



Welcome to West Side Church of Christ

We are happy for your presence today and are glad and thankful that we can provide a safe place for worship of our Lord.

We ask that you please adhere to the guidelines of our governor who advises that we wear masks and distance ourselves from close contact with each other while at services. Communion packets and baskets for the contribution are at the double doors. Thank you for protecting yourself and each other while we are together.

Just a reminder that Sunday AM Bible classes have resumed at 9:30a and also the Wednesday Bible Study is meeting at 7p.

This coming Wednesday, you are invited to attend midweek service at Towne Acres where Mike Gors will be speaking in conjunction with the Towne Acres Summer Series on the book of James. In the spirit of Brotherhood, let us support this endeavor and join together to hear the Word. 7p

*There will be no Wednesday mid-week Bible Study at West Side
On July 22nd*

“Even from eternity I am He; and there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act alone and who can reverse it?” Isaiah 43:13



Finding My Worth in God

“Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself” (Phil 2:3 NKJV).

One of the greatest struggles for humanity is the discovery of our own value and self-worth. People often feel so very empty and insignificant. The cares of life tend to batter down our self-image and leave us with a sense of meaninglessness and even self-loathing. This is part of the reason why so many people turn to so many vices—alcohol, drugs, sexuality—in an attempt to “fill the void.”

The world is quick to offer solutions. The self-appointed therapists of afternoon talk shows and the mega-rich attitude coaches of late-night infomercials tell us that we need to practice “self love,” and engage in more positive “self-talk.” They tell us that we have to love ourselves first before we can ever learn to love anyone else. Yet, however quaint their advice may be, it is as far from truth as the east is from the west.

The Bible tells us that positive self-image does not come through believing we are wonderful, but through the knowledge that God loves us. We don’t need better “self-esteem,” but need a better understanding of God’s estimation of us! In fact, the Bible tells us that the first step to wholeness is understanding and accepting our own wretchedness and turning in utter dependence to God’s awesome grace. Perhaps the old children’s song has more practical advice on developing self-esteem than all of today’s pop-psychology: “Jesus first, yourself LAST, and others in-between.”

Kerry Williams

Services

Sunday Bible Study

9:30am

Worship: 10:30 am
& 6:00pm

Wed. Bible Study
7p

Preacher

Michael Gors

Elders

Michael Gors

Gary Reynolds

Todd Stults

Deacons

Don Allison
Fellowship

Jim Clark
Visitation

Lowell Huffman
Media

Those Whom

We Support

MSOP

Cannon Taylor

INDIA

Bible Correspondence
Course/ Bibles

Leaders in Worship

July 19, 2020

Morning Worship

Announcements: Lowell Huffman

Song Leader: Gary Reynolds

Opening Prayer: Don Allison

Scripture: Jimmy Clark, *1 Cor. 12: 12-18*

Sermon: Mike Gors:

“Failing to Care for the Body of Christ”

Lord’s Table: Bill Winemiller

Closing Prayer: Jim Clark

Sound Room: Jacob Clark

Pray for our Young People in the Military

Zach Privett, US Army in Middle East.

Devyn Riggs, Cherry Pointe Air Station in NC.

Alex Odle, US Marines, in NC

Larry Greene, National Guard in Middle East

Michelle Bess, Air Force, Deployed to Middle East



Of Note,

--September 26, Ladies Day at East Allen County COC in New Haven, IN. Flyer posted

--Read of various opportunities for study and worship at Fishinger and Kenny church of Christ in Columbus, OH. Includes virtual lessons with Phil Sanders, vacation Bible school and college ministry. Flyers posted on bulletin board # 1

--Waynedale Lock-in at Camp Indogan on July 24th. Text RSVP Shane Reece at 260-740-8457 if you are interested. See flyer.

“The three hardest tasks in the world are neither physical feats nor intellectual achievements but moral acts: to return love for hate, to include the excluded and to say, ‘I was wrong.’”

Sydney Harris

Remember Calls and Cards to Our Shut-ins

Joyce Popplewell --

Heritage in Yorktown

Ann Funk--Westminster

Linda Horning-- Westminster

Carl Gilstrap--Albany

Health Care

“Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant with the weak and the wrong. Sometime in life, you will have been all of these.”

Bob Goddard

Keeping in Touch...

It was good to have Vivian back with us last Sunday after a bout in the hospital and return to home. Go Vivian!

Kay Walls son-in-law, Randy Yeagy, was severely injured while cutting down a tree. He was crushed by a fallen limb that resulted in the amputation of his leg below the knee. He is recuperating at home and waiting for the injury to heal enough to warrant an artificial limb. Kay is doing well and staying home for the duration.

Cliff and Tammy, Both are healing well from surgeries but staying near to home. Stated they are keeping up with the lessons on-line and will be glad to see everyone in person.

Mary Ann Bayor, Is recuperating from surgery on her elbow. Easing back into her work at home with First Merchants.

Welcome back to Delores who has been visiting with her brother, Gordon and his wife, Brenda. Gordon is residing at home in TN after a long stay at rehab after a stroke. He is getting around pretty well and slowly acclimating himself after partial paralysis.

Pat Lee, Pulled a leg muscle. Unrelated to that injury, she is scheduled for a bone scan on July 23rd. "Hoping to get back to church real soon." says Pat, "I need it!"

Adam has been busy with two jobs lately and is missed by us all at West Side. He is working in construction in the Fort Wayne area and also preaches each Sunday for the Lynn Congregation.

Emily will be leaving in a short time for her junior year at Freed Hardeman in Henderson, TN. She is pursuing studies in law and government. Heather and Jade will be going back to study at IU.

In Need of Prayer

Adam Huffman, Kidney dialysis 3x's weekly and placed on kidney donor list

Alex Odle, Cancer

Angie Reed, MS

Betty Kellow, Patient at IUBMH. Recurrent GI bleed

Bill & Pam Smith

Bob Owens, Cancer. Undergoing another round of chemo. Kathy's cousin

Carl Gilstrap, Pneumonia. Residing in Albany Health Care

Gary Stults, Todd's father. Collapsed lung

Martha Gilstrap, Broken hip. Currently living with daughter in Economy. Mailing address is

Martha Gilstrap C/O Kathy Brown
PO Box 31

Economy, IN 47339

Carl Lafferty, **Bethany's Grandfather in-law**

Dan Proctor, Health issues. Lela's son

Howard Goodman

Kathy Brown, Stoke. Martha Gilstrap's daughter

Kathy Harper, Cellulitis, respiratory difficulties

Mary Smith, Stroke

Mitch Kinder, Cancer. Sally's neighbor

Ryan Dobbs, Skylar's cousin, undergoing treatment to counter rejection of new kidney

Susan Cloninger, Recuperating from surgery

Susie Long, Degenerative arthritis in back

Wanda Reed, Has finished her regimen of radiation for four weeks. She is doing fairly well but still dealing with ill effects such as weakness, problematic feet, swelling and skin integrity. She has tried to cook some but is relying on Joe's culinary skills which she says "will do". She is upbeat--and is just trying to deal with each day as it comes and still staying close to home. She signs off with, "Hey Everyone--I love you all."

Happy Birthday

Gary Reynolds--July 22

Cindy Traub--July 23

Jerry Hoyt--July 27

Joey Harper--July 27



I Surrender All?

Maybe you have heard about the farmer who told the preacher he had “gotten religion.” The preacher replied, “That’s fine, but are you sure you’re going to put aside all sin?” “Yes, sir,” said the farmer. “I’m through with sin!” “And are you going to pay up all your debts?” asked the preacher. “Now wait a minute,” said the farmer. “You ain’t talking religion, you’re talking business!” It’s unfortunate that, like this man, so many suppose that we can be Christians in only part of our lives. People think we can have Christ in our “spiritual” lives while we reserve the right to do as we please in “secular” things. Scripture makes no such distinction! A Christian is to follow Christ every day. Jesus said, “If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me” (Luke 9:23). No days are left out in this matter of following Christ. A Christian is to honor Christ in everything. “And whatsoever you do, in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him” (Colossians 3:17). No conversations or actions are exempt from the claim of Christ. A Christians is to live for Christ with all his being. Paul wrote, “I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service” (Romans 12:1). There is no part of our lives which we should not see as belonging to God. If Christ is Lord, there can be no corners of life where His lordship is not recognized. One’s loyalty to Christ will make a difference in his home, his work, his business, his play, and his talk. a Christian is to mean it when he sings, “All to Jesus I surrender; all to Him I freely give. I will ever love and trust Him; in His presence daily live.”

--Bill McFarland (via Old Paths)

“The dead go to their grave; clutched in their hands are only what they have given away.”

De.Witt Wallace

I Am Determined

An epitaph from an old gravestone reads: “What I gave, I have; what I spent, I had; what I kept, I lost.” When the apostle Paul was on his second missionary journey, he came to Troas and, while there, had a vision during the night of a man from Macedonia who stood and pleaded with him: “Come over to Macedonia and help us” (Acts 16:9). Paul immediately went to Macedonia and came to Philippi, where he converted Lydia, her household, and the Philippian jailer and his family. In his efforts to preach the gospel, he was beaten with rods and thrown into the inner prison. Later, when he wrote to the church in Philippi, he tried to impress on them how important it is for Christ to be the number one choice in their lives. He said, “But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ” (Philippians 3:7-8). Paul’s attitude toward this life was one of sacrifice and service, and in this he rejoiced. He said, “Yes, and if I am being poured out as a drink offering on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all” (Philippians 1:17). He told the Corinthians, “For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified” (2 Corinthians 2:2). Paul again wrote to Timothy: “For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed, and I am persuaded that he is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that day” (2 Timothy 1:12). Jesus said, “For what is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? (Matthew 16:26).

--Cecil Burch (Angel Fire, NM)

The Aging Process Abbreviated

- “The trick is growing up without growing old.” Casey Stengel
- “Middle age is when you realize your children and your clothes are the same age.” Bill Tammeus
- “Old age is having too much room in the house and not enough in the medicine cabinet.” Orben