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## BUTLER SPRINGS CHRISTIAN CAMP



# 2017

## SUMMER CAMP

Anyone interested in horseback riding, paintball, a trip to the Canadian Outback, or an adventure in Wild West Virginia? Camp registration is now open at Butler Springs. Other camps include Wilderness Quest, Safari, Soccer, Karate, Volleyball, Cheer, Basketball, Water sports, Kids Café, Parent/Teen Extreme, Father/Son Safari, SELFIE #nofilter (girls only event), and many more.

Church camp is a great place for kids to have fun while learning and experiencing the love of Christ. Each week is filled with Bible studies, worship, campfires and other opportunities for campers to begin or grow in their relationship with Jesus. There are camps for all students currently in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Go to [www.ButlerSprings.com](http://www.ButlerSprings.com) to register your child/grandchild. The church will pay a third of the camper's registration cost for one week of camp (50% if you register before the early bird deadline of April 5<sup>th</sup>). During registration, use the church's code of 20lebanon17 (all lowercase). The camper must be a child of an active member or a member of West Side to use the code. Early Bird registration ends April 5<sup>th</sup>.

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## Upcoming Events

### **Ladies Breakfast Fellowship**

Join the Ladies Breakfast Fellowship on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 A.M. at the Lebanon Frisch's.



## Ministry Team Meetings

- The next Involvement Team meeting is Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.
- The Evangelism Team Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.

## Charity Craft Groups

- The Tuesday Craft Group will meet on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 P.M.
- The Saturday Craft Group will meet on March 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M.

## JoyBelles Board Meeting

The JoyBelles Officer Board will meet Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 P.M. We will be planning the year ahead, discussing time/day changes for meetings. Anyone is welcome to meet with us, or talk to a board member with your suggestions. We have a few speakers planned for this year, and need a few more. All West Side women are a part of Joybelles, whether you are active or not. You are welcome to participate in activities we sponsor, sign up for dinners and events.

## One Eighty Community Meal

Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> West Side will once again have an opportunity to serve the Lebanon community by serving a meal at the United Methodist Church, 122 E. Silver Street. We need seven or more volunteers from 5 P.M. – 7 P.M. Please sign up at the **Get Involved Center** or see Bobbie Vires to help in this way.

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## Youth & Children's Ministry

These words can never be truer. Every day of my week is spent with children. I am a teacher, mother of 3 (four if you count my husband), and the WSkids Children's Minister. I am literally surrounded by children all day, every day. I guess you can say I live and breathe for these kiddos. I can't lie, but there are days that I do not want to get out of bed because I am exhausted and I want to call in sick. However, I know the consistency of a smiling face or silly thing I say maybe the only positive in their day.



I recently heard someone refer to a conversation they had with an employee about coming to work. It went something like this, "Do you have a shovel? If so, go and shovel the snow and I'll see you in a few." Those words have stayed with me. If you come join us, one day that shovel may turn from going to work, into enjoying and serving our amazing WSkids. I promise you, **nothing** you will ever do for our WSkids will ever be **time-wasted**. I challenge you to pick up that shovel and come join us!



### March Madness Most Valuable Verse

Parents the Sweet Sixteen is almost here. We will be doing a bracket in WSkids. Your child will be given a list of verses. Each Sunday during March we will be competing to see who will be our March Madness Winners. Flyers with the verses will be coming home this Sunday!



Mark your calendars ... our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2 to 4 in the afternoon. We are need of lots of candy. Please bring in plastic egg sized individually wrapped candy pieces by Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup>.



### Children's Ministry Teaching Schedule for March 2017

	3/5	3/12	3/19	3/26	
9:30 A.M.					
Nursery	Lauren Allen	Betty Wright	Lauren Allen	Betty Wright	
Toddler-PreK	Kim Baker	Debbie Van Harlingen	Kim Baker	Debbie Van Harlingen	
K-2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kristy Meilstrup	Allie Fox	Gina Wright	Allie Fox	
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup>	Melodee Ashby	J.Wright/H.Meilstrup	Melodee Ashby	J. Wright/H. Meilstrup	
11:00 A.M.					
Nursery	J.Hanefeld/M.Bosdell	C.Dawson/M.Bosdell	J.Hanefeld/M.Bosdell	C.Dawson/M.Bosdell	
Toddler-PreK	Bobbie Vires	Gina Wright	Bobbie Vires	Gina Wright	
Junior Church	Emily Bosdell	Emily Bosdell	Emily Bosdell	Emily Bosdell	



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## **AND NOW, A NOTE FROM AN ELDER...ERIC MEILSTRUP**

The first couple of months have been fun for me at West Side. January started off with the TCTC trip. To be able to experience watching a group of 18 teens that gathered together and really acted in such a special way I can honestly say I was very proud of them. As part of the adult group, I can also say it was a pleasure to see the commitment those people had for these kids and our church. As part of the Evangelism Team I will say I was especially proud of the West Side Teens who stepped out and asked friends to come and then lead by example with how they acted. In 2017 I hope I can do as well as them in inviting people to West Side and other events we are associated with.

February was just as exciting, working with an interior designer, the design team, the board and more than a handful of others on potential updates to our building. Rob talked about some of the items last month and now there is a section in this newsletter that will update everyone on a regular basis of more of the details. So January and February were fun but I have to tell you I am just as excited about March and April. Sometimes it is real easy to think negative thoughts and/or point out all the wrongs things about something. This year the more we really look for the good in people and things, while staying positive, the more true progress we will really make.

Thank you all for what you do and what you will do in 2017. - Eric Meilstrup

## **West Side Projects Update**

Starting with this newsletter, we will now have monthly updates on various projects and happenings around West Side. If you have a topic that you would like an update on, we encourage you to ask, but also feel free to let an elder or staff member know, so we can make it part of this new feature in the newsletter.

**Outdoor Sign** - The board met in February and made some decisions on the outdoor sign. A vendor has been picked after reviewing design drafts from two companies. The board decided to get two identical signs for the property. The signs will be located in spots very close to the temporary signs that are up currently. There are a few minor changes to the draft we reviewed and by the time you are reading this newsletter, we hope to have a final draft for the church to approve. We anticipate making that final approval in early March and getting word on how long it will take them to make and install the signs. We do believe that the funds that were given to us from the city for our last sign, plus the funds they gave us for the land, will cover the cost of both signs which is very exciting!

**Interior Designer** - In January we approved bringing in an interior designer to help us with refreshing our current building and to give some suggestions on how we can better use our space. A group of six people met with Jennifer from the McKnight Group, who works with churches, and we discussed the entire building. We then received suggestions from Jennifer. The group of six, the elders and spouses and staff all reviewed the suggestions and made a list of updates to consider for the building. The board also reviewed the list. Currently we are getting prices and estimates on the projects for a March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. At this meeting we will review the costs for the projects and start prioritizing and planning. Once that is complete we will either call a special board meeting or meet at the regular April meeting to approve what will happen and when.



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It should be noted that although some of the work will be done by us, we are looking at having third parties come in to do a number of projects so that the overall project will be done in a reasonable amount of time. We also hope to get involvement of West Siders so be ready when those chances come! Some of the higher-level projects that we are looking at and considering are:

- Repainting of the entire main level which includes the sanctuary, the lobby, the fellowship hall and the lower level
- Doing some remodeling of the lobby which includes turning the coat closet into the Welcome Center, creating a new coat closet, re-purposing the conference room, widening the entrance of the conference room and moving the door to Cheryl's office
- New lighting, organization and storage in the fellowship hall
- Update paint in the nursery
- New interior signage
- New lights in the lobby and by sanctuary windows
- New window treatments in sanctuary
- New flooring for sanctuary stage
- Replacing all exterior doors except for main entrance
- Replacing the yellow windows in the Fellowship Hall
- Updating existing technology throughout the church
- Resurfacing the entire parking lot with new asphalt

No matter what gets decided, it was a consensus from the interior designer and everyone who has reviewed the ideas that we must clean (purge) the church and get rid of everything that is not needed. As you are reading this, you will have noticed that the purging is already in process.

Two other important notes to mention: There will be some of you, and rightly so, that will say yes there is a plan but will we really act upon it at all or in a reasonable amount of time? Based on the discussions so far, I believe the answer is

yes, so hold on because after 20 years it is time to freshen things up a little. The other point is cost. We obviously need to be smart and make a game plan and communicate that game plan. We do have some funds to work with but we will disclose the project plans as they are created.

These are exciting times and we encourage questions, discussions and involvement. So as of now, feel free to search out a staff member or elder and ask your question or give your suggestion. Until next month, please continue to pray for our church and thank you for all you do. ~ Eric



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*JoyBelles*

Loving & Leading Women to a Life Changing Relationship with Jesus Christ.

## Women's Ministry



### JoyBelles Kick-Off Brunch

Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M., the JoyBelles Officers will host a kick-off brunch for all Ladies of the church. The Officers will roll out the programs, events, and upcoming opportunities for the next year, as well as discuss some potential changes. Sign up at the **Get Involved Center**.

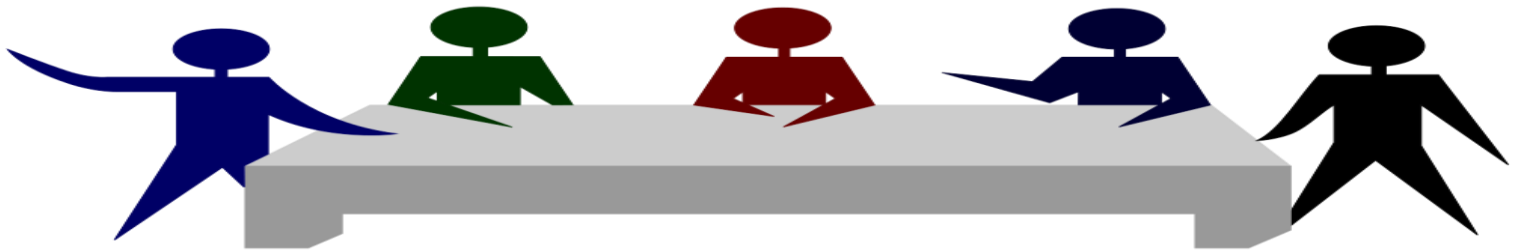
### JOYBELLES NEWS

Starting Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, meetings will start at 6:30 P.M. The program will be a speaker from the Warren County Senior Services. Plan to be there for this informative session.



### Annual Mother Daughter Banquet

**Note:** We are in need of volunteers to head the Mother/Daughter Banquet this year. It is scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup>.



### JoyBelles Officers

<b>President</b>	Alaina Bidlack	<b>Treasurer</b>	Charlotte Peek
<b>Vice President</b>	Debbie Van Harlingen	<b>Program Director</b>	Jan Hollingsworth
<b>Secretary</b>	Laura Williams		



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## Missions News

Mike and Debbie Flinchum have been busy with church leadership training at the Northern border town of Mai Sai, Thailand. This was the 15<sup>th</sup> year for this seminar that was attended by preachers, elders, deacons and Bible teachers. Mike taught follow-up lessons from his class on "Discipleship".

They had 130 church leaders from the Thai and Myanmar sides

of the border. They also had Church leadership training at the Western border town of Mae Sot, Thailand. Around 50 church leaders attended this seminar. Most of them were preachers, elders, deacons, and Bible School teachers in refugee churches. Two of Mike's close friends, Larry and Gary McGuire were also present at this seminar. There was also a medical team from F.A.M.E.



Mike and Debbie have been in Chiangmai, Thailand since 2006. Mike and Debbie served on the teaching staff of Lanna Theological Center. LTC has a goal to train nationals to evangelize their own people groups. Bible college classes are taught to students in a classroom setting and then they are taken to local villages for the practical aspects of their studies.

With the help of their students, the Flinchum's work in discipling the hill tribe orphan children and evangelizing among the Thai's and the unreached hill tribes' people. They hold weekly worship services for the students as well as the surrounding communities.

**CHONDA  
PIERCE**  
**enough**  
Laugh~Cry~Love

Attention Ladies! Over 14 of us are planning to go see this docu-comedy on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Chonda Pierce, the Queen of Clean, will be putting out a simultaneous movie that woman all over the country, of all ages can enjoy. You will laugh, cry, and just love what she has to say. Do you feel you are not enough? Do you feel that it takes others (your family, friends, work) to make you feel like you are enough for this world? Know that God thought you were enough when He sent His son to die for your sins. See Cheryl Fox if you want to attend this night of fun and fellowship at the Deerfield Regal Theater in Mason, Ohio. Tickets are \$14.

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## Some Food For Thought

This is an exciting time to be around West Side. As you may have already read on pages four and five of this newsletter, there are a lot of projects getting ready to happen to our facility. The majority of these projects are simple facelifts to our buildings. Some, like the welcome center, coat closet, and repurposing of the conference room, are a little bigger, and we believe will help with some Sunday morning traffic flow and be a better use of our space.

What is driving this process is twofold. First, our building is now over twenty years old. In some ways our lighting and window treatments look dated. In other ways, things are wearing out. Like any home or retail store, after twenty years of use, it is time to make some updates.

However, it is our second reason that is much more important. Many of the updates and changes we are making are driven by our desire to love and lead people to a life changing relationship with Jesus Christ. We want to see our building through the lens of a guest, especially a guest who is far from Jesus. How easy is our building to navigate on your own without having to ask? Is there a place and a way for a guest to learn more about our church? These, plus many others are the questions we are asking.

Now, those questions are important and good. But, they will mean nothing if no guest shows up. That means we as a church have work to do. As West Side Christians, we have to be careful that we are not making changes for guests who may never come. Guest will not come if we are not willing to bring people to church with us on Sunday mornings. This is where you come in.

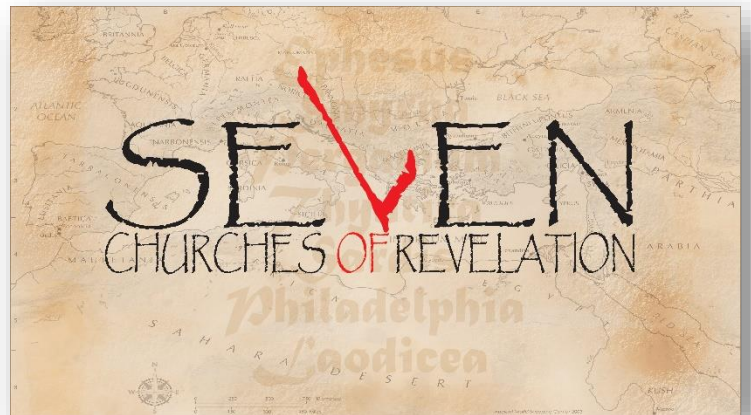
As we make these updates and changes, we need you to be all in inviting your family, friends, and neighbors to worship with you. I encourage you to pray and ask God who that one person is in 2017 that you will bring with you to church. In Christ's Service ~ Michael



## Sermon Schedule & Preaching Notes

### 7 Church of Revelation

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|----------|-----------------------|
| March 5  | A Crushed Church      |
| March 12 | A Compromising Church |
| March 19 | A Corrupt Church      |
| March 26 | A Crippled Church     |



The early church got off to a strong start. But by the end of the first century some issues had arisen with seven churches in Asia Minor. As they faced challenges, Jesus spoke through John some words of instruction and encouragement. The issues the churches faced are still faced by the body of Christ today. In our current sermon series we are looking at Jesus words and examining where we as a church need to apply them.



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If you notice a mistake in a birthday please let the office know. We are continually trying to update information.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast @ Racetrack  6:30 P.M. Small Groups Timm Fox Jim Ashby Numbers 14-15/Ps. 90	2  7 P.M Small Group 7 P.M. Band Numbers 16-17	3 9 A.M. Ladies Fellowship Breakfast at Frisch's  Numbers 18-20	4  Numbers 21-22
5  10:35 A.M. Breakfast Fellowship  5:30 P.M. Youth Group 6 P.M. Evening Service Numbers 23-25	6  Michael Dawson Numbers 26-27	7  12:30 P.M. Small Group  7 P.M. Evangelism Team Numbers 28-30	8 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast @ Racetrack  6:30 P.M. Small Groups 7:45 P.M. Choir Numbers 31-32	9 6 P.M. JoyBelles Board Meeting 7 P.M Small Group 7 P.M. Band Practice Melinda Fox Numbers 33-34	10  Numbers 35-36	11 10 A.M. Craft Group  Rhett Bidlack Ruth Sprague Deut. 1-2
12  5:30 P.M. Youth Group 6 P.M Evening Service Deut. 3-4	13  7 P.M. Involvement Team Deut. 5-7	14  12:30 P.M. Small Group  Deut. 8-10	15 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast @ Racetrack  6:30 P.M. Small Groups 7:45 P.M. Choir Deut. 11-13	16  7 P.M Small Group 7 P.M. Band Practice Deut. 14-16	17  Deut. 17-20	18  6 P.M Prime Timers Deut. 21-23
19  5:30 P.M. Youth Group 6 P.M. Evening service Deut. 24-27	20  Lexie Kinsworthy Deut. 28-29	21  12:30 P.M. Small Group 2 P.M. Craft Group  Sheryl Perkins Deut. 30-31	22 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast @ Racetrack  6:30 P.M. Small Groups 7:45 P.M. Choir Deut. 32-34/Ps. 91	23  7 P.M. Small Group 7 P.M. Band Practice Carol Hicks Joshua 1-4	24  Joshua 5-8	25 10 A.M. Joybelles Kick-off Luncheon  Rayann Tipton Joshua 9-11
26  5:30 P.M. Youth Group 6 P.M. Evening service Jesse Wright Joshua 12-15	27  Joshua 16-18	28  12:30 Small Group  Joshua 19-21	29 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast @ Racetrack  6:30 P.M. Small Groups 7:45 P.M. Choir Joshua 22-24	30 5 P.M. 1 Eighty Community Meal 7 P.M. Small Group 7 P.M. Band Practice Judges 1-2	31  Judges 3-5	

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## MARCH 2017 SERVING SCHEDULE

Position	3/5/17	3/12/17	3/19/17	3/26/17	
<b>9:30 A.M. Serving Schedule</b>					
<b>Greeters</b>	Meilstrup Family	Bobbie Vires	Russ & Arlene Moore	Bobbie Vires	
<b>Communion</b>	Eric Meilstrup	Jeremy Bosdell	Mike Fox	Brent Wright	
<b>Offering</b>	Eric Meilstrup	Jeremy Bosdell	Mike Fox	Brent Wright	
<b>11 A.M. Serving Schedule</b>					
<b>Greeters</b>	Betty Wright	Nancy Weltz	Louise Collins	Nancy Weltz	
<b>Communion</b>	Tim Coriell	Lew Rainey	Scott Williams	Les Spence	
<b>Meditation/Prayer</b>					
<b>Offering Med./Prayer</b>	George Van Harlingen	Jim Ashby	Mike Fox	Don Tennyson	
	Tim Hill	Shawn Retherford	Don Tennyson	Mickey Witt	
	Bob Worthington	Larry Peek	Nate Bidlack	Kevin Conley	
	Scott Williams	Jim Fries	Tim Hill	Lew Rainey	
	Shawn Retherford	Les Spence	George Van Harlingen	Larry Peek	
	Greg Fisher	Mickey Witt	Bob Worthington	Brent Wright	
<b>Basement Prayer</b>	Jim Ashby	Nate Bidlack	Tim Coriell	Jim Fries	
<b>Benediction</b>	Mike Fox	Scott Williams	Rob Wright	Lew Rainey	
<b>Home Communion</b>	Lew Rainey/ Larry Peek	Scott Williams	Rob Wright	Eric Meilstrup	
<b>Elder on Call</b>	Scott Williams	Rob Wright	Eric Meilstrup	Lew Rainey	
<b>Special Music</b>	Tim Hill	West Side Choir	Sounds of Joy	West Side Choir	
<b>Sound 9:30 A.M.</b>					
<b>Computer 9:30 A.M.</b>	Crystal Dawson	Jeremy Bosdell	Allie Fox	Crystal Dawson	
<b>Sound 11:00 A.M.</b>	Cheryl Fox	Cheryl Fox	Brent Wright	Jeremy Bosdell	
<b>Computer 11:00 A.M.</b>	Jeremy Bosdell	Allie Fox	Cheryl Fox	Bobbie Vires	
<b>Children's Programming Teaching Schedule FOR March 2017</b>					
<b>9:30 A.M.</b>					
<b>Nursery</b>	Lauren Allen	Betty Wright	Lauren Allen	Betty Wright	
<b>Toddler-PreK</b>	Kim Baker	Debbie Van Harlingen	Kim Baker	Debbie Van Harlingen	
<b>K - 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Kristy Meilstrup	Allie Fox	Kristy Meilstrup	Allie Fox	
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Melodee Ashby	J.Wright/H.Meilstrup	Melodee Ashby	J.Wright/H. Meilstrup	
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<b>Nursery</b>	J.Hanefeld/M.Bosdell	C.Dawson/M.Bosdell	J.Hanefeld/M.Bosdell	C.Dawson/M.Bosdell	
<b>Toddler-PreK</b>	Bobbie Vires	Gina Wright	Bobbie Vires	Gina Wright	
<b>Junior Church</b>	Emily Bosdell	Emily Bosdell	Emily Bosdell	Emily Bosdell	

### Service Times

#### Sunday:

Contemporary Worship 9:30 A.M.  
 Bible School 9:30 A.M.  
 Traditional Worship 11:00 A.M.  
 Jr./Sr. High Youth 5:30 P.M.  
 Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.

#### Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Study 6:30 P.M.  
 Bible Study 6:30 P.M.  
 Choir Practice (Sept.-May) 7:45 P.M.

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