



# Family

## West Chicago Church of Christ

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## A Preacher's Perspective

God's glory is never more apparent to me than when He effortlessly brings the wheels of man's ingenuity grinding to a halt by the work of flakes of snow so delicate that the softest touch turns them to vapor. Mighty thoroughfares brought to a standstill. Thousands of flights stranded. Workers confined to their homes. The simple task of walking to the mailbox made a labor of effort and heavy breathing (at least for some of us couch-potatoes).

That irony and paradox of power in the powder makes me think of the truth that "the meek shall inherit the earth." The billions of flakes make no resistance to the raging winds. They blow and collect wherever they are told. Where they stop, they rest until the warmth of the sun gives them release.

But in their collective power, they are foreboding. The powerful avalanches of the high peaks bring all that powder down with locomotive intensity crushing structures and snapping mighty trees like toothpicks. Just snowflakes.

In the snow of winter is the life of spring. The moisture of that blanket of "wool" is the nourishment of ten million buds in bloom. And all of that with spectacular beauty, "...easy wind and downy flake." And the power of God takes delight in the simple

humility and obedience of His church. His people are directed and positioned around the earth to radiate the presence, love and purposes of God. To those in a hurry and driven by ambition, they are as frustrating as an untimely blizzard blocking a roadway to riches.

But to those who are learning the heart of God, His ways and His timing are perfect and those who learn their secrets live in great power. They learn that no power on earth can keep them from His blessing. No nation or despot can deny the destiny He ordains.

Those who practice righteousness and live with compassion for their neighbor know a special providence and sleep securely. Though they be captives in a foreign land, though they be shackled and made to serve a godless ruler, yet God watches over His

chosen ones and He directs the whole earth on their behalf.

Well, the snow has made me reflective, I suppose. As you enjoy the beauty, I wish you warmth from its chill. Don't strive too hard against it. Respect its power.

But above all, remember the One who scatters it like wool. He is the

great God over all the earth, and all our hope is in Him.

Be warm, church. Find mercy and love to share and offer the traveler a safe haven. Maybe someone will find, in the storm, the path to God.

Chuck Miller



# Welcome to the West Chicago Church of Christ

If you are visiting with us, we especially want to welcome you. We pray our time together worshipping our Father in heaven will be uplifting and encouraging. You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning!

Bible classes begin at 9:30 and are available for all ages. Babies can be taken to the nursery located at the back of the auditorium. Pre-school and elementary-age children meet in classrooms downstairs. Teens meet in the teen room at the back of the auditorium. The adult class meets in the fellowship room.

Our Community Groups meet every Sunday throughout the year, except for the last Sunday of each month. The last Sunday of each month, we will meet at 6:00 p.m. for a time of praise and fellowship. If you are interested in joining a Community Group, please speak with one of our Deacons.

A weekly web-cast of our Sunday morning worship services is available by following these instructions:

<http://wcfamily.viewnetcam.com>

Username: wcfamily

Password: 6302312062

Click "SINGLE" tab

Allow any Active X controls

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our Elders:

Don Brewster      Chuck Miller

Our Deacons are:

Justin Avey: Benevolence, Fellowship, Stewardship & Leadership

Jay Hearn: Worship & Pulpit, Communications, Outreach, Education, Benevolence

Curt Robinson: Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Rick Root: Communications, Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Sunday Morning Bible Class . . . . . 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship . . . . . 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening (last Sunday of each month) . . 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Bible Class . . . . . 7:00 p.m.



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## This Morning ...

Please take a moment this morning to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest. Prayer cards are also available in the pew rack. You may choose to have prayers by the elders, a prayer warrior or by the whole church family. If you choose "whole church family" it will be announced following the sermon.

### Order of Worship

Welcome & Prayer . . . . . Curt Robinson

Kids Connection . . . . . Bob Jett

Praise Songs . . . . . Tim Boyd

#185 *Jesus, Thy Name I Love*  
Scripture: John 6:32-35

#836 *Bread of Life*  
Scripture: John 1:29-36

#176 *Lamb of God*

#568 *Jesus, Rose of Sharon*  
*Jesus, Jesus*

Communion Message . . . . . Don Brewster  
*Worthy is the Lamb*

Communion

Contribution and Prayer Card Collection

Sermon . . . . . Chuck Miller

Invitation Song . . . . . Tim Boyd  
#376 *He Paid a Debt*

Prayer Card Responses and Closing Prayer . . . . Bob Voigts

Closing Song . . . . . Tim Boyd  
#749 *The Battle Belongs to the Lord*

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

February 6 . . . . . Logan Ieler

February 10 . . . . . Barb Voigts

## Dates to Remember

TODAY . . . . . Community Groups

February 8 . . . . . Tuesday Ladies Class

February 10 . . . . . Teen Parent Connection

February 11 . . . . . Men's Prayer Breakfast

February 14 . . . . . Living Room Café

February 16 . . . . . Seniors Breakfast

February 17-20 . . . . . Winterfest

February 17 . . . . . Teen Parent Connection

February 18 . . . . . Men's Prayer Breakfast

February 20 . . . . . Community Groups

## Records You Helped Make

Sunday Morning Bible Class . . . . . 54

Sunday Morning Worship . . . . . 90

Wednesday Evening Bible Class . . . . . 27

Contribution . . . . . \$5,848.00

**Nursery Workers . . .** Jamie Miller, Jackie Robinson

**Collection Counters . . .** Justin Avey, Paul Mullins

**Lost** – A Blackberry charger was left in an outlet in the fellowship room. See Chuck or Sally if it belongs to you.

## In Our Prayers...

**Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother**, is doing well since his kidney transplant. He is very grateful for our continued prayers.

**Cindy Drumheller's father** had his pension approved. This is a huge answer to prayer. Thank you!

**Stacey Howard, Dana's sister**, is out of the hospital and doing well.

**Sandy Root, Rick's mother**, is having rotator cuff surgery this Tuesday, February 8th. She is suffering with a lot of pain.

**Wayne Harrison**, a former member, had a heart attack and is in the hospital in Houston.

### Those suffering with long-term issues:

Justin Avey  
 Paul & Judy Bertrand – Lynette Root's parents  
 Herman Biggers – Josephine Haggerton's brother  
 Bonnie Bingham  
 Nancy Brewster  
 Jim & Julie Chavez  
 Dachielle – Blake Mullins's friend  
 John Day  
 Joyce Duke – Bobbie Whitman's sister  
 Joyce Eakins's siblings  
 Brad Fowler – Joan Lockett's nephew  
 Josephine Haggerton  
 Lauren Helton – Josephine Haggerton's nephew  
 Kathy Huml – John Pedersen's sister  
 Mason Hutchins – friend of Alec Boyd & Rourke Mullins  
 Debbie Lawrence – Bobbie Whitman's niece  
 Myrna Levake  
 Anne Librande – Joanne Johnson's mother  
 Jack Lockett – father of Charlie, Mike, Julie Chavez, Shelley Prosser, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen  
 Mike Lockett – Joan's son  
 Jackie Milam, Alyssa's mother  
 Danielle Nichols – Alyssa Milam's cousin  
 Josh Otte – Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of Marion Lake's cousin  
 Helen Plummer – Joan Avey and Cliff's mom  
 J.D. Potts – the father of Cyndi Perez  
 Kay Schrader  
 Chester & Phyllis Sitler  
 Bruce Snyder & Cindy Stewart – Bob Voigts's cousins  
 Ernie Stirrup – Kelly Ieler's dad  
 Joe Stone – a friend from RCC  
 Jim Whitman

### Moms-to-Be:

Katie Weishaar – Sally's niece

### Armed forces:

Josh Aultman – Bobbie Whitman's grand-nephew is in Afghanistan  
 Ryan Gleason – Dana Howard's nephew  
 Jacob Headtke – U.S. Marines, RCC alumni  
 Toby Logsdon – Dewayne & Marilyn Smith's son-in-law is in Afghanistan

Joey Wertz – the friend of Lynette Root's friend, Iraq  
 Jonathon Young – a Warrant Officer in the army

### Missions:

City of Children – Ensenada, Mexico  
 Obadiah Doka & Family – Nigeria  
 Living Room Café – Chicago  
 Mission Lazarus – Honduras  
 Shults-Lewis – the teens, their families, the workers  
 Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt – Taiwan  
 Teen Parent Connection – West Chicago  
 Students of Joe Voigts – China  
 Ayodele Waleola – Nigeria

## Sermon on the Mount Series

Our series of lessons on the Sermon on the Mount has a few more installments. If you would like to see videos, please let Chuck know.

## Wednesday Ladies Class

The Wednesday Evening Ladies Class is beginning a series of lessons on 1 & 2 Peter this week.

## Ladies Retreat

Please see Barb Voigts today if you are interested in being a part of the planning committee for this year's Ladies Retreat. A meeting will be scheduled soon.

## City of Children

Featured in *Christian Chronicle*, November, 2000, p. 12  
[www.cityofchildren.com](http://www.cityofchildren.com)



### Ensenada, Mexico

Plans are being made for the 2011 Mission Trip to City of Children in Ensenada, Mexico. The City of Children has been in operation for almost 40 years and serves more than 100 children. It is located just 75 miles south of San Diego, California. The trip is a great economical mission experience and costs around \$850 per person, all-inclusive. If you are interested in going but need financial assistance, that can be arranged, too. Please contact Kenn Watson or Chuck Miller with any questions or if you would like to go.

**Building  
 a mission team  
 NOW for 2011!  
 June 11-17**

Contact: **Kenn Watson**  
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Ryan Heather, West Chicago

## Today!

**Community Groups** are scheduled to meet today! If you are visiting with us or have not yet been a part of a group and would like to join one, see Chuck or Don.

- **Get to know** your neighbors – those members who live the closest to you!
- **Keep up-to-date** on church activities, as well as, activities in which the youth of your group are involved.
- **Invite** your friends. What a great way to introduce them to your church family and to Jesus!

## Living Room Café

**February 14th is our day to serve at the Living Room Café!** However, this is Valentine's Day and I know that is the day to share with your loved one. If you can please help with the café on that day it would be so much appreciated. I know our café friends would, as well, love to see us on a day that can be very lonely for them. Our friends at the café have shared with us many times that they really love when our group comes to serve. They feel very comfortable around us, so it is really a blessing to be able to reach into their lives. I would like to encourage you to join us and thank all who already do take time out of their busy lives to share with our friends at the café. Thank you and God bless – Julie

## New Baby!

Congratulations to **Sean and Leanna De Marre** on the birth of **Adalaide** on Feb. 1. Also congratulations to grandmother **Chris Czernik!**

## Special Thanks...

To Justin and his crew for the heavy duty snow plowing and sidewalk clearing.

Also, the pantry order got pushed back until Saturday, and we had a great crew of volunteers: Frances, Terry and Hannah; Bob and Betsy; Dewayne and Marilyn; Rick, Lynette and Shelby; Joe and Terri; Chester; Chuck; Sally and Brian. Many hands make light work!



**February 18-20** Winterfest in Gatlinburg – TODAY is the last day to sign-up! See Brian Gifford with any questions.

**February 27** At the Boyds'

**Interested in** hosting a teen event – devotional, outing or service project? See Sandy Boyd!

## Youth Ministry

**EDUCATION:**

**Teachers for February 6 - March 27**  
(there are still openings!):

**Sunday morning**

Cradle roll: Bev Day/Becky Pedersen

Ages 3-4: Joan Avey

Grades K-2: Terri Bray

Grades 3-6: Christina Voigts

Teens: Brian Gifford/Jon Miller

**Wednesday evening**

Ages 0-4: Cyndi Perez

Grades K-6: Cindy Drumheller

Teens: Chuck Miller

Substitutes are needed for every class!

**EDUCATION WISHING TREE:**

In the hallway downstairs you will find our "Wishing Tree." Each leaf contains the picture and price of an item. To donate, write your name on the leaf and give Sally the appropriate funds and the item will be ordered. You may also take the leaf and purchase the item yourself. Give the item and leaf to Sally.



## Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be here before we know it! Let Cindy Drumheller know if you are interested in being involved – in any way, shape or form! A traditional VBS is tentatively scheduled for Monday - Thursday, June 20-23.

## Directory!

A new edition of the church directory is in the works! Please check the bulletin board in the foyer for the directory that is posted. **Check your information, make any changes/corrections/additions and INITIAL.** If you do not like your photo or you do not have one included in the directory, please see one of the Hearns to get your picture taken as soon as possible!