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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: Youth Devo & Dr. John Mark Hicks, and Dr. Kevin Youngblood

Aug 13th: Band of Distiction dinner @ CCSC

Aug 15th: Jovan Barrington | Left To Our Own Devices

Aug 16th: Celebrate Recovery. Meal 6pm
Family Center, Group sessions after.



Sunday,
August 12, 2018

This week's helpers:

Nursery:
- Donna Frick
- Wanda Reed

KFC:
2 year olds:
- Elizabeth Martin
3 & 4 year olds:
- Destiney Carrocio
K - 2nd grade:
- Teri Mitchell
Puppets:
- Emma Jernigan and Sara Beth Francis

Greeters:
North:
- Lloyd & Kristin Cawyer
East:
- Rex & Betty Chambers
West:
- Joel & Ginger Tippit

Communion:
Table 1:
- Chance Nesbitt, Kevin Mason, Brian Hurt, John Lee, Clay Reed
Table 2:
- Ed Lewis, Cecil Johnson, Charlie Richards, Dale Lamberson, Scott May

Big Questions

By Tim Tripp

I remember in my youth seeing my father cry on very few occasions. He was emotional and usually in a positive way. He was loving and affectionate and kind. Sadness though, he usually kept to himself. One might have seen the track of a single tear if he was touched by a response at church or the genuine affirmation of someone he loved but almost never more than that.

One morning though, it was different. When I awoke that Sunday morning I could hear mom weeping audibly. That could only mean that she was very upset. I got up and hurried in where I found mom and dad sitting at the dining room table. Mom was very upset but to my surprise, dad was weeping openly as well. I was initially convinced that one of my grand-parents had died suddenly and feeling alarmed, asked what happened. Through tears dad told me that a tragedy had taken place in our church family.

Val and Cathy Roxby were a young couple in our congregation who were very involved and on fire for Christ. Earlier that year Val decided to end his current career and enroll in school at Lipscomb University to earn a degree in Bible and go into ministry. Everyone at church was excited for their plans. Christian brothers and sisters encouraged them, gave them money, helped them pack the house and that Saturday morning had helped them pack the moving truck for their trip to Nashville where Val would begin school the following week.

That was not what happened. Val drove the moving truck with their son riding with him while Cathy drove the family automobile loaded with the family's belongings and with their daughter riding with her. We never knew why but Cathy, who had been following in the car, pulled out to pass the truck. There was an intoxicated driver driving the wrong way on their side of the highway that day. His car hit the car Cathy was driving head on. Without going into many details, Cathy died from her injuries and their little girl was severely injured. She did survive but had to undergo years of medical treatment and physical therapy to recover. We lost touch but it seems unlikely that she ever fully recovered.

It still seems like that would have been a time for God to intercede. He could have easily altered the course of that drunk driver and allowed them to live out their dream. After all, they wanted to dedicate their lives to ministry! Why didn't he help them?

So many questions. Questions about that tragedy and countless others. Those questions cause some to question and even leave their faith.

Job reminds us to hang in there and know that while we may never find a satisfactory answer to those big questions here, he has the answer for the 'whys'. He sees the big picture. All we need to know is that he is there, he sees our tears, he knows our hurts and he cares. The big questions will be resolved. All will be clear one day. We can trust him for that.

DIOS LE BENDIGA! (God Bless You!)
by Aris Ortiz
Eccl.12.7

"And the dust returns to the ground it came from, and the spirit returns to God who gave it." Working at the funeral home has made me understand this verse much more. Every time I see a body with no life in it, I am reminded that one day, my body will be like that too. And, it makes me realize more and more that I'm alive because my spirit is in my body. I am alive by the grace of God. But that day is coming when my spirit will depart from this body whether I want it to or not; it's approaching by the minute! As a minister, preaching about salvation, forgiveness of sins, and living life the way God wants us to live, it is more vivid to me now when I read the messages in the Bible about the end of our life in this earth. Passing to the eternal life, not as flesh, but in spirit. So, every minute counts! Every day, every week, every month, every year. I know that my Heavenly Father is giving me an opportunity every day to see and understand that I have to fulfill His purpose. Why is He having me live one more day? To glorify His name! Family of the faith, let's do what He wants us to do to prepare our souls to go back to Him, and our body, to go back to dust! Blessings to you my West Side family.

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

RAISING ARROWS

Teachers beginning August 15th are...

Creator's Canvas: Donnie and Rena Baker

Museum: Lauren Pipkin & Rebekah Grace

Holy Word Studios: Jamie and Beth Sorrells

Second Wednesday (8/22) combined: Austins

WSYM dates to remember (6th grade - 12th grade)

August 15: WSYM MidWeek 6:30pm

All students in the 6th - 12th grade come join in our MidWeek gathering. The Cornerstone building will open around 6:00pm for gym free play.

August 19: Morning Class and Worship

August 22: WSYM MidWeek 6:30pm

August 25: Swim party at Millers 5pm*

Back to School Party for families of students 6th grade - 12th grade. *Students please wear appropriate swim clothing.*

August 26: Morning Class and Worship

August 29: WSYM MidWeek 6:30pm

September 2: WSYM - Morning Breakfast & 6th -12th grade class

WSYM leadership team: Mark and Sandi Hixson, Mark Bryant, Kyle Lamberson, Chad Mitchell, Chance Nesbitt, James Cole or Bill Grant

Text Mark at 479-225-2022

Mark your calendars for August 26th!

Sunday morning class at the Greer house will start back on August 26th with Coffee and Donuts. Welcome Worship service at 10am at West Side and a potluck following service.

Make your plans to attend! Great things to come this year @ CCSC!

Please join us on Wednesday nights in the auditorium at WSCOC for our Summer Series as we wind up the summer. Midweek Worship @ CCSC begins 8/22 at 7pm.

Text @ccscatu 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

August 15th:

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Back to School party:

There will be a back to school swim party on Aug. 25th at 5pm for families of students 6th grade - 12th grade at the home of Luke and Janelle Miller.

322 Flatwood Rd.

London, AR 72847

Hamburgers and Hot dogs provided. Please bring drinks and side items.

Fall Blitz:

It is time again to kick off another great year for our Tech students. CCSC will kick off this year's Blitz with an Open House Aug. 19th and activities following daily. For a complete schedule see the CCSC college ministry facebook page. Please keep incoming Freshmen in your prayers as well as the staff and other CCSC students. Pray for connections to be made and relationships to grow.

KFC

We are implementing a new check in process for our children's area. If you have not already done so, please go to our website and under the Ministries menu, select Children. 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!

Share Groups:

Share groups will be starting back the Sunday after Labor Day (Sept. 9th). If you are open to hosting a share group or would like information about leading/co-leading a group, please contact Josh Clem.

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

Pat Kee - has Shingles. Please pray for a quick recovery.

Patti Page- recovering at home from a torn Achilles tendon

Matthew Francis - Recovering at home from back surgery. Please keep Matt and Laura and their family in your prayers as he recovers.

Fred Taylor- father of Tracy Taylor, is recuperating at home following colon surgery. Please pray for a quick and complete recovery.

MNFTM:

Monday Night For The Master will begin on the Monday after Labor Day, Sept. 10th. If you have not been a part of this great work in the past, be sure to make plans now to join in this year. Be watching for more information in the upcoming weeks.

Gluten Free Communion Bread

We want all of our members to be able to participate in communion together, so, all of the matzos (large crackers) in the bread trays are gluten free. The individual squares are still wheat based, so if you are gluten intolerant, or have an allergy, do not take the individual squares.

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.

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.

Edna Porter, mother of Susan Taylor - Luekemia

Ridge Austin - therapy sessions and continued prayers for progress during recovery.

Patsy Parnell - severe back pain

Christy Blythe, daughter of Patsy Parnell - cancer treatment

[If you have a current prayer request, please let the office know by Thursday morning to have it placed in the bulletin. Thank you.]

Missions

James and Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

College Students - various trips throughout the summer.

Ongoing Concerns

Bill Davis - At home recovering.

Betty Humphrey - back pain

Amy Vanderheiden- recovery from knee surgery

Herb Taylor - Heart issues

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

Lauren Pipkin

Stephanie Taylor

Battling Cancer

Cindy Beck

Mary Grice

Mark Helms

Truman Hill

Gladys Norwood

Darwin Price

Helen Stephens