# **PRAYER & PRAISE**

Continue praying at 7:28 PM for the church, Pastor Charles Wells & family, and our District Superintendent Dr. Jim Bond & wife Donna.

- Hess Family
- Doug Bohlen (Has been placed on the kidney transplant list)
- Salvation for lost loved ones
- 40 Days of Prayer for our Nation
- Helen Shepherd for health
- Christmastime Preparations

Don't hesitate to contact me anytime if you have a need, prayer request, or emergency. I'm here for you in good times and bad. I love you and want to support you! – Pastor Charles (903) 249-1271

# **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

WIFI Password: alvanaz728

**Children's Church:** Children will be dismissed to go downstairs during our

connection break.

**Text Message Service:** Get updates for everything AlvaNaz. Text "join" to (833) 284-9953, and we will ensure you are added. Send all interactions, including prayer requests, to this number.

**Offering:** Offerings are collected in the red church box in the foyer. Thank

you for your generosity!

# **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**



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| Sunday School  |        | 9:30 am  |
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| Sunday Worship |        | 10:30 am |
| Wed.           | Ladies | Bible    |
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# **Challenges to Grace: Why is Discipleship So Difficult?**

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### WELCOME!

Welcome, familiar faces and new friends! Your presence lights up our congregation. To our regulars, thank you for your ongoing support. To our visitors, we're delighted to have you with us. Let's share in the spirit of fellowship, worship, and love. Your journey is now a part of ours. Welcome to our church!

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Welcome/Call to Worship/Opening Prayer

**Song:** God Is Able (Hillsong)

**Song:** God With Us (Mercy Me)

<u>Announcements</u>

**Song:** My Savior, My God (Aaron Shust)

**Song:** Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone (Chris Tomlin)

**Prayer:** Seeking God Together

**<u>Connection Break:</u>** Embracing Meaningful Fellowship Together

**Gathering at the Table:** The Communion Celebration

Reading of the Word: Acts 2:42-47 (NASB)

**Message from God's Word:** 

Challenges to Grace: Why is Discipleship So Difficult?

**Song:** You Make Me Brave (Amanda Cook/Bethel Music)

**Benediction:** Have a Blessed Week!

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I want to start this week by thanking each of you for the gifts and love you've shown us during Pastor Appreciation Month. We love you all deeply, and your kindness means so much to us. It's the greatest honor to serve as your pastor here at this beautiful church. As we move forward, remember that the greatest gift you can give us is your prayers. They are vital to our ministry, and we truly value every one of them.

I'm already shifting my focus toward Advent and Christmas. I pulled out "the list" last week, and I'll be sharing it with you soon. This week, I'll send it by text message, and I'll also bring a few copies with me next Sunday. There's a lot to prepare, and I'd love your help in making these seasons special for everyone. Please take some time to pray over the list, and if you're able to assist in any way, let me know as soon as possible so I can plan accordingly. Thank you so much for your support—your help and prayers are truly appreciated!

Have a great week! I love you all! -Pastor Charles

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Nazarene Safe:** If you have not completed Nazarene Safe, please go to our website and watch the videos ASAP. The deadline to complete this is November 15.

This Afternoon @ 4 PM - Faith & Fellowship: Sisters in Grace Meeting:
Join us for an uplifting evening of fun and encouragement with sisters in
Christ! Enjoy food, themed activities, games, and a devotional from
God's Word. Be inspired and blessed!

November 4 from 12-1 PM – Alva Ministerial Alliance Presents: <u>Prayer on the Square</u>: Leave your prayer requests on our board, and pastors will be available for personal prayer. There's no set agenda—just a time to gather in faith. Whether you stay for 5 minutes or the whole time, your presence is valued!

November 7 – 6::00-7:30 PM - Little Disciples Club: Please note that we have moved our meetings to <u>Thursdays</u>. We could welcome many more kids, and we can't let this chance slip by!

**Next Sunday After Morning Worship**: Join us for a shared meal and meaningful fellowship with our church family. Please bring a dish to share as we come together for food, friendship, and community.

November 11 @ 7:30 PM: Church Board Meeting

November 14 @ 6 PM: AlvaKids Ministry Meeting

**November 16:** College Preview Day Table @ NWOSU. More info to come.

**Exciting news!** Sunday Worship Now Live on Facebook! Join us online and help spread the word as we reach more people for Jesus—no matter where they are!