



Family

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A Preacher's Perspective

Who can find a virtuous and capable wife? She is worth more than precious rubies. Her husband can trust her, and she will greatly enrich his life. She will not hinder him but help him all her life.

She finds wool and flax and busily spins it. She is like a merchant's ship; she brings her food from afar.

She gets up before dawn to prepare breakfast for her household and plan the day's work for her servant girls.

She goes out to inspect a field and buys it; with her earnings she plants a vineyard.

She is energetic and strong, a hard worker.

She watches for bargains; her lights burn late into the night.

Her hands are busy spinning thread, her fingers twisting fiber.

She extends a helping hand to the poor and opens her arms to the needy.

Proverbs 31:10-20 (NLT)

Our "Virtuous Women" did a wonderful job on Saturday. They were watching for bargains and working late at night. Their goal: to minister to the needy.

The total of sales and contributions from the booth were \$1297. Rick had given us a target of \$1300.

Pretty close. I'm sure the final total will be over \$1300.

Thanks so much to everyone who participated so generously. In addition to the money raised for this year, there are plenty of jackets left to be sold online, or at our booth next year. Sales were great for the candy, the scarves, and the aprons, as well.

This was so much a group effort. Kellie challenged us with the vision of a booth for Shults-Lewis. Everyone pitched in to help make it a reality.

I really liked the comments from Lynette in an email:

She is energetic and strong, a hard worker. She watches for bargains; her lights burn late into the night. Her hands are busy spinning thread, her fingers twisting fiber. She extends a helping hand to the poor and opens her arms to the needy. Prov. 31:17-20



"I have to tell you, actually being there AT Shults Lewis, seeing the kids walk around and meeting house-parents; well, it just makes any little bit we can do, so important. I knew we were doing a good thing, I just didn't see the whole picture, until today. I was humbled and thrilled to be a part of Annual Day." Lynette Root

I believe we all agree with Lynette's comments. What a joyful time of partnership!

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:

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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

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, Scripture Reading & Prayer Ian Voigts
Youth Committee Announcement Curt Robinson
Kids Connection Brian Gifford, Ian Voigts
Praise Songs Jon Miller

- #860 *There Is a Habitation*
- #490 *It Is Well With My Soul*
- #763 *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*
- #123 *The Steadfast Love of the Lord*
- #315 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Communion Ian Voigts
Contribution and Prayer Card Collection
Sermon Chuck Miller
Invitation Song Jon Miller

- #761 *Prince of Peace! Control My Will*

Prayer Card Responses and Closing Prayer Bob Voigts
Closing Song Jon miller

These Are the Days of Elijah

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- September 19. Hailey Kissane, Vicki Whitman
- September 21. Hope Ieler
- September 23. Sabrina Link
- September 23 Curt & Jackie Robinson (anv.)
- September 24. Jon & Jamie Miller (anv.)
- September 25. Alex Drumheller, Theresa Link

Dates to Remember

- TODAY. Community Groups
- September 21 Tuesday Ladies Class
- September 23 Wedding Shower Nana Lake
- September 23 Teen Parent Connection
- September 24. Men's Prayer Breakfast
- September 26 Leadership Meeting
- September 26 Praise Sunday!/Magi Box Party
- October 2 Road Rally
- October 3 Community Groups
- October 5 Magi Box Pick-Up!
- October 7 Food Pantry Delivery

Records You Helped Make

- Sunday Morning Bible Class 53
- Sunday Morning Worship 86
- Wednesday Evening Bible Class 33
- Contribution \$4,606.75

Nursery Workers Sandy Boyd, Molly Mullins

Collection Counters Scott Drumheller, Rick Root

In Our Prayers...

Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother, will have his kidney transplant scheduled soon.

Josephine Haggerton fell on Friday and bruised her knee. She is very sore.

Helen Plummer, the mother of Joan Avey and Cliff, was in the hospital this week. She is doing better and may have a chemo treatment this week.

Robert Prosser, the father-in-law of Joan Lockett's daughter, Shelley, passed away on Thursday. He was a Chicago Police Officer.

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
 Jim & Julie Chavez
 Gail Cole - Lori Plummer's mother
 Daphene Collins - Chuck Miller's cousin
 John Day
 Joyce Duke - Bobbie Whitman's sister
 Joyce Eakins's brother, Hubert
 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
 Don Lemley
 Myrna Levake
 Anne Librande - Joanne Johnson's mother
 Steve Link
 Jack Lockett- father of Charlie, Mike, Julie Chavez, Shelley Prosser, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen
 Mike Lockett - Joan's son
 Jackie Milam, Alyssa's mother
 Bobbye Miller
 Danielle Nichols - Alyssa Milam's cousin
 Josh Otte - Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of Marion Lake's cousin
 Doug Peterson
 Kay Schrader
 Bruce Snyder & Cindy Stewart - Bob Voigts's cousins
 Barb Tincher - Jake's mother
 Jim Whitman

Mothers-to-be:

Jennifer Piehl - Tom & Nancy Doggett's daughter - due any day!

Armed forces:

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
 Shane - the son of LeAnn Sexton, friend of Lori
 Joey Wertz - the friend of Lynette Root's friend, Iraq

Jonathon Young - a Warrant Officer in the army

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

Kids Club!

Christina Cortez is planning to use our building for an after-school enrichment program called **Kids Club**. The program will operate on Wednesdays after the Turner Elementary students are dismissed from school, around 2:45 p.m., until 5:00 p.m. The program will provide homework help, snacks, games, activities, crafts and Bible stories. The primary purpose of the club is to provide a fun and safe environment for students who need help with their homework. **If you would like to volunteer to help or would like to donate snacks or craft supplies, please contact Christina** by calling her at 630-440-0356 or sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

Tuesday Ladies Class

There will be **NO Ladies Class** on Tuesdays until November.



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.
3. If you are unable to be at worship on Sunday morning, trying accessing our web-cast. *Please follow these instructions:* <http://wcfamily.viewnetcam.com>
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Baptism!

We are pleased to announce that **Quinten Link**, the son of Steve and Theresa Link, was baptized following his Community Group meeting last Sunday afternoon. May the Lord continue to bless this young man.

Wedding Shower

The ladies are invited to a **Wedding Shower** in honor of Nana Lake this **Thursday, September 23, at 6:45 p.m.** at the home of Joan Avey. Nana is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target.



Road Rally!

Attention Puzzle-Solvers! We have a challenge for you - **the Road Rally!** It begins on **Saturday, October 2, at 3:00 p.m.** at the church building. You will need a car with up to six other puzzle-solvers. Be sure to dress appropriately for all kinds of weather and plan on having fun solving different kinds of puzzles that will lead you to other puzzles. After the Road Rally there will be a meal provided. **Sign up your car on the list in the foyer.** If you do not have a "full car" or if you are interested in participating, but do not have a car, please let us know. Any questions, contact John & Bev Day or Joe & Terrie Kirts. See you there!

Youth Ministry

An Educational Steering Committee made up of members of this congregation, plus a newly assigned Educational Director, Cindy Drumheller, is planning to revitalize the youth education program of our congregation.

A plan has been designed to help insure that we have an evangelistic and outstanding Bible School, both for our members and our visitors, offering classes for all children cradle roll through young adults. Please note:

- **A Teacher's Workshop** is being offered at the church building from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. on two different Saturdays - choose either September 25 or October 2. Anyone interested in learning fun and effective ways to teach children's Bible classes are welcome.
- Nine-week rotations for all Bible classes, Sunday and Wednesday, will begin October 3. **Teachers and substitutes are needed** as soon as possible to create an effective Bible education program. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer or contact Cindy Drumheller.
- **Our Wednesday night Bible classes will start right at 7:00 p.m.** and go until 7:45 p.m. beginning October 6. This should allow parents to get their children home earlier. A 15-minute devotional will continue for the last 15 minutes for those who can stay.

A hand-out is available with a list of classes, a sign-up for the teacher's workshop and a sign-up to be a teacher or a substitute. Sign-up sheets are also available in the foyer.

Please prayerfully consider being part of this important work of raising our Children in the Lord. If you have any questions or would like to join the Educational Steering Committee, please contact Curt Robinson, Chuck or Don.

Magi Boxes

A Magi Box is a simple shoe box, wrapped in Christmas wrapping and packed with toys, 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. There are several ways you can get involved in this project:



1. **Put together your own Magi Box.** Purchase items for a boy or girl within an age group. Place the items in a wrapped shoe box following the specific instructions. Include \$7 in the box to cover the cost of shipping the box from Nashville to Honduras. Secure the box with a rubber band and attach the gender/age group label. (Specific instructions are available in the foyer.)
2. **Sign up to bring items for our collective effort.** Two charts are located on the bulletin board in the foyer. One chart is for "Boy" items and the other is for "Girl" items. Each box on the chart is a space for you to sign up to bring 8 of those items. There are 12 gender/age groups and with 8 items per gender/age group, our goal is to put together 96 Magi Boxes! **Boxes for donated items are located on the table in the coat racks.** On Praise Sunday, September 28, we will put the boxes together.
3. **You may make a monetary donation** for boxes to be prepared or for shipping expenses. \$7 is needed per Magi Box to cover the cost of shipping each box from Healing Hands in Nashville to Mission Lazarus in Honduras. We would also like to purchase plastic shoe boxes for our 96 boxes.

If you have any questions or would like to make a monetary donation, please see Jay or Sally Hearn or Frances Shearer.

Our church building is a collection site for this area. Feel free to encourage your place of employment, extended family or friends, or community group to put together Magi Boxes. **Healing Hands will pick up the boxes on Tuesday, October 5.**

Teen Parent Connection

Teen Parent Connection offers a Parents' Pantry - an incentive-based program through which their participants earn Baby Bucks, which can be exchanged for diapers and other essentials. With over 1,000 visits to the pantry in the past year and over 900 packages of diapers distributed, **Teen Parent Connection needs diapers of ALL sizes.** Place any donations in the bin by the restrooms.

We support Teen Parent Connection as we provide, serve and clean-up a well-balanced meal for 10-15 people and provide some assistance with child-care. If you can help provide or serve a meal or would like to assist with childcare, **please see Molly Mullins as soon as possible!**