



Family

West Chicago Church of Christ

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A Preacher's Perspective

The greatest memorial of a people is to remember God. When the foundation stone of a people is gone, all other anchors are futile.

I must admit that our military might is impressive. Today, we give thanks to those who have made great sacrifices to preserve, defend and protect this land. I enjoy seeing the machines of power made for war. I went to see the movie "Act of Valor," and the technology was amazing. This power of arms tempts us to a feeling of security. But we know better, don't we!

The psalmist wrote,
¹⁰ His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor his delight in the legs of a man;
¹¹ the LORD delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love. *Psalms 147:10-11 (NIV)*

In our day, we would invoke the brave men in select units, like the Navy Seals, or we might mention our favorite weapons systems.

But the only security a nation can enjoy is the security of godliness. That's why the familiar passage in the psalms comes to mind on our Memorial Day:

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." *Psalms 33:12*

As decades go by, the place of faith and reverence for God in the public arena is growing more and more faint. In our day, great, persistent prayer is the most desperate need of our land.

When Zerubbabel faced the daunting task of rebuilding the temple, Zechariah strengthened him with this powerful reminder: ⁶ Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerub'babel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the LORD of hosts. *Zechariah 4:6 (RSV)*

It is sad that most in our land, it seems, do not have any practical belief in this claim that God's Spirit still rules in the world of nations and world leaders.

Only those who know God through the answer to prayers, through the

understanding of scriptures, and through the inward presence of the Holy Spirit truly know how to wait upon, to hope in the Lord.

As we give thanks for a land of peace and freedom, remember the only memorial which will stand is to remember 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.

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, Announcements, Birthdays Jay Hearn
 Kids Connection. Jon Miller
 Praise Songs Rick Root
 #533 *I am a Sheep*
 #479 *Peace, Perfect Peace*
 #480 *Blessed Assurance*
 #477 *There is a Place of Quiet Rest*
 #382 *Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?*
 Communion Dewayne Smith
 Prayers & Pass Emblems
 Sermon Chuck Miller
 #911 *Bring Christ Your Broken Life*
 Prayer Cards Bob Voigts
 #226 *O Thou Fount of Every Blessing (1,3)*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 28. Tom & Nancy Doggett (anv.)
 May 31. Esther Miller
 May 31 John & Becky Pedersen (anv.)

Dates to Remember

TODAY Praise Sunday!
 May 25-28. RCC Teen Retreat
 May 28. Rachel's Open House & Memorial Day
 May 30 Wednesday Bible Class
 June 1 Mens Prayer Breakfast
 June 3 Community Groups
 June 7 Food Pantry Delivery
 June 9-15 Mexico Mission Trip
 June 10 Community Groups
 June 11. Living Room Café
 June 24-28. Vacation Bible School

Records You Helped Make

Sunday Morning Bible Class. 45
 Sunday Morning Worship. 78
 Wednesday Evening Bible Class. 35
 Contribution. \$3,034.51

Nursery Workers Bev Day, Maryssa Dean

Collection Counters. Justin Avey, Mike Henkel

In Our Prayers...

Harold Carter, the father-in-law of Lynette Root's sister, is having several health issues.

Aimee Cotton, daughter of **Cindi and Todd Cotton,** former staff at Shults-Lewis, is in a very troubled relationship and needs fervent prayers.

Carrie Drumheller broke her foot and is on crutches.

Cindy Drumheller will have knee surgery on Wednesday, May 30. She will need help with several things for a couple of weeks after the surgery – driving, personal care, meals, etc. A sign-up sheet is posted in the foyer.

Shannon Gifford must take it easy because of Braxton-Hicks contractions. If you can assist them with meals, cleaning or babysitting, please see Sally.

Ken Gill, Josephine Haggerton's son-in-law, is having surgery on June 7th to remove a mass.

Linda Mullins, Paul's sister-in-law, is having tests for possible cancer.

Paul Stirrup, a former member, is having heart surgery on June 12th.

Those suffering with long-term issues:

Herman Aultman – Bobbie Whitman's brother

Justin Avey

Paul & Judy Bertrand – Lynette Root's parents

Herman Biggers – Josephine Haggerton's brother

Bonnie Bingham

Nancy Brewster

Bob & Phyllis Cissne, Cindy Drumheller's parents

John Day

Al Dorsey

Doug Dorsey – Al's son

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

Rachel Jinkerson – daughter of former elder,

Darryl & Cindy, they reside in Texas

Pat Johnson – Dana Howard's aunt

John Mark Lango, son of former members Keith & Kim

Debbie Lawrence – Bobbie Whitman's niece

Don Lemley

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

Joan Mullins – Paul's mother

Josh Otte – Chris Czernik's nephew & the son of

Marion Lake's cousin

Helen Plummer – the mother of Joan Avey and Cliff

Scott Robinson – Curt's brother

Kay Schrader

Phyllis Sitler

Bruce Snyder & Cindy Stewart – Bob Voigts' cousins

Ernie & Rose Stirrup – Kelly Ieler's parents

Jim Whitman

Moms-to-Be:

Lauren Avey – Justin & Joan's daughter-in-law

Kathryn (Lemley) Garner

Shannon Gifford

Christina Voigts

Armed forces:

Josh Aultman – Bobbie Whitman's grand-nephew

Ryan Gleason – Dana Howard's nephew

Kristen Hauser – a friend of the Avey's, Afghanistan

Jacob Headtke – U.S. Marines, RCC alumni

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 – Nigeria

Living Room Café – Chicago

Mission Lazarus – Honduras & Haiti

Shults-Lewis – the teens, their families, the workers

Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt – Taiwan

Teen Parent Connection - West Chicago

Joe & Allison Voigts – Korea

Students of Joe Voigts – China

Ayodele Waleola – Nigeria



Bible Class Teachers!

1. **A teacher is still needed** for the Grade 3-6 class on Sunday mornings.
2. **Please sign up to teach the 0-4 class** on Wednesday evenings. Sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Vacation Bible School

Get involved in Vacation Bible School this year!

We especially need teachers. If you are interested in helping in any way, please see one of the leaders listed below, Cindy Drumheller or Sally Hearn.

Registration: John and Bev Day

Education Director: Cindy Drumheller

Application Station Director: Lisa Henkel

Decorations: Sally Hearn and Julie Dean

Dinner & Snacks: Joan Avey and Marion Lake

Skit Director: Rhonda Triplett

Devotional Leader: Jon Miller

Publicity: Sally Hearn

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"All Aboard the Kingdom Express"

Sunday, June 24, through

Thursday, June 28.



Special Contribution

Contributions are still being accepted for Rockford Christian Camp. Please make sure RCC is written in the memo line of your check.

Dear Friends of Rockford Christian Camp,

As the weather continues to get warmer, Memorial Day weekend is almost here and the summer break is not really that far away, we are all beginning to think about and plan our summer activities.

Just this past weekend, I spent over \$100 on flowers for the front yard (Happy Mother's Day, Carrie) and over \$45 on a bike air pump, bee killer spray, mosquito fogger spray and a citronella candle for the backyard deck and this really cool nozzle for the hose to water those new flowers!

This is also the time of year when many of us are working to open RCC and prepare the camp for the upcoming retreats and summer camp sessions.

Just like those various things I bought to get my house and yard ready for summer, RCC has several maintenance and facility needs to get ready to open the camp. RCC needs things like new water heaters so we can have hot showers in the bathhouse, replacing and repairing the fireplace brick in the mess hall so we can use the fireplace on those cool evenings, an intercom system in all the cabins so we can communicate with everyone during summer thunderstorms and when it is time for a meal or the next activity (it is difficult to hear the megaphone in the new insulated, heated/air-conditioned cabins...ask anyone from Cabin 2 who was late to breakfast or a campfire), an ice dispenser, soccer nets, replacement canteen window, replacement cabin windows/screens, and of course, the list could go on and on...In all, the RCC board estimates that we need to raise at least \$10,000 to get the camp facility ready and fully functional for the summer camp sessions...we could really use your help!

We ask that you please set aside just a small portion of what you would probably spend this summer on activities, landscaping, or upgrading your yard, patio or deck, and make a donation to RCC for its maintenance, facilities and program needs.

Please consider making a contribution to RCC today, or you can also make a donation by mailing a check to RCC or online through the RCC website: Rockford Christian Camp, P.O. Box 5966, Rockford, Illinois 61125 or www.rockfordchristiancamp.org

Also, please check out our newly designed website and consider signing up for our new and improved Cabin Keepers Foundation program. Side by side, a little at a time, and we can make a huge impact!

Thank you for your continued support of Christian camping!

Sincerely,

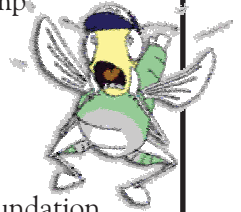
Scott Drumheller, President, RCC



Rockford Christian Camp sessions – remember register two weeks in advance of each camp to forego a late fee.

- Senior Week: July 6 - 14
- Intermediate Week: July 14 - 21
- Junior Week: July 21 - 28

Being a part of the Cabin Keepers Foundation.
For more info check www.rockfordchristiancamp.org.



Today is
Praise Sunday!

9:30 a.m. Bible classes

10:30 a.m. Worship

4:30 p.m. Leadership meeting

6:00 p.m. Worship/Singing/Finger-food/dessert fellowship

Shults-Lewis Annual Day

Shults-Lewis Annual Day is in September, but it's not too soon to think about how you can help. This year we are putting together two baskets to be sold in the auction. Please check the sign-up sheet in the foyer for items to be donated to go into the baskets. Also, quilts and afghans made to be sold in the auction are usually a big money-maker. Please see Lynette Root if you have any questions.

Graduation Open House

You are cordially invited to a **Graduation Open House** in honor of Rachel Hearn **tomorrow, May 28, from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m.** at the Hearn residence. There will be refreshments throughout the day. Live music performances will begin around 1:30 p.m. Rachel was honored with two art awards from her school – a P-ARTS scholarship and the Art Department award. Congratulations! You are welcome to bring a lawn chair and stay for the afternoon.

