



Ladies Painting Class

Monday, July 28th at 6:30 PM

Cost of class: \$25

The last day to sign up was Friday, July 25th.

The \$25 is due TODAY, July 27th (you can give it to Mary Ann or the Church Office).



Price Housewarming

8/3/25 | DROP IN 1-4 PM

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RSVP BY 7/27 | TEXT 704-490-3776

[MYREGISTRY.COM/GIFTLIST/JEREMY-TAYLOR-PRICE](https://www.myregistry.com/giftlist/jeremy-taylor-price)



July 27, 2025

GOD HAS GIVEN US
EVERYTHING
WE NEED FOR LIVING
A GODLY LIFE.

2 PETER 1:3

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Sunday, July 27 2025

The Importance of Character

2 Peter 1:1-11

The Point: God equips us for Christlike character.

The Bible Meets Life: A phrase you hear a lot these days is, “Fake it until you make it.” Of course, the idea is that you should act as if something is true and then eventually it becomes true. But is that really the case?

Anna Sorokin pretended to be a wealthy German heiress, defrauding people and financial institutions for more than \$200,000. For a while, it seemed that she had it made. But her crimes were prosecuted, and she went to jail. Pretending to be someone she wasn't didn't create anything new. In the end, her character was simply exposed.

Pretending to be a certain kind of person only delays truly becoming that person. But can we lay aside the charade and become who we would like to be?

Character is how we describe who we really are.

An ancient letter written to some believers in Christ affirms that what is needed for a character makeover is available to those who believe. While it takes some effort on our part to experience deep change, it brings lasting benefits.

Live It Out: Determine. Before anything else, decide if you really believe that a change of character is possible. Don't give verbal assent to something you're not quite ready to accept as possible. **Develop.** Examine the virtue catalog in 2 Peter 1:5-7. Pick one quality on which you would be willing to work. Come up with an action plan to grow in that area. After you've made progress there, select a second one and do the same. **Dialogue.** Have a conversation with someone close to you. Consider someone who doesn't have anything to lose by telling you the truth. Ask them to identify your character flaws.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Character Counts

Sunday, August 3	Godliness (1 Timothy 4:6-16)
Sunday, August 10	Humility (Philippians 2:1-11)

**BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE**

Opportunities for Ministry, Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Indoor Worship
10:00 AM Online Worship
11:30 AM Living Streams
Worship Center

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship
6:30 PM Youth
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 8/6

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Dianne Avery

Marlene Crider

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Mike & Renee Helms

Rodney Johnson

Lillian Lewis

Pam Majewski

Jennifer Price (Jeremy's Mom)

Kenny & Carolyn Street

Irene Welch



Bible Studies for Life

A new sermon series/BSFL unit starts TODAY. The unit is titled
Character Counts.

Service Attendance

Sunday, July 20

Indoor: 45

Online: 248

Wednesday, July 23

Online: 49

Youth: 10



Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$17,571.84

July Offering

To Date:

\$7,947.00



Choir Rehearsal

The next choir rehearsal will be
Wednesday, August 6th at 7:30 PM.



Bible App

Follow along in today's Scripture on the Bible app! Scan this QR code with your phone:

