

## For the Record...

Bible Study:	Weekly Giving: \$ 11,627
Sunday Worship: 107	Weekly Budget: \$ 14,818
Sunday Evening:	YTD Giving: \$ 371,199
Wednesday:	YTD Budget: \$ 385,214

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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

Sunday  
July 5, 2020

Nursery:

Kids For Christ:

2yr. olds -

3 & 4yr olds -

K-2nd grade -

Puppets:

Greeters:  
North -

West -

East -

Communion:  
Table 1 -

Table 2 -

Something Horrible for the Greater Good!

by Mark Hixson

Have you ever experienced a moment that felt so horrible only later to see that it had happened for a greater good?

In Acts chapter 3, Peter addresses the crowd with a similar situation. The crowd had just witnessed the healing of a lame man from birth. In their astonishment, Peter mentioned that this man was healed through the faith in Jesus Christ, the Messiah. In this chapter, two negatives are used to glorify God and bring light to Jesus as the Messiah.

The lame man would sit at the gate of the temple, assumingly for several years. People would pass him and have pity by giving some form of money. On this particular day, Peter and John approach him with no money but yet the gift of healing through the name of Jesus Christ. The negative here is that this man had been lame from birth. Many prayers were likely said on his behalf by God-fearing people. Peter and John heal the man through their faith in Jesus Christ. Ultimately, to get the attention of the people for one life-changing conversation. It's important to note that many people knew who this man was and his history of suffering. It's this writer's opinion that God uses unanswered prayers to prove a bigger picture of Glory.

Secondly, the astonished people who are filled with amazement and wonder in the Temple Courts are now receiving a gospel message. Peter tells the people that their God has glorified Jesus Christ, the Messiah. The very Jesus they had pushed to death. Yet, Peter addresses that this horrible situation was used and prophesied for several years before. In other words, it had to happen.

But what's the ultimate message? The message comes to us in verse 26; God sent Jesus to them first to 'bless' them by compelling them to turn from their wicked ways.

The messages in Acts seem to have a theme about them, 'through confession and repentance in Jesus the Messiah ALL now have a reconciled relationship with the creator God. It is our mission to bring about the healing power of the gospel to the world.

What about your life? Any negatives that have ultimately brought light to the healing power of God? Be encouraged to share them.

Dios Le Bendiga! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

What a wonderful blessing to begin a new week putting God's Will first! Every Sunday God gives us a new beginning, a new start, a new "reset" button or our life. Every new day is a gift from God to us. Everything that happens each day is part of what God has planned for us to live and experience so that we can grow and mature so that we can better understand him and the purpose of what he wants you and me to be and to do for his Son's kingdom... worshipping together is the best time and way to start off each week, praising our Lord and Savior even in the middle of this pandemic, but we are so blessed to do it with freedom, joy and willingness. I pray that all of us will continue giving our best to the Lord and always looking to come together ready to offer the best time as living sacrifice honoring and glorifying our Heavenly Father! Don't let Satan rob and distract us by doing Satan's will and not attending God's business, specially the first day of the week.... May God keep blessing my West Side Family!! DIOS LE BENDIGA!!

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](http://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:

*To The Family at West Side,*

*Some of you know that for the last year or so Michele and I have been planning to transition our home to Northwest Arkansas with the intention of being closer to our daughter Kelsi and family. My parents, Don and Bennie Todd, are also planning to relocate with us. This decision brings many conflicting emotions as we have developed deep roots over the years here and we love our West Side family. We feel led to make this move and we ask for your prayers that we will be able to see where God wants to use us in our new location. We look forward to finding new ways to serve in the Kingdom.*

*Recently we decided to begin the relocation process which will result, Lord willing, in us moving the latter part of August. Based on our plan, I will be resigning as an elder effective August 1. It has been a great honor to serve and will always have West Side in my heart. West Side is such a special place and I know will continue to be a light to Russellville and the world.*

*We will miss you dearly.*

*We feel fortunate that we will not be far away and that we will be able to maintain all the many relationships we are blessed to have. It is difficult to find the words to describe the profound impact the West Side family has had on the Todd family. One of the greatest blessings of following Jesus is that we never have to say goodbye, only we'll see you later.*

*May God continue to bless West Side and each of you.*

*Alan Todd*

## 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 Midweek @ CCSC

## Family Illness and Recovery

Rick Butler is scheduled for heart stent procedure soon. Please pray that his current health will continue until that time, and that his condition can be corrected without the need for more extensive surgery.

Quinn Cosgrove, grandson of Jim & Vicki Betterton, is currently in ICU with sepsis in an Alabama hospital. Please pray for his health to return and a full recovery.

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

Richard Humphreys is currently at Russellville Nursing Center undergoing rehab. Please continue to pray for his overall health and strength.

Billy Hunter is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on July 13th. Please keep him in your prayers for successful surgery and complete recovery.

Lindsey Spurlock is recovering from bariatric surgery. Please keep her in your prayers for swift healing.

Ross Spurlock, younger brother of Mike Spurlock, is at home with hospice care. Please pray for Ross and his son Ryan, as well as the rest of the family as they wait with him through this difficult time.

Clay Reed continues to recover from surgery and has just completed another series of radiation treatments. He will begin chemo treatments soon. Please keep Clay in your prayers for strength and healing.

A note of Thanks:

Dear West Side Family, thank you for the lovely plant you sent to me following my recent surgery. I love and appreciate you so much.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Helms

## 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](mailto:rvccounseling@gmail.com).

You may also visit [www.westsidear.org/rvcc](http://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

### Missions

James & Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

Paul & Noemi Crites

### Military

Ethan Grace

James Cole, Jr

Micah Hunter

Charles Pitney

Joseph Roberds

Carson Curtis

## A Look Ahead...

***For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.  
Romans 8:19***