

Bible Study: 220 Weekly Giving: \$ 17,309
 Sunday Worship: 472 Weekly Budget: \$17,914
 Sunday Evening: 105 YTD Giving: \$438,236
 Wednesday: 188 YTD Budget: \$501,592

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

A Look Ahead...

Tonight: Potluck 5pm in the Family Center

July 23: CR Ladies Step Study at 7:00

July 25: Wednesday Summer Series at 6:30 in the Auditorium. Jlm Martin | Behaviors that count in a secular world

July 27: **Celbrate Recovery. Meal at 5:45; Worship at 6:30!**

July 29: **Youth Devo & Tell Your Story series - Bill Grant**



WEST SIDE
 CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday,

July 22, 2018

This week's helpers:

Nursery:

- Kay Smart
- Jenifer Hurt

Classes will resume KFC: again in August

2 year olds:

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3 & 4 year olds:

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K - 2nd grade:

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Puppets:

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Greeters:

North:

- Larry Duvall

East:

- James & Judy Clements

West:

- Richard Loveland

Communion:

Table 1:

- Pat Crosby, Brandon Grice, Craig Davis, Aaron Horton, Josh Harrell

Table 2:

- Logan Freeman, Tracy Goodwin, Don Helm, Ben Janelle, Glenn Holmes

Blessed

by Tim Tripp

"Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are..." (Mt. 5:1-3)

We must never forget that the world and times in which Jesus walked during his few days on earth was very different than our own place and time. Jesus lived under the government of a strict religious committee (the Sanhedrin) that was under the thumb of a brutal, military occupying force (the Romans). The religious committee was permitted to practice their own religion (Judaism) as long as they paid their tribute to Caesar and kept the peace. If they failed to do either of those, the permission to practice their own religion could be rescinded and the ruling committee dispersed (and most likely not survive). The Sanhedrin was under tremendous pressure to keep their God happy and their occupiers happy when at times their purposes were polar opposites. Most of the ruling committee was made up of Pharisees. They were a strict religious sect who insisted upon strict adherence to the Torah or Law of Moses. Most Pharisees were members of the wealthy upper class. In Israel at the time there was only a very small middle class and almost non-existent everywhere except in Jerusalem. Outside of Jerusalem, poverty was rampant and even those who had a trade or worked for a wealthy family barely had enough to live on after paying taxes, tithes and surviving the criminal element. Life was tough.

Besides the financial burdens there was the heavy religious mantle as well. The Sanhedrin and the Pharisees demanded nothing short of perfection from all who claimed to worship and serve Yahweh. Known sinners were kept out of the synagogues and from around the temple. Only those who took the demands of the law seriously were welcomed around the presence of God or in the fellowship of the faithful. Those who were sick, disabled, poor, or spiritually struggling were kept away because their struggles were, in the opinion of the Pharisees, signs of God's disdain. They believed (and taught) that God blessed those who pleased him and afflicted those who did not. Hidden sins were exposed by hardship and it was taken as evidence of spiritual poverty.

Isn't it interesting that the sick, disabled, poor and spiritually struggling were shunned and labeled by their religious leaders as "sinners" yet they were the very people to whom Jesus went.

As Jesus began the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew chapter five with his disciples, a large crowd of locals and some of the Pharisees and other members of the religious establishment scattered in he started out by saying blessed (or happy) are the spiritually poor for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Imagine how refreshing that was for one part of the audience and how shocking for another.

If you are like me, there is no way you consider yourself to be perfect or even close to it. You, like me are likely one of the spiritually poor but Jesus says to us, 'you are just the kind of person I want to hang around.' You are blessed.

DIOS LE BENDIGA! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

Today part of the Ortiz family is in Mexico, doing what Jesus commanded: **"therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you"**

Going to do mission work, makes the kingdom greater and all those involved in that work (the ones that are going and those who send them) are been blessed beyond what they can think of! There is a blessing in both ways, and is one way of making treasures in heaven. As the Apostle Paul was writing to the Romans "and how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "how beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" 10.15 So, getting involved in mission work (and that can be either, far away or few miles away) but always will bring blessings to the church.

And I want to say THANK YOU to all of you my West Side family, specially those who are making contributions and praying for the whole team in this mission to Camalu, Baja California Mexico
 May God keep blessing you more than what you are asking.

Next week I will share some of the experiences that we are having in Camalu. But for now, please pray to the Lord that He can use us as instruments in His Hands, that He can be Glorified in everything!



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



Teachers beginning July 18, are...

Creator's Canvas: Marcus and Kaitlin McCormick

Museum: Dale & Christina Brooks

Holy Word Studios: Lewis Minnie

Today is the last day of our current series.

Next Sunday July 29th, Middle School (MS - 6th,7th & 8th) and Senior High (SR - 9th,10th,11th & 12th) will gather for **breakfast burriots** in the Cornerstone and preview our next 3 week class series. We invite anyone who would like to know a little more about WSYM, or would like to be involved as a volunteer to come join us at 9am!

For more information about WSYM and to see the schedule of our next class series please visit our webpage @ westsideyouthministry.org.

If you have any questions please contact one of the WSYM leadership team: Mark and Sandi Hixson, Mark Bryant, Kyle Lamberson, Chad Mitchell, Chance Nesbitt, James Cole or Bill Grant

College class at the Greer house every Sunday at 9 am. We'd love to see you!!

There will not be Midweek during the summer at the CCSC. Please join us on Wednesday nights in the auditorium at WSCOC for our Summer Series

Text @CCSCSUMMER to 81010 for more info

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes:

Chapel: The Psalms, Reed Rotation
Room 3: Ephesians, Tripp Rotation
FC Classroom: Be What You Are, Clements Rotation
Rock: The Parables of Jesus, Clem Rotation
KFC Room: Mama Talks: Journey Through Motherhood

Wednesday Night Adult Class(es):

Auditorium: Summer Series 6:30 pm

July 25th: Jim Martin | Behaviors that count in a Secular World.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Summer Sunday Nights: Potluck tonight at 5 pm in the family center. Drinks will be provided, please bring food and desserts and plenty to share.

Kids for Christ - ANNOUNCEMENT -

KFC is taking a break and will start back in August. **
** We will be implementing a new check in process for our children when we start back in August. Please go to our website and visit the blog. Once there, you will find forms that you can complete and submit to help us get a head start on having your information entered in the system. Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we strive to make this transition smooth and keep our children safe!

Baby Showers:

Baby girl shower this afternoon for William & Cassandra Smith at the home of Clay and Candy Reed. 1-3pm.

There is a basket shower in honor of Emily and Logan Freeman to celebrate the upcoming birth of their second son. The basket is on the table by the chapel. Gift Cards and Diapers are appreciated.

There will be a Baby girl shower for Stephanie Taylor Sunday July 29th at 1pm in the Rock. They are registered at Target and Amazon and especially need diapers and girl items.

Celebrate Recovery - Reminder!

CR will be moving to Thursday nights beginning August 3rd.

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 Summer Sundays

WEDNESDAY

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

Family Illness and Recovery

Ridge Austin: Ridge is HOME! He is doing very well and will begin therapy to aid in his development of eating skills. Please continue to pray for the Austins in this time of recovery and adjustment.

Alvin James, father of Judy Holeman is in Johnson Regional Inpatient Rehab following hospitalization for anemia and pulmonary edema.

Edna Porter, mother of Susan Taylor has ceased treatments for Leukemia. Please keep Edna, Susan and their family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Sympathy:

We extend our sympathy to the family of Gordon Dunn who passed away this past week. Please remember Barbara and her family during this difficult time.

SCCH

There will be a 'Blessing Basket Party and Potluck' in honor of Southern Christian Children's Home on Sunday August 5th at 5 pm in the Family Center. This will be a time for us to bless them by filling baskets and bins with their most critically needed items. Those items include: Batteries of all sizes, Twin mattress covers, Fabric shower curtain/liners, Dishwasher Tablets, Poster Board, and greatly appreciated would be money or Gift Cards for Back to School Clothes for the children.

RIVER VALLEY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

West Side Church of Christ has partnered with Paul Senn, of River Valley Christian Counseling. He will be providing services in individual, family, premarital, and couples counseling. For more information, contact him at: 479-219-3019 or rvccounseling@gmail.com. You may also visit www.westsidear.org/rvcc or the [facebook page: www.facebook.com/rvccounseling](https://www.facebook.com/rvccounseling).

Southern Christian Children's Home items especially needed: Bottled Water, Capri Suns, Gatorade, Velveeta Cheese

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.

Sheri Crosby - recovering at home following surgery.

Ioma Lee Bonds, mother of Terry bonds - COPD

Patti Page -having complications following foot surgery. She will be having tests this week to determine the next step in her recovery process. Please pray for strength and for her foot to heal.

Missions

Various college students
James and Abigail Rucker
WBS Students

Baja Mission Group:

Zane Grant
Clay Reed
Kristy and Eric Jackson
Aris, Carina & Albertt Ortiz
Jamie and Beth Sorrells
Tim and Lenore Tripp

Ongoing Concerns

Bill Davis - At home recovering.

Betty Humphrey - back pain

Amy Vanderheiden- recovery from knee surgery

Herb Taylor - Heart issues and leg movement.

Charlie Richards-Spine issues

Homebound/ Nursing Homes

Madge Alverson - Atkins 311
Mirl Helms - Stella Manor 221
Wayne Nordin - Brookdale 219
Gladys Norwood- Brookdale 300
Glennette Price - Stella Manor 305
Betty Spears-Brookdale 316

Military

Steven Cawyer - Army NG

James Cole, Jr - Navy

Micah Hunter - Navy

Charles Pitney - Air Force

Joseph Roberds - Air Force

Expectant Mothers

Jolynda Bullard

Abigail Rucker

Cassandra Smith

Stephanie Taylor

Emily Freeman

Battling Cancer

Cindy Beck

Mary Grice

Mark Helms

Truman Hill

Gladys Norwood

Darwin Price

Helen Stephens