



Family

West Chicago Church of Christ

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A Preacher's Perspective

We are so proud of the accomplishments of Scott Fordyce (he's our second doctor this summer) for completing his Pharm. D. and entering the profession of pharmacy. Scott and Bridgette will be leaving after services today to begin Scott's new job in Evansville, IN.

During their years with us, Scott and Bridgette have been wonderful workers and a rich blessing to our church family. They have been active in our teaching program and have always been ready to help with whatever they have been asked to do.

We have such a wonderful group of young adults who, like Scott and Bridgette, take their place in the work of our congregation and breathe their energy and vision into our body.

The church is at its best when it can draw upon the life experience of older saints and can absorb the vitality and energy of the young. It is so important for us to learn to accommodate those of different ages and life situations and to learn to be sensitive to one another.

Paul wrote Titus and instructed the generations to be involved with one another in ways which take advantage of what each group has to offer.

"Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance." **Titus 2:2**

For the older women (of course, we don't have

any), he gave this teaching: "Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God." **Titus 2:3-5**

For young men, Paul gave this counsel: "Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled.

"In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us."

Titus 2:6-8

What a blessing we have in our older saints who set such excellent examples of service, of good humor and happiness, and of

encouragement to our young families and children.

We are blessed, as well, to have young people and young adults who show great reverence and respect for our older brothers and sisters, providing them service and delighting in their wisdom and faithful example. Our Honduras team is one of the great examples of these generational groups working powerfully together.

And the babies! How about this amazing fact: "... for I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven." **Matthew 18:10**

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.

Bible classes are available for all ages. Babies can be taken to the nursery located at the back of the auditorium. All other children meet in classrooms downstairs. Teens meet in the teen room, which is also located at the back of the auditorium. Adult classes meet in the auditorium and in the fellowship room downstairs.

Our Small Group Fellowship program takes place during the fall, winter and spring months and is on the first and third Sundays of each month and is in lieu of the Sunday evening worship. The Small Group Fellowship schedule does change occasionally due to holidays.

You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning!

- Sunday Morning Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
- Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
(The Sunday Morning Worship is interpreted for the deaf.)
- Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
(No evening worship on Small Group Fellowship Sundays)
- Wednesday Evening Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our elders.

Elders:

- Don Brewster Bob Jett
- Chuck Miller Bob Voigts

Deacons:

- 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
- Paul Stirrup:** Stewardship & Leadership, Benevolence



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This Morning...

Please take a moment to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest this morning. Please pass them to the aisle to be picked up before the sermon. 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
- Singing - Tim Boyd
- Announcements - Don Brewster
- Singing
- Prayer - Jeff Ieler
- Singing
- Lord's Supper
- Contribution and Prayer Card Collection
- Sermon - Chuck Miller
- Singing
- Prayer Card Responses and Prayer - Bob Voigts
- Announcements
- Singing
- Closing Prayer - Kenn Watson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- September 8 Cindy Drumheller, Lisa Henkel
- September 9 Emily Gray
- September 10 Katherine Lemley
- September 12 Curt Robinson

Dates to Remember

- September 7 Teen Connection Point & Newbie Day
- September 10 Quilting
- September 12 Shults-Lewis Golf Outing
- September 13 Quilting
- September 14 Teen Parent Meeting
- September 17 Seniors Breakfast
- September 20 Shults-Lewis Annual Day
- September 21 Small Group Kick-Off Potluck
- September 24 See You At The Pole/Teens
- September 25-27 Qodesh Teen Leadership Retreat
- October 1 Magi Boxes Due
- October 25-26 Chicago Celebration

Records You Helped Make

- Sunday Morning Bible Class 74
- Sunday Morning Worship 121
- Wednesday Evening Bible Class 40
- Contribution \$4,434.00

In Our Prayers...

Passing of loved ones:

Leslie Evans, a friend and colleague of Julie Chavez, passed away unexpectedly last week. Pray for her family.

Janice Gard, the sister-in-law of Sally Hearn's sister, passed away this week from pancreatic cancer.

Elizabeth Griffin passed away last week.

Recent updates:

Eva Biggers, Josephine Haggerton's sister-in-law, is doing better and is home from the hospital.

Mary Brent, Joe Kirts's sister, had a liver and kidney transplant this week. She is doing very well

Pete Costello is Dylan Doggett's grandfather in Virginia. He has very serious heart problems.

Dawn Condit, Marion Lake's sister, is home from the hospital and continues to recuperate from cellulitis.

Nancy Doggett received a good report from her angiogram last week.

Leigh Ann Heenan, Julie Chavez's boss, has stage 1 liver cancer. She had part of her liver removed last week.

Lauren Helton, Josephine Haggerton's nephew, has colon cancer.

David Kumer, a former member, is at Robertson County Health Care Facility, 1030 Kentontown Road, P.O. Box 170, Mt. Olivet, KY 41064; 606-724-5020; robertsoncountyhcf.com, Room 111.

Judy Phipps, Marion Lake's sister, is in the hospital with heart problems.

Polly & Peter Salmon, the friends of Rick Root's mother Sandy, are having health issues. Polly is diabetic and Peter is in a coma and needs a bladder transplant.

Ray Seaman, Cathy Vaden's father, has been in the hospital with emphysema and has a tumor on his lung. He is very ill.

Ollie Taylor, the niece of Lynette Root's friend, is doing very well after her surgery. She had complications from a gastric-bypass and hasn't been able to keep food down for a long time. This surgery has really helped.

Bob Voigts received really good test results last week. He is CANCER-FREE and the doctor is very optimistic about the future.

Jim Whitman was approved for disability. Praise God!

Those suffering with long-term issues:

Herman Aultman - Bobbie Whitman's brother

Sylvia Atten - Dana Howard's friend

Justin Avey

Irene Barnes - Lynette Root's aunt

Paul & Judy Bertrand - Lynette Root's parents

Lisa Beverly - Sandy Boyd's sister who has MS

Bonnie Bingham

Leona Boston - Lynette Root's aunt

Jim Brannon - Pat Brewster's brother-in-law

Nancy Brewster

Jim & Julie Chavez

John Day

Lisa DeVaney - Marie Hayes's daughter

Al Dorsey and his son Doug

Chad Englebach - Marie Hayes' grandson

Amy Ferguson - a former member from Montana

Josephine Haggerton

Sarah Hayden & family - Maria Zeisler's relative

Marie Hayes

Mary Henkel - Mike's mother

Kathy Huml - John Pedersen's sister

Sandy Jones - Marie Hayes's daughter

Amy Kalupski - sister-in-law of Julie Chavez's friend Joe, Star and Sky Kuhnle - Chuck & Bobbye's foster son

Debbie Lawrence - Bobbie Whitman's niece

Don Lemley

Anne Librande - Joanne Johnson's mother

Steve Link

Jack Lockett - the father of Charlie, Mike, Shelley,

Julie Chavez, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen

Mike Lockett - Joan's son

Laura Mahan - Shirley Rucker's daughter

Danielle Nichols - Alyssa Milam's niece

Josh Otte - Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of Marion Lake's cousin

Doug Peterson

Pat Ronzheimer

Kay Schrader

Chester & Phyllis Sitler

Bruce Snyder and Cindy Stewart - Bob Voigts cousins

Jim & Jeremy Whitman

Mothers-to-be:

Laura Callejo - Cliff Plummer & Joan Avey's niece

Missy Day

Amanda Grandlienard - former member

Jenn Kirts - Joe & Terrie's daughter-in-law

Jennifer (Doggett) Piehl

Shelley Prosser - Joan Lockett's daughter

Armed forces:

Wes Clark - the son-in-law of Lynette Root's friend

Chris & Jennifer Roberts - Cathleen Longfellow's sister & brother-in-law are in Iraq, they have a 1-year-old daughter

Shane - the son of LeAnn Sexton, a friend of

Lori Plummer

Nathan & Angie Stilwell - Bridgette Fordyce's brother

& sister-in-law went to Japan with the

Air Force for 3 years with their two small children

Klinton Wheeler will be in Georgia for

12 weeks of basic training in the Army

Missionaries:

Jarrold, Allison, Soledad & Levi Brown -

Honduras (especially the adoption of

Soledad)

Students of Joe Voigts - China

Obadiah Doka & Family - Nigeria

Makinde Olufemi - Nigeria

Ayodele Waleola - Nigeria

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

Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt - Taiwan



Wednesday Evening!

This Wednesday, September 10, we invite everyone to join the kids class at West Chicago Terrace Nursing Home located at 928 Joliet Street, West Chicago. We will be delivering the “care bags” and having a devotional. **Meet at the church building at 7:00 p.m. to car-pool or you can meet us at the nursing home at 7:15.** This will complete our session on serving God in “God’s Big Backyard!” Thank you to everyone who contributed to filling the bags and leading the class times! Special thanks to Sarah Miller for her excellent class coordination this summer. Good work!

Shults-Lewis

The Shults-Lewis Golf Outing is this Friday, September 12, in Valparaiso. Check out the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer. The Shults-Lewis Annual Day, is Saturday, September 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Valparaiso. Check out their website, www.shultslewis.org, to register, find information and photos from last year.

Nursery Workers

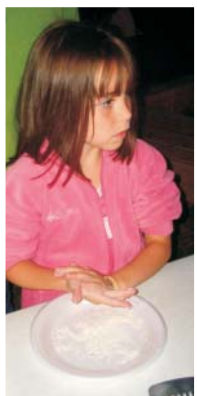
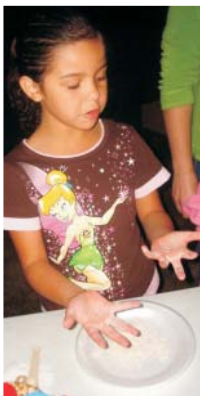
Bev Day, Kim Sitler

Collection Counters

Justin Avey, Mike Henkel



The Wednesday Evening Kid’s Class made unleavened bread in the fire pit the other night to serve to our church family at the Lord’s table this morning.



Youth & Family News

TEENS: Newbie Day is TODAY! Join us for a fun afternoon with our new 7th graders! We’re going to lunch together, then miniature golf at Lost Mountain, then head to the Connection Point @ Naperville. We should return to West Chicago by 8:00. **ADULT DRIVERS ARE NEEDED.**

See You At The Pole (SYATP) is Wednesday, September 24. What’s going on at your school?

PARENTS: On Sunday, September 14th, Cliff would like to meet with the parents of teens to highlight some of the activities planned for this year. We’ll meet immediately after morning services, lunch will be provided. Let Cliff know if you plan to attend.

Quilting Sessions

A couple of Quilting Sessions have been scheduled by Frances Shearer this week, Wednesday, September 10, and Saturday, September 13, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. If it works for most ladies she would like to regularly meet on the second Wednesday and Saturday of each month. Bring a salad to share for lunch! Please contact Frances if you have any questions.

Small Group Kick-Off Potluck

Mark your calendar for, Sunday, September 21, for the Small Group Kick-Off Potluck Luncheon. Please bring a dish or two to share. Drinks will be provided.

Magi Boxes

A Magi Box is a simple shoebox, wrapped in Christmas wrapping and packed with toys, candy, hygiene supplies, and clothing. Through Healing Hands International, members of the Churches of Christ distribute these boxes to children in poverty stricken countries. The boxes we prepare are shipped to Mission Lazarus in Honduras.

The deadline will be the beginning of October. More information will be available soon, but if you have any questions see Jay or Sally Hearn or go to www.hhi.org.