



West Side Family News

A publication of the West Side Church of Christ
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Welcome to West Side!

We're glad to have you with us today. Let's glorify God and encourage one another as we worship together! *Please take a moment to fill out one of the attendance cards on the back of the pew in front of you. There are also Prayer Request cards available if there are any needs you would like to share with our elders or our prayer ministry.* If you're visiting, we hope you will worship with us again soon.

Children's Bible Classes

Lambs (0-18 months) – Edu. Bldg., Nursery
Ducks (18-24 months) – Edu. Bldg., Room 11
Bunnies (Twos & Threes) – Edu. Bldg., Room 7
Frogs (Threes & Fours) – Edu. Bldg., Room 6
Fours, Fives, & Kindergarten – Edu. Bldg., Room 9
1st Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 5
2nd Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 4
3rd Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 3
4th Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 201
5th Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 203
6th Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 204
7th-8th Grade – Annex 201
9th-12th Grade – Annex 203 & 204

Adult Bible Classes (Through Nov. 8, 2009)

Sundays at 8:00 AM

Chapel: Intergenerational Adult

Teacher: Keith Schramm
Topic: Galatians

Sundays at 10:30 AM

Annex 101: Ladies Class

Teacher: Various ladies
Topic: Learning from Our Brethren

Main Annex: Intergenerational

Teacher: Patrick Barber
Topic: Living like Christ (studies in Luke)

Annex 103: Home Builders (30s & 40s)

Teacher: Michael Brooks
Topic: Ephesians

Annex 104: Intergenerational

Teacher: Ken Hammes
Topic: Job

Annex 202: Roundtable Discussion

Teacher: Si Tilton
Topic: Difficult Passages in Scripture

Auditorium: Intergenerational

Teacher: Wyatt Jones
Topic: 1 & 2 Thessalonians

Edu. Bldg. Room 2: Young Adults (20s)

Teacher: Mike Ireland
Topic: The Life of David

Chapel: College

Teacher: James Anderson
Topic: Beautiful Feet

October 4, 2009

Morning Worship

Welcome

Song Leader – Scott Ragsdale

Song – 773 “Again the Lord of Light and Life”

Song – 837 “I Need Thee Every Hour”

Prayer – Eric Camp (*Alt. Si Tilton*)

Song – 315 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Lord's Supper

Song – 117 “God Is the Fountain Whence”

Contribution

Song – 96 “I Stand in Awe of You”

“Truth and History...Making Them Up As We Go”

Mike Ireland

Song – 909 “There's A Fountain Free”

Announcements

Song – 448 “The Greatest Commands”

Attendance Cards

Prayer – Rick Short (*Alt. Dutch Hoggatt*)

Elder in Charge – Keith Schramm

Deacons in Charge Todd Hunter; Steve Jones

Evening Worship

Announcements

Song Leader – Don Sanders

Song – 346 “He Lives”

Song – 525 “He Knows Just What I Need”

Prayer – Steve Choate (*Alt. Henry Terrill*)

Song – 841 “Hide Me, Oh My Savior”

Song – 610 “I Love My Savior, Too”

Sermon – “The God Who Seeks”

Mike Ireland

Song – 136 “Love For All”

Song – 608 “He Gave Me A Song”

Closing Prayer – Kent Rollmann (*Alt. Larry Harrison*)

Elder in Charge – Scott Ragsdale

Deacon in Charge – Dutch Hoggatt

The Lord's Supper is prepared in the chapel for those who were unable to commune this morning.

THE TRUTH OF GOD

“Truth exists outside of us and remains the same regardless of how we may perceive it. Truth by definition is as fixed and constant as God is immutable.

“Amazingly, Christians in our generation need to be reminded of these things. Truth is never determined by looking at God’s Word and asking, ‘What does this mean to me?’ Whenever I hear someone talk like that, I’m inclined to ask, ‘What did the Bible mean before you existed? What does God mean by what He says?’ Those are the proper questions to be asking. Truth and meaning are not determined by our intuition, experience, or desire. The true meaning of Scripture has already been determined and fixed by the mind of God.

“The meaning of God’s Word is neither as obscure nor as difficult to grasp as people today often pretend. Admittedly, some things in the Bible are hard to understand (2 Peter 3:16), but its central, essential truth is plain enough that no one need be confused by it.

“Moreover, our individual perception of truth certainly can and does change. Of course we gain better understanding as we grow. We all begin by being nourished on the milk of the Word. As we gain the ability to chew and digest harder truths, we are supposed to be strengthened by the meat of the Word (1 Corinthians 3:2; Hebrews 5:12). That is, we move from a merely childlike knowledge to a more mature grasp of truth in all its richness and relationship to other truth.

“But truth itself does not change just because our point of view does. As we mature in our ability to perceive truth, truth itself remains fixed. Our duty is to conform all our thoughts to the truth (Psalm 19:14); we are not entitled to redefine ‘truth’ to fit our own personal viewpoints, preferences, or desires.”

(from THE TRUTH WAR, by John MacArthur)

WEST SIDE’S HOMECOMING

In preparation for West Side’s Homecoming, Sunday, November 1st, we are looking for names and addresses of former members to extend to them a personal invitation to “come home”. Please leave your names and addresses of former members with **Marilyn Fly** at the Welcome Center, or email to the church office: office@wschurch.net

We need old photos, home movies, videos, or other memorabilia from the past 50 years at West Side. Be sure to label your items with your identification so any material you loan can be returned to you.

MEN TO SERVE – October 4th

LORD’S SUPPER: Ron Ware; Dale Brewer; Steve Jones; Phil Miller; Jack Kinningham; Nick Schramm; Jay James; Wiley Blansett

ALTERNATES: Terry Craig; Eric Tice; Don Oliver; Phil Blansett; Robert Benson; Jason White; Linn Hartman; Tim Pitt

ATTENDANCE CARDS (young men): Blair Varner; Austin Varner; Walker Hendricks; Benjamin Moore

LORD’S TABLE (evening): Dan Dawson; Steve Moore

ALTERNATES: Trent Dodds; Jared Chance

USHERS: David Mitchell; Don Oliver; Bart Jennings

PRAYER HAS BEEN REQUESTED FOR THESE LOVED ONES

- Dot Yingling is in WCMC CCU.
- Lester Karnes, Debra Shelton’s father, was in WCMC due to congestive heart failure. He has improved and was released on Thursday.
- Lena Dell Vines is at home now and doing well.
- Brenda Spurlock is planning to come home this weekend. She is doing a little better but is not completely well.
- Charles Holden is in Clearview Geriatrics in WCMC South. Visiting hours are 3-5 P.M. every day.
- Betty Blansett’s husband, Clyde Blansett, has been ill for some time and is at home in Hospice Care.
- Kay Pruitt, friend of Johnny & Patti Ferguson, has discontinued chemo therapy and is now in Hospice Care. Continue to pray for the family.

Our Church Family in Need of Prayer

Gene Simmons; J.H. Wylie; John Prock; Natalie Clark; Ed Sanders; Dr. Robert Brown; Gregory & McKenzie Stewart; Shirley McDonald; Janie Butler; George Schraudt; Dot Thompson; Brenda Spurlock

Unable to Attend Worship Service

James Watkins; Dorothy Reaves; Bill & Ruth Hickmon; John Prock; Johanna Stanford; Frances Horton; Sarah Rogers; Hermina Moser; Becha Nalley; Mary Jones

Pray for these Family and Friends

Reed Oliver (friend of Terry Williams); Jim Harris (Helen Harris’ son); Freda Jones (mother of Tam Caple) lymphoma; Donald Richards (brother of Jo Ann McAdams); Pat Larue (friend of Johnny & Patti Ferguson); Kay Pruitt in Hospice Care (friend of Johnny & Patti Ferguson) stroke; Diane Atkins (friend of Johnny & Patti Ferguson) cancer; Nancy Ratliff (daughter of Dick & Joyce Johnson); Ada Abbott (mother of Diane Garrison); Emma Boyd (mother of Judy Glenn); Glaydene Gooden (mother of Rodney Gooden); Brooke Hubbell (niece of Cliff & Jan Roberts); Michael Post (grandson of Wyatt & Iris Jones); LaVon Napier (daughter of Sarge Napier); Linda Perero (mother of Joseph Perero); Dorothy Nichols (mother of Charles Holloway); Nancy Fisher (daughter-in-law of Maurice & Montine Fisher)

Pray for the Safety of Our Military

Casey Cochran; David Hansell (brother of Brenda Spurlock); James Wylie (son of Randy & Melinda Wylie); Jake Miller (son of Andy & Kathaleen Miller); Travis Eddleman (son of Terry & Stephanie Eddleman); Mickey Paone (son-in-law of Ron & Rachel Gibbs); Joe Jernigan (grandson of Helen Harris); Tracy Oliver (son of Don & Pat Oliver); Ashley Reames (granddaughter of Mary Lue Reames)

NEW MEMBER - Please welcome **Meagan McLain** into our West Side Family. **Meagan**, a Harding University student, comes from Dixon, Tennessee, where she worshipped with the Walnut Street congregation.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Casey & Rachel Cochran have moved to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Please change your membership directory.

THANK YOU NOTES

◆ **Maurice & Montine Fisher** wish to thank the congregation and those in Golden Years for their prayers and cards, and notes of encouragement.

◆ Thank you so much for your expressions of prayers, love, and condolences during the loss of our brother, Jerry Charles Smith. The food the church provided for our family during our loss was wonderful. We are so fortunate to have such a caring church family. We have felt the support of your prayer and love in our lives during this time of loss.

In Christian Love, **Hettie Lou Martin** and **Kent Smith**

WEDDING SHOWER

Men and women are invited to a wedding shower for **CHRISTINE HARRISON**, daughter of **Larry & Deborah Harrison**, bride elect of **ROBBIE DILLARD**, on Sunday, October 11th from 6:15 to 8:00 P.M. in the home of Mona Lee Garner, [REDACTED]. *Selections: Becky's Hallmark; Walmart; Target & Dillard's. Gifts early please.*

BABY SHOWER - Men and women are invited to a baby shower honoring Kris & Jami Honey, granddaughter of **Betty Maxwell**, on Sunday, October 11th, from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M., at the home of Sherry Harrison, at [REDACTED]. It's a boy! *Selections: Walmart; Everett's; and Babies 'R' Us. Gifts early to Sherry Harrison's home please.*

NEW BABY - Congratulations to **Scott & Celena Smith** on the birth of their daughter on Tuesday, September 29th. **Hadley Mae** was 6 pounds 8 ounces and 19 inches long. All are doing fine.

GOOD SAMARITANS

Good Samaritans will meet in the annex this Sunday, October 4th after Sunday morning class since a little extra time is needed to begin their project. Lunch will be provided before work on the project begins. Children may be picked up at 2:00 P.M. They will also meet at the regular class time (5:00 P.M.)

AN 89TH BIRTHDAY INVITATION

You are invited to a birthday party honoring **Della Ely** on her 89th birthday on Sunday, October 11th, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the University Church of Christ Fellowship room; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] **NO GIFTS PLEASE.** *Della, a long time member of Downtown Church in Searcy, has many friends at West Side Church.*

A surprise memory book of cards, letters, funny stories and pictures is being made to present to her. If you are unable to attend and would like to be a part of this book you may mail items to Dale & Becky Ely; 120 W. Steward St. Searcy, AR 72143.

NURSERY WORKERS Sunday services:

9:00 A.M. Angela Adams; Joy Haddix; Joetta Martin
5:00 P.M. Jennifer Varner; Kerry Pitt



WEST SIDE YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Sunday Night – We will have a movie devo night this Sunday after our evening worship. Please bring \$2.00 to help with supper. We will finish by 9:00.

Wednesday Night – Our Wednesday night class and small group will resume in their regular locations this week.



“Why, God?” If you have ever said a prayer, it has probably been this one. “Why God” is a natural response when we are hurting. This week, we will learn that God is okay when we need to ask this question. While there may not be a very clear and rational answer, sometimes God uses the struggle to show us something about ourselves, about Himself, or to draw us into a closer relationship with Him.

50+ Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulate these couples and may they enjoy many more years together.

♥**Frank & Anita McKenney** were married on October 2, 1953, 56 years ago.

♥**Dick & Joyce Johnson** were married on October 8, 1947, 62 years ago.

Fellowship Opportunities

•**Zone 4 Potluck** – Sunday, October 11th after evening service. Bring sandwiches, chips, dessert and a drink. For more information contact **Kim Handy** or **Connie Moore**.

•**West Side Ladies' Retreat**

Friday, October 23rd - Saturday, October 24th to be at the Wyldewood Retreat Center. “In God We Trust” is the theme that Kaye Morgan and Treva Pryor will speak to the ladies about. To register: see **Meagan Adams** or **Claudette Bratcher**

“**MIDLERS AND UP**” will meet this Sunday, October 4th, at Pizza Pro after evening service. All “Middlers and UP” are invited to come to this fellowship.

Two Opportunities to Attend an Area Ladies' Day

♦The **Sandhill Church of Christ**; [REDACTED] will host their 8th Ladies' Day on Saturday, October 17th from 9:00 A.M. until noon. A salad luncheon will be served after the program. Mrs. Freda Ramsey of the Sylvan Hills congregation will be the guest speaker. Topic is: "Ageless Faith" Questions?: Call 870-744-2285

♦The **Mars Hill Church of Christ Ladies** (Vilonia, AR) invite you to join them for "Recipes for Christian Living" on Saturday, October 17th from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Purpose: Inspiration for ladies of all ages. The schedule includes a cooking demonstration; lunch and a book of favorite recipes; encouragement for living faithfully or getting through difficult times. *Feel free to share your "recipe" for Christian living. Bring friends and family for an uplifting time of fellowship!*

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For Week of September 27, 2009

9:00 A.M. Worship.....825	This Week's Contribution.....\$ 15,219.50
Bible Class.....581	2009 Weekly Budget.....\$ 15,302.00
5:00 P.M. Worship..... 341	Contributions to date.....\$ 594,316.00
Christian Soldiers.....32	
Lads to Leaders.....7	
Total P.M.380	

~ MEN TO SERVE ~

Sunday, October 11, 2009

9:00 A.M.

Elder in Charge Keith Schramm

Deacons in Charge Todd Hunter; Steve Jones

Song Leader Lester Allen

Opening Prayer – Tom Winberry (*Alt. Don Robinson*)

Closing Prayer – Buddy Muirhead (*Alt. Jim Blansett*)

Lord's Table **David Pace** **Jess Keathley**

Bart Jennings **Stephen Martin**

Jason Cofer **Shannon Toye**

Matthew Mauney **Todd Hunter**

Alternates **Casey Christensen** **Dewitt Kiihnl**

Rick Pratt **Matthew Brooks**

Sean Birdwell **Jake Tribble**

Rodney Gooden **Larry Oliver**

Pick Up Cards **Ryne Glover** **Caleb Burley**

Billy Walker **Caleb Roberts**

Ushers: **David Mitchell**; Dick Johnson; Bobby Nix
Searcy Healthcare Song Leader – Don Sanders

5:00 P.M.

Elder in Charge Scott Ragsdale

Deacon in Charge Dutch Hoggatt

Song Leader Mark Story

Opening Prayer Roger Coker (*Alt. Fred Picker*)

Closing Prayer Jim Dexter (*Alt. Luke Tillet*)

Lord's Table **Brad Haddix**; **Don Sanders**

Alternates: **Joe Goldman**; **Ryan Nix**

Men, if you are unable to serve at your appointed time, please contact the church office 268-2951 (if during the week) or the Deacon in Charge (if contacting on the weekend)

October 4th Medical Personnel: Dr. Eddie McAdams; Ryan Nix; Sarah-Kate Epperson; Tam Caple

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Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Worship9:00 A.M.

Sunday Bible Classes 8:00 a.m. (no children's classes) and 10:30 A.M. for all

Sunday Searcy Healthcare Worship.....9:30 A.M.

Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 P.M.

Sunday Christian Soldiers (2 yrs. – 3rd grade) 5:00 P.M.

Lads to Leaders (3rd grade – college).....Fall-Spring.....5:00 P.M.

(Tuesday) Golden Years (55+, Sept.– May)..... 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday

Ladies Bible ClassSeptember – April ... 10:00 A.M.

Bible Studies.....4:00 & 7:00 P.M.

Elders

Daniel Adams

Mike Chance

Mike Kiihnl

Glen Adams

Dennis Fant

Jim May

Stan Bratcher

Stan Glover

Scott Ragsdale

Jeff Cavitt

Ken Hammes

Keith Schramm

Ministers

Pulpit

Mike Ireland

Associate

James Anderson

Education & Involvement

Patrick Barber

Youth

Brian Lewis

Missions

·Isaac Mensah; Paul Oti;

Nil Jackson; Ghana

· Roy Merritt-Zambia, Africa

· 2 families in China

· S. Williamsport, PA

· Jesse Drayton

W. Pleasure Church of Christ

·Iglesia de Cristo

2992 N. Woods Lane

Rogers, AR 72756

·S. Burlington Church of Christ

330 Dorset St.

S. Burlington, VT 05403



WBS Teachers
Searcy, AR

October 4, 2009 Greeters:

October 11, 2009 Greeters:

October 18, 2009 Greeters:

October 25, 2009 Greeters:

Freddie & Marveta Foutch; J.C. & Winifred Franks; Joe & Lynda Goldman

Rodney & Wanda Gooden; Mike & Patty Graul; Mark & Cherisse Gregory

Roy & Kim Handy; Lanny & Rhonda Hillis; Charles & Tami Holloway; Laverne Huebner

Mike & Deborah Ireland; Bart & Sheila Jennings; Dick & Joyce Johnson

OCTOBER 2009 VIDEO AND SOUND OPERATORS

9:00 A.M. Worship

Video
Keith Schramm

Sound
Tony Young

5:00 P.M. Worship

Video
Don Yates

Sound
Tony Young