## Announcements

#### Final budget review is December 12 at noon.

### December 05-December 11

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**No** birthdays and **one** anniversary this week. Jo Ed and Kayla have an anniversary next Sunday.

> November 28, 2021 Contribution: \$1,790.00 Attendance: 26

Campus minister: Caleb Hughes Minister: Curtis Wubbena Intern: Joe Ed Waggoner

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# Alpine church of Christ

December 05, 2021



#### Ordinary people serving an extraordinary God.



The time is noon and the morning service ended at 11:45 a.m. What are these people waiting for?





Santa Elena Canyon Trail, Big Bend National Park



"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Outdo yourselves in honoring one another". (Romans 12:10) One of the must-see features within Big Bend National Park is the prominent Santa Elena Canyon. The canyon acts as a natural border with Chihuahua Mexico, with Mesa de Anguila on the Texas side, Sierra Ponce on Mexico's, and the Rio Grande running between. A place that all first-timers to the park should visit, the Santa Elena Canyon Trail is an easy, well-marked out and back trek that all hikers can enjoy, regardless of skill level. At around a mile and half long, the trail begins by crossing the intermittent Terlingua Creek before rising to an overlook – featured in this week's picture. From here, hikers then continue downward until reaching the Rio Grande, passing many varieties of Chihuahuan Desert riparian flora. Massive boulders and high, vertical canyon walls offer shade during certain times of day making for a memorable introduction to the Park. The trailhead is located at the end of Ross Maxwell Scenic Drive, and can also be accessed via Old Maverick Road – an unpaved passage that takes travelers past the iconic 3,800 ft. Tule Mountain. The trip down to the Park and Santa Elena Canyon is almost a two and a half hour haul from the Alpine Church of Christ building, with no gasoline or food available between Alpine and Study Butte (STOODY-byoot), so be sure to plan accordingly. If you're visiting the area and planning a trip down south, don't miss checking out Santa Elena Canyon. (JW)