



According to Webster's Dictionary:
Sweetheart means, "One who is Loved."

You and your sweethearts are invited to the Sweetheart Banquet planned for February 13, 2016 at 5:00 PM.

Where? Lower level at West Side

Who? You and your family

The meal will be prepared in its entirety for your eating pleasure. Don't miss a night of good fellowship, good eats and good fun with your favorite families of West Side participating in a homemade game of "Family Feud". If you plan to attend, please sign up on the sheet posted across from the Missions' Board. Any questions, see Don Allison.

Hope to see you there!

The food pantry needs canned corn and green beans for this month.

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The world is watching us, church. The world is watching. We have been shoved to the margins of cultural relevance. Truth, sadly, is no longer a strong selling point. So, how do we let our light shine in moments like these? We serve as beacons of love—a love that bears, believes, hopes, and endures ALL THINGS."

A love, so one former-terrorist once wrote, that never fails.

Perhaps instead of asking, "Who are the terrorists?" Christians should be asking themselves at this moment, "Who is my neighbor?"

Michael Whitworth

"Keeping our mouth shut keeps a lot of ignorance from leaking out"

Forest Hurst is among the eldest of our congregation at age 92. He is a Muncie native and a 1941 graduating Bearcat. Thereafter, he was drafted into the army and assigned to an artillery division. While in basic training, he contracted spinal meningitis and was waylaid for over three years. He wound up in the US Air Force and was honorably discharged back home to Muncie. Forest began his work career at Ball Bros. where he worked in the box dept. When he was given an opportunity to work for the Post Office, he acted as a floating mail carrier for the many routes in Muncie. Finally, he secured his own route, which included the college area. In all, Forest worked for the post office for 37 years. It is impossible to think of Forest without thinking of Jane whom he married in 1947. Jane passed away in 2007. His mother and Jane's mother worked together at Ball Bros. and Forest says he knew Jane since she was "knee high to a grasshopper". Their children are Dennis, who lives in Oregon and Julie, who lives in Daleville. Several grandchildren continue the Hurst tradition. Forest was born to Claude and Inez Hurst and many will remember Inez as a part of West Side for many years. Cletus was his older brother by 18 months. Forest and Jane placed their membership at West Side in the 60's. Jane was known for her gentleness and her caring nature. She never forgot a chance to send a card to encourage and celebrate a person's life. Forest resides at Elmcroft now and enjoys the comradery of being with those close to his own age, listening to their stories and involving himself in the atmosphere of the facility. He is known for his love for the church, his positive way and his gift of encouragement to others. He has been in the Lord's church since he was a teenager when he went to services with his best friend, whose father was Roy Morgan. Roy was manager of the Big Four Railroad, at the time, and preached on alternate Sundays with Vigil Collins at the Lord's church that met at 10th and Hoyt avenue. It is our honor to call Forest our brother and we congratulate him on his 92 years of a distinguished life as a faithful Christian.



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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study —
9:30 am
Worship — 10:30 am
& 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study —
7:00 pm

MINISTER

Michael Gors

ELDERS

Michael Gors
Gary Reynolds
Todd Stults

DEACONS

Don Allison
Fellowship

Kendall Clark
Benevolence

Jim Clark-Visitation

Lowell Huffman-Media

Volker Jaromin—
Communication and
Advertising

MISSION WORKS

Russia & India
Mark Reynolds
Memphis School of

Preaching
Ronnie Gootam
Southeast Institute of
Biblical Studies

Preaching
Caleb Taylor
Jonah Stults
Florida School of
Preaching
Scott Pfettscher

New Hampshire
Laconia Church of
Christ
Shane Belanger

West Side Window

January 10, 2016

Who is My Neighbor?

(I have some very deep reservations about letting thousands of refugees in to our country! I am still not sure it's a good Idea BUT this article caused me to pause and at least consider the author's position vs. my position on the crisis. MJG)

In Luke 10, our Lord and Savior told the following story:

A Jewish man was going down from Jerusalem to Lebanon and he fell among members of ISIS, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now, by chance a preacher was going down that road to a church conference, and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So, likewise, a church elder, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But an atheist, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on peroxide and Neosporin. Then, he put him in the backseat of his Prius and took him to a hospital and saw to it that he received medical care. And the next day, he took out a few \$100s and gave them to the attending physician, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back."

Which one of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the members of ISIS?

If you are offended that I took so many blatant liberties with the biblical text, I apologize. But, I don't think I'm far off.

Note that, in the original story, Jesus did the following:

1. He used an all-too-common episode of violence (robbers on the road to Jericho) as the catalyst for the story.
2. He cast two prominent religious figures as inhuman and uncaring as they "passed on the other side."
3. He chose a spiritual/cultural reprobate (Samaritan) as the hero and as one who demonstrated the epitome of compassion and Christian love.
4. He portrayed the reprobate as going above and beyond what was expected, and at great personal threat to himself (robbers could have attacked him as well; a man leading a donkey carrying a wounded person can't travel very fast).

All this to say, maybe Christians shouldn't be so vocal about refusing Syrian refugees. If our government refuses them entrance into our nation or state, fine. If they do grant entrance, we as Christians should be the first to welcome them and minister to their needs, especially their spiritual ones. (Cont. on page 4)

Those Serving Today JANUARY 10, 2016

MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements: Todd Stults
Song Leader: Jerry Hoyt
1st Prayer: Richard Messer
Scripture: Adam Gors
Ephesians 6:10-14

Sermon: Mike Gors
“Stand Against the Devil”

Closing Prayer: Cliff Nicks
Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side— Outside: Jacob Harper
 Inside: Adam Gors
East Side— Inside: Volker Jaromin
 Outside: Carl Gilstrap

EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements: Todd Stults
Song Leader: Jerry Hoyt
1st Prayer: Bill Smith
Scripture: Rex Harper
1 John 2:3-6

Sermon: Mike Gors,
“Saying and Doing are Two Different Things”

Communion Table: Bill Winemiller
Closing Prayer: Kendall Clark
Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

Remember in Prayer

Andrew Weyman, Leukemia. Two year old
Angie Dick, Recuperating nicely from surgery on her left knee
Angie Reed, MS, Daughter-in-law of Joe and Wanda
Anneta Hill, Breast Cancer. Attends Fairlawn
Ashley Shaw, Personal issues
Bob Allison, Surgery last Wednesday at St. John’s in Anderson. Don’s father
Dana Shaw, Knee surgery. Doing well at home.
Forrest Hurst, Pacemaker placed. Doing well back at Elmcroft
Herb & Betty Smith
Holly Chambers
Jeremy Fortner, Advanced colon cancer. Nephew of Kendall
Jerry Winsor, Cancer. Brother-in-law of Pat Ertle.
Laura Spaulding, Breast cancer. Co-worker of Genny Stults
Marshall Staggs
Mike Bayer
Monet Wright, Some improvement with pain control
Pat Kid, Stomach issues
Shawna Schock, Pneumonia
Susan Cloninger, Testing scheduled for January 11th
Mailing address for Tom and Susan:
18 Knight Ridge Road
Sherwood, AR 72120
Virginia Southard, Stroke and heart attack

We are sad and grieved to hear of the passing of Tom Hulloman in Florida where Tom & Sui were living for the winter. They were involved in a car accident that took his life and left Sui with broken bones and internal injuries. Tom’s funeral is pending while Sui remains hospitalized. Our sincerest sympathy is extended to Sui, her daughter, Belinda and her family.

On Duty Today & Wednesday

Group One:
Door Greeters, Building Lock-up and Communion Clean-up

Communion Prep for January:
Kista and Elayna

Remember Our Shut-ins

Evelyn Vannatter—Elmcroft
Forrest Hurst—Elmcroft
Jim & Marylou Witty—At home
Joyce Popplewell--Waters of Muncie
Lana Blanchard—Albany Health Care
Ralph Zeek—Willow Bend
Vada Zeek—Willow Bend

Midweek Service on Wednesday

Jan. 13th

Devotional: Lowell
Song Leader: Jimmy
Prayer: Bill W.

Happy Birthday to all

Don G.---Jan 10
Rick---Jan 11
Debbie---Jan 11
Charlene---Jan 14
Andy ---Jan 16
Kassandra---Jan 18
Pat Lee---Jan 30
Jack ---Jan 31



Message from Kathy,

“The Indiana Blood Center has reached out to me due to the anticipated blood shortage in January, so, we’re considering starting up our quarterly blood drives again. Please let me know if you are willing and able to donate. Some of the donors have moved away or can no longer do it because of health concerns so I need to know if it is still feasible for us to do it. Thanks for your help!”



What is happening today?

2:15 Girls to lead at Bethel Pointe

4:00 Pearls Class

5:00 Boys Song Leading

Jan. 12, Men’s breakfast at IHOP, 8a
Jan. 12, Women’s breakfast, **Cracker Barrel** in Anderson, 10a.
Jan. 14, HS & College Bible Study. At Towne Acres, 7p
Jan. 14, Bible Study at 2p. Elmcroft
Jan. 16, Bible Bowl, 7-9p
Jan. 17, “Good Sams” will meet in the lower level after AM worship
Jan. 21, Support Group, “Grafted In” at West Side. 7p
Jan. 21, High School & College Devo, Towne Acres, 7p
Jan. 22, Youth lock-in at West Side, begins at 7p
Jan. 22, Singing at Waynedale, 7-9:30p. Refreshments to follow singing
Jan. 28, Bible Study at Elmcroft, 2p
Jan. 30, Men’s Fellowship Breakfast at West Side at 9a
Feb. 13, Sweetheart Banquet at West Side, 5p
Feb. 14, Portland Church of Christ Singing, 2p. Flyer posted
Feb. 20, Community Teacher’s Appreciation Dinner at West Side
Feb. 26-28, CYC Youth Challenge in Pigeon Forge, TN

Address for the Chad Bobo Family:

825 South Dickerson Rd.
Goodlettsville, TN. 37072

Update: the Ladies Deep Bible Study scheduled for January has been postponed. This class will resume on February 25th.

Men of West Side: Don’t forget the men’s fellowship breakfast and business meeting on January 30th at 9a, in the lower level.