



Family

West Chicago Church of Christ

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A Preacher's Perspective

The first commandment is to love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Yet the awesome power of God makes us tremble and His majestic presence inspires us to fall on our faces before Him. Love is a challenge in the face of His strength and enormity.

How can we feel love and tender affection for One who fills heaven and earth with His presence? He has no image or body to which we can relate. We cannot see His eyes or read the love and compassion in His face.

As Isaiah reminds us, He lives in a high and holy place. In light unapproachable. His voice is the sound of many waters. His lightning lights up the sky and His thunder strips the forest bare.

Yet, He does love us. His very nature is love, and He guides us with His loving hand. He bends down to us like a father to his children, and He teaches us to walk. He wipes every tear from our eyes, and our very breath is the intimate whisper of His name.

All of His names tell of relationship: provider, shepherd, presence, banner, healer, righteousness. All of His history tells of redeeming love and patience

beyond understanding. His mercies never come to an end. His faithfulness is great and they are renewed with every sunrise.

He carries us in His arms like a shepherd. He comes to find us when we are lost and rebellious. But above all, He gave the very Son of His soul, the precious right arm and the core of His heart, to be despised, rejected, to suffer torture and to be cut off from His holy presence. He entered into sin, itself, for the sake of man, His flawed but beloved creation.

How our God loves us!

Be resolved never to question that love. In face of His mighty act of sacrifice and salvation, never question His love.

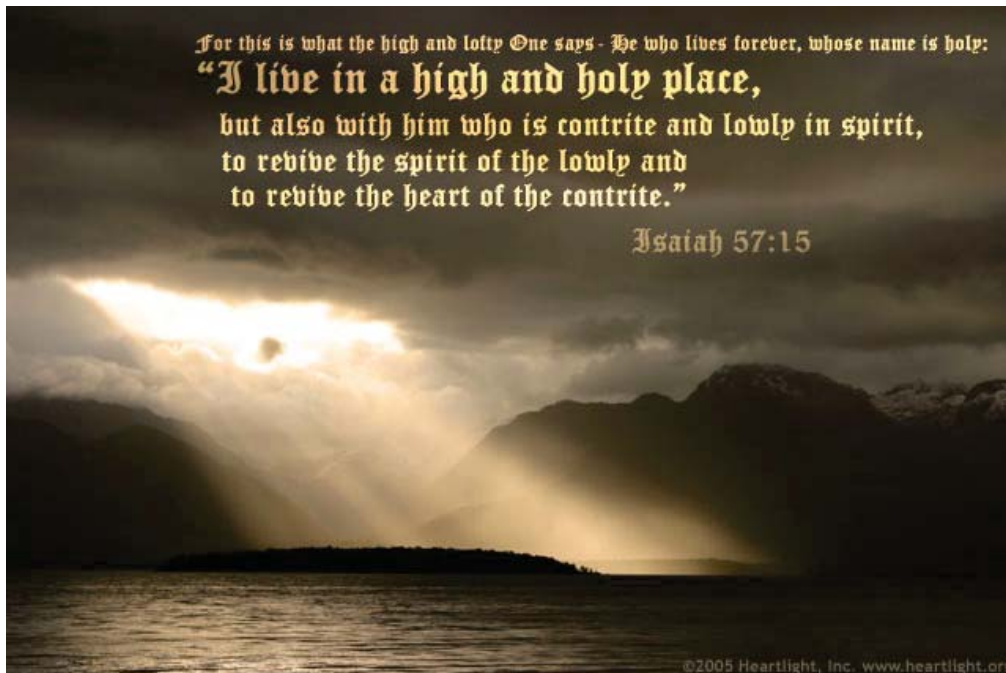
Remember that He was appalled that no one would intervene. He armed Himself and He stood in the gap to rescue His beloved from peril and death.

Never question His

love. Assume it. Believe it. Depend upon it. Stake your life on it.

His love is the one constant that holds together this profane and dying world. His grace alone is our hope.

Consider your God. He is holy. He is love.



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>

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Password: 6302312062

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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

Praise Songs *Dewayne Smith*

#3 *Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah*

#57 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

#71 *As the Deer*

#76 *How Great Thou Art*

#51 *Father of Mercies*

#366 *By Christ Redeemed*

Communion

Sermon *Chuck Miller*

#932 *O Heart Bowed Down with Sorrow*

Prayer Cards *Bob Voigts*

Closing Song *Dewayne Smith*

#1025 *God of Our Fathers*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

July 13 Tammy Urso

July 16 Nicholas Bray, Julie Dean

Dates to Remember

TODAY Community Groups

July 8-16 RCC Senior Week

July 12 Shults-Lewis Craft Work Day

July 15 No Mens Prayer Breakfast

July 16-23 RCC Intermediate Week

July 17 Community Groups

July 20 Seniors Breakfast

July 23-30 RCC Junior Week

July 24 Community Groups

July 31 Praise Sunday!

Records You Helped Make

Sunday Morning Bible Class 49

Sunday Morning Worship 97

Wednesday Evening Bible Class 21

Contribution \$2,570.50

Nursery Workers Missy Day, Becky Pedersen

Collection Counters . . . Michael Henkel, Jeff Ieler

In Our Prayers...

Rockford Christian Camp sessions began Friday night. Several of our members are campers and others are workers. Pray for everyone's safety and that each and every camper and staff member has a spiritually uplifting retreat.

Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother, is having more tests because of another possible health issue.

Hubert, the brother of Joyce Eakins, passed away from a stomach-related cancer. He lived in Colorado and Joyce hadn't seen him for a long time.

Pat Early, Tracy Wright's co-worker, lost his mother, Donna, on the 4th. She was killed by a drunk driver while out walking in Lisle.

Thomas Koester, Julie Dean's estranged father, passed away last week from cancer. Julie and her siblings saw him before he passed away.

Anne Librande, Joanne Johnson's mother, fell and broke her collar bone on Wednesday. She has her arm in a sling and needs extra assistance, but is doing well.

Bobbye Miller fell and has a black eye. **Jon Miller** fell last weekend and tore the patella tendon in his knee. He will have outpatient surgery on the 19th and will be in a cast for six weeks. He is scheduled to work at RCC for senior and intermediate weeks.

Wilmon Moore, friend of the Millers, passed away last Friday. Remember Peggy, Jacky and Tommy in prayer.

Scott Robinson, Curt's brother, stepped in a hole leaving the fireworks last Monday in Peoria and broke both bones in his lower leg and dislocated his ankle. He had surgery on Wednesday to have screws and plates put in. He is facing 6-8 weeks recovery to return to work and 6-9 months recovery to return to normal.

Jean Schramm, one of our former members, passed away last week. She suffered with Alzheimer's for the past three years. She is survived by her husband, Earl.

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
 Dachielle – Blake Mullins's friend
 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
 Debbie Lawrence – Bobbie Whitman's niece

Myrna Levake

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 – the mother of Joan Avey and Cliff

J.D. Potts – the father of Cyndi Perez

Kay Schrader

Chester & Phyllis Sittler

Bruce Snyder & Cindy Stewart – Bob Voigts's cousins

Ernie & Rose Stirrup – Kelly Ieler's parents

Jim Whitman

Moms-to-Be:

Beth Amato – Bob & Betsy Jett's daughter

Shannon Manny – John & Becky Pedersen's daughter

Sarah Rentschler – Sally Hearn'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

Joey Wertz – the friend of Lynette Root's friend, Iraq

Klinton Wheeler – Afghanistan

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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

Office Hours

Chuck and Don will be at camp this week and Sally will be at camp for the next two weeks. If you need to contact them, call their cell phones or, in case there is no cell phone coverage, please feel free to call them directly on the camp phone. Frances Shearer will be checking the church's voice mail for the next couple of weeks.

Chuck's cell: 630-669-3012

Don's cell: 630-414-5913

Sally's cell: 630-675-1016

Rockford Christian Camp 815-874-4041

Today!

Community Groups are scheduled to meet today, July 17 and 24. The elders want to encourage everyone to get involved in their Community Group. 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.



West Chicago Community Groups

Coupons Needed

A local family is asking for coupons to help them make ends meet. Please see Joanne Johnson to donate coupons.

Youth Ministry

Our new rotation of teachers started last Sunday. We need substitutes available for every class, especially since we are in the summer months. Please see Cindy Drumheller if you are willing to be a substitute for Sunday or Wednesday Bible classes.



Teacher's Workroom Supplies

If you have any craft supplies that you don't need, please consider donating them to our Teacher's Workroom. See Cindy Drumheller or Julie Dean with questions.

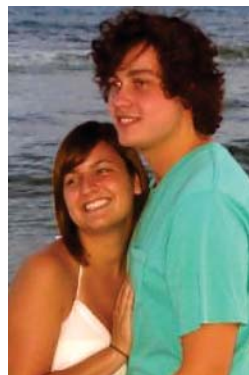
Annual Meeting Notice

The Board of Directors of the Corporation of the West Chicago Church of Christ, 350 East James Avenue, West Chicago, IL, in keeping with the bylaws of the Corporation, hereby give official notice of the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Corporation which shall be held on Sunday, July 17, at 12:00 noon in the fellowship hall at the West Chicago Church of Christ, 350 East James Avenue, West Chicago, IL.

The purpose of the 2011 Annual Meeting is to transact the regular business of the Corporation, including the election of members of the Board of Directors, the filling of any vacancies, and to act on any business that may properly come before the Corporation.

Wedding Open House

You are invited to a **Wedding Open House in honor of Stacy Elliot and Emma Boyd on Sunday, August 7**, immediately following worship in the fellowship room. A light lunch will be served. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, Macy's, Pottery Barn and Target.



Rockford Christian Camp summer sessions – registration forms need to be postmarked 2 weeks prior to the camp session to forego a late fee:
Intermediate week (completed grades 6 - 8): July 16 - 23
Junior week (completed grades 2 - 5): July 23 - 30
Check www.rcchome.com for more information.

Care Package

A care package is going to be sent to Klinton Wheeler on a monthly basis. Please bring your donation and place it in the bin that is available in the foyer. Frances Shearer will pick up the items the third Wednesday evening of each month to ship the package. Possible items to donate are: toothpaste, deodorant, magazines, deck of playing cards, cans of nuts, store-bought cookies, etc. Please no homemade or chocolate items. Questions, see Frances.



Shults-Lewis

Check out the **Shults-Lewis display in the foyer and pick up your change can**. Bring your full cans to Annual Day on Saturday, September 17. You can also give your cans to Dewayne Smith, Justin Avey or Kyle Wheeler on Sunday, September 11, or Wednesday, September 14th.

Craft Items for our Annual Day booth – it was decided at our last workshop that along with the jean jackets left from last year, we will be selling handmade Christmas ornaments. The idea is for each person to make around a dozen Christmas ornaments of the same design. 1) Lynette has ideas for you to use that include instructions and a supply list or 2) come up with your own idea. **Workshop dates are this Tuesday, July 12; Tuesday, August 9; and Thursday, September 8**. Join us in the fellowship room at 10:00 a.m. to work on your project. We may also have some ornaments we will put together in assembly line fashion. Questions? See Lynette Root!