

Week of **For the Record...** [November 25, 2018](#)

Bible Study: 198	Weekly Giving: \$ 14,826
Sunday Worship: 395	Weekly Budget: \$17,914
Sunday Evening: 69	YTD Giving: \$730,200
Wednesday: 184	YTD Budget: \$841,958

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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. 2nd:** Class at 9, Worship at 10! // Middle School Christmas Party (6-8th) immediately following services this morning in the Cornerstone// Bible Bowl will meet at 3 in the FC. // Share groups at various times and locations.
- Dec. 4th:** CR Ladies Step Study 8:30 am in the FC// Prime Timers will meet at 5:30 in the Family Center... see announcement for details.
- Dec. 5th:** Bible classes 6:30
- Dec. 6th:** Celebrate Recovery 6 pm in the FC.
- Dec. 9th:** High School Christmas Party (9-12) immediately following morning service in the Cornerstone.



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WEST SIDE

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday,
December 2, 2018

This week's helpers:

Nursery:

- Charlotte French
- Calleigh Whitford

KFC:

2 year olds:

- Michele Todd

3 & 4 year olds:

- Susan Bratton

K - 2nd grade:

- Amy Jones

Puppets:

- Chrstmas program

Rehearsal

Greeters:

North:

- Charles and Shirley May

East:

- Larry and Judy Holman

West:

- Joe Russell

Communion:

Table 1:

- Kevin Mason, Lloyd Cawyer, George Reed, Rocky Clancy, Tracy Goodwin

Table 2:

- Matt Francis, Ronnie Russell, David Davenport, Cecil Johnson, Larry Duvall

Harvest Sunday

by Tim Tripp

Today is our Harvest Sunday. It is a time our elders have set aside asking us to be a little extra generous. The ebb and flow of the year was hard on our finances and we want to be able to commit to continuing our programs, ministries and missions that are all part of taking the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. If you came today prepared to participate and give a little extra for that purpose, thank you so much!! If you forgot or didn't feel able this week, I ask that you continue to consider making a year end gift to the church. Any amount will help.

My prayer has been that our generosity combined on this day will help us to exit 2018 in good financial shape. I also pray that many will grasp the importance of continuing your extreme generosity into the coming year. Deep and painful cuts loom in our future if we are unable to make significant gains in our financial health early in 2019. Things like missions and children's homes will have funds reduced or ceased all together. Local outreach will suffer reductions. Projects, programs and ministries will all likely have to be cut back to mitigate the current, urgent financial crisis.

In the past we may have thought we could depend on those who are more financially blessed to step up and make up for what we lack. This time however, we cannot sit back and hope that someone else will do what needs to be done. The gap is simply too large for that. It is time for each of us to consider what we can do to increase our weekly, bi-weekly or monthly contribution to keep from either finding ourselves in the same place at the end of next year or placing our leaders in the position of having to make those painful cuts. Every increase makes a difference and all of us making that increase will make a big difference.

Perhaps you are among those who have been considering regularly giving a percentage of your family income (tithing) to church but have not yet done so. Please make this the year that you make the sacrifice and let God show you how He will bless you for it. Your contributions will be put to such good use and real people will hear and respond to the gospel as a result. The church will grow and God's kingdom will expand on the earth.

Thank you for prayerfully responding to this plea. We don't ask for money often and frankly would not have asked now if it had not been critical that we do so. Thank you for your generosity. Whether you give by check, or use the text to give option, or give online or start an automatic withdraw from your bank account (you set that up through your bank), your contribution will make a difference for the cause of Christ in our church, in our local community and all throughout the world. God bless you for your generosity.

DIOS LE BENDIGA! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

"I don't believe in prayer, I believe in God that's why I pray" I don't remember where I heard that quotation, but thinking deep on it, that's why we pray. We pray to God and we express our feelings in that moment wherever our situation is, and yes, depending of how big or strong our faith is in God, He will answer to us, first, according to His will; His plan and on His time. Jesus taught about praying, asking to God for our needs and for others, but all has to be in line of His purpose for us to receive what we are asking Him. And if we always ask to do His will, -not ours- then, things will start to happening around our life is such a way that we will be able to see "His good, pleasing and perfect will" "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up, Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all the people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" Gal. 6:9-10

Praying and doing good, is the perfect combination for the "pleasing and perfect will" from God! Rom. 12:2 God bless you 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.



Teachers for RA rotation beginning Dec. 5th are...

Creator's Canvas: Sarah Abbott

Museum: Bakers

Holy Word Studios: Hensons

Noah's Arcade: Dale Brooks

December Kids For Christ

Word of the Month: Almighty

Scripture: "... Who was and is and is to come, the Almighty?"

Rev. 1:8

Check-In: Keith Moore

December helpers: Jada Parker, Reagan

Mitchell, Shella Brashear

Expectations 4

In the WSYM community, we are striving to create a learning environment that will allow casual biblical conversations with one another using the knowledge taught either by you at home or in our classes. Our hope is our students have confidence in their understanding of the Bible. Is knowing the bible everything? Absolutely not. Ever hear the phrase "low hanging fruit?" Well, the availability of the Bible in a church bible class is just that "low hanging fruit" or another way to look at it, an available tool used to discern a prayerful life under the creator God. We want our students to know the scriptures in a way they breathe. Allow the scriptures to be life, not to be used to cut down our friends or to put others in their place but to bring Life and Light to their own community.

(More on this next week: Expectations 5)

December 2 - Today

Middle School (6th - 8th) Lunch - Christmas Party, bring a \$10 funny gift for gift game.

Potluck style: See Facebook for details.

CCSC Upcoming events:

CCSC Christmas Party - December 4

All Day Pancakes! - December 5

Gulf Coast Getaway - a Christian conference for college students - is coming up Jan. 18-29. For more info on how to register, visit ccscatu.org/gcg.

You don't want to miss this!

Want to receive text updates?

Text @ccscatu to 81010

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes:

Room 2: Old Testament Characters, Reed Rotation

Room 3: Galatians, Clements Rotation

FC Classroom: Church on Mission, Tripp Rotation

Rock: Nehemiah, Janelle Rotation

Wednesday Night Adult Class(es):

Room 2: Gospel of John (pt 1)

Room 3: Making the Most out of Reading the Bible

FC Classroom: A joyful journey Ladie's class | "Befriend"

Rock: The Search for Significance

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Bible Bowl

Bible Bowl practice today at 3pm in the Family Center. See Chad Mitchell if you have any questions.

MNFTM

MNFTM will meet at 5:45 for a meal, followed by service projects. Please join us! MNFTM will not meet December 24 or December 31 during the holidays.

Celebrate Recovery

CR will meet Thursday night in the Family Center at 6 pm. There will be a meal at 6, followed by worship. If you are looking for a way to serve and be a part of this ministry, see Zac George.

Southern Christian Children's Home

SCCH is in need of several items such as Cream of Chicken and Cream of Mushroom, Gatorade, Cough Drops, Dishwasher AND Laundry Pods. For a more detailed list, see the needs list at schome.org.

KFC Christmas Program

There will be a KFC Christmas Program on Sunday, December 16. You won't want to miss this! If you have children ages 2 - 2nd grade, we encourage you to bring them to KFC to participate in rehearsals.

Prime Timers

The Prime Timers group will meet December 4 at 5:30 in the Family Center. Bring a dirty Santa gift (\$10 limit.) Meal will be provided. If you plan to attend, see Vicki Betterton so she can get an estimate of those attending.

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

Ridge Austin: Please continue to pray for his healing as he continues with therapies and illnesses.

Betty Chambers: Had knee replacment surgery. Please keep Betty in your prayers for a complete and speedy recovery.

Carla Ford: Is back in the Heart Hospital. Please pray for strength and healing during this time for her.

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

Harding Jackson: Father of Nancy Freeman, has recently been diagnosed with aggressive Esophageal cancer. He will be undergoing radiation and chemo therapy. Please keep Harding and Ethel and Nancy and Kenny and the entire family in your prayers during this very difficult time.

Mary Grice: Continued prayers for effective treatment.

Marcia Hunter: Will be meeting with her neurosurgeon on Tuesday and is scheduled for back surgery Monday 12/10 . Please continue to pray for healing and relief.

Connie Koerner: Had surgery this past Monday in Ft. Smith and her husband, Tim, had surgery this past Thursday at St. Mary's. Please pray for their overall health.

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.

Vavra Allison: Sister of Jim Betterton with stage 4 lung cancer that has spread to her brain and spine.

Mary Barrett: Deanna Cole's step-sister, undergoing chemo treatments.

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

Charles: Brother of Vicki Betterton and Margaret Grant, is suffering from Congestive Heart Failure in Midland, Texas. The family has a lot of concerns right now.

Missions

James and Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

Paul & Noemi Crites

Ongoing Concerns

Ridge Austin - Overall health
Bill Davis- Health
Betty Humphrey - Back pain
Marcia Hunter - Back and leg pain.
Patti Page - Achilles tendon
Patsy Parnell - Health
Charlie Richards - Back pain
Fred Taylor - (Father of Tracy Taylor) - colon surgery

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