

For the Record...

Bible Study:	Weekly Giving: \$ 13,980
Sunday Worship: 71	Weekly Budget: \$ 14,818
Sunday Evening:	YTD Giving: \$ 400,529
Wednesday:	YTD Budget: \$ 414,845

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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

Family Bible Class

by Tim Tripp

Sunday
July 19, 2020

Nursery:

Kids For Christ:

2yr. olds -

3 & 4yr olds -

K-2nd grade -

Puppets:

Greeters:
North -

West -

East -

Communion:
Table 1 -

Table 2 -

I miss our church gatherings. I miss our singing together. I miss our fellowship. I miss smiling faces in the pews. I miss after service conversations that last long after lunch should have started. I miss being in our Bible classes and studying God's word together. I miss seeing the babies, young children, older children and teens playing and conversing around the room. To say the least, I am looking forward to putting this pandemic stuff behind us!

One of the things that concerns me most is what the kids are missing from not being with their church family, in Bible classes and in children's and youth activities. At a time when they really need a firm anchor for their faith, our hands are somewhat tied as a church to provide that for them.

I think that more than anything this has been a wake-up call for families to step up and provide that anchor like never before. In Bible times it was the family (more specifically the father) that provided the religious education for their kids. In both the Old and New Testaments one can see godly parents saddled with the responsibility of teaching their kids about God and how to serve him.

In Deuteronomy 6, Moses instructs the fathers of Israel to teach their children every day while doing life together how to conduct themselves according to the law of Moses. The text says, "Impress them (God's commands) on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates," (Deuteronomy 6:7-8).

Then in Ephesians 6:4 it says, "Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." Ultimately, parents are expected to be the primary teachers for all things related to the faith of the little ones with which God has blessed them. That takes an intentional effort. It is best done with a plan and a schedule.

The complications caused by the pandemic makes the call to parents urgent. If your kids are not getting taught at church and are not getting taught at home, they are not being taught at all. They are growing up in a world where religion and spirituality are viewed less favorably than at any time in any of our memories. Parents, if you do not teach them to love Jesus, the world will give them many reasons not to.

Let me encourage you to start with a Family Bible Class. Plan to do it on Sunday, either before the online service or after and make it a weekly practice. If Sunday's do not work well for you then pick another time but be sure to pick a time and keep it. Sit around a table or in a room together. Pick a Bible story to read and talk about. Download the Home Guide from our website that Mark Hixson has been putting together each week and use that as a lesson. Find a book of family devotionals on Amazon or your favorite book seller (suggestion: Grace for the Moment Family Devotionals by Max Lucado) and use it to guide your thoughts. There are many ways to do the devotional that teaches Bible truths and helps children come to know Jesus as their Lord so just pick one.

If you have not done so already, I encourage all parents and grandparents (where possible) to plan a Family Bible Class starting this week. It will be a great time to make family memories around God's word and lead them in their walk with Jesus.

Dios Le Bendiga! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

Good morning my West Side Family!
Time to celebrate Jesus' resurrection! Time to talk about the reason for his death and what that means to you and me. Never can we forget why Jesus died at the cross and why he came in the flesh to live a life for us to follow him. That's why God left us to worship him every first day of the week, that we will not forget about all what he has done for us and for all the world. He knew that if we did not do that, we would be on the wrong path, because of the "flesh nature" in us. It's so easy for us to go in a direction against God's will when we don't have that connection with him and he knew perfectly about our condition so, that's why it is so important to worship him every first day of the week and never forget about the reason why... James 1:23 "Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like..."
That's usually us!!! And God knows it, that's why, let us keep worshipping together, that we will never forget God's love for us. Have a blessed week my West Side Family!

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

Hello West Side! Thank you all so much for your support and encouragement as we launch our new missional name -- Renew College Ministry! I've heard a lot of great feedback!!! Every year we renew the call for students to follow Christ on the campus and in the world. With a new missional name, we will make sure we are driven by that mission and that we're "all in" with our purpose. As this church knows, the college campus is one of the most strategic mission fields in the world, and we are grateful for the vision West Side has had for college ministry for the past 40 years!

For more information about Renew visit: renewatu.org

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning:

Room 2:

Room 3

FC Classroom:

Rock:

Wednesday Night:

Room 3:

FC Classroom:

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

As the Covid -19 restrictions continue on indefinitely, we have all had to come up with more creative ways of expressing love and concern for each other. From offering support in times of grief or surgery, to sharing life changing moments such as birth of a child, graduation or marriage - all have changed drastically. As we try to find a way to bring our traditional ways of expressing our love and support into such a non-traditional and unfamiliar current world, let's make extra effort to participate in the ways that we can.

Someone will be blessed because of it!!
We have two such opportunities coming up!

Wedding Shower

There will be a drive-thru wedding shower for Sidney (Brandon) Taylor and new husband Jacob, on Saturday August 2nd from 1-2pm at the home of Jamie and Beth Sorrells. Jacob and Sidney are registered at Millyn's. Make plans now to drive through and shower this young couple with blessings and warm wishes for their future together.

1407 Lands End Point South
Russellville, AR 72802

Gift Card Baby Shower

Please help us shower Michael & Savannah (Young) Troub in gifts for baby Nolan.

Michael and Savannah have moved to Greenwood, and in lieu of gifts, are requesting gift cards to help with new baby expenses such as diapers wipes and formula. Please mail to their new address:

407 Bell Road
Greenwood, AR 72936

Thank you West Side!

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

Rick Butler had two heart stents placed on Thursday and was able to return home the same day. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.

Cathryn Cates is scheduled to go home from the hospital (rehab) on Friday. Please continue to keep her in your prayers for her strength to return and overall health to improve.

Quinn Cosgrove, grandson of Jim & Vicki Betterton, remains in very serious condition in an Alabama hospital. Please continue to pray for improvement.

Mary Grice will be traveling July 26-28 to MD Anderson to consult a cancer specialist. Please be praying for safe travel and for positive new developments that will lead to healing.

Billy Hunter is recovering from hip replacement surgery. Please keep him in your prayers for pain relief and quick healing..

Bill Lewis is recovering following a heart procedure on Friday. Please keep him in your prayers for an easy recovery with no complications.

Lottie Martel of Louisiana, aunt of Tiffanie Walker, is currently in ICU in very critical condition. Please pray for her condition to improve and a complete recovery.

Clay Reed continues to recover from surgery and is undergoing another series of radiation treatments. He will begin chemo treatments July 27th. Please keep Clay in your prayers for strength and healing.

Susan Taylor continues to recover at home following an outpatient surgery. Please keep her in your prayers for a swift recovery.

Keith Thomas is recovering from shoulder surgery. Please pray for a complete and rapid recovery.

Others/Ongoing:

Krysta Magness

Sharon Johnson

Bryce Tritt

Richard Humphreys

Danny Jarra

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

Military

Ethan Grace

James Cole, Jr

Micah Hunter

Charles Pitney

Joseph Roberds

Carson Curtis

Missions

James & Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

Paul & Noemi Crites

A Look Ahead...

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

John 16:33