

For the Record...

Bible Study: 189
 Sunday Worship: 375
 Sunday Evening: 61
 Wednesday: 216

Weekly Giving: \$13,853
 Weekly Budget: 16,237
 YTD Giving: \$ 444,318
 YTD Budget: \$ 487,110

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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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WEST SIDE

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Connected

by Josh Clem

One could argue that in 2019 our world is more connected than it has been at any other point in time. Social media platforms continue to multiply, allowing people to "connect" in every way imaginable. Special moments from kid's soccer games to birthday parties, graduations, weddings, and pretty much everything in-between can be captured and shared with the world. Technological advances allow us to see and talk with loved ones thousands of miles away. News continually streams content to us in real time. We can view it on our televisions, computers, phones, and even on our wrist watches. With all of these outlets at our disposal, how could we ever feel alone? How can we be so disconnected in a world full of connection?

The early part of the book of Acts paints a beautiful picture of a group of believers who found connection on a level far beyond what most of us experience today. They didn't have a fraction of the communication resources we have today and yet we read that they had "all things in common (Acts 2:44)." We know that later in the book this special unity faces some challenges and the rest of the New Testament chronicles the ups and downs of the early church. So what did they have in those early moments that connected them so deeply?

Several themes stick out to me as I read over this passage. The themes of devotion, selflessness, generosity, awe, and togetherness jump off of the page and lead me to wonder if this kind of community is still achievable in our current world of false connection. I don't want to vilify social media and all of the cool gadgets we have in the 21st century. I think it's wonderful to be able to connect with friends and family when we can't be together. However, even in our world of connectedness, we are fooling ourselves if expect these things to give us the depth of relationship God wants for his people.

As we approach a new year for our Share Groups here at West Side, I've been wondering how we can bring a deeper sense of connection into our gatherings. I've been wondering what it looks like to be devoted to one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. How do we regain a sense of awe in a rational world? In what ways are we willing to consider the needs of others before our own, and how might this affect our generosity towards those people? Do we still believe consistently spending time together is a vital part of our spiritual formation?

If this morning you are searching for deeper connection with God's people, you are not alone. We hope you will consider joining a Share Group when the sign up sheets come out next week. If you would like to lead or host a group, we would love to hear from you. Please let me know if there is anything we can do to help you find deeper connection in this family of faith.

DIOS LE BENDIGA! (God Bless You!)

by Aris Ortiz

I want to give an update about the Hispanic Ministry: As you may know, every Sunday we have a bible class in Spanish, room #34. Our attendance for that class is about 15 - 20. (I don't know what the answer is about not everybody in our group attending the Bible class. It's so important to study and learn much more, but well, nobody is to be forced to attend) During the worship time, our attendance will be about 45-52 in room #2 (soon we will need to tear down the wall between room #2 and room #3 to make more room !!). Sunday afternoon, our attendance is 10-15. Every other Sunday, we have our potluck and we would like to invite all small groups to join us! We want to have more fellowship with all our brothers and sisters in Christ here at West Side. So, let us know about joining us! The Hispanic ladies meet every Friday for a bible class. (They will be going to a regional Ladies Lectureships in the central-north west part of Arkansas this following month (and planning one here at West Side for the month of December, inviting ladies from some Hispanic churches in this part of Arkansas.....(more info. will be coming later)

Next Sunday I will continue with updates about the Hispanic Ministry. Blessings to all of you my West Side Family.

Sunday,
August 4, 2019

This week's helpers:

Nursery:
- Joy Johnson
- Donna Frick

KFC: *Will Resume next week!!*

2 year olds:

3 & 4 year olds:

K - 2nd grade:

Puppets:

Greeters:

North:
Rex & Betty Chambers

East:
Keith & Velda Frazier

West:
Judy Lamb

Communion:

Table 1:

- Steve Bstes, Jim Betterton, Mike Preuit, Rex Chambers, Joel tippit

Table 2:

- Colby Young, Ashley Young, Kendall Tabor, Donnie Baker, Bobby Wortham



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

RAISING ARROWS

Teaching Team Leaders:

Holy Word Studios: Lee and Andrea Henson

Noah's Arcade: Dale and Christina Brooks

Museum: Brent and April Ruple

Creator's Canvas: Hensons



Giddy-up: School practices have

started, schedules, assignments are flooding

in, purchasing clothing, purchasing school

supplies, getting lunches planned out, school

meetings... So much happening in the next few

weeks. Mark your calendars now for August 21@ 5:30-

6:15pm for a Fall WSYM - Informational Session. Salad

and Pizza will be provided.

upNext

Aug 7: Intern Dillon Last Day

Aug 10: Food on the Mount @ Mt. George

Leave WS 8am, Return around 3:30pm

Aug 18: 6th Graders Join WSYM - In the Cornerstone

Aug 21: Parents/Student WSYM - Informational Ses-

sion

@5:30 PM - 6:15 PM - In the Cornerstone

Aug 30 - Sep 2: Refresh Retreat w/Little Rock Groups -

Sign up open

Hello West Side!!

Our 2019/2020 School year is upon us!

Welcome Worship and Taco Bar Lunch at the CCSC on August 18th.

Coffee and Donuts at 9AM at the Greer House followed by Welcome Worship at West Side on August 25th.

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes:

Room 2: Galatians: Clements Rotation

Room3 : Nehemiah: Janelle Rotation

FC Classroom: Old Testament Characters: Reed

Rotation

Rock: Church on Mission: Tripp Rotation

Wednesday Night Adult Class(es):

Summer Series in the Auditorium 6:30pm

8/7: Grayson Taylor | What You're Like When You're Alone

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Baby Shower:

Don't forget the baby shower in honor of Melanie Sorrells

Cooke, *this afternoon* in the Rock from 1:30-3:30pm. The

Cookes are registered at Target, Wal-mart and Rose Drug.

Teacher's Meeting

There will be an organizational teacher's meeting this

morning following services for teachers of children

2years - 5th Grade in the KFC room. Bring your own lunch

and stay to discuss the upcoming children's classes. See

Lee Henson for more details.

Teacher Appreciation Banquet

If you are currently teaching, or have taught in the past

year, from cradle roll through adult, including Kids for

Christ, we would count you as our honored guest at an

Appreciation Banquet Sunday August 11th after morning

worship. There will be a special guest speaker, and child

care will be provided. In order to help us make this the

best it can be, *please sign the list* on the Starting Point

kiosk to let us know if you plan to attend.

Thank you:

Dear West Side Family,

Words fail me when I try to express the fullness in my

heart for you! Thank you for the wonderful " send - off". I

appreciate the hugs & words of encouragement so much.

The food & fellowship was excellent. Thank you for the

money tree gift. You made the move easier for me & I'm

grateful. West Side will continue in my heart and prayers,

and I'll visit as often as I can.

Love, Mary Grice

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 Sunday Night Series

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM

6:30 PM Clase en Español

7:00 Midweek at CCSC

Family Illness and Recovery

Terry Bonds is recovering at home following his recent hospitalization. Please pray for his recovery process to be rapid and that he will be returned to full health soon.

James Clements is doing well following back surgery. Please continue to pray for a complete and speedy recovery.

Bob Clark is improving at home. Please continue to pray for healing and strength.

Don Todd remains in Russellville Nursing Center for Rehab. Please continue to pray for his strength to return.

Tanner Freeman will be returning to Mayo Clinic August 19th for inpatient neurological testing. Please continue to pray for correct diagnosis and healing.

Mark Helms is having some complications following surgery. Please keep him in your prayers for a full and speedy recovery.

Kids For Christ will start back next Sunday, August 11th.

Aug. 11th Helpers will be:

2's- Elizabeth Martin

3's & 4's- Charli Horton

K-2 - Amy Jones

Please watch for the full schedule of KFC helpers to be an attachment with next week's online bulletin. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve in this area.

Thank you West Side for stepping up and filling the need for the Dialysis clinic snacks. The Dialysis clinic has posted a sign giving credit to West Side for providing the snacks and the patients are very grateful for them.

Current needs are: *Little Debbies.*

Donations may be left in the MNFTM box in the hallway.

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.

Military

Ethan Grace

James Cole, Jr

Micah Hunter

Charles Pitney

Joseph Roberds

Mikailah Carr

Carson Curtis

Missions

James & Abigail Rucker

WBS Students

Paul & Noemi Crites

Expectant Mothers

Melanie Cooke

Shut-in & Nursing Homes

Madge Alverson - Atkins 311

Wanda Bailey - home

Mirl Helms - Stella Manor 221

Kirby Larson - Brookdale 209

Linda Mullinax - Rsv. Nursing Center 319A

Wayne Nordin - Brookdale 219

Glennette Price - Stella Manor 305

A Look Ahead...

Tonight: 5pm in the Auditorium - CCSC Testimonial Night

8/5 Brown Bag Mondays : Jenifer Hurt

8/7: Summer Series -Grayson Taylor | What You're Like When You're Alone

8/8: Celebrate Recovery meal @ 6pm; worship and classes to follow

8/11: Teacher Appreciation Banquet - BE SURE TO SIGN UP!

8/12: Brown Bag Mondays: Sheri Crosby