

For the Record...

Bible Study:	Weekly Giving: \$13,738
Sunday Worship:	Weekly Budget: \$ 14,818
Sunday Evening:	YTD Giving: \$ 570,174
Wednesday:	YTD Budget:\$ 607,452

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WELCOME TO WEST SIDE!

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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Sermon Notes



WEST SIDE

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Perspectives on a Laundry Chute

by Tim Tripp

Sunday
October 18, 2020

Nursery:

Kids For Christ:

2yr. olds -

3 & 4yr olds -

K-2nd grade -

Puppets:

Greeters:
North -

West -

East -

Communion:
Table 1 -

Table 2 -

It was a lazy Saturday afternoon. I was doing some studying preparing for lessons I would give the following day. Lenore was downstairs doing laundry and young Sam, 2-3 years old at the time, was in his room playing with toys. In Sam's room in the house where we lived at the time, was a laundry chute into which we could deposit dirty clothes from upstairs and they would travel to the basement and land on top of the washing machine. Sam was too young at the time to make the connection between the top of the laundry chute and where it terminated in the laundry room. To him it was a curious repository. That fateful day, young Sam devised an experiment to see what alien life might be stirred if something from his world were to visit the other side of the chute. Sam picked up a rather heavy, metal Matchbox car, lifted the cover for the chute and released his experimental vessel into the darkness.

Meanwhile, downstairs Lenore was folding some freshly dried clothes out of the dryer no doubt enjoying the flowery scent of the fabric softener sheets and losing herself in faraway thoughts unaware that a wheeled metal projectile was hurtling through the laundry chute in a free fall heading straight for the sheet metal top of the washing machine.

KA-BAM!!! The metal to metal contact reverberated through the hollow washing machine amplifying the sound waves to ear splitting levels. Lenore did what Lenore does when confronted with sudden loud noises (also with thunder, creepy movies and most roaches she happens upon) she released a long, loud, blood curdling scream.

Meanwhile, Sam stood in his room holding the cover of the chute open with wide eyes peering into the darkness anxiously awaiting the response from the other side of the chute. From Sam's perspective, the sound waves funneled through the laundry chute must have sounded like an explosive, metallic boom followed by a scream that sounded as if it were emitted straight from the pits of Hades. Sam did what most two-year olds would do when confronted with the eminent rise of pure evil in his bedroom. He wet himself (wearing a diaper thankfully) and unleashed his own "Nazgul on the hunt" imitation (which means nothing if you've not seen the "Lord of the Rings" movies - it's a loud, high pitched, shrill scream).

Knowing nothing of what had happened, I immediately jumped up and started to go downstairs when I heard my wife scream as if she were fending off the spawn of Satan. After only a few steps however, I heard Sam scream as if aliens were abducting him and I changed course for his room first. I picked him up and he seemed frightened but fine and we both went downstairs to check on Lenore. She was shaken but OK. When we discovered what had happened it was funny to everyone but Sam. It was a few weeks before he would venture back into his own room alone.

Perspective is interesting. The same effect can and often does take place during conversation and conflict. One person says something seemingly innocuous but it is received poorly by the other. The other makes assumptions about intent and responds with what seems an equal level of passion and force only to see a hurt and surprised look from the original speaker... and on it goes.

The moral of the story: We should always be willing to see things from the perspective of the other.

Dios Le Bendiga! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

Always God is good, Good is God always. We are the ones who turn God's goodness into the wrong. We always want to change God's way, to make fit in our own ways. We want God to fit in our plans but we don't want to fit into God's plans. We want God to always provide for us, but we don't want to do more than looks convenient to us, to do for him. We want him when things are bad in our life, but we don't want him when all is good in our life. We remember him when we are in need, but we forget him, when we are satisfied. We bother him when it is urgent to us, but we are bothered when he requests from us. He has given us what he wants from us. We are not the ones who need to tell God how he is supposed to arrange our life; or how he needs to fix our life, because we were the ones who turned God's goodness in us, to the wrong. We messed up our chances to do it right. He is the one always good, we are the ones always wrong. But in Jesus, we have the perfection for everything in our life, and what a beautiful mercy God is giving us if we trust and obey in EVERYTHING that he commands. Is up to us, to be submissive and completely surrender our life to him and walk the walk of Jesus!

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

Our Raising Arrows Children's program is currently suspended until further notice in an effort to keep everyone safe and healthy.



Virtual Youth Group

Wednesdays

YOUTH GROUP - ONLINE

Download Zoom app for your device

Link to the meeting will be sent out on Social Media and Remind text.

Hangout and talk

What's going on

Devotional

Prayer requests

Games and Giveaways



CHURCH OF CHRIST STUDENT CENTER · ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

College students!

Join us at our weekly events.

Sundays-10:00am House Church at the student center.

Wednesday's-11:00-1:00 free meal.

Wednesday's-RE-Groups times vary.

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning:

Room 2:

Room 3

FC Classroom:

Rock:

Wednesday Night:

Room 3:

FC Classroom:

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Baby Boy Shower

Make your plans to participate in a Drive-By

Baby Shower in honor of Candace Robinson

Saturday Oct. 24th 10am-11:30 am.

801 Hilltop Drive

Russellville, AR 72802

Baby Willis Scott Robinson is due in January

2021. Candace and Jonathon are registered at

Babylist.com

Gathering Times

These meeting times are currently suspended

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Bible Class

9:00 AM Clase en Español

10:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Adoración

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM

6:30 PM Clase en Español

7:00 PM

Family Illness and Recovery

Krysta Allen's grandfather, John, is in hospice care in Atlanta, GA. Please keep Krysta and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Vicki Betterton is recovering from an accident which resulted in a broken collarbone. Please pray that she will have a rapid and complete recovery.

Kristen Davis's father, Niles Raines, was recently diagnosed with acute leukemia. Please pray for the Raines and Davis families as they wait for answers and options.

Brenda Holmes traveled back to Mayo Clinic this past week for a doctor visit which included an in-office procedure attempting to avoid any further surgeries. Please pray that no further action will be required and complete healing will be in place.

Judy Jackson's sisters, Betty Smart of Searcy and Sarah Smith of Beebe, are both in nursing homes with multiple health issues. Betty has had multiple broken bones in addition to her already existing health challenges, and Sarah is recovering from Covid-19. Please keep both of these ladies in your prayers as well as Judy since she cannot be with them at this time.

Ming and Rhonda Kwok, In-laws to Melody (Tabor) Kwok, have both tested positive for Covid. Please pray for light to no symptoms and quick recovery.

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. 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.

Homebound / Nursing Homes

Wanda Bailey - Home

Wayne Nordin - Brookdale 101

Glennette Price - Stella Manor 305

Inez Selby - Stella Manor 315

Don Todd - Russellville Nursing Center - 317

Expectant Mothers

Carlee Schmitt

Kaitlin McCormick

Lacey Hines

Missions

James & Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

Paul & Noemi Crites

Military

Ethan Grace

James Cole, Jr

Micah Hunter

Charles Pitney

Carson Curtis

A Look Ahead...

10/21: WSYM meets at the firepit 6:30pm for class and breakout groups

10/22: CR @ 6pm in the Family Center - bring your own food

10/24: Drive by baby shower for Jonathan and Candace Robinson (see details in the What You Need to Know section)