



Family

West Chicago Church of Christ

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A Preacher's Perspective

Lord willing, this is the worship scene I'll be viewing this morning. The magnificence of the Yosemite Valley is beyond words and cannot be captured by photographs. The particular vista in this photo appears as you come from the south entrance, by the Mariposa Grove of giant sequoias.

The drive is a challenge to the stomach, turns and switchbacks which defy speeds above 10 mph. Glimpses of valleys on the left peek through the great fir trees. Finally, a little stretch of straight road beckons through a tunnel. As you exit the tunnel, the whole grandeur of the valley explodes on your eyes and a catch of the breath and a dropping of the jaw are involuntary reactions.

On the right is Bridalveil Falls, with rainbow colors hanging in the mist of the cataracts. On the right is El Capitan, the world's tallest granite monolith. The sheer face rises over 3000 feet from the valley floor. Climbers on the face are so small they can't be seen from this distance. At the far end of the valley, Half Dome looks like someone sliced a round loaf of bread and set it on the valley rim. The trees, which look like yard shrubs, on the floor of the valley, are giant firs that tower 150 feet and more.

Worship is the only response that makes any sense.

I often think about what thoughts are in the minds

of those who see the valley but who don't know its architect. Paul said in **Romans 1** that what can be known about God can be clearly seen in the things which He created. **Psalm 19** affirms that the heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament is showing His handiwork.

Yosemite Valley sings quite a chorus.



It speaks of the patient timelessness which slid glacier-ice of enormous weight and mass along a groove of granite to chisel out this wondrous panorama of power and perfect glory.

It speaks of a Creator who loves the beauty of His world and who designed it to delight the

eyes and souls of His own Image-bearers.

In the habitat for white-collared squirrels and the deep iridescent plumage of the blue jays, God shows that He cares for all of life.

In the sheer magnificence of the scene, God reminds us of eternity when we can soar and explore, not only this perfect valley, but also the reaches of the universe, in company with the One who made it all.

Jesus upholds and sustains it all by the word of His power.

Those who don't know the Creator-I can't really imagine what they see. But our testimony is that beauty has a Name, and that creation is His signature.

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 Group fellowship program begins Sunday, July 11, and will continue throughout the year. If you are interested in joining a Community Group, please speak with one of our Deacons. The last Sunday of each month, we will meet at 6:00 p.m. for hymn singing and enjoy a dessert potluck.

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

<http://wcfamily.viewnetcam.com>

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

Don Brewster Chuck Miller Bob Voigts

Our Deacons are:

Justin Avey: Benevolence, Fellowship, Stewardship & Leadership

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

Cliff Plummer: Fellowship, Benevolence, Education

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 Don Brewster

Singing Dewayne Smith

#23 Our God, He Is Alive

Prayer Updates & Scripture Steve Link

#568 Jesus, Rose of Sharon

#806 Sun of My Soul

Prayer Don Brewster

#83 God Is So Good

#113 His Grace Reaches Me

#318 O Sacred Head

Communion Bob Voigts

Contribution and Prayer Card Collection

Sermon Kenn Watson

#381 Years I Spent in Vanity

Prayer Card Responses and Prayer Bob Voigts

Announcements Steve Link

#648 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Prayer Blake Mullins

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 20 Emily Watson

June 23 John & Missy Kissane (anv.)

Dates to Remember

TODAY No Evening Service

June 22 Tuesday Ladies Class

June 24 Youth Volunteer Night/NIFB

June 24 Teen Parent Connection

June 25 Men's Prayer Breakfast

June 27 Annual Picnic

July 1 Food Pantry Delivery

July 1 Teen Parent Connection/Teens Prepare Meal

July 4 Community Group Kick-Off @ Watson's

July 6 Tuesday Ladies Class

July 8 Teen Parent Connection

July 9 Men's Prayer Breakfast

July 9-17 RCC Senior Week

July 11 Community Groups

Records You Helped Make

Contribution \$17,468.55

Nursery Workers . . . Cleta Watson, Kelie Wheeler

Collection Counters . . . Paul Mullins, Rick Root

In Our Prayers...

Loss of loves ones:

Mary Brent, the sister of Joe Kirts, passed away Tuesday evening. The wake is tomorrow from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. and the funeral is Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at the Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home in Bloomington.

Gilbert Dorsey, Al Dorsey's brother, passed away last week. He was almost 90 years old and was suffering with dementia. Please pray for his wife, Betsy.

Joe Lefebvre, a friend of Joe and Terrie Kirts, lost his daughter to ARDS. Pray for her husband, Jason.

Chris Yauch, the husband of Wendell & Margaret Mott's granddaughter, Mallory, was killed while on active duty by a suicide car bomb in Iraq. He was 23.



Immediate needs:

Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother, will have a kidney transplant from their nephew, **Steve Aultman.** Herman has been very ill from his dialysis treatments.

Joyce Duke, Bobbie Whitman's sister, is waiting for test results.

Myrna Lavake is going through a series of radiation and chemo treatments for cancer in her throat.

Lina, the foster daughter of Henry & Candra Phillips, is scheduled for heart surgery on August 2.

Dulane Willis, a friend of our church family, suffered a mild heart attack last week. Her address is: 325 River Park Road, Loves Park, IL 61111.

Mothers-to-be:

Jennifer Piehl - Tom & Nancy Doggett's daughter

Tammy Urso - Dan & Linda Vantrees's daughter

Armed forces:

Joe Amato - Bob & Betsy's son-in-law - Afghanistan

James Bartels - the son of Lynette Root's friend - Iraq

Ryan Gleason - Dana Howard's nephew

Jacob Headtke - U.S. Marines, RCC alumni

Toby Logsdon - Dwayne & Marilyn Smith's son-in-law is in Afghanistan

Jeremy Riley - great-great-nephew of Josephine Haggerton, stationed in Baghdad

Shane - the son of LeAnn Sexton, a friend of Lori Plummer

Joey Wertz - the friend of Lynette Root's friend, Iraq
Jonathon Young - a former member is a Warrant Officer in the army and plans to fly helicopters.

Missionaries:

Mission Lazarus - Honduras

Students of Joe Voigts - China

City of Children - Ensenada, Mexico

Obadiah Doka & Family - Nigeria

Ayodele Waleola - Nigeria

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

Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt - Taiwan



Sermon on the Mount Series

We are beginning a series of lessons on the Sermon on the Mount. There are many ways you can take advantage of all the opportunities to study this important topic.

1. Check our Facebook group - "West Chicago and The Sermon on the Mount"
 - * You must be a member of Facebook. Go to www.facebook.com and complete the information on the home page.
 - * If you are already a member of Facebook, log on as usual and search for "West Chicago and The Sermon on the Mount."
2. Go to our website: www.wcfamily.org and click on the "Sermon on the Mount" logo.
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City of Children 2010 Mission Team

Annual Picnic

Our Annual Picnic is next Sunday, June 27, following morning worship. Invite your friends for a great time of fellowship and fun! Meat and lemonade will be provided. Bring side dishes, desserts, lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy an afternoon on the church lawn! **No evening service tonight or June 27.**



City of Children

Donations are still being accepted to purchase 112 t-shirts for the City of Children. They are \$7 a piece. Please give your contribution to Kenn Watson or Sally Hearn.

Jean Jackets for Shults-Lewis

We need jean jackets to embellish and sell at the Shults-Lewis Annual Day in September. Please WASH the jackets. See the flyer in the foyer for more information. Deadline to donate is July 20. Questions, see Lynette.



Needs for Our Community

A family needs baby wipes and size 4/5T pull ups for a boy and a girl. Used clothing is needed. Sizes are: Girl - 6 months; Boy - shirts 4/5T, shorts 2/3T, sandals size 9; Girl - shirts 4/5T, shorts 3T, sandals 9-12; Girl - shirts 6 or 7/8, shorts 6/6x, sandals 9-12. **Another family needs** clothes for six boys, size small, medium and large. New and gently used are welcome. **Please give any donations directly to Sally.**

Abundant Living Seminar

A couple of our members have expressed an interest in going to the Abundant Living seminar in Branson, MO, this fall, and thought it would be fun to get a group from our congregation to go! A flyer is posted in the foyer. More information is available at www.abundantlivingseniors.org.

youth & family news

TEENS: It's Youth Volunteer Night at the Northern Illinois Food Bank this **Thursday, June 24, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.** We will leave from the church building at 5:45. Dress for working and no sandals. Sign up on the flyer posted outside of the teen room.

The teens are preparing and hosting the meal for **Teen Parent Connection on Thursday, July 1.** Please sign up on the flyer posted outside of the teen room!

Rockford Christian Camp sessions are in July. Check out their updated website: www.rcchome.com.

RECURRING PROJECTS

Community Groups

Everyone is invited to a **Community Group Kick-Off Picnic at the Watson's on Sunday, July 4!** The party starts at 2:00, we will eat around 4:30 and then head to Jon & Jamie Miller's around 8:30 to watch the Bartlett fireworks. Meat will be provided. **A sign-up for side dishes is in the foyer.** Also, bring lawn chairs and drinks. Our Community Groups will continue to meet every Sunday, except for the last Sunday of each month, throughout the year. On the last Sunday of each month we will all gather at 6:00 p.m. at the church building for a dessert fellowship and singing.



Tuesday Ladies Class

Sherry Watson is hosting a Ladies Class at her home, 5 N 530 Deer Run Drive in St. Charles on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. Coffee, hot tea and muffins provided. Bring a lunch to enjoy after the classes. **All ladies are welcome and encouraged to invite their friends.** Please RSVP to Sherry.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

The Men's Prayer Breakfast meets **Fridays from 6:30 - 8:00** at the building.

Living Room Café

We go to the Living Room Café in Chicago the second **Monday** of every month (except June). Our next date to serve is July 12. Please sign up in the foyer.

Teen Parent Connection

Teen Parent Connection meets here every Thursday night. **Meals for 8-10 people are needed for June 24, July 15 & 22.** See Molly Mullins if you can help. Thank you to everyone who has already helped! The parents and leaders are always very appreciative!

Because you have played such an important part in their lives, please join us for an

Anniversary Celebration

*in honor of our parents
Bob & Betsy Jett*

July 17, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

*Arrowhead Golf Club
25W151 Butterfield Road, Wheaton*

*RSVP by July 1 to Beth at 815-729-0180
No gifts please.*

