

FOR THE RECORD

Week of June 4th, 2017

Bible Study.....	209
Sunday Worship.....	415
Wednesday.....	202
Weekly Giving.....	\$21,109
Weekly Budget.....	\$17,306
Year-to-Date Giving.....	\$389,240
Year-to-Date Budget.....	\$398,038

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

June 11

Sue Ann Jernigan & Rebekah Grace

June 18

Marcia Hunter & Janelle Miller

JUNE COMMUNION PREP

The Harris Family

GREETERS

June 11

Charles & Shirley May.....North
Joe Russell.....West
Clay & Candy Reed.....East

June 18

Charles & Shirley May.....East
Joe Russell.....North
Clay & Candy Reed.....West

COMMUNION

June 11

Table 1: Brandon Tabor, Steve Bates, Bobby Wortham, Mark Bryant, Joel Tippit

Table 2: Jerry Yates, Randall Williams, Jim Betterton, Rick Butler, Zach Taylor

RAISING * ARROWS

Psalm 127:3-5

The Raising Arrows Children's Ministry meets at **9am Sunday** mornings, and **6:30pm Wednesday** evenings, during Bible classes. All children, grades K-5th, will meet in Room 2.

June 11 & 14

Teacher: Sarah Abbott

Helpers: Kristin Bunch & Jennifer Wortham

Can you be a teacher or class helper for a Sunday or Wednesday?

Please contact the church office at (479)968-1121 or by email at office@westsidear.org

Kids for Christ

Kids for Christ is for ages 2 – 2nd grade, in rooms #17-20 **during the sermon** and will be announced for dismissal during worship.

June

Word / Scripture of the Month

Understanding / Psalm 119:130

The unfolding of your Word gives light, it gives understanding to the simple.

June 11

2 Year Olds: Charli Horton & Shirley May

3-4 Year Olds: Sarah Janelle

K-2nd Grade: Lisa Rentfro

Puppets: Emma Jernigan & Katie Clem

June 18

2 Year Olds:

3-4 Year Olds: Callie Fitts

K-2nd Grade: Christina Betterton

Puppets: Brent Ruple

June Helpers

Sara Beth Francis, Courtney Nesbitt, Lorelei Harris, Reagan Mitchell

TRANSFORMED

June 11, 2017

by Tim Tripp

In my first year of college I had a suitemate who openly admitted that he didn't like "black people." He had worked in a convenience store during high school and had been working twice when the store was robbed by black men. This was the reason he gave for not liking anyone who was African American. You can imagine his feelings as one of a few blacks on campus (my first year was at Ohio Valley College -as it was called then- in Parkersburg, West Virginia) moved into our suite in the second semester of our freshman year. The experience caused him to change his opinion of African Americans and as we laughed and joked and teased and pranked each other, they began to see each other in a new light - as friends. One might say his attitude towards an entire race was 'transformed.'

In Romans chapter 12, Paul challenges his audience to engage in similar efforts. He says, "*Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing, and perfect will,*" (vs. 2). He reminds them earlier in the chapter that their motivation for change is the mercy and grace of God and that in light of His extraordinary mercy, they should respond by being willing to offer their bodies as living sacrifices - totally given over to God's will in their lives. As they do so, they open their hearts to the guiding presence of the Holy Spirit to move away from the drumbeat of the world and march in step with God's will. Later in Romans, Paul warns the audience to avoid disparaging each other particularly along ethnic lines even in places where they disagree. "*Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own master he stands or falls,*" Paul tells them reminding them that it is God who will judge the hearts of men and none other.

Our world is still a judgmental and segregated world torn up by divisiveness along religious, political, racial and ethnic lines (among others). If we were to live according to the pattern of this world we would have those who could claim to be conservative Christians or liberal Christians. Some could call themselves a Christian Democrat or a Christian Republican. Others might divide along the lines of being a white Christian or a black Christian or maybe an English-speaking Christian or a Spanish-speaking Christian. We read of no such delineations in scripture. In fact, calling ourselves anything but a humble, God-fearing Christian is clearly considered ungodly (see Colossians 3:11). Being transformed means we renew our minds and rid them of worldly prejudice and ethnic pride and see our friends and neighbors and brothers and sisters in Christ; regardless of language or color of skin as people who God loves with all His heart and expects us to do the same. There can be no room for prejudice among the transformed.

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.

BILINGUAL SERVICE

Our service today will be combined with our Hispanic Ministry, and will consist of both English and Spanish worship and content. We encourage you to participate in the experience and welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ!

SUMMER SUNDAYS

Tonight, at 5pm, we will have a Bible study in the auditorium over Genesis 6:1-4. Everyone is welcome to attend!

RAISING ARROWS HELP NEEDED

We still need your help! If you can be a helper in the children's church classes one or two days this summer, call or email the church office. If you have not received your lesson plans, please stop by the office to pick up a copy.

WEDNESDAY SUMMER SERIES

This Wednesday, June 14th, Chris Benjamin from West-Ark Church of Christ will be presenting a lesson entitled "Connect the Dots" from Ephesians 1:15-23. We will meet in the auditorium at 6:30pm.

STELLA MANOR BIRTHDAY

Stella Manor Nursing Home has a birthday celebration on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 2pm. This month, on June 20, Barbara Dunn has signed up to provide the Angel Food cake.

CROSBY/LOUDON WEDDING SHOWER

Please join us for a wedding shower in honor of Brittany Crosby and Zachary Loudon on Sunday, June 25th, from 1-3pm in the Rock. They are registered at Millyn's, Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, and Amazon.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Check out our Summer calendar at westsideyouthministry.org/summer for all the summer youth events! Please see Jake Greer with any questions about the Impact fee.

CROWLEY'S RIDGE COLLEGE DAY

CRC Day June 11 - Crowley's Ridge College is a growing college in Paragould, Arkansas that is affiliated with Churches of Christ and was formerly a junior college. Among its alumni are Josh & Tiffany Clem, Krysta Allen, and Amy Jones. Each year they have "CRC Day" among churches during the summer to raise funds to support the ongoing progress of the college. In recent years the college has begun adding baccalaureate degrees, beginning with Bible and Business; the number is up to 10, including Education, so now the school is producing preachers and teachers, influencing many for the Kingdom of God. Last fall, CRC had a record enrollment of 230, and enrollment is expected to continue to grow.

Wonderful things are happening at CRC. Please consider a gift to help CRC continue to grow and expand its offerings and influence. 100% of CRC Day funds support the Bible Department in such ways as offering scholarships to Bible majors, preacher training, and their annual Bible lectureship. Please give your gift to Calvin or Amy Jones or place it in the box designated "CRC Day" in the lobby anytime in June. For more information, go to <http://www.crc.edu>.

DIOS LE BENDIGA (GOD BLESS YOU)

BY ARIS ORTIZ

Good morning Westside family!

This week is going to be a "prayer, patient, patience" in my house. My wife will have her surgery on Wednesday and then will be on a few weeks of recovery. Later in the month, my son, Aris, will have an appointment to schedule his surgery. So we will ask for more prayers that everything will be ok.

This week I learned a good lesson from my son, Aris, about a "three legged dog"... and his point was that you will see the dog's three legs running so fast that you will not think he has three legs... and that dogs life is to keep going forward and not to feel down or to stop doing what he enjoys most: to run and play all around! So, there is so much good, beauty and wonders from God to let Satan steal all that when he throws you his evil doings.

Prayers keeps us going.

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, Tiffany Lutrell, Carla Ford, Jeri Shay, Doug Hart, Jerry Thompson, Julie Session, Ruby Kite, Sherilyn Russell, Kelly Owens, Don Martin, Lavada Gordon, Ray Fullerton, Amy Baker, Delba Parrish, Kirk Benson, Bob Baker, Ali Winters, Debbie Gann, Hobart Summers, Debra Leaming, Lorri Petty, Joyce Gage, Ruth Kelley, Steven Watson, Linda Elkins, Johnetta Hunter, Dianne Skipper, Suzanne Gatewood, Kim Kersh, Richie Schilling, Greg Standridge, Ella Allison, Rex Roberts, Eura Mae Loyd, Maddie Allen, Stephanie Carper, Don Bailey, Jerry Bailey, Jo Binchoss

Military

Dale Nelson, Justin Dollins, Steven Renfrow, Nicholas Randel, 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, Carina Ortiz

Missions

James & Abigail Rucker-Haiti, WBS Students, Guatemala

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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