

ON THE HORIZON

“For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,” says the Lord, who has compassion on you.”
Isaiah 54:10

A Letter From The Pastor

BY JOHN STRADER

Spring is here and with it comes the much-awaited Spring Break! It's a time to take a break from the daily routine, spend time with family and friends, and enjoy the beautiful outdoors. Whether you're going on a vacation or enjoying a staycation, I hope this break rejuvenates your mind, body, and soul.

Speaking of rejuvenation, I'm excited to announce our new sermon series on John 17 titled "What Jesus Prays For You". This series will explore the final prayer of Jesus for His disciples and how it

applies to us. We'll discover what Jesus prayed for us and how we can align ourselves with His prayer for us. I believe this series will help us deepen our relationship with God and bring us closer to our Savior.

As we begin this new series, let's remember the words of Psalm 143:8, "Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life."

May God bless you abundantly this Spring Break, and I look forward to seeing you all as we embark on this new journey together.

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CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

Sunday Funday

THEME: Work in Progress; Redo, Rewrite, Restore

In March, our theme will be “Work in Progress; Redo, Rewrite, Restore.” The kids will be learning that our relationship with others are always a work in progress. But we can rewrite the story when we choose to forgive, and decide that someone who has wronged us doesn’t have to pay. Their monthly memory verse is “Put up with one another. Forgive one another if you are holding something against someone. Forgive, just as the Lord forgave you.” Colossians 3:13



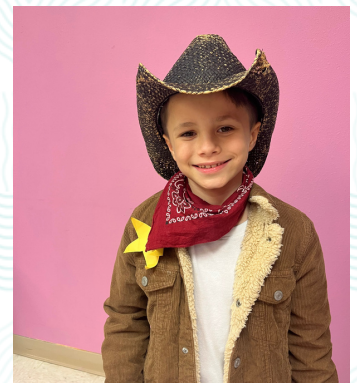
Soul'd Out Youth

On Sunday mornings, the youth will be studying through the book of Romans. On Wednesday evenings, they are starting a study called “Simplicity” which will focus on not overcomplicating our faith.

Last month our Soul'd Out Youth participated in the MLK Youth Service Day event! It is always so encouraging to see our youth group seek out events like these and have such a servant's heart for God!

Awana Club Wednesdays!

Awana Club is every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. We are so excited to have so many children learning about Jesus each week and digging more into God's word together! Some fun upcoming theme nights to remember: March 1st is Triple Points Night, March 8th is Super Scooper Ice Cream Night, there will be no Awana on the 15th for Spring Break week, and March 22nd is Pastor Appreciation Night!



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Joining a Sunday school class is a wonderful way to create deeper connections with our fellow church family but to also dive deeper into God's word. These smaller, intentional groups allow us to be vulnerable with one another and often turn into strong friendships who encourage us on our walks with Christ. We encourage you, if you are not already plugged into one, please feel free to visit any one of our classes until you find the right fit for you. These classes are huge blessings and allow us to lean on one another for wisdom, Godly fellowship, and friendship as we all strengthen our relationship with the Lord and gain more knowledge of His amazing word.

The Strong Family

The Strong Family class is currently studying on The 6 Pillars of Marriage. This class is lead by Corey Waters and will focus on the challenges and concerns we face in Marriage & Parenting as Christians. Please join us as we grow in our relationship with the Lord and honor Him with our marriage and life!

Living Long & Loving It Spiritual Growth

This is a fun-loving Sunday School Class that believes in spiritual growth with a hint of laughter along the way. It is led by Mr. Jay Porter. They make sure that everyone that walks in the door the class is made to feel at home and feel like part of the family. They even throw in an occasional social along the way. Come early and you may even get a hug to start your morning!

Ladies Sunday School

This class is lead by Ms. Lela Burgess and she would like to share some insight into her class! "This class is for women, single, widowed, never married, married now divorced, young or not as young as you used to be. We currently meet in the Cafe so there are tables where you can put your coffee and relax. We would love to have you join us. There is a lot that single women can and will do for the cause of Christ and a lot of it comes from being 'single' women. Our experiences are necessarily unique but we have a lot to offer to God and to others. Come try our class and see for yourselves." This class is currently studying the book of Isaiah, reading 3-4 chapters a week.

All Sunday School classes are every Sunday morning at 9:30 AM

MEN & WOMEN MINISTRIES

Men's Ministry

Our Men's ministry is on the move! This month on the 24th and 25th we will be doing a service project to help the Fuselier family rebuild their back porch. Any help both physically or financially to assist with this project will be great appreciated. If you would like to help please contact the office or Pastor John. Also be on the lookout for a new fellowship opportunity each month "Guys Night"! It will be one Friday night a month and we plan to have different times of fellowship and camaraderie. Stay tuned for upcoming dates and locations. The Men's Ministry Meeting will be on March 26th at 4:00 PM.

Horizon Baptist Church's Men's Ministry is dedicated to providing a supportive and encouraging environment for men to grow in their faith and biblical understanding of manhood. Through regular Bible studies, accountability groups, and fellowship events, men have the opportunity to build meaningful relationships with one another while also strengthening their relationship with God. By coming together and studying the Word, men are equipped and encouraged to live out their God-given roles as leaders, protectors, and providers in their families, communities, and workplaces. The Men's Ministry provides a space for men to be challenged, encouraged, and held accountable as they strive to live lives that honor God and reflect His character.

Women's Ministry/Women of the Word

The purpose of Women of the Word is to encourage, equip, and engage women in their journey as disciples of Jesus Christ. W.O.W is more than a business meeting or a social club. It is about meeting the needs of women within our church as well as our community, by impacting lives for eternity. The W.O.W. Ministry meeting will be on March 12th at 1:00 PM. We will be having a potluck but don't feel like you have to bring anything to come! There's always enough to go around. See you there!

The Ladies Luncheon will be at Mama's Cafe and Brews, 3434 FM 1092 Rd #300 in Township Square on March 13th at 11:00 AM. We hope to see you there!

There is a new Bible study for senior women who currently meet at 10:00 AM on Tuesday mornings in room 103. They are studying the book of Revelation.

We are so excited for the new life growing in our church and we look forward to showering our momma-to-bes! Please join us for Kayla Ferguson's baby shower for baby Anyla on March 4th from 1:00-4:00 PM at Heaven on Earth and Cara Hyndman's baby shower for baby Eve on March 18th from 1:00-3:00 PM here at the church!

HOME GROUPS

Pray & Go

The "Pray and Go" Ministry is a powerful tool for reaching out to and impacting our community for Christ. By going out into the local neighborhoods and praying for the residents, businesses, schools, and government institutions, we are demonstrating the love of Christ and interceding for the spiritual and physical needs of those around us. This intentional act of prayer and presence is a tangible expression of our commitment to be the hands and feet of Jesus, showing love and care for our neighbors.

The "Pray and Go" Ministry also provides opportunities for members to get involved in outreach and to experience the joy of being a part of God's work in the world. Join us as we seek to bring light and hope to our community through prayer and presence. As the temperatures rise, the Pray and Go team will be heading out into your local neighborhood. If you would like our team to come to your neighborhood or you would like to join us please contact Pastor John.

Single Women

This home group is for single woman including widows and divorcees for spiritual growth and to develop meaningful friendships. They are currently studying "You were made for this moment" by Max Lucado. This wonderful group of women meet weekly on Friday evenings at 6:30 PM and would love for you to join! If you have any questions, you can contact Rose Bess.

Young Adults

Our Young Adult Home Group is for those married, single, with young kiddos, with old kiddos, with no kiddos, and everyone in between! This group is made to encourage one another on our individual walks with Christ and learn more about God's word together! Mark your calendars for the next night of fellowship on Saturday, March 18th at 7:00 PM at Keith and Aileen Loftin's house. We will continue The Meaning of Marriage by Timothy Keller. Childcare will be provided at the church beginning at 6:45 PM.

Volunteer Spotlight

LIBBY MCCORQUODALE

Libby became a member of Horizon 12 years ago. She shares that she feels so blessed to have made so many close friends during this time. One of her favorite things to do is go to lunch with our amazing Horizon women. Ms. Libby loves our monthly ladies luncheons and she loves spending time with her family. She shares that the time she has with her daughter is priceless.

She loves being with her “grands” and “great grands.” During Libby’s time at Horizon, she has taught Sunday School, served on the hospitality committee, helped with pumpkin patch, coordinated and helped serve dinner for the attendees when we had the grief and divorce classes, helped with MOPS, helped prepare and serve the food for VBS, and she is currently helping with the coffee bar on Sunday morning, which she really loves doing. She also loves going to the Bible study she’s currently in and she enjoys going to movies, getting together with her longtime friends to play cards and eat, of course! We are so thankful for sweet Ms. Libby and all she does here at Horizon to further God’s kingdom!



Horizon Family Photos



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Kayla & Anwar Ferguson’s Baby Shower

Saturday, March 4

1:00-4:00 PM

Church Membership Class

Beginning March 5 for three weeks

Sundays at 9:30 AM

W.O.W. Ministry Meeting

Sunday, March 12

1:00 PM

Men’s Ministry Meeting

Sunday, March 26

4:00 PM

Ladies Luncheon

Monday, March 13

11:00 AM

Cara & Tyler Hyndman’s Baby Shower

Saturday, March 18

1:00-3:00 PM

Young Adult Home Group

Saturday, March 18

7:00 PM

Senior Women Bible Study

Tuesdays

10:00 AM

Awana

Every Wednesday Evening

6:30 PM

Student Ministry/Soul’d Out Youth

Every Wednesday Evening

6:30 PM