



### 2025 Budget

There will be an opportunity to affirm the budget TODAY at the end of the worship service.

### Youth Lock-In

Youth, thank you for coming out to the lock-in last Friday! We had a fun time hanging out & playing Bingo, Among Us, Sardines, and Four Corners!



### New Potential Ministry Partnership on OBC Campus

We recently heard from a pastor, Ron Flowers, with a mission calling for our immediate area. He was NOT looking to merge with another church, but simply needed a little space to build, empower and release his fresh church plant (about 15-20 people) out into the darkness and hopelessness of our geographic area, most notably Monroe Middle and High Schools.

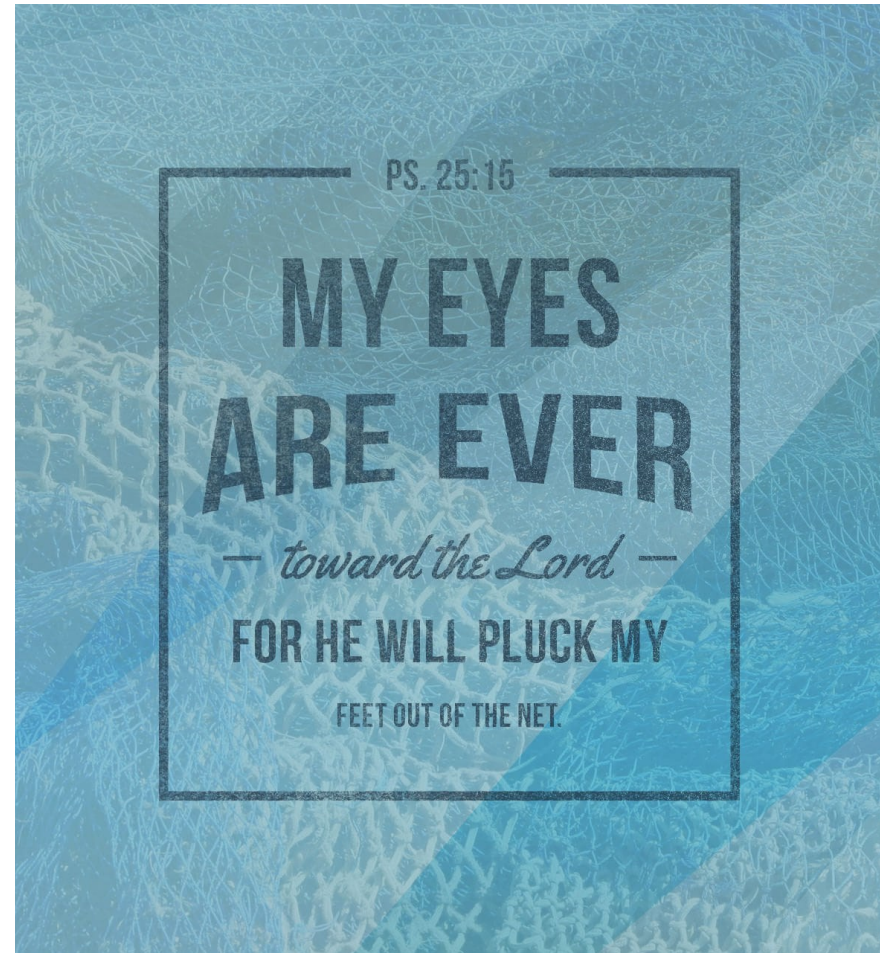
He and his wife, Sherrie, along with their 3 children, Ron Jr., Sheridan, and Carson, live in one of our newer subdivisions near the church. He has already begun to substitute teach in both schools and has launched a mentorship program at the high school.

At present, they are looking to hold services AFTER our Sunday morning worship hour and also hold a Tuesday evening service as well.

Last Sunday, Ron & Sherrie will join us for our morning worship hour to meet our folks and share a few minutes of the ministry and mission God has placed upon his heart in our little corner of Monroe and beyond. We welcome all comments and thoughts about this potential partnership. We will give our folks an opportunity to affirm the decision to allow this church plant to meet here a few hours a week in our facilities.



## January 26, 2024



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## Sunday, January 26 2025

The Inspiration for Worship

Psalm 25:4-15

**The Point:** God's goodness and love lead us to worship Him.

**The Bible Meets Life:** We've all seen it a thousand times watching football games. A player makes a phenomenal play and returns to the sideline. He's engulfed by his teammates and coaches. As the celebration winds down, the player recognizes a television camera is on him and almost every time, he looks at the camera and says, "Hi, Mom!"

It doesn't matter that dad taught him everything he knows about football. In the moment when the world is watching, mom is the one who gets the greeting. Why?

It's natural to respond to the nurturing we get from our mothers. Sure, dad helped us *become* something, but mom made us want to *be* something by making us feel cared for and loved.

But even our mothers don't care for us like God does. When we remember God's compassion and faithfulness that goes back to the beginning of time, we want to let the world know about His love. And when everyone is looking at us, we want to be seen worshipping.

**Live It Out: The Starting Place.** We are inspired to worship when we consider the love and forgiveness God has shown us in Christ. What are some of the ways God inspired your worship this week? Make a list and thank Him for each one. **The Growing Place.** We also respond in worship to His leadership in our lives, as He lovingly guides and directs our paths. How did God lead you this past week? How did you respond to His leadership? Sketch out a map of where He has led you. **The Sowing Place.** We know God's compassion draws us to worship. Do you know someone who's far away from God that you could show some compassion to? Ask God to bring people to mind who need to see His love and forgiveness through your life of faithful worship. Spend some time having coffee with someone you've prayed for.

## Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

### The Heart of Worship

Sunday, February 2    The Attitude in Worship  
(Psalm 40:1-11)

Sunday, February 9    The Benefits of Worship  
(Psalm 63:1-11)

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## Opportunities for Ministry & Service

### Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

### Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship

6:30 PM Youth

### Thursday

Jail Ministry

## Service Attendance

Sunday, January 19

Indoor: 62

Online: 118



Wednesday, January 22

Online: 94

No Youth

## Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$17,571.84

January Offering

To Date:

\$7,880.00



## Sanctity of Human Life

January is Sanctity of

Human Life month.

This month, take time  
to recognize the value  
of every human life.



## Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Gary Clontz

Marlene Crider

Lela Crump

Peggy Dean

John Efird

Cindy French

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Ray Greene

Rodney Johnson

Zack Little (MMS Counselor)

Richard Lovingood

Pam Majewski

Lorraine McClellan

Debbie McKnight

Richie Raines

Carolyn Street

David Welch (Irene's Son)



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