lee	Sonny Steele
Bob & Mary Jane Carriger	Glen & Edwina Lyle	Marie Stow
Chris Carter	Mary Lynch	James Stephens
Ann Childress	Darlene Mathis	Fred Suffridge
Thomas Coleman	Mac & Marie McCarthy	Carson Swaim
Janis Cooper	Richard Mosby	Gloria Taft
Mike Corman	Dick Myers	Kristin Talbert
Joel Couch	Cindy Nequette	David & Sharon Temme
Bryan Davis	Jessica Nequette	Darrell Vest
Beverly Dunn	Holly Parker	Sue Walton
Bill & Lawana Duwe	Janice Pratt	Jerry Warren
Karen Foster	Kim Pyles	Erma Watson
Edna Griffin	Charles Qualls	John & Linda Wells
Sheryl Griffin	Sue Rae	Walt Willson
Richard & Helen	Arlene Reed	Jim & Jackie Wroblewski
Holleyman	Linda Reeder	Jeanie York

## SHUT-IN PRAYER NEEDS

Sandra Baker	Marilyn Hillenburg	Marie Stow
Wanda Blair	Betty Kirkland	Dianna Wetzel
Betty Cole	Lois Powers	Jerial Williamson
Beverly Cummins	Mary Sampson	Diane Zonko
Edna Griffin	Blinda Selim	
Mary Harper	June Smith	



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Broken Arrow Church of Christ is a place for Faith, Family, and Friends. We invite you to join us on our journey of faith as we seek to glorify God, follow the teaching and example of Jesus, and live in step with the Spirit through worship and praise, the study of Scripture, fellowship, daily discipleship, and service to our community. If you would like to learn more about the Broken Arrow church or just have questions about the Bible and what it means to truly follow Jesus, the shepherds and ministers would welcome the opportunity to talk with you.

**BY THE NUMBERS**

Week of March 31, 2023

Bible Class	301
AM Worship	555
PM Worship	104
Wednesday	295
MTD	93,197
MTD Budget	100,575
Over/Under	-7,378
YTD	262,938
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Over/Under	-18,672
<b>Missions</b>	
Goal	120,000
Collected	134,594

**MEETING TIMES**

Sunday Class	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship	10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Class	3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

**HOOR OF PRAYER**

Sunday Morning - 9:00
Jeff Watson - 918-704-4909
Richard Davis - 918-606-1035

**PRAYER CHAIN**

8:00-5:00
Andrea Suffridge (918) 640-4094
After 5:00
Cynthia Walvoord (918) 855-6876

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**April**

6	Men's Prayer Breakfast
6	Spring Cleaning Day
7	Emily & Ryan Vidal Baby Shower
7	Middle School Devo
9	HS Girls Bible Study
10	BAY Fundraiser meal
11	YA Girls Group 1 Bible Study
12	Ladies Craft Night
12	A Night to Remember
14	Teen Squad
14	Parent/Youth Meeting
15	HS Boys Bible Study
17	BAY Fundraiser Meal
18	YA Girls Group 2 Bible Study
18	YA Guys Bible Study
19-21	BAY Weekend of Rest
20	YA Men & Meat with Matt Archer
21	Life Groups
23	Ladies Quilting for Cancer Patients
23	HS Girls Bible Study
24	BAY Fundraiser Meal
25	YA Girls Group 1 Bible Study
27	Clothing Room Open
27	BAY Wilderness Trek

**MINISTERS AND OFFICE STAFF**

Tim Pyles - Preaching Minister
Scott Keele - Associate Minister
Andrew Lemus - Youth & Family Minister
Jose Lozano - Hispanic Minister
Chad Noblett - Office Administrator
Colleen Detherage - Admin. Assistant
Marcia Burnett - Admin. Assistant

**SHEPHERDS**

Steve Copeland	Gerry Lynn
Richard Davis	Brian Street
Dave Larson	Lee Turner
Ron Lee	Keith Walvoord
Jerry Lundy	Jeff Watson