

Week of
For the Record... December 9, 2018

Bible Study: 226	Weekly Giving: \$ 14,707
Sunday Worship: 485	Weekly Budget: \$17,914
Sunday Evening: 227	YTD Giving: \$819,684
Wednesday: 183	YTD Budget: \$877,786

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For our visitors:

If you have any questions, if you want to get involved in our church, or if you just want to meet some of our leaders, please stop by the Starting Point room in the back of the auditorium at the end of service. We'd love to meet you and answer your questions!

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Sermon notes from today:

Our Deacons

Dale Brooks	Mark Bryant	Craig Davis
Danny Davis	Lee Henson	Les Howard
Jim Bob Humphrey	Richard Humphreys	Ben Janelle
Richard Loveland	Chad Mitchell	Keith Moore
Chance Nesbitt	Brent Ruple	Ronnie Russell
Phil Sims	Keith Thomas	

A Look Ahead...

Dec. 16th: Class at 9, Worship at 10! // KFC Christmas Program! // Tea Shower for Abigail and baby Micaiah from 2 - 4 in the Rock. // Bible Bowl will meet at 3 in the FC. // Share groups at various times and locations.
 Dec. 17th: MNFTM will meet for a final time this year.
 Dec. 18th: CR Ladies Step Study 8:30 am in the Rock. // Hispanic Ministry Women's Study at 9:00 in FC Class.
 Dec. 19th: Bible classes at 6:30! The Raising Arrows classes will be going Christmas caroling at the nursing home during class time.
 Dec. 20th: Celebrate Recovery 6 pm in the FC.
 Dec. 24 - Jan. 1: Church office closed. We will reopen January 2.

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES OR SERVICES ON DECEMBER 26.

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WEST SIDE

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday,
 December 16, 2018

This week's helpers:

Nursery:

- Lisa Reed
- Jenifer Hurt

KFC:

- 2 year olds:
 - KFC Christmas Program

- 3 & 4 year olds:
 - Program

- K - 2nd grade:
 - Program

- Puppets:
 - Program

Greeters:

- North:
 - Mark Bryant

- East:
 - Judy Lamb

- West:
 - James & Judy Clements

Communion:

Table 1:

- Robyn Richardson, Jon Francis, Clay Reed, Eric Jackson, Thom Robinson

Table 2:

- Pat Crosby, Allan Reaves, Richard Loveland, Brandon Hurt, Charlie Richards

Missing Mona

by Tim Tripp

Most of you have heard of the Mona Lisa. It is a famous painting by Leonardo DaVinci that is now on display in the Louvre Museum in Paris, France. It was painted in the early 1500's and is now considered the most famous work of art on the planet. It's worth has recently been calculated to be in the \$800 million dollar range. What you may not know is that it was a relatively unknown piece of art outside of the inner circle of art enthusiasts until the early 1900's. What made it the most recognizable piece of art in the world? It was stolen.

In 1911, an Italian art enthusiast named Vincenzo Peruggia entered the Louvre during regular business hours and hid in a broom closet until after closing. He snuck into the room where the painting was displayed, removed it from the wall and snuck out with it hidden beneath his clothing. His intention was to return the work of art to Italy where he felt its rightful place should be since DaVinci was an Italian artist. The painting was not even missed until well into the following day when a museum visitor noticed an empty spot on the wall and inquired about it. The missing artwork sparked a world-wide search. Peruggia was caught when he tried to sell the work to the Uffizi Gallery of art in Florence, Italy. It was briefly put on display at the Uffizi but was later returned to the Louvre where it has been ever since. The furor over what might have happened to the painting made headlines around the world. That which became missing suddenly drew the attention of the masses.

What things in our lives do we take for granted until they are missing? Family and friends that we lose to life transitions or to death often fit that category. Oft used personal items like glasses and keys go there as well. I wonder how many of us however, would scour the house and call around to friends and relatives for information if a Bible came up missing? Could it be that we would make it well known among our associates that something of great value was missing and that we will not rest until it is found? I know the metaphor breaks down when comparing a one of a kind work of art to a book that we could buy from Walmart for less than \$20 but perhaps you get the point.

Are the Bibles in your home merely on display like a work of art or are they used to the point that their being misplaced would receive immediate attention? When it comes down to real value, the words in your Bibles are of far more value than the Mona Lisa will ever be. Make them famous in your home and in your life.

DIOS LE BENDIGA! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

Our Daily Life

How much do we know about God? How much do we now about Jesus? How much do we know about the Holy Spirit? The answer to each question will depend on how long we have studied the Word of God; how deep and strong our faith is and how much we have practiced that faith in our daily life. Is by Divine design in us to always be growing and we understand that growing need to be up! -not down- growing up more spiritual, more mature in the faith, to reach up, to the Heavens -in the spiritual sense- Knowing more about The Trinity is what we need to be concerned in our daily life because every day we live, more closer we are to leave this earth. More to know about God, more closer to Him we are if we understand the growing up part. How much we know about God, Jesus and The Holy Spirit? The answer will be reflected in our daily life!

Let's keep reflecting God, Jesus and Holy Spirit my West Side Family!

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

RAISING ARROWS
Current Raising Arrows Rotation:
Creator's Canvas: Sarah Abbott
Museum: Bakers
Holy Word Studios: Hensons
Noah's Arcade: Dale Brooks

Wednesday, December 19th, we will be singing Christmas carols at the nursing home. Please be on time so we can leave promptly.

Today is our KFC Christmas Program! **There will be no KFC on Sunday, December 23. We WILL have KFC on Sunday, December 30.

Be Still and Move On

As we read in Exodus 14:13 - 15, Moses gives the directive to the scared Israelites with their backs against the sea to "Stand Firm" and you will see the deliverance of the Lord. Then in the next verse the Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. Many times as parents we cry out and we stop and feel like we don't know what to do next. Let me encourage you to stand firm in God and keep pushing forward in the prayerful discipline of our children. Our God can and will divide the seas for his glory to be shown. Be blessed today!

UpNEXT

December 19, Wednesday: Singing with Zac George and Hot Chocolate 6:30pm in Cornerstone

December 23: Winterfest Sign up Deadline, (10th - 12th Grade) \$150. See WSYM Online for more information.

Hello West Side Family!

It's that time of year again when we all have a lot going on. As you make your plans for the upcoming weeks, please be praying for our college students as they take their finals and head home for the holidays.

Also, as many of you know, our big Gulf Coast Getaway trip is quickly approaching! If you would be interested in providing a sponsorship for this event, please let us know. As always your generosity helps change lives, and our hope is that no student who wants to participate will have to stay behind.

For more information on becoming a sponsor, see Jake or Krysta.

Gulf Coast Getaway - a Christian conference for college students - is coming up Jan. 18-21. For more info on how to register, visit ccscatu.org/gcg. You don't want to miss this!

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes:

Room 2: Church on Mission, Tripp Rotation
Room 3: Old Testament Characters, Reed Rotation
FC Classroom: Nehemiah, Janelle Rotation
Rock: Galatians, Clements Rotation

Wednesday Night Adult Class(es):

Room 2: Gospel of John (Part two)
Room 3: Digging Deeper
FC Classroom: A Joyful Journey Ladies Class
Room 34: Hispanic

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Tea Shower this afternoon!

There will be a 'tea' in celebration of Abigail Rucker and baby Micaiah today from 2-4 pm in the Rock. Rather than a traditional baby shower with gifts, we will have a money tree set up and available to bless them. Since she won't have gifts to open, this will give her more time to visit with everyone and be able to share what a day in her life as a missionary's wife, and now a mother, entails. She will also share with us about her work with the clinic. The Rucker's are still a blessing to West Side, and though they are now serving in Haiti, we would like to spend some time with her and bless them. Please plan to join us!

Holiday Schedule

-NO evening services on Wednesday, December 26. Please enjoy this time with your family.
-The office will be closed December 24 through January 1. It will reopen on January 2.
We hope you all enjoy your time with your family during the holidays!

West Side Skate Party

West Side Skate Party for people of ALL ages at the Russellville skating rink on Saturday, January 12, from 2 - 4 pm. Let's join together and have a fun skate party!

MNFTM

Monday Night For the Master will meet tomorrow, December 17, for a final time this year. We will not meet December 24 or 31. We will meet again January 7, 2019!

Gathering Times

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Bible Class
9:00 AM Clase en Español
10:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Adoración
5:00 PM Share Groups

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM Classes
6:30 PM Clase en Español
7:00 Midweek at CCSC

Family Illness and Recovery

Rylann Ausin: Had her tonsils and adenoids out this past week.

Paul Bailey: Has recently been hospitalized for congestive heart failure. Please keep Paul and Wanda in your prayers during this time of illness.

Charles Baker: Brother of Vicki Betterton and Margaret Grant, in Midland, Texas, has been placed in Hospice care. Please remember the Bakers, Bettertons, and Grants in your prayers during this difficult time.

DeVaughn Bullard: Infant son of Lashard and Jolynda Bullard has RSV. Please pray for healing for this little one, and for comfort and strength for his parents.

Lloyd Freeman: Father of Kenny Freeman, is in Russellville Rehab with a broken pelvis. Please pray for strength and healing.

Bill Hancock: Is in ICU @ St. Mary's, very critically ill. Please keep this family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Ralph Harrell: Recovering from a stroke and complications from a fall resulting from the stroke. No visitors please. Cards and prayers are welcomed.

Harding Jackson: Father of Nancy Freeman, is undergoing treatments for esophageal cancer. Please keep the Jacksons and the Freemans in your prayers.

Candy Reed: Will be having back surgery 12/19. Please pray for a successful surgery and quick and easy recovery.

Pierce Taylor: Getting new tubes and having his tonsils and adenoids removed on 12/18. Please pray for a successful surgery.

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.

Southern Christian Children's Home items especially needed:
Paper Towels, Advil, Pecans, Shaving Cream, Ziploc Bags

Prayer List

Names will be printed on this list for up to 4 weeks at a time unless further updates are received in the church office.

Margaret Grant: is doing well following back Surgery. Please keep her in your prayers for a speedy and complete recovery.

Mary Grice: Continued prayers for effective treatment.

Marcia Hunter: Her back surgery was successful this week. She is home recovering.

Connie & Ted Koerner: Both are recovering from surgery. Please pray for their overall health.

Fred Taylor: Tracy Taylor's father, is in Baptist hospital with complications from chemotherapy.

Missions

James and Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

Paul & Noemi Crites

Ongoing Concerns

Ridge Austin - Overall health

Bill Davis- Health

Betty Humphrey - Back pain

Patti Page - Achilles tendon

Patsy Parnell - Health

Charlie Richards - Back pain

Homebound/ Nursing Homes

Madge Alverson - Atkins 311
Mirl Helms - Stella Manor 221
Kirby Larsen - Brookdale 209
Wayne Nordin - Brookdale 219
Glennette Price - Stella Manor 305
Betty Spears-Brookdale 316

Military

Ethan Grace - Navy

James Cole, Jr - Navy

Micah Hunter - Navy

Charles Pitney - Air Force

Joseph Roberds - Air Force

Expectant Mothers

Sarah Beth Amack

Lauren Pipkin

Battling Cancer

Cindy Beck

Mary Grice

Mark Helms

Truman Hill

Gladys Norwood

Darwin Price

Helen Stephens