

Elmwood West Methodist Church



Elmwood West News October 2025

REPURPOSED BY GOD

The Daily Bread October 30

In the early 1330's, Cleo McVicker came up with a product that could be used as wallpaper cleaner. Back then, most homes were heated by coal, and the walls became covered in soot. Cleo's inventing could be rolled over the wallpaper and would pick up grime. Well, the wallpaper cleaner never became popular, but decades later, a teacher used Cleo's product in her class to create Christmas ornaments. From that was born a new company, Rainbow Crafts, and the wallpaper cleaner was repurposed as a children's toy: "Play-Doh."

On a greater scale, God has a way of repurposing people. We remember the biblical story of Joseph and his "coat of many colors." As a young man, he was a lowly shepherd and was sold into slavery by his brothers. But God led Joseph through great difficulties and into the top ranks of government. Eventually Joseph became "repurposed" as "the ruler of all Egypt" (Genesis 45:26). Yet Joseph's calling was not about power but about grace – something he extended to his brothers as he forgave them (v.15).

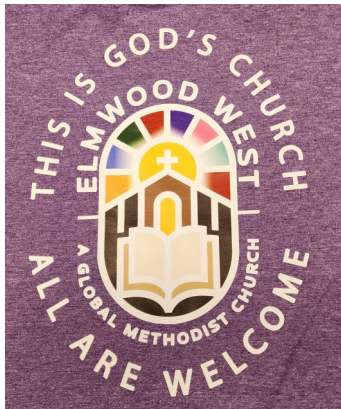
In a sense, all of us are "failed products." It's through "the grace of a Son," Jesus, that we are repurposed into greater things. As you do life today, think of your higher purpose and remember to extend grace to others, just as Christ does for us.

Kenneth Petersen

How has God repurposed you in your life journey?

Grace

Sept 25	Living in God's Grace	Exodus 34:6-7 Ephesians 2:6-7
Oct 5	Grace in the Community	Proverbs 27:17 Galatians 6:2
Oct 12	Grace in Action	Micah 6:8 James 2:26
Oct 19	Grace for the Journey	Isaiah 40:29 Corinthians 12:9



Elmwood West T-Shirts and Yard Signs

There are more t-shirts available for purchase. They are \$15.

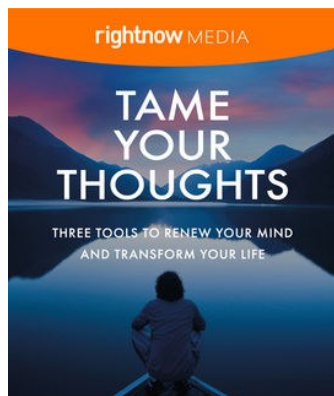
We also have 2-sided yard sign to put in your yard. They are \$12.



Jeremiah 32:17

Ah, Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.

Bible Study Wednesday Evening 6:30-7:30



Renew Your Mind and Transform Your Life

Have you been feeling weighed down by worry? Or caught up in a web of self-critical thoughts? The good news is that with God's help, you can learn to renew your mind, break free from negative patterns, and become a little more like Jesus every day. This six-session Bible study explores three Scripture-based tools for managing your thoughts:

- Practice Picky Thinking
- Identify UFOs
- Uproot and Replant

These three tools will help you take every thought captive and test the messages that replay in your mind against the truth of God's Word. You will also learn to overcome common thought traps like anxiety, guilt, rejection, dissatisfaction, and more. No matter who you are or where you come from, progress is possible.

Prayer Group and EWMC Walkers

On Tuesdays and Thursday the EWMC Walker meet at church at 8 am and walk for 30 to 45 minutes visiting with people they meet and see on their walk. After they walk we meet in the office to lift our community up in prayer. Everyone is invited to attend. .

Even if you aren't a walker you can come and be a prayer.

Jesus Gathering

This is a non denominational worship led by Christopher Carroll and his wife Lindsay. There will be praise music, some scripture reading and lots of prayer. Please come and rejoice. Everyone is welcome. Kids are welcome. Let them make a joyful noise. Introduce them to our Lord and Savior at an early age. No dress code. No judgements passed. No offering taken. Just time to praise Jesus any way you want.



They will be taking off this month but will back soon.

West Texas Fair and Rodeo 2025

September 4th-13th



Another fair year is behind us. We served a lot of burgers and hopefully touched some people.

Profits were better than expected because the crowds were not as big as previous years.

Most of the money this year will go to church insurance. That cost keeps going up every year.

Family Night at EWMC

Dinner will be served from
5:30-6:15

Menus for October

October 1 Taco Skillet, Refried Bean, Rice
Dessert

October 8 Baked Potato Bar, Dessert

October 15 Smothered Hamburger Steak, Rice, Salad, Dessert

October 22 Teriyaki Pork, Orange Chicken, Fried Rice, Egg Rolls, Dessert

October 29 Ham, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Dessert

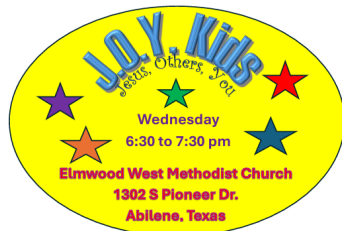
\$5 adult

\$4 Children and college students

Children 3 and under free

\$15 family maximum

6:30-7:00



Bible lessons and crafts for children of all ages.

Parents are welcome to come and bring children for the meal. Parents are asked to stay for the meal and are free to leave their children for J.O.Y. Kids or join us for Bible Study.

Adult Bible Study

Join this group to learn more about the scriptures and our place in God's church.

Study for August has not been chosen yet. If you have a study you would like to do, contact James.



**3rd Wednesday Game Night -
October 15**

Dominoes and Card Games



Prayer Request

Continued prayer for:

Mary Steed	Jose Garcia
Carol Myers	Ava Howard
Bill Temple	Doris Harp
David Jackson	Megan Smith
Mary Potter	Debra Burns
Shirley Stephenson	
Joe Stephenson	

*You can call 692-1173 with prayer concerns
or email ewmc@elmwoodwest.com
slsabilene@outlook.com*

Buffalo Gap Trade Days

We will be taking our food trailer out to Trade Days to generate some funds to help with insurance and electric bills. In July when we set up out there we did well. Hopefully as we become a monthly presence, we will get a following.



Attendance and Giving

September 7

Sunday School	7	Worship	22
Tithe and Offerings	\$2110	Roof Loan	\$25

September 14

Sunday School	7	Worship	26
Tithe and Offering	\$835	Roof Loan	\$10

September 21

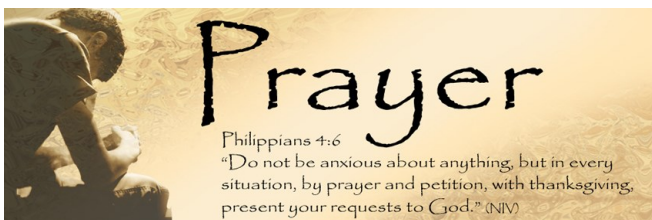
Sunday School	19	Worship	19
Tithe and Offering	\$522	Roof Loan	\$10

September 28

Sunday School	12	Worship	27
Tithe and Offering	\$1796	Roof Loan	

September income

Tithe and Offering	\$5363
Rental Income	\$1947
Building Use	0
Total	\$7310



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Larry Bitter 10-5

Jeanie Kilton 10-17

Mieka Wallace 10-18

Sharon Potter 10-18

Evelyn McCarthy 10-20

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 5:30-7:30 Family Night Meal JOY Kids Bible Study	2	3	4
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Worship Service
Sunday 10:00



In Person and
Facebook Live