

For the Record...

Bible Study:	181	Weekly Giving: \$	13,817
Sunday Worship:	384	Weekly Budget:	16,237
Sunday Evening:		YTD Giving: \$	768,126
Wednesday:		YTD Budget: \$	844,324

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For our visitors:

If you have any questions, if you want to get involved with our church, or if you just want to meet some of our leaders, please stop by the Starting Point kiosk in the lobby. We'd love to meet you and answer your questions. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

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WEST SIDE

CHURCH OF CHRIST

LOVE. SHARE. DISCIPLE.

by Tim Tripp

If you have been at West Side a while, I'm hoping these words look very familiar. They comprise our mission, what we are about, and how we get to the place we believe Jesus wants us to be. These are things in which we encourage every member at West Side to participate. We believe that as we do, we continue to move the mission of Jesus forward and to take his Kingdom into the world. It is very important that each member be engaged in the mission to the best of their ability. The mission of the church can't be about what the ministers do or what the elders and deacons do. It can't be carried by the older people or given to the younger people. The mission is something that every member and those affiliated with West Side must incorporate into everything they are and let it define what they do. For a refresher, let's look at them again.

LOVE. There was an old campfire song that repeated the phrase, "and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love." That is true or at least it is as it should be. After washing his disciples' feet, Jesus told them to do for each other as he has done for them and that they would be known as his disciples by the love they have for one another (Jn. 13:14 & 35). Christians are completely and overwhelmingly loved by God and we are called to reflect him in how we love each other and in how we love the broken world around us. Love is easy when it's easy. The real test of our love is to love those who test our patience; to love those who treat us or people we care for poorly. Those who take from us more than give, those who curse more than bless, and those who condescend rather than encourage are difficult but we are called to love them as well. When you love someone whom you have reason to hate, you change the world.

SHARE. Jesus spent his time with people and brought good news of God's love, his forgiveness and his coming kingdom to the common people of his day. He spent time with those to whom others would not have ventured to speak. He shared himself, he shared his time and he shared good news of salvation with those for whom the religious leaders of his day had no time. If we are called to walk as Jesus did, it is important that we share ourselves, our time, our resources and our message with the people God has called us to share them. People in our neighborhoods, our workplaces, our schools and our families need us to share with them. As we share, God works through us to draw them into the kingdom.

DISCIPLE. Jesus' final instructions to his followers were to "Go, make disciples, baptize, and teach," (Mt. 28:19-20). Discipling is an intentional activity where a more mature Christian spends time with and walks beside a less mature Christian seeking to help them be a better follower of Jesus. It involves study, sharing each other's lives and doing ministry together. Growth in both is a result. Then the one being discipled, steps in as a discipler for someone else. Disciples making disciples is the goal. If you have never been discipled this may be the year to engage with someone in that activity. Ask one of the ministers for a recommendation. If you see yourself as a mature (not perfect!) Christian, perhaps you are ready to disciple others. Training is available. If you aren't sure how, just ask one of the ministers.

LOVE. SHARE. DISCIPLE. Let's make 2020 the year we all get involved and take the step to let God work through us as we are a church on mission together.

DIOS LE BENDIGA! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

Happy New Year West Side Family!
We are in a new beginning and God is blessing us with this first Sunday of the month, first of the year too! So, we have in front of us a new challenge to make this year even better than last one. We can grow much more in the faith, we can enrich our souls much more by studying the Scriptures, attending every worship service and every bible class (you learn so much on that time; bible class is a great opportunity to dig more on the Scriptures; to ask questions and a lot of interaction that goes on that time. I do recommend you to attend bible classes, those are very important and edifying to our soul) I live in Ola, (about 22 miles from the building) and you will see me every Sunday here at 9am... and since I started attending church in 1986, I was one of the first ones for Bible class time... so, I do encourage you, challenge you, plead to you, (dare you) to come to Bible class. You will be glad and more edified. Let's work more on the evangelistic work, let us visit among ourselves a little more and let's invite friends and family to our time of worship, to have more fellowship and those activities that make us grow in love, faith and family! For this new year, let's do more: LOVE, SHARE, DISCIPLE. GOD BLESS YOU MY WEST SIDE FAMILY.

Sunday,
January 5, 2020

This week's helpers:

Nursery:

- Charlotte French
- Caleigh Whitford

KFC:

2 year olds:

Sadie B. & Jada P.

3 & 4 year olds:

Carina Ortiz

K - 2nd grade:

Amanda Williams

Puppets:

Sam & Claire Davis

Greeters:

North:

Kenny Freeman

East:

Mark Bryant

West:

Thom & Tami Robinson

Communion:

Table 1:

-Ben Janelle, Keith Frazier,
Lee Henson, Michael
Grant, Les Howard

Table 2:

-Brandon Grice, Scott
Johnson, Don Helm, Tracy
Goodwin, Glenn Holmes

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Children's Ministry Grades K - 5 Meets Sunday at 9 AM and Wednesday at 6:30 PM.



Teaching Team Leaders:

Holy Word Studios: Lee and Andrea Henson
Noah's Arcade: Dale and Christina Brooks
Museum: Brent and April Ruple
Creator's Canvas: Hensons



Happy New Year!

UPNEXT

>January 26 WSYM - Information Session,
Potluck Lunch in the Family Center

>January 29 WSYM-Family Meal and Worship night

>February 28 - Mar 1 CHRISTeens

Hey College Students!

We hope you have a great Christmas Break and look forward to seeing you in 2020!!

Gulf Coast Getaway, a christian conference for college students is coming up **Jan. 17th -20th**.

Cost is \$160

For more info on how to register visit

ccscatu.org/gcg

Want to receive text updates?

Text@ccscatu to 81010

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes:

Room 2: Tripp Rotation | Spiritual Formation
Room3: Clem Rotation | Sermon on the Mount
FC Classroom: Janelle Rotation | Minor Prophets
Rock: Clements Rotation | The Mission of Jesus

Wednesday Night Adult Class(es):

Room 3: A Life of Covenant

FC Classroom: A Joyful Journey Ladies Class

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Upcoming Events:

Prime Timers

Prime Timers will meet Tuesday Jan.7th at 5:30 in the Family Center. Bring side dishes and desserts.

Wedding Shower

Please join us for a wedding shower in honor of Dillon Collins and Cierra Gregory Sunday January 26th from 1:30 - 3pm in the Rock. Dillon worked as our youth intern this summer and Cierra is an apprentice at the CCSC. They are registered at Millyn's, Walmart, and Amazon.

Acknowledgements:

Thank you to those who donated to help restock the pantry items for MNFTM and the dialysis clinic. These efforts are ongoing. Donations both monetary and tangible pantry items are very much appreciated.

A very special thanks to the "Turtles" (our 2 & 3 yr olds), "Tigers" (our 4 & 5 yr olds), and our Teens who helped collect applesauce, fruit cups, and Little Debbie snacks!

We want to thank everyone who came out and celebrated with us on our special day. It was such a joy having so many of you at our 25th Anniversary celebration. May God continue to bless you all.

Love,
Aris and Carina Ortiz

Gathering Times

SUNDAY

WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM Bible Class 6:30 PM
9:00 AM Clase en Español 6:30 PM Clase en Español
10:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Adoración
5:00 PM Share Groups/ various times and locations

Family Illness and Recovery

Truman Hill continues to battle ongoing health concerns, and is unable to leave the house at this time. Please keep Truman and Jan in your prayers as they face daily trials with illness.

Richard Humphreys is home and still faces challenges in his recovery, but is slowly improving. Continued prayers are appreciated.

Jim Bob Humphrey continues to recover at home from his operation. Please keep him in your prayers for complete healing.

Dee Lin Jones, father of Rocky and Calvin Jones and Tami Robinson is recovering at home following heart surgery. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Pat Kee continues to recover at home from hip replacement surgery. Please keep her in your prayers as she works to regain her strength.

Clay Reed is currently undergoing chemo treatments. Continued prayers for strength and endurance are appreciated.

Joe Russell is recovering at home now. Please continue to pray for his strength to return.

RIVER VALLEY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

West Side Church of Christ has partnered with Paul Senn of River Valley Christian Counseling to provide high quality, affordable, Christian counseling to the River Valley. Hourly fees are based on the client's income and services will be provided regardless of the income/insurance situation of the client.

If you would like more information, please contact Paul Senn at

479-219-3019 or rvccounseling@gmail.com.

You may also visit www.westsidear.org/rvcc for more information.

Military

Ethan Grace
James Cole, Jr
Micah Hunter
Charles Pitney
Joseph Roberds
Carson Curtis

Missions

James & Abigail Rucker
WBS Students
Paul & Noemi Crites

Expectant Mothers

Brittany Loudon
Brooke Strasser

Shut-in & Nursing Homes

Madge Alverson - Atkins 311
Wanda Bailey - home
Mirl Helms - Stella Manor 204
Truman Hill - home
Wayne Nordin - Brookdale 219
Glennette Price - Stella Manor 305

A Look Ahead...

1/6: MNFTM resumes at 5:45 in the Family Center

1/9: Celebrate Recovery resumes at 6pm in the Family Center

1/21: Stella Manor Birthdays | Judy Holman

1/26:

- Wedding Shower for Cierra Gregory and Dillon Collins
1:30 -3pm in the Rock

- WSYM Parent Meeting and Potluck in the Family Center following morning service.