

West Side Church of Christ

SUNDAY'S WORSHIP FOR: October 5, 2008

9:00 A.M. – sermon – Mike Ireland

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PRAY FOR~

- Cecil Adams** is in Baptist Hospital due to several health issues. Please pray for **Cecil**.
- Herman Spurlock** is in room 1025 in Baptist Hospital, Little Rock. A diagnosis has been made. Cancer has been confirmed.
- Jeff Cavitt** will be released from Baptist Hospital Rehab on Friday, October 3rd to his home. "Please keep us in your prayers as we adjust to coming home. We appreciate all of the love, prayers and support of everyone. God has heard our prayers and answered them." **Jeff, Jane and Jeffery**
- Matt Metheny** has completed a course of chemo in UAMS. **Matt** and family are thankful for your prayers and concern.
- Todd Hunter's** father, Bill Hunter had an out patient procedure on Wednesday of this week. Prayer has been requested.
- David Martin's** father, Pepper Martin, had hip replacement surgery on Thursday, October 2nd at St. Vincent's Hospital in Little Rock. Pray that he might heal well and be able to return to his home before long.

NEW MEMBER – Please welcome **Sarah Huber**, HU Box 10699 into our West Side Family.

THANK YOU NOTES

◆ Thank you for the calls, visits, cards and most especially prayers on my behalf during my recent stay in the hospital. It is all greatly appreciated. Thanks again, **Dorothy Reaves**

◆ Dear West Side,
Thank you for the cards, letters and prayers you have given on my behalf. I would also like to thank **Linda Bearden** and **Susan Pratt's** Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes class who brought very nice notes to me. **Judy Ballinger**

◆ So many people have manifested their care and concern for us during the past weeks, it would be impossible to list all the individuals or their acts of kindness. We appreciate so much the many cards, as well as the donations made to Searcy Children's Home, due to the loss of Elliot's brother, and, more recently, the cards, visits, etc. during **Elliot's** injury and hospital stay. Hopefully, we can recover from this hurdle soon and be pain free and surgery exempt for a long time.
Our love, **Elliot & Shirley Copeland**

◆ Thank you so much for the calls, cards, and prayers during my back procedure and my recovery. It is so wonderful to have such a thoughtful and caring family of Christians to lean upon in times of need. Words cannot express my gratitude to all of you.
In Christian Love, **Hettie Lou Martin**

50+ YEARS WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

May both of these couples enjoy many more years together.

▫ **Frank & Anita McKenney** celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday. They were married on October 2, 1953.

▫ Next Wednesday **Dick & Joyce Johnson** will celebrate their 61st Wedding Anniversary. They were married on October 8, 1947.



*Harvest Sunday
Sunday, November 30, 2008*

NEW SISTER IN CHRIST

Last Sunday night **Heidi Haddix**, daughter of **Brad and Joy Haddix**, was baptised for remission of sins by her father, **Brad**. **Heidi** is to be commended for her obedience to our Lord.

Special Prayer Service

*A Prayer Service for **Matt Metheny** and **Herman Spurlock** who are both part of Zone 5 has been organized for this Sunday night immediately after service at the home of **Sam and Marifred Johnston**. Men from Zone 5 will be reading scripture, leading prayer & hymns for spiritual encouragement and physical healing for both **Matt and Herman** while remembering their caregivers and families. The Prayer Service will be held this Sunday night, October 5th immediately following our evening service. Everyone is invited to join this zone for the prayer service and asked to bring a lawn chair as they will gather outside.*

From Patrick Barber:

Adults who were part of a 7:00 p.m. study last Wednesday discussed the importance of emphasizing congregational and group prayers. We noted that this was a primary activity of the Apostles and the early church according to the examples we find in Acts. But prayer wasn't just for the earliest churches; it remains as a vital link between the church and its God today. As a congregation, we don't come together in confession and prayer often enough. It isn't that corporate prayers on Sunday don't count; they do count! But much, much more is envisioned and instructed in Scripture by the Holy Spirit's inspiration. That's why it is so exciting to hear about a prayer service taking place on Sunday night after evening services at the **Johnston's** home. Coming together in this way is a key, life-sustaining practice of a church that not only survives but thrives under the headship of Christ and the guidance of His Spirit.

PRAYER LIST

Family and Friends

Gene Simmons Nadine Hansel (**Brenda Spurlock's** mother)
Hermina Moser Martina Peacock (daughter of **John & Charlene Prock**)
James Watkins Helen & Truman Orr (friends of **Mary Slaughter**)
Johanna Stanford Montajo Rowe (friend of **Dorothy Thompson's**)
Jim Lankford Valerie Louks (friend of **Preston & Barbara Haynie**)
Louise Patterson Bobby Gooding (uncle of **Barbara Haynie**)
Frances Horton Lynn Jones (niece of **Fred & Marveta Foutch**) cancer
Sarah Rogers Reed Oliver (friend of **Terry Williams**)
Bill Hickmon Emmelene Rhoden (cousin of **Jo Ann Clay**)
Ruth Hickmon Deborah Clause (having tests)
J.H. Wylie Marilyn Ford (**Erika Churchwell's** mother)
John Prock Lester Stallings (recovering from tick fever)
Natalie Clark Taylor Gregory (niece of **Andy & Kathaleen Miller**)
Matthew Metheny Eileen Madden (friend of **Barbara Martin**)
Dot Thompson Tom Greenway (cancer treatments)
Alene Moon Michael McQuarrie (brother of **Dawn Slough**)
Becha Nalley Samuel Adams (father of **Glen Adams**)
Mary Jones David Fant (brother of **Dennis Fant**)
Crystal Muirhead Maribeth Figgins (cousin of **Pat Keichline**)
Chandler Cromwell Dot Williams (neighbor of **Linda Benton**)
Herman Spurlock Jimmy Nelson (brother in law of **Dick & Joyce Johnson**)
Elliot Copeland Madeline Phipps (mother of **Hilda Clay**)
Cecil Adams Colleen Patterson (sister of **Tami Mitchell**) cancer
 Geneva Elam (mother of **Tom Slough**)
 Wayne Arnold (husband of **Pat Keichline's** cousin)

Our Military

Joel Ward (son of **Roger and Robin Coker**)
Marshall Sexson (husband of **Amy Sexson**)
Tracy Oliver (son of **Don & Pat Oliver**)
Mickey Paone (son-in-law of **Ron & Rachel Gibbs**)
Joe Jernigan (grandson of **Helen Harris**)
David Hansell (brother of **Brenda Spurlock**)
James Wylie (son of **Randy & Melinda Wylie**)
Shawn Ware (grandson of **Cecil & Sue Adams**)
Nathan Hounsel (former member)
Jake Miller (son of **Andy & Kathaleen Miller**)
Randy Davis (nephew of **Harold & Jane Morrow**)
Daniel Holden (grandson of **Derrel & Zella Holden**)

For Week of September 28, 2008

9:00 A.M. Worship.....736	This Week's Contribution.....	\$ 14,260.00
Bible Class.....506	2008 Weekly Budget.....	\$ 14,260.00
5:00 P.M. Worship.....387	Contributions to date.....	\$ 579,821.09
Christian Soldiers.....NC	Harvest Sunday.....	\$ 1,172.50
Lads to Leaders.....NC	Bibles for Ukraine.....	\$ 8,438.26
Total P.M.387		

OF INTEREST TO WEST SIDE LADIES

LADIES' NIGHT OUT- Tuesday, October 7th

You are invited to "Back to School Days" at the home of **Diane Anderson**, at 6:00 P.M. Bring your favorite book to share with your Christian sisters. It may be a children's book, an adult book, or just a book that has brought special meaning to your life. \$3 will cover the cost of the meal. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

WEST SIDE COOKBOOK - **Debra Shelton** is in the process of putting together a cookbook. If you have recipes you would like to contribute, get those to **Debra** by Friday, October 10th. The plan is to have the cookbooks printed and ready to distribute by the first of December. There will be a special section by **Charlene Prock**, highlighting her recipes and events that she has catered through the years. You can send those recipes by email to [redacted] or write out and bring to the Welcome Center.



WEST SIDE YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

M.A.D. Devo Night – Tonight we will have a M.A.D. (Movie And Devotional) night. After our evening worship service, we will eat together, watch a movie, then have a devotional about spiritual and Biblical themes from the movie. We will finish around 8:45. Parents: Please note the later ending time.

Wednesday Night – Our Wednesday night small group for grades 10 – 12 will resume this week at the home of Phil and Ruthann Miller.

Area Wide Devotional – The next Area Wide Devotional will be at College Church in their Youth Center on Sunday, October 12, 6:30 – 7:30.

Movie Night – Our next monthly movie night will be Tuesday, October 14th, 7:00 – 9:00 in the Youth Center. There is no cost for this event.

Junior High Girls' Lock-In – There will be a lock-in for Junior High girls on Friday, October 24th, in the annex. Please be there at 9:30 p.m. (or as soon as you can after the football games). Parents, you can pick up your daughters at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday.

Upcoming Events:

Fall Fun Fair – Sunday, October 26th.
 Fall Hayride – Sunday, November 2nd.
 Area Wide Winter Retreat – December 6 – 7.



Sunday Mornings – September 28 – October 12

Every one of us is attached to something—some person, thing or experience. The trouble with our attachments is that sometimes they let us down. For these three weeks we will be exploring the attachments that become part of our identity, and uncovering the truth about our identity in Christ.

NURSERY WORKERS

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

Backpacks for Kids

Remember to bring your filled backpacks back to the church building by the following Sunday after you pick one up. The backpacks can be dropped off in room 1.



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~ MEN TO SERVE ~
October 5, 2008
9:00 A.M.

Elder in Charge Scott Ragsdale
Deacons in Charge Randy Kiihnl & Mike Hendricks
Announcements Stan Glover
Song Leader Mike Chance
Opening Prayer Steve Choate
Closing Prayer Phil Miller (Alt. Randy Kiihnl)

Lord's Table Nick Schramm Donnie Clay
Terry Craig Harold Ford
Art Wells Roy Handy
Erik Schramm Stu Varner

Alternates Jim Walton Jared Chance
Brett Walton Jacob Martin
Rodney Gooden Lanny Hillis
Johnny Brown Dutch Hoggatt

Pick Up Cards Drew Pitt Wade Pitt
Brent Dodds Braden Dodds

Ushers: Bill Harrison; Cecil Adams; Don Yates
Searcy Healthcare Song Leader – Mark Pruitt

5:00 P.M.

Elder in Charge Stan Glover
Deacon in Charge Jim Blansett
Announcements Stan Glover
Song Leader Don Sanders
Opening Prayer Pat Stegall
Closing Prayer Dan Dawson
Lord's Table Jim Blansett; Bart Jennings
Alternates: Jake Tribble; Clay Kiihnl

~ MEN TO SERVE ~
October 12, 2008
9:00 A.M.

Elder in Charge Stan Glover
Deacons in Charge Randy Kiihnl & Mike Hendricks
Announcements Stan Glover
Song Leader – Dennis Fant
Opening Prayer Lester Allen
Closing Prayer Rick Clay

Lord's Table Shannon Toye Ryan Nix
Ralph Bennett Don Yates
Steve Jones Tim Dawson
Luke Tillett Trent Eddleman

Alternates Jason White Mitchell Kiihnl
Tim Kirby Stephen Martin
Roger Coker Johnny Brown
John Glenn Maurice Moon

Pick Up Cards J. Michael Glenn Caleb Burley
Luke Pace Reid Pace

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5:00 P.M.

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Announcements Scott Ragsdale
Song Leader Si Tilton
Opening Prayer Damon Harris
Closing Prayer Larry Harrison (Alt. Linn Hartman)
Lord's Table John Keller; Caleb Kiihnl
Alternates: Trent Dodds; Cody Brown

October 5, 2008 Greeters: Vernon & Evelyn Wallace; Trisha White; Dennis & Rita Fant; Terry Williams

October 12, 2008 Greeters: Jim & Dorothy Fielder; Jerry Wells; Virginia Miller; Bob & LaDelle Davis

October 19, 2008 Greeters: Dwight & Dorothy Street; Sue French; Tom Winberry; Brad & Joy Haddix

October 26, 2008 Greeters: Ken & Nancy Hammes; Henry & Karolyn Terrill; Larry & Deborah Harrison

OCTOBER 2008 VIDEO AND SOUND OPERATORS

	<u>Video</u>	<u>Sound</u>		<u>Video</u>	<u>Sound</u>
9:00 A.M. Worship	Jim May	Tony Young	5:00 P.M. Worship	David Harvey	Tony Young

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Morning Worship 9:00 A.M.
Bible Classes..... 10:30 A.M.
Searcy Healthcare Worship.....9:30 A.M.
Evening Worship 5:00 P.M.
Christian Soldiers (2 yrs. – 3rd grade) 5:00 P.M.
Lads to Leaders (3rd grade – college).....Fall-Spring..4:45 P.M.

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

Ladies Bible Class10:00 A.M.
Bible Studies.....4:00 & 7:00 P.M.

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Jim May
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Mike Ireland

Associate Minister
James Anderson

Education & Involvement Minister
Patrick Barber

Youth Minister
Brian Lewis

Missions Full Support
Teston Gilpatrick
Vitoria, Brazil

Isaac Mensah
Paul Oti
Nii Jackson
Ghana

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Institute, Little Rock, AR

Missions Partial Support
Brandon Edwards - Italy

Charles Frampton
S. Williamsport, PA

Roy Merritt – Africa

Teachers Searcy, AR

WHEN YOUR EYES ARE FIXED ON JESUS

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. Matthew 14:29

Peter sensed something different about his life. He realized that anytime he was with Jesus wonderful and incredible things happened. Peter realized that his life was so amazingly different since he met Jesus. Jesus empowered him!

Never in his entire life had Peter said to anyone, “Tell me to come to you on the water.” But he could say it now because of Jesus! In the presence of Jesus, Peter could say the unbelievable! Wow! Peter walked on water! Can you imagine what the others were thinking as he vaulted over the side? Can you imagine what he was thinking? Was he startled not to sink? Faith in Jesus is powerful! An individual could do what he/she had never imagined was possible! Peter’s whole history of water walking was one of failure! But in the presence of Jesus he was willing to try the impossible!

Everyone seems to love Peter because we feel such a kinship with him. However, most of us are not like Peter. Remember: there were twelve disciples in the boat and only one climbed out. We, too, are impetuous at times, and we also have a way of blurting things out without thinking. But Peter was a man with a developing faith. And unlike all the others, he got out of the boat and walked on a stormy sea. It is doubtful that many of us would have done that.

But the cold mist hit his face, and he took his eyes off Jesus, and he began to think about what he couldn’t do instead of what Jesus could do. His faith gave way to fear, and all of a sudden he was sinking and yelling for help. Jesus reached out and saved him.

Watching Peter sink into the water and hearing Jesus’ rebuke about little faith, we may be unfairly critical of Peter. Peter’s walk on the water was not easy. Sure, his faith would grow. But even in weakness he was daring to believe and willing to try something he had never done before. Amazing things happen when your eyes are fixed on Jesus.

Sunday will provide us another opportunity as a church to fix our eyes on Jesus. See you then.

~Mike W. Ireland