

## FOR THE RECORD

Week of November 5th, 2017

Bible Study.....	240
Sunday Worship.....	448
Sunday Evening.....	232
Wednesday.....	275
Weekly Giving.....	\$21,179
Weekly Budget.....	\$17,306
Year-to-Date Giving.....	\$727,646
Year-to-Date Budget.....	\$778,770

## NURSERY ATTENDANTS

### November 12

Kristin Cawyer & Carol Lee

### November 19

Tami Robinson & Andrea Henson

### November Communion Prep

Larry & Judy Holman

## GREETERS

### November 12

Roy & Becky Reaves.....West  
George & Wanda Reed.....East  
Larry & Judy Holman.....North

### November 19

Roy & Becky Reaves.....East  
George & Wanda Reed.....North  
Larry & Judy Holman.....West

## COMMUNION

### November 12

**Table 1:** Craig Davis, Mark Bryant, Josh Harrell, Drew Goodwin, Rex Chambers

**Table 2:** Lloyd Cawyer, Brandon Grice, Larry Duvall, Kent Bullard, Garrett Crosby

## RAISING \* ARROWS

Psalm 127:3-5

Children's Ministry Grades K-5. Meets Sunday at 9AM, and Wed. at 6:30PM  
Teachers beginning **November 8** are...

### Noah's Arcade

Dale & Christina Brooks

### Museum

Shannon & Kim Walters

### Creator's Canvas

Brent & April Ruple

### Holy Word Studios

Lee & Andrea Henson

## Kids for Christ

Kids for Christ is for ages 2 – 2nd grade, in room #2, and is announced for dismissal **during the sermon.**

### November

**Word / Scripture of the Month**  
Patience / 1 Thessalonians 5:14  
"...be patient with everyone..."

### November 12

**2 Year Olds:** Judy Holman  
**3-4 Year Olds:** Susan Bratton  
**K-2nd Grade:** Teri Mitchell  
**Puppets:** Jon & Sara Beth Francis

### November 19

**2 Year Olds:** Sue Ann Jernigan  
**3-4 Year Olds:** Charli Horton  
**K-2nd Grade:** Rebekah Cole  
**Puppets:** Brent & April Ruple

### November Helpers

Chiane Nesbitt, Courtney Nesbitt, Jada Parker, Emma Jernigan

## RELUCTANT LEADERS

November 12th, 2017

Tim Tripp

You don't have to look far to find them. They timidly stand out in the pages of scripture early in Genesis and move toward their calling with weak knees as late as the book of Acts. They are reluctant leaders. They are ordinary men and women called by God to carry out his will and move forward with His plan for His people and for mankind. Remember characters such as Abraham and Moses, Deborah and Esther, Saul (the king) and Saul (later Paul). They are all people who breathed a collective "who me?" when called to lead God's people. Very often in the Bible, God's greatest leaders come from the humblest of circumstances. Remember a shepherd boy who became a great king and is listed among the earthly fathers of the son of God. Remember a slave girl who became a queen in a foreign land to one day save her people from annihilation. Remember a pregnant, unmarried Jewish girl who gave birth to the King of Kings. Recall four fishermen, a tax collector, a political activist and six other no names who carried the message of Jesus to the world and started the church of which we are a part today.

Perhaps my favorite reluctant leader is Gideon. Gideon was an Israelite and lived during a time when God's people were being oppressed and abused by the Midianites (Judges 6 & 7). The Lord called Gideon to destroy the local Baal and Ashera idols and then to call an army to defeat a huge army made up of men from several nations. You know the story. Gideon's army was whittled at the Lord's behest from 32,000 to 300. Gideon, 300 men and God defeated a vast army and won a tremendous victory. While God delivered the huge army to a few Israelites, the story behind the story is Gideon's reluctance at every stage of the game. He asked for a sign when he first met the angel of the Lord. Fire from a rock convinced him for a while. When called to lead men into battle, he asked for the famous fleece sign, (Judges 6:36-38) which he got. Then he asked for the now famous reverse fleece sign (Judges 6:39-40). Which he got along with verbal encouragement from the Lord before he was finally convinced that the Lord really wanted him to lead. All along the way, it was as if Gideon was saying, "There must be some mistake. You really don't mean me do you?" He told the angel who visited him that he was from the weakest clan in Manasseh and the least in his family. How could he save Israel?

I think we all know the answer that question. It is the same answer He gives you when you get that "who me?" feeling. God doesn't just need men and women of stature or great wisdom or some awesome talent. He needs ordinary people who are committed and willing to do His will no matter how great or small. God is looking for men and women with the faith that allows them to step out at His call and say, "Here am I. Send me." Do you qualify?

## STARTING POINT

Welcome to West Side! Are you interested in learning more about us? Be sure to visit the Starting Point room in the back of the auditorium after each Sunday service.

### WSYM

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new Youth Minister, Mark Hixson, his wife Sandi, and their four children, Addison, Avery, Ava, and Joseph. Please continue praying for them during their transition and for their ministry here with West Side youth and families.

### BASKET SHOWER

There will be a basket baby shower for baby girl Oaklee Jean Sanford, daughter of Korbin and Erin Reid Sanford. Oaklee was born October 27. Many of you will remember Erin as the granddaughter of Ron and Mary Reid. Please, no newborn gifts.

### WEDDING SHOWER

There will be a wedding shower for Larken Pew, daughter of Laura Stephenson, on November 19 from 1:00 - 3:00 in the Rock. They are registered at Millyn's, Dillard's, and Target. Please come join us as we celebrate her marriage to Scott Record.

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

During the week of Thanksgiving, there will be **NO Monday Night For The Master on November 20th**. There will also be **NO evening classes OR services Wednesday, November 22nd**.

### A Look Ahead...

**November 12:** Friendship Cafe: Charli Horton - 3 doz. Donuts; Cindy Jones - 3 doz. Muffins; Donna Frick - 3 doz. Donuts.

**November 13:** MNFTM // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

**November 15:** CCSC Cookies - Vicki Yates, Cindy Jones, Wanda Reed, Lisa Reed

**November 17:** Celebrate Recovery

**November 19:** Friendship Cafe: Jennifer Zangara - 3 doz. Muffins; Rena Baker - 3 doz. Donuts; Carina Ortiz - 3 doz. Donuts // Larken Pew wedding shower in the Rock from 1:00 - 3:00. // Bible Bowl in the Family Center at 3:00. // Ashli Roussel will be in the Chapel at 5:00 PM to discuss her involvement in a ministry in West African nation of Burkina Faso. Anyone is invited to attend to hear and meet Ashli.

**November 20:** **NO MNFTM** // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

**November 21:** Stella Manor Birthday Party at 2:00 PM at Stella Manor. Nina Goza is bringing the angel food cake. Please arrive at 1:50 if you would like to help.

**November 22:** **NO EVENING CLASSES OR SERVICES!**

**November 23:** **THANKSGIVING DAY**

**November 24:** Celebrate Recovery

**November 26:** Friendship Cafe: TBD // Bible Bowl in the Family Center at 3:00.

**November 27:** MNFTM // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

**November 29:** CCSC Cookies - Sherry Crosby, Jamie Bates, Nittie Goodwin, Kristin Cawyer.

**December 1:** Celebrate Recovery

## DIOS LE BENDIGA (GOD BLESS YOU)

**BY ARIS ORTIZ**

After listening of two Holocaust survivors on how their childhood was affected in such a way that they believed life everywhere was the same as in the concentration camps, makes me realize how my childhood life was blessed with "abundant" of physical, emotional and material needs that I enjoyed.

For these two people, to die was the easiest solution, but to survive was the hardest part of every morning in those camps.

Now as a Christian, is clear to me not to be complaining about anything but to be thankful and humble doing every single day, my best to show The Father in Heaven my gratitude for His Mercy.

Indeed, He is showing me His love when I see and feel YOUR love, in a hug or smile, or when you ask about how me or my family are doing; when you are praying for us, or the Hispanic ministry.

Thank you, my Westside family for letting us worship God together with you!  
Blessings. - Aris

### PRAYER LIST

#### **Nursing Homes**

Madge Alverson (Atkins #311), Mirl Helms (Stella Manor #221), Imogene Taylor (Brookdale #211), Wayne Nordin (Brookdale #219), Glennette Price (Stella Manor #305), Elizabeth Wyatt (Legacy Heights #43).

#### **Cancer Patients**

Gladys Norwood, Helen Stephens, Mary Grice, Mary King, Carla Ford, Doug Hart, Jerry Thompson, Julie Session, Ruby Kite, Sherilyn Russell, Kelly Owens, Don Martin, Lavada Gordon, Ray Fullerton, Delba Parrish, Kirk Benson, Debbie Gann, Hobart Summers, Debra Leaming, Lorri Petty, Joyce Gage, Ruth Kelley, Steven Watson, Linda Elkins, Suzanne Gatewood, Kim Kersh, Richie Schilling, Greg Standridge, Ella Allison, Rex Roberts, Eura Mae Loyd, Maddie Allen, Stephanie Carper, Don Bailey, Jerry Bailey, Connie Shay, Mark Helms, Truman Hill

#### **Military**

Dale Nelson, Justin Dollins, Steven Renfrow, James Cole, Jr., Micah Hunter, Steven Cawyer, Charles Pitney, Joseph Roberds

#### **Additional**

Aris Ortiz, Jr., Patsy Parnell, Nora Smith, Jeremiah Martinez, Matt Francis, Loren Hurst, Ridge Austin, Tiffany Lutrell, Nathan Hodges, Frost Family, Amanda Hensley, Ellen Collins, Carina Ortiz

#### **Missions**

James & Abigail Rucker-Haiti, WBS Students

### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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