

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Church of God Big Sandy

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June 6, 2020 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:23

### Bible study and classes

Interactive study (1:00) . . . . . Dixon Cartwright  
Bible study (2:00) . . . . . Bill Crow

### Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader . . . . . Ron Avey  
Pianist . . . . . Dixon Cartwright  
Scripture reading . . . . . Psalm 15:1–5  
Sermon . . . . . Bill Crow

### Quick takes

1. Welcome to our guest speaker—The congregation welcomes Bill Crow as a guest speaker today—giving both the Bible study and the sermon.
2. Thank you—Thank you to all who provided finger food for the Day of Pentecost last Sunday.
3. Interrelating with other congregations—Tonight, Dave Havir is attending the celebration of life for Eric Ledy (who died on Tuesday) in Austin. As it turns out, Mr. Havir is also giving a sermon in Waco today since Waco is on the way to Austin.
4. Supporting your freedom of choice—We understand that some of you may choose to delay coming to the building for church at this time, and we certainly support your freedom of choice.
  - Please be comfortable with your decision
  - Please consider the protective opinion of your family
5. Reminders for attending—Here are some reminders for people who choose to attend the church service in the building.
  - We do not provide masks or gloves. If those are important to you, please bring your own.
  - We expect attendees to make good use of our spacious hall by spreading out.

6. Finally advertising our Feast sites—Although three Feast sites had been chosen (and negotiated) for months, we did not announce them until we could see if the coronavirus would allow travel to the sites in Florida and South Carolina.
7. Three Feast sites at this time—We have now posted information on our website about the following three Feast sites.
 

■ Big Sandy	Ron and Linda Avey
■ Destin	Neil and Martha McIver
■ Myrtle Beach	Lyle and Kathy Kerby
8. Possible western Feast site—Although the other three Feast sites are confirmed much earlier in the year, our western Feast site is a rotating site and is confirmed later. For your information, we are considering (not promising) a Feast site near Yellowstone National Park in 2021. Yet, in 2020, we were waiting for the restrictions (travel and gathering rules) to clear up to consider if and where we might have a western site this year.
9. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “Martin Luther King’s Lessons About Peaceful Protests” by Zeke J. Miller.
10. Among Friends—This week’s article is “Beware of an Angry Mob—Part 1” by Dave Havir.
11. Eye on the World—This week’s “Eye on the World” is 36 pages.

## Prayer updates

Please remember to pray for the following people who live at home but are not able to regularly attend our church service—**Sonny Rosenberger, Laura Moran, Annette Payne, David Bonilla, Ronnie Shirley** and **Timberly Dunnam**.

Please remember to pray for the following people who are rehabbing at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater—**Ron Feaker, Elaine Holloway** and **Boyd Payne**.

In last Sunday’s (Pentecost) bulletin, we mentioned that **Eli Benedict** went to the ER of Good Shepherd Medical Center in Longview on Friday, May 29, and was diagnosed with many blood clots in his bladder. On Monday, he had successful surgery. Although the doctor didn’t get all the tumor, this procedure was expected to postpone the bleeding problem at this time. On Wednesday, **Jean** reported that the catheter was removed. They were able to return home that evening. While they were in the hospital, arrangements were made for them to receive home-hospice care. This long-term care provides equipment (like wheelchairs and walkers) and health services (like baths and physical therapy) to the home at no cost. Personnel already arrived at their home on both Thursday and Friday.

Recently, **Laura Moran** was not feeling well and discovered that some mold in her bedroom was the problem. She, daughter **Micky** and grandson **Joshua** got rid of the problem.

**Sonny Rosenberger** reports that his left ankle still poses challenges, but the left side of his chest is doing better.

Note from the **Shirley West** family: “Shirley thanks everyone for their prayers and concerns for her recent eye surgery. The doctor removed scar tissue, and there was no cyst. Shirley had very little discomfort, and the prognosis is good.”

**Ruth Roe** reports that her back is improving.

In last week’s bulletin, we mentioned that **Jerry Jones** of Ojai, Calif. (who with his wife, **Bobbi**, attends our western Feast sites), recently had a biopsy and was awaiting the results. He reported: “Our doctor called and had good news. My cancer is low-grade and treatable. Please thank all those who prayed for us.”

**Eric Ledy** of Austin died from his cancer on June 2. (We previously included lengthy updates from his parents, **Jeff** and **Sharon**, in our bulletins. The last update may have been in the June 29, 2019, bulletin. Eric was able to get married in December and to experience marriage before his passing.) Please remember his wife, **Elizabeth**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

## New prayer requests

**Timberly Dunnam** reports: “The cyst that was on my thyroid has gotten bigger, and it’s causing a lot of pain.” On Friday (May 29), she had a sonogram, and she is still waiting to hear from her doctor about the results.

On Sunday, **Ronnie Shirley** was admitted to Longview Regional Hospital and was diagnosed with a mild heart attack and kidney challenges. (He has also been dealing with neuropathy in his feet that makes walking difficult.) On Tuesday, the doctor placed a tube in his nose toward his stomach to deal with his nausea. On Friday, he was scheduled to go home.

On Monday, **Annette Payne** fell and went to Longview Regional Hospital. When she was diagnosed with bleeding on her brain, she was flown by helicopter to UT Hospital (formerly ETMC) in Tyler. She was hoping to return home on Thursday, but she continued to be nauseated and weak.

Earlier this week, **Boyd Payne** was admitted to Good Shepherd Hospital in Longview due to dehydration and concern about his kidney function.

**Shirley Faulkner** of Sunland, Calif., was scheduled yesterday for surgery concerning a cancerous tumor on her tongue.

**Olivia Flores** of Falbrook, Calif., died on May 31. Please remember the family in your prayers.

## Word tickler

Some people would consider the following quote to be an oxymoron. But we like to call it a word tickler—“Why is ‘phonics’ not spelled the way it sounds?”

## Beware of an Angry Mob—Part 1

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website, churchofgodbigandy.com. It was posted for the weekend of June 6, 2020.

**By Dave Havir**

**B**IG SANDY, Texas—Few things can infuriate you more than watching an angry mob seeking to bully a person or a neighborhood. Recently, I have watched a collection of angry mobs seeking to bully a nation.

■ Some of the mob members were individuals who displayed a lack of self-control due to overwhelming anger.

■ Others of the mob members were individuals who displayed hatred because of an accumulation of abuse (whether perceived or real).

■ And yet others were anarchists who looked for opportunities to commit actions of misery and destruction.

### Remembered previous studies

The reports of the mob behavior reminded me of two previous Bible studies that I had done in 2017. At a particular church service on Nov. 4, 2017, I had the opportunity to give two presentations at our church service—“Beware of the Angry Mob—Part 1” and “Beware of the Angry Mob—Part 2.”

The first presentation dealt with the angry mobs against the Son of God, and the second presentation dealt with the angry mobs against Stephen and Paul.

### Against Son of God

Let’s look at some examples where the angry mobs tormented the Son of God.

**Luke 4:28-30**—“So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way.”

**John 5:18**—“Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that

God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.”

**John 8:59**—“Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.”

**John 10:31**—“Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him.”

**John 10:39-40**—“Therefore they sought again to seize Him, but He escaped out of their hand. And He went away again beyond the Jordan to the place where John was baptizing at first, and there He stayed.”

**John 11:49-53**—“And one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, ‘You know nothing at all, nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation should perish.’ Now this he did not say on his own authority; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad. Then, from that day on, they plotted to put Him to death.”

**Matthew 26:47**—“And while He was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people.”

**Matthew 26:59**—“Now the chief priests, the elders, and all the council sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to death.”

**Matthew 27:20-23**—“But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said to them, ‘Which of the two do you want me to release to you?’ They said, ‘Barabbas!’ Pilate said to them, ‘What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?’ They all said to him, ‘Let Him be crucified!’ Then the governor said, ‘Why, what evil has He done?’ But they cried out all the more, saying, ‘Let Him be crucified!’”