ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 1, 2026

Song: **876** – *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*
Song: **527** – *It Is Well with My Soul*
First prayer: **Mernie Ray**
Song: **89** – *'Tis Set, the Feast Divine*
Communion servers: **Mark Brandt** & **David Ray**
Prayer for giving: **Larry Simmons**
Song: **784** – *Lord, Send Me*
Sermon: *"Emotion in Religion"* – **David Ray**
Invitation song: **424** – *Hark! The Gentle Voice*
Closing song: **602** – *There is a Habitation*
Closing prayer: **Adam Bentley**

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Shane – deployment
- Gloria Hendrix – health
- Mimi, Ashley, Monica – studying with Lucinda
- Talisa Thompson (Chrishawn's mom) – surgery recovery
- Ralph Ashley (Alyssa's uncle) – cancer
- Pattie Hutchinson & Bruce Shive (Sue's siblings) – health concerns
- Starlyn Cooper, Carmen Lawson, Kim Nguyen – cancer
- Fannie Ray (Mernie's sister-in-law)
- Kim's cousin's son (Isaac Wood)–hole in heart caused by stroke (upcoming surgery)
- Our members with health issues: Kim, David, Mattie & baby

Please continue to remember: Connie Townsend, Lucinda, Vipin & India work, Aruna Kavali, Marinda Breeding, Holley Brewer, Kevin Brewer, Dylan Walker

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Verna Wheeler's family – loss of Verna's oldest daughter, Janice Freeman
- Happy birthday to **Ron Cosby** (November 5th)!
-"Precept Upon Precept" is a YouTube channel with many sermons/articles (www.youtube.com/@preceptuponprecept8495); www.youtube.com/@churchofChrist-

RECORD FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2026

ATTENDANCE:
Bible Class – 13 AM Worship – 16 Sun PM – 13 DBR – 5 Wed (10/28) – 12

Contribution – $1545

Yukon Church of Christ

THE LABORER

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Sunday *Bible class*: 9am *Worship* 10am & 12:30pm **Wednesday** *Bible class*: 7pm

Matthew 9:37-38 *"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."*

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THE DEVIL'S BEATITUDES

1. Blessed are those who are too tired, too busy, too distracted to spend a few hours a week with their fellow Christians. They are my best workers.
2. Blessed are those Christians who wait to be asked and expect to be thanked. I can use them.
3. Blessed are the "touchy" who stop going to church. They are my missionaries.
4. Blessed are the trouble makers. They shall be called my children
5. Blessed are the complainers. I'm all ears to them.
6. Blessed are those who are bored with the preacher's mannerisms and mistakes, for they get nothing out of the sermons.
7. Blessed is the church member who expects to be invited to his own congregation, for he is part of the problem instead of the solution.
8. Blessed are those who gossip, for they shall cause strife and divisions that please me.
9. Blessed are those who are easily offended, for they will soon get angry and quit.
10. Blessed are those who do not give their offering to carry on God's work, for they are my helpers.
11. Blessed is he who professes to love God but hates his brother and sister, for he shall be with me forever.
12. Blessed are you who, when you read this, think it is about other people and not yourself. I've got you too!

Author Unknown

THE STRANGEST PREACHERS

A preacher is one who communicates the message of God to men. Our Father desires that men know the will of God. He has used some very strange ones to make His message known or to remind man of His will in the life of man. One may look at the forerunner of Jesus and think he was strange. After all John's dress was strange. He wore camel's hair and a leathern girdle. His message was strange. *"Repent ye for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."* His pulpit was strange — he had all Judea and Jerusalem coming into the wilderness to hear him. He wasn't in their synagogues and temples. He also had a strange diet — locust and wild honey (Matthew 3:1-5). But John was not strange at all compared to some God used to communicate His mind to man.

God used a **dove**. Noah had been in the ark for a year and sends out a dove to determine if the waters have abated so they can now leave the ark. In Genesis 8:11 the dove returns with an olive leaf. By this Noah knew that God had fulfilled His word. This dove called out to Noah and his family that God is faithful to His Word. What God promises He will fulfill. This dove comes flying back to the ark proclaiming, "God is faithful to all His promises." He still is!

God used Balaam's **donkey**. God opened the mouth of a donkey to proclaim a sharp rebuke to a rebellious prophet. Balaam did not want to do God's bidding and had closed his eyes to God's angel who stood to stop him from cursing God's people and blessing God's enemies (Numbers 22:28). The wrong one was being smitten. Balaam deserved the correction. His rebuke was strong and without equivocation. More preachers like this donkey are needed today who are not afraid to rebuke and will even when our Balaams will strike out at us. We must still rebuke those who are in sin (cf. 2 Tim. 4:2; Titus 1:13; 2:15). Can we do less than Balaam's donkey?

God used **ravens** to bless his servant Elijah. When Elijah was discouraged by a wicked king and queen, Ahab and Jezebel, God sent raven to deliver bread and flesh in the morning and in the evening as he drank from the brook (1 Kings 17:6). God blesses and sustains His children as these ravens preached to Elijah. God has given us all things pertaining to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3,4). He cares for the birds of the heavens and clothes the fields with all their beauty (Matt. 6:25-34), and He does not forsake His children, but nourishes and cherishes His children.

Dogs at a rich man's table preached a sermon on the compassion of God upon His children who are afflicted and neglected (Luke 16:21). There are many lessons to be learned from the rich man and Lazarus, but in the midst of it all, we see a suffering servant who finds compassion and caring. When one who has been richly blessed materially by God has no concern for a poor man begging for the crumbs which fell from his table, God used dogs to teach a lesson on His love and compassion. We ought to learn this lesson from the dogs before it is too late (1 John 3:17,18; Gal. 6:10; 2:10).

Jesus used a **rooster** to teach Peter a lesson on remembrance and repentance (Luke 22:60). Peter strongly objected to Jesus suggesting he would deny Him. But Peter did, three times. Upon the third denial the rooster crowed and Peter remembered the words of Jesus and wept bitter tears of repentance. More elders and preachers are needed who will remind us of the Words of Jesus and bring us to tears of repentance (Rev. 2:4,5; Rev. 3:19). The rich man remembered too late (Luke 16:25). Let us not be too late in reminding and calling for repentance.

A very strong sermon on God's judgment upon those who put themselves in the place of God and seek the praises of men is found in Herod's **worms** (Acts 12:23). Worms ate Herod and he gave up the ghost. Such judgment awaits all who fail to give God the glory He and He alone deserves. Judgment is waiting for those who will not hear and submit to Him. Worms are needed today who will cry out to man of God's coming judgment (Psalm 9:17; Romans 14:12; 2 Cor. 5:10; Eccl. 12:13,14).

What dove, donkey, ravens, dogs, roosters, and worms do we need in pulpits today? All of them!

Terry Joe Kee

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. HEAR THE WORD **Romans 10:17**
2. BELIEVE IN JESUS **John 3:16; 8:24**
3. REPENT OF YOUR SINS **Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; 2 Corinthians 7:10**
4. CONFESS THAT JESUS IS LORD **Romans 10:9-10 (cf. Acts 8:37)**

5. **BE BAPTIZED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS** **Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21**
6. **REMAIN FAITHFUL** **1 Corinthians 15:58; Colossians 1:23; Revelation 2:10**