



CHERRY TREE

ALLIANCE CHURCH

May 2, 2021 • 8:30 & 10:00 AM



Today's Message -

Vindicated

Series: More Than Conquerors
A Message from the Book of Job
Speaker: Rev. David Goodin

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

May 2, 2021

(8:30 AM Service
 is abbreviated)

**Call to Worship -
 Scripture Reading**
Job 1.13-22

Opening Prayer

*I Am Not My Own
 Counting Every Blessing
 More Than Conquerors*

Communion

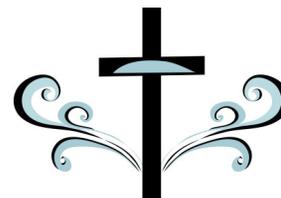
Praise & Petition

Announcements

Message
Vindicated

More Than Anything

Benediction



CALAMITY

How can we possibly describe
the deep anguish of Job?

His calamity was a cataclysm,
 enveloping like an avalanche,
 destroying as it advanced,
 leaving nothing in its path.

A messenger with awful news!
Another! Another! Another!
 Oxen, donkeys, servants—Gone!
 Sheep & servants—Consumed!
 Camels & servants—Raided!
 Sons & daughters—Lord, No!

If there would be victory,
any hope of overcoming,
 it would have to come from
 the hand of a merciful God.

Job had nothing.
 Job was utterly crushed and
unspeakably devastated.

Job lost everything,
 and the suffering deepened
 as he spent painful days—
How long, O Lord?—
 reflecting on the losses,
 on the ensuing misery,
on a darkness that descended
 on the whole of his life,
the unbearably grievous sorrow
 that ruled his every moment.

Only God could restore.
And God did!

There was much confusion,
many disturbing doubts,
 questions never fully answered,
 but after everything,
the LORD blessed the latter days
of Job more than his beginning.

[Job 42.12]

Only God can do that!

We are Cherry Tree Alliance.

LOVING GOD,

LOVING YOU!

VINDICATED

More Than Conquerors

...when he has tested me, I will come forth as gold.

Job 23:10 (NIV)

The LORD blessed the latter part of Job's life more than the first.

Job 42:12 (NIV)

Abstract: Conquering great challenges does not mean never being afraid, never having doubts, or never objecting to God's ways and God's plans. Just look at the life of Job! Yet Job was faithful. He turned toward God, not away from him. In the end, persistence paid off. He prevailed, and God was praised!

Your notes and comments:



Kids Ministry

Jr. Kids Church - 10:00 AM on Sunday Morning

Ages 5-11 / Fellowship Hall

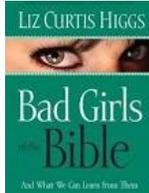
Ages 3-4 / Room 300

We are following a wellness policy, including extra safety precautions due to COVID. This document can be viewed on our website, church bulletin board, & in the Fellowship Hall. The nursery will be open for your use if parents need to step out of the sanctuary with their child.

If you have any questions, please contact Jen Genovese.

Ladies' Sunday Morning Book Club

Luann Schaefer will be leading a book club style class on *Bad Girls of the Bible (And What We Can Learn from Them)* by Liz Curtis Higgs starting **today, May 2nd** from 8:45 - 9:45 AM. Books will be \$10 each. Please contact Luann with any questions.



Results of Annual Meeting Elections

We are pleased to announce that the following church members were elected at our Annual Congregational Meeting last Sunday:

Elders: Pastor Travis Deans, Joshua Mitchell, Jeff Perkins, Bryson Taylor, Joe Thomas, & Doug Trimmer

Head Trustee: Joe Thomas

Treasurer: Don Smith

Assistant Treasurer: Tammy McCracken

Christian Care Committee: Tracey Dillon, Lyn Fischer, Laura Glisan, Melissa Lough, Lori Page, Bryson Taylor, & Cindy Trimmer.

We thank each of you for your willingness to serve!

We would also like to thank this year's nominating committee for their commitment to this important nominating process: Pastor Travis Deans, Pastor David Goodin, Melissa Lough, Jodie Redshaw, & Bryson Taylor.

*Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful
May the fire of our devotion light their way
May the footprints that we leave
Lead them to believe
And the lives we live inspire them to obey*
Steve Green, *Find Us Faithful*



VBS Volunteers Needed!

Our VBS this year will take place the week of June 21st. We are in need of volunteers.

Clearances must be processed prior to VBS.

If you would like to help, please contact Jen Genovese.

COMPASSION *sunday* a call to HOPE

Compassion Sunday
A HUGE thank-you to our church family for their response to our Compassion Sunday event!

We are delighted to announce that 12 children were sponsored!
For more information about Compassion's ministry, please check out www.compassion.com.

We invite you to join in the National Day of Prayer this Thursday, May 6th.



Please pray with us for our country on this special day! Here are some ways you can participate:

1. Pray on your own or with a prayer partner.

We have prayer guides in today's bulletin to give you some ideas of how to pray for America, highlighting the seven centers of influence in our nation. Please consider praying alone, with your spouse or family, or with a prayer partner.

2. Participate in our National Day of Prayer Challenge

We are looking for 24 individuals or families to agree to cover our nation in prayer every hour on May 6th. Check out our sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the church office. Note that we are not asking you to pray for the whole hour; please pray at some point during your time slot for as long as you feel led. If anyone has a night shift and would be willing to take a few minutes to pray during the early morning hours, that would be fantastic!

3. Watch the National Day of Prayer National Broadcast.

This online event will take place Thursday, May 6th at 8:00 PM ET. Kathy Braznell & Andrew Palau will serve as the hosts with music by Shane and Shane. The livestream can be viewed at: www.nationaldayofprayer.org/2021_national_observance

Please note that the National Day of Prayer organization provides year-round opportunities to join prayer calls for our nation:

"Pray for America" Call: First Thursday of every month, 8:00 PM ET

Daily Prayer Call: 10:00 AM ET

Nightly Prayer Call: 10:00 PM ET

The Cleanse - Bible Reading: 12:00 PM ET

Call 712-432-0075, then enter the password: 4961322

We are preparing to print our 2021 Church Directories. Please stop by the directory listing on the bulletin board across from the library to check that your contact information is correct. Please make corrections with a pen or pencil. We will also include blank space to add your contact info if we do not have your name listed. If you prefer, you may also e-mail changes or additions to ctallch@verizon.net. Thank you for helping us update our records!



Attention Graduates!

If you are graduating from either high school or college this spring or if you just graduated last fall or winter, please write your name on the graduates' list on the church office bulletin board.

General Council 2021

Alliance General Council will be held at the Gaylord Opryland Resort in Nashville, Tennessee **May 31st - June 3rd**. The theme for Council this year is *Sacred*. For the first time in history, you are able to attend both in person and online. Check out the schedule of speakers & events at www.cmalliance.org/events/2021/council.

Paving Project - Update

After consulting with Hittie, we believe the paving project may begin sooner than anticipated, possibly in late July. We are currently collecting the \$53,880 needed for the project. So far, we have \$23,629... leaving us with \$30,251 to go! If you feel led to help with this need, please designate your gifts "Paving Project" on your offering envelopes or in the memo/notes field of online contributions.

Moms in Prayer

Our Moms in Prayer group is meeting on Mondays at 6:00 PM by Zoom. If you would like to pray with these ladies for the special children in your life (whether your own children or grandchildren, nieces or nephews, or other kids that hold a special place in your heart!), please private message Teresa Berenbrok on Facebook or ask the church office for Teresa's number.





Capacity - Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 PM
Please reach out to Joshua Mitchell with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

LIFE 2022 Fundraising

We are relaunching a modified **SCRIP program** to support our Capacity students attending LIFE 2022. Sign up by downloading the RaiseRight mobile app. Enter our enrollment code: **26D95ELA17L84**

Please be sure to select "eGift Cards" ONLY.

We are unable to cover the fees to ship physical cards.

Check out **Amazon Smile**, which allows you to donate 0.5% of your purchase to a charity of your choice. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, and set Cherry Tree Alliance Church as your charity. These donations will go to support our LIFE 2022 trip.

International Workers of the Week

Please pray for our international workers of the week, Zac & Julie Stutler, who serve in Mexico. Their church recently experienced a break-in, with many items stolen. Please join them in prayer: *"As we walked through the large storage container our hearts were heavy as we looked around and saw empty shelves and spaces where the sound equipment, tools, the large TV used for projecting the messages and music, computer equipment, gas tanks and other items had been all stored so nicely in order last Sunday when we left. Even the bag with the items for our COVID protocols (thermometer, sanitizing gel, extra masks) was taken.*

The absence of many very important items was compounded by the disorder and mess everywhere we looked. There were boxes and storage buckets overturned, broken items, offering envelopes and even children's toys scattered in many different directions. One of the items that was very noticeably not taken nor damaged in any way was the box of Bibles.

Your prayers and partnership are really needed here in Guadalajara in these days. Please pray with us. • Pray for peace and protection. Pray for peace for the Aliento de Vida Family. A robbery is a very unnerving event.

Pray for protection for the property and the possessions of the church. • Pray for the people involved in the robbery. Jesus taught us to pray for those who hurt us. Please join us in praying for the salvation of those who were involved in this robbery. Pray that they would truly know Jesus and His love. • Pray for provision. As the material losses are beginning to be counted, it looks like several thousands of dollars' worth of sound equipment, TV, computer, tablet, tools, and other things were lost and need to be replaced. The church also will need to be doing repair work on broken locks and doors as well as adding fences and security.

But we know God is our provider."

Prayer of the Day

As we approach the National Day of Prayer on May 6th, please join us in praying for our nation. Pray for revival of the Church and spiritual renewal of our nation – that the Church of the Lord Jesus would represent him in devotion to the glory of God and service to the good of humanity; and that people in every institution of government and education and business would be opened to the truth of God's Word and would hunger for his righteousness.



Capacity Cadre

We are searching for a group of dedicated prayer warriors to join us in praying for our Capacity students. If you would like to partner with us and join the Capacity Cadre, please reach out to Joshua Mitchell at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

Online Giving

Visit our website at www.cherrytreealliance.org/giving to check out our electronic donation service using the program Tithe.ly. With this program, you can choose the fund you would like your donation to go towards & set up a one-time or reoccurring gift from your home computer or mobile device. It is fast, easy, & secure.



We thank you for supporting our church during these challenging times!

GIVING

Operating Fund Giving for April: \$22,713
(Amount needed monthly: \$26,136)
Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$131

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE
8:45 AM Worship Service: 39
10:00 AM Worship Service: 75
10:00 AM Children's Church: 21
Estimated Livestream Views: 255

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