

**Order of Worship  
December 9, 2018**

**Song Leader:** Arnold Robledo

**Welcome & Call to Worship:** From Psalm 103  
Michael Arellano

10,000 Reasons  
Jesus Is Lord (180)  
A Wonderful Savior (508)  
Amazing Grace – My Chains Are Gone

**The Lord's Supper**  
Prayers led by Jacob Vincent

Amazing Grace – My Chains Are Gone

**Our Offering**  
Prayer led by Jacob Vincent

Amazing Grace – My Chains Are Gone

**Sermon:** "Son of the Most High God"  
Dustin Keel

Love Lifted Me (453)

**Shepherd's Prayer** led by Mitch Henken

Mansion over the Hilltop (881)

**Benediction**

**Schedule of Assemblies**

**Sunday**

9:15 AM – Bible Classes  
10:20 AM – Worship Assembly  
5:00 PM – Chapel Assembly

**Tuesday**

10:00 AM – Ladies' Bible Class (September – May)

**Wednesday**

6:00 PM – Fellowship Meal  
7:00 PM – Devotional followed by Classes



The nursery is available for newborns through three years of age, located near the northeast exit.

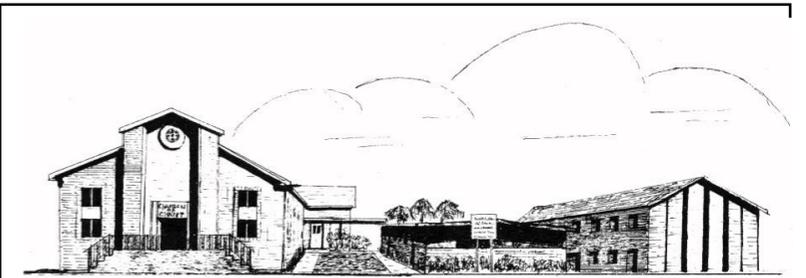
**Nursery Attendant This Morning:**  
Shirley Looney

**Greeters for this week:**

Cathy Fox	Lobby - South
Bonnie Perry	Lobby - North
Trudy Walkup	Auditorium

**Our Record for the Week of  
December 2, 2018**

Bible Classes = 51  
AM Worship = 112  
Small Groups:  
Chapel - 18, Bishop – 0 Gutierrez Park – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
Weekly Budget = \$5,000  
Regular Contribution = \$3,588  
YTD Budget = \$220,000  
YTD Contributions = \$165,964



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Ernie Smith, Bobby Sparks, Jacob Vincent  
**Coordinating Shepherd** for December is Bobby Sparks  
**December 9, 2018**



**Welcome.** We are pleased that you have chosen to meet with us this morning. Our custom is to meet together each week to encourage one another and spur one another on to love and good works (Hebrews 10:24,25).

**Nursery.** All are reminded that a nursery is provided near the northeast exit of the building for children from birth up to age three.

**Attendance Cards.** Visitors and members are asked to fill out a card so that we may have a record of your attendance. The cards will be picked up at the end of our worship assembly.

**Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal.** Bring your "brown bag" and join in the fellowship this Wednesday evening at 6 PM. Our next prepared meal will be Wednesday, January 2, 2018.

**Farewell Fellowship.** After our morning worship assembly today we will share a covered dish meal with Eloise Moseley who will be moving away to be closer to family. Everyone is invited to join in the fellowship.

## Christian Family Information December 9, 2018



We remind you of the following members who are confined to their places of residence or have other needs: **Evelyn Hudson, Myrna Wall** (La Hacienda).

**Sympathy** is extended to Cindy Robledo and family on the death of her brother, **Bobby Gonzalez**, last Wednesday.

**Nora McKaughan** is back at her (new) home, and doing fine, after suffering a fall on Monday and spending some time in the ICU at Valley Baptist.

**Correction.** Last week we reported that Eloise Moseley was moving to the Houston area. In fact she is moving to Belton in the Temple area.

**Men's Breakfast.** On Tuesday, December 11, at 6:30AM some of the men will meet up at Lonnie's Down Home restaurant for our monthly men's fellowship breakfast. Join us for a Jake's Special, a tall stack of cakes, or maybe just a bowl of oatmeal.

### Ministries

We have recently published information about ministries of the church in Harlingen and some of the community ministries, which we host, that happen on of our campus, like Culture of Life, Neighborhood Food Pantry, a prayer group, etc. Last week we mentioned a couple of ministries that the congregation helps beyond our campus, in other places. Today, two more.

**1) Loaves and Fishes** began in the early nineties as a project of Harlingen churches to provide meals for those who needed food. They originally served one meal a day from a small kitchen. We have been helping from the beginning and currently send a monthly donation of \$100. Their purpose statement is: *Loaves & Fishes serves as the mission arm of Harlingen's churches, offering Help & Hope for the Hungry, the*

*Homeless & the Hurting.* As they say in their promotional materials:

*It is one of those few organizations that cut across every ethnic, cultural and socio-economic barrier. Hunger and Homelessness are not race or class specific. Most Americans are about two paychecks or a serious illness away from the reality most of our clients face every day.*

From the modest beginning they have expanded significantly and now have their own 29,000 square foot facility where they seek to more effectively accomplish their goals through not only the Bread of Life Dining Hall (more than 10,000 meals served in November, approaching 150,000 for the year) but also...

- The Open Arms Homeless Shelter (492 bed-nights in November)
- The New Hope Job Shop (890 services provided in November, including several job placements.),
- The Great Physician Healthy Living program (500 "events" in November)
- The Family Emergency Assistance program (115 services provided last month)
- Hosting the Culture of Life medical clinics of Dr. Steve Robinson and team

**2) The Family Crisis Center** works to provide services to local families that suffer from domestic violence and/or sexual assault. It also provides extensive educational and violence prevention programs in our community. Services include counseling, temporary shelter, education and prevention, etc. Educational programs dealing with the dynamics of family violence and sexual assault as well as information about the Family Crisis Center's services are presented to civic organizations, church groups and professionals in appropriate service areas. Abuse prevention programs are also presented to numerous student-aged children and youth. The congregation has budgeted \$100 per month to help with this sad, but needed, ministry. One of their annual events that we host is Blue Santa evening around Christmas time for families (December 14, this year).

### Elders Notes

**All of the elders met** on Wednesday evening, December 5, 2018. Bobby Sparks chaired the meeting and Mitchell Henken led a beginning prayer.

**Webmaster.** Michael Arellano was present for the first part of the meeting to give a report on our internet presence. We did live-stream the Sunday morning assembly last week via FaceBook. Among other statistics Michael reported that the "live" Sunday assembly has been accessed by more than 300 people, with 40+ making comments. The FaceBook page has had a 375% increase in usage in the last few days. Also the renovated webpage is up and running at harlingenchurchofchrist.org with cross references to the FaceBook page and the Twitter account, which is now activated. We appreciate Michael's commitment and enthusiasm for this ministry.

**Financial Report.** We looked over and discussed the financial reports for November. The reports are available from the office for any who would like to see them.

**In the mail.** We looked briefly, but took no action, on several pieces of mail, offering alternative electrical services, teaching materials, insurance offers, etc.

**Holiday Activities.** We thought some about holiday activities including caroling to our shut-ins on the Sunday before Christmas, the Christmas Eve candle-light activity, etc. Many of our people will be out of town at that time. The elders invite input from the church family from those who will be available and interested in any of the special events.

**Closing Prayer** was led by Bobby Sparks.