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100 Million Steps ^{to} Prayer

As we begin our coaching process with David Vaughan our Elders are asking each West Side Christian, guest, friend, or family member to join us as we begin our first 100 Million Steps to Prayer Campaign. Starting May 1st we are asking you to start recording the number of steps you take each day. Each Sunday we will have a box in the foyer with small pieces of paper for people to write in their total steps for the week. We will take all those papers each week and add them up and keep a running total. That total will be put in the bulletin and in the newsletter to keep people aware. If you are unable to make it you can call or email the church with your numbers.

The main purpose of the campaign is to join together to pray while we walk. We hope this campaign will encourage you to take extra steps to pray. This will be a great start to pray for our new initiatives with our coach. So whether you take one step a week or 10,000 you can participate. Whether you can make it to church or not each week you can participate. This is a great way to get involved and participate with no weather, physical, or age barriers.

So, how do we win with 100 Million Steps to Prayer?

- Each week in the bulletin we will provide guided prayer steps for the week. This gets us to focus together as a group on strategic prayer.
- We are all more involved.
- This is something we can do as an entire church family.
- We cultivate deeper our communication and relationship with Jesus through prayer.
- We get a little healthier while we are at it.

What does it cost? Maybe about \$10's for a pedometer at a Walmart. If you cannot afford one but want to participate, ask an elder or Michael and we will get you one.

Note: This could be fun and powerful, but we do ask that you be careful to pay attention while you walk and pray so no one gets hurt.

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All Daughters, LUAU



This year's Mother Daughter Banquet will be the All Daughter Luau. We understand that not every woman has a daughter, but we do know that ever woman is a daughter! We want to invite ALL Daughters to this year's luau!!!

Place: West Side Church of Christ
Day: May 3rd
Time: 1:00 p.m.



**Cost is ONLY \$10 per person
&**

ONLY \$5 for ages 5 and under

This will cover entertainment, food, and decorations.

We would love to have ALL DAUGHTERS join us in this year's exciting luau and celebrate what it truly means to be a daughter of Christ!

Quote of the Month

"Even if our own troubles are great, we should still serve. Jesus washed His disciple's feet on the way to the cross."

~Tim Keller

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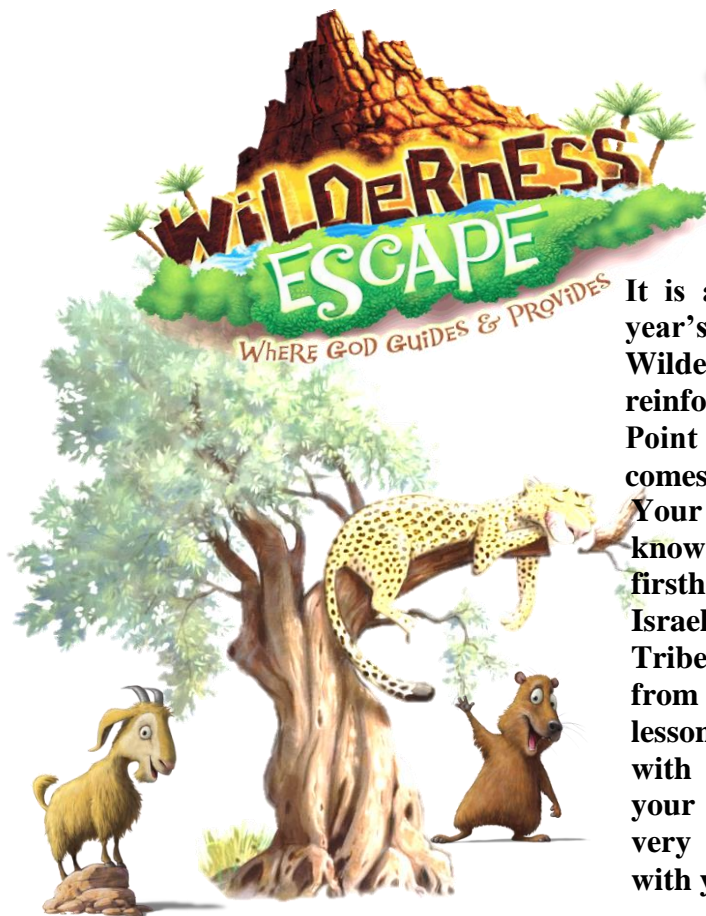
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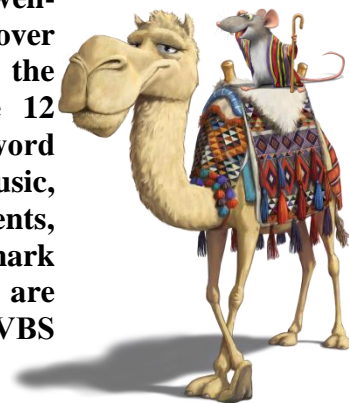
JR. AND SR. HIGH STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON SUNDAY NIGHTS AT 5:30 FOR IDENTITY! YOU WILL ENJOY A FUN AND ACTIVE NIGHT WITH FRIENDS, YOUTH SPONSORS, AND OF COURSE GOD! THE NIGHT WILL BE FILLED WITH GAMES, FOOD, AND AN INTERACTIVE DEVOTION THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE FOR CHRIST. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE YOUTH GROUP OR WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED PLEASE SEE COURTNEY AND EMILY PARKS OR JEREMY AND EMILY BOSDELL.



VBS 2014

It is already that time! It's time to start planning for this year's 2014 Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is Wilderness Escape! At Wilderness Escape VBS, we will reinforce Bible truths in a big way, because the daily Bible Point is carefully integrated into each activity. God's Word comes alive through engaging interaction with Bible history! Your children will learn straight from a well-known Bible hero, Moses! They will discover firsthand what it was like to live in the Israelite camp by joining one of the 12 Tribes of Israel. They will learn God's word from exciting and interactive games, music, lessons, crafts, and even manna! Parents, with children in grades K-8th, please mark your calendars for June 16th - 20th. We are very excited to share this summer's VBS with you!



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT VBS PLEASE SEE EMILY PARKS OR LAUREN ALLEN.

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Some Food For Thought

On Sunday morning April 6th our Elders and I announced our partnership with David Vaughan. We are very passionate about the ministry of our church and we believe strongly in our future. As we shared, we knew there were a lot of areas we needed to get better as a church, but not exactly sure of the steps we needed to take. After receiving the opportunity to partner with David as a coach we decided to accept the invitation. For the next year David will guide us through the next steps we need to take in order to better love and lead people.

Since sharing the announcement we have went to work to define deeper the five initiatives we presented. We have defined each initiative by asking questions that will guide that specific focus. I would like to share a few of those questions with you.

- Youth Program with long term sustainability
 - What does a stable youth ministry program look like?
 - What are the short term needs of our youth?
 - What are the steps to meet the short term needs and determine who will carry out the steps?
- Evangelism with a community outreach/partnership emphasis
 - How do we advertise and & communicate West Side with the community?
 - In what ways can we partner with the Lebanon community?
 - How can we teach evangelism skills to West Side Christians?
 - How can we resource West Side Christians to evangelize?
- Develop a strong discipleship process
 - What steps does West Side need to help love and lead people to a life changing relationship with Jesus Christ?
 - How can we move people through our ministry process?
 - What does the education of West Side Christians look like?
 - How do we reach/connect West Side Christians who are not actively growing?
- Provide opportunities for West Side Christians to increase active ownership of God's church
 - How do we make owners of current West Side Christians?
 - What ministry opportunities are there for West Side Christians?
 - How do we plug West Side Christians into ministry opportunities?
- Examine and address our property's first impressions and align our building to current and future ministry needs
 - How do we maintain our current facility?
 - What are the current/now needs of our property?
 - What are the short term needs of our property?
 - What are the long term and long range improvements/changes to our property?

What I have highlighted here is just the beginning of defining each of the five initiatives. However, this will give you a glimpse of what our intentions are with each initiative. Currently we are in the process of speaking to and asking several West Side Christians to partner with our Elders to lead each of the five teams. Once leaders are selected to teams of 4 to 5 they will begin working to answer these questions.

As we work through this process what is your next step as a West Side Christians? The first step is prayer. We are asking all West Side Christians to partner with us in our 100 Million Steps to Prayer campaign that is highlighted on the cover of this issue. We are also asking you to ask questions of our Elders or myself if you are concerned or inquisitive about something taking place during this process. We also want to note that there is a good chance we may not see David Vaughan on campus during this process. David is hired to coach our Elders and Michael, as well as provide guidance for the five initiative teams. His fulltime ministry will more than likely not afford him the time to be onsite often. In advance, thank you for your prayers!

~ In Christ's Service – Michael Dawson

Sermon Schedule & Preaching Notes

Sermon On the Mount

May 4	Poor in Spirit	Matthew 5:3
May 11	Mourning	Matthew 5:4
May 18	Meekness	Matthew 5:5
May 25	Righteousness	Matthew 5:6

After leading Israel out of Egypt, Moses was granted the privilege of meeting God on Mount Sinai to receive God's Law. Instead of going up the Mountain side to get God's Law, Jesus ascended the Mountain where He gave God's Law. This has been famously titled Jesus Sermon on the Mount. This teaching of Jesus is strange and at times hard to digest. In this teaching we will find radical, sensible, and spiritual teachings that will challenge us as Christians to our core.

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Missions News

Up-date Letter about our West Side Evangelism Team

By: Eric Meilstrup



The Evangelism Team, along with a number of other volunteers, has spent the last two months preparing for Friend Day and Easter Sunday. It was great to see so many individuals put their time and talents together to make an effort to welcome our friends and guests not only to West Side, but hopefully to plant a seed about wanting a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. Beginning in May the team will start focusing more on being more consistent in reaching our guests, friends, and people of our community. We encourage anyone who wants to be involved to get in contact with any Evangelism Team member. If you do not know who they are please contact any Minister or Elder and they will get you in contact with the group. The Evangelism Team typically meets from 7:00 to 8:00 on the

first Tuesday evening of the month. If that time does not work for you, then there are ways to still get involved like participating by email or with the different projects we will work on throughout the year. Be on the lookout for 2014 projects the team will take on and we would love for others to get involved. All members and guests are welcomed to participate. For general information contact Eric Meilstrup at 513-910-2706 or contact the church.

Book Warm

Jesus Christ is the central figure of Christianity. He is the resurrection and the life. Without Jesus, salvation would be an empty word. In his work, *The Jesus I Never Knew*, author Philip Yancey examines the teachings, person, and life of Jesus Christ in a ground breaking, disturbing, and exhilarating look at the Jesus described in the gospels. Yancey writes: "The Jesus I got know in writing this book is very different form the Jesus I learned about in Sunday school. In some ways more comforting; in some ways more terrifying." Many of the thoughts and comments we will share in our summer sermon series ... The Sermon on the Mount ... will be drawn from this work.

Recipe of the Month

Sweet Yeast Dough

Fayne Thacker ~ West Side Cook Book

2 packets of dry yeast or 2 cakes yeast	
¼ c. lukewarm water	½ c. sugar
1 c. milk (scalded)	1 tsp. salt
¼ c. shortening	2 eggs
5 ½ c. sifted flour	

Soften yeast in lukewarm water. Scald milk, add shortening, sugar, and salt. Cool to lukewarm. Add 2 cups flour, beat well. Add softened yeast and eggs. Beat well. Add enough flour to make a soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead. Form into ball, place in greased bowl, and let rise until double in bulk. Punch down. Can now be shaped into rolls for a delicious dinner. Bake at 375 for 20-25 minutes

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Prime Timers next get together will be
May 17th at 6:00 p.m.

The Ladies Fellowship Breakfast will be
Friday May 2nd, at 9:00 a.m. at the Bob
Evans in Lebanon.



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

Women's Ministry

- ❖ All Daughter Luau ~ Please take time to read page 2 of this News Letter. It will give you all the information needed for this year's Mother/Daughter Banquet!
- ❖ All women are invited to our monthly gatherings. Our next get together will be May 13th at 7:00 p.m. here at the church. Our program for the evening will be brought to us by Ruth Woodside, Occupational Therapist. Hostesses will be Barb Grever and Charlene Fries. We hope to see you there!
- ❖ Meals to heal ~ Emily Parks is putting together an updated list of women who would like to participate in making a meal for someone who is just getting out of the hospital. If you are interested please sign-up on the Women's Table in the foyer of the church. Thanks!
- ❖ Need a Meal? ~ If a West Side Christian has experienced time in the hospital we try to provide meals during time of recovery. Emily Parks will be coordinating the meals. If you would like to participate in this ministry, or are in need of a meal, please sign up in the foyer to help out, or contact Emily at [REDACTED], emilyerin424@gmail.com.

[REDACTED] We are in need of a volunteer to lead our shut-in ministry. If you are interested in helping please contact Melody Ashby at [REDACTED] or Jan Hollingsworth at [REDACTED]

Officers:

- ❖ **President:** Melodee Ashby [REDACTED]
- ❖ **V. President:** Debbie VanHarlingen [REDACTED]
- ❖ **Secretary:** Laura Williams [REDACTED]
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- ❖ **Publication Secretary:** Jan Hollingsworth [REDACTED]

Mission Project

During the month of May we will be collecting an offering during the JoyBelle's meeting which will go toward the church's benevolence fund. This is a fund that the church uses to help church members during difficult times. Please let an officer know if you would like to contribute, but cannot make the meetings. Thank you for your donations.

We are still collecting women items for 'Rahab's Hideaway.' A special thank you to Melody Ashby for delivering the collected supplies Easter weekend. Please place all donations in the blue box in the foyer. Thank you!

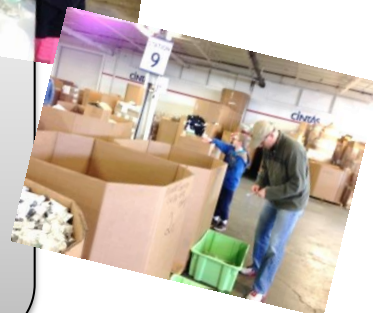
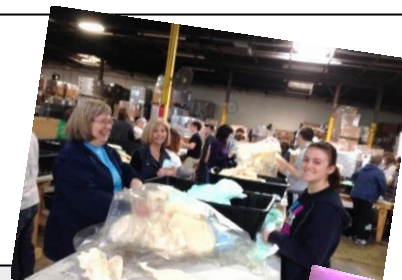
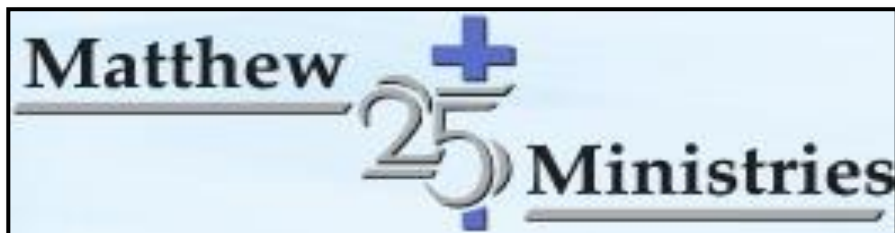
Thank you to every West Side Women that gave to the Elizabeth New Life Center. Because of your giving and loving hearts you have changed a life for Christ. We look forward to working with this ministry again in the near future!

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A Letter from Lauren Meilstrup about Her Visit to Matthew 25 Ministries

On April 5th Laura Williams, Barb Worthington, my dad, and I went down to Matthew 25 Ministries to volunteer for a couple of hours. I have been there a few times, but it was my Dad's first visit. Since it was my Dad's first time he went on the tour to learn more about what they do. Their mission is to send supplies to areas of the United State and around 40 other countries in need. They also help in disaster relief efforts. That particular Saturday the four of us helped with others to package health care supplies. I would encourage you to go down and volunteer at Matthew 25 Ministries if you have never done it before. It will be worth your time!

An Up-Date Letter from Laura Williams

Scott and I took three large garbage bags of gallon jugs and medicine bottles to Matthew 25 Ministries. They were very glad to get these items. The gallon jugs are used to send soap to third world nations. They mix the soap concentrate with clean water here and ship it where it is needed. If they shipped just the concentrate the people would be forced to mix it with dirty water. In addition, Barb Grever is collecting sewing supplies to go along with fabric she has to donate to Matthew 25 so women can make dresses. She needs fabric (2 yard lengths), needles, thread, and scissors. There is a yellow bucket in the closet area to place these donations. Thank you to everyone who has been donating!

Matthew 25 Ministries Pill Bottle Program

You can help improve the quality of health care in hospitals and health clinics in developing countries by saving and donating basic medical supplies such as pill bottles. In developing countries, medicines—when actually obtainable—are often dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves or any other available container. Matthew 25: Ministries accepts donations of basic medical supplies such as empty pill bottles to help improve health care quality in developing nations. Donations of clean, unlabeled pill bottles help the poorest of the poor in many ways. Medicine can be distributed in sterile containers; pill bottles that are not appropriate for shipping which are recycled for cash that goes towards Matthew 25: Ministries' programs. By doing this plastic recycling program it helps keep thousands of bottles out of landfills each year and helps change a life overseas. If you are interested you can place a nickel, dime, or quarter in each pill bottle and it will help Matthew 25: Ministries with shipping costs. Matthew 25: Ministries also accepts the following types of empty pill bottles: Prescription pill bottles, large and small pill bottles, pill bottles with and without child resistant caps, and over-the-counter pill bottles. We ask that if you have any pill bottles lying around the house bring them to West Side and we will deliver them to Matthew 25: Ministries for you! Thanks!

West Side Christians ARE Volunteering!

All West Side Christians are invited to join us and serve with Matthew 25: Ministries! We will meet at 11060 Kenwood Rd. Blue Ash, Ohio 45249 at 9:45 a.m. Our time slot to serve is from 10:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 p.m.

Dates we will be serving in 2014...

~~*February 1st~~

~~*April 5th~~

***June 7th**

***August 2nd**

***October 4th**

***December 6th**

We ask that you please sign-up in the foyer if you are interested in going. Thanks!

If you have any questions or need a ride please contact Scott and Laura Williams at **513-398-3723**.

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It's Time to Sign Up For Camp!



Anyone interested in horseback riding, scuba diving, paintball, a Red River Gorge Expedition, 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,



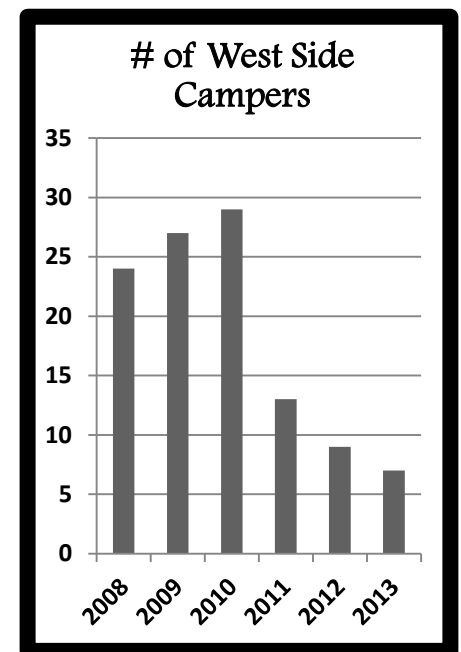
Cheer, Basketball, Water sports, Missions Trip, Kid versus Wild, Parent/Teen Extreme, Father/Son Safari, SELFIE #nofilter (girls only event), and many more.

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. Butler Springs provides camps for all students currently in

kindergarten through 12th grade.

Go to www.ButlerSprings.com to register your child/grandchild. The church will pay a third of the camper's registration. During registration, use the church's code of 20lebanon14 (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 ended April 2nd.

Did you know that our camp attendance over the last three years has drastically dropped? Look at these numbers in the graph to the right. Can we work hard this summer to get our numbers back up? Encourage your camper to invite friends to go to camp with them. It's a great way for our young West Side Christians to share Christ and help in "loving and leading children to a life changing relationship with Jesus Christ."



Upcoming Camp Events

Women's Retreat May 16 & 17 More Info at butlersprings.com

Open House May 18

Butler Springs Christian Camp wants to invite ANYONE & EVERYONE to an Open House event where you, your family, grandparents, great grandparents, friends, neighbors, alumni, etc... all can spend an afternoon at camp to see the changes that have happened over the years.

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Women's Breakfast 9am	3 All Daughter's Luau 1:00pm Birthday Jeremy Bosdell
				Romans 3	Romans 4	Proverbs 13
4 Fellowship Breakfast	5	6	7 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study 6:30pm Birthday Alivia Dawson	8	9 Birthday Jack Sprague	10 Psalms 47-48
Psalms 45-46	Romans 5	Romans 6	Romans 7	Romans 8	Romans 9	Psalms 47-48
11 Mother's Day NO P.M. Services Birthday Scott Williams	12 Birthday Penny Stewart	13 JoyBelles Women Ministry 7:00pm	14 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study 6:30pm Birthday Ruth Daniel	15	16 Good Friday Birthday Johnny Philipppo	17 Camp Meeting 10:00 a.m. Prime Timers 6:00 pm Birthday Barry Whalen
Psalms 49-50	Romans 10	Romans 11	Romans 12	Romans 13	Romans 14	Proverbs 14
18	19	20	21 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study 6:30pm	22	23 Birthday George VanHarlingen	24 Birthday Diana Jones
Psalms 51-52	Romans 15	Romans 16	Galatians 1	Galatians 2	Galatians 3	Psalms 53-54
25 No P.M. Services Amy FH 1-5pm Psalms 55-56	26 Memorial Day	27	28 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study 6:30pm Birthday Kyle Conley	29	30	31 Elder's Dinner
	Galatians 4	Galatians 5	Galatians 6	Ephesians 1	Ephesians 2	Proverbs 15

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May Serving List

Position	05/04/14	05/11/14	05/18/14	05/25/14
11:00 a.m. Worship Serving				
Communion Meditation/Prayer	Eric Meilstrup	Jim Ashby	Lew Rainey	Jeremy Bosdell
Offering Med/Prayer	Tim Hill	Lew Rainey	Tim Coriell	Tim Hill
	Jim Ashby	Greg Fisher	Don Tennyson	Brian Hill
	Bill Murvay	Tim Hill	George VanHarlingen	Lew Rainey
	Don Tennyson	Brian Hill	Bill Murvay	Don Tennyson
	Scott Williams	Jim Fries	Greg Fisher	Scott Williams
	Tim Coriell	Scott Williams	Courtney Parks	Jim Ashby
	Greg Fisher	Bill Murvay	Eric Meilstrup	Tim Coriell
Basement Prayer	George VanHarlingen	Mike Fox	Jim Fries	Bud Baker
Benediction	Eric Meilstrup	Jim Ashby	Lew Rainey	Lew Rainey
Home Communion	Scott Williams Mike Fox	Lew Rainey Don Land	Eric Meilstrup Tim Hill	Rob Wright Bud Baker
Elder on Call	Scott Williams	Lew Rainey	Eric Meilstrup	Rob Wright
Special Music				
Greeters 9:00 A.M.				
Greeters 11:00 A.M.	Rob Hollingsworth Sandra Howard	Louise Collins	Ann Downing	
Sound 9:00 A.M.	Rob Wright	Rob Wright	Mike Kinsworthy	Mike Kinsworthy
Computer 9:00 A.M.	Cheryl Fox	Emily Parks	Emily Parks	Cory Allen
Sound 11:00 A.M.	Marilyn Walls	Bud Baker	Marilyn Walls	Cheryl Fox
Computer 11:00 A.M.	Larry Peek	Larry Peek	Crystal Dawson	Larry Peek
Song Leader ~ Pianist ~ Organist ~ Praise Team ~ Rob Wright, Diane McRoberts, Debbie VanHarlingen, Charlotte Peek, Carlene Fries				
9:00 a.m. & 11:00a.m. Nursery & Extended Worship Workers				
Nursery				
• 9:00 A.M.	Jim Ashby	Kathy Weatherwax	Kim Baker	Laura Williams
• Sunday School	Jim Ashby	Kathy Weatherwax	Kim Baker	Laura Williams
• 11:00 A.M.	Jean Christy Jan Hollingsworth	Laura Williams Betty Wright	Emily Parks Kathy Weatherwax	Lori and Emily Reese
Extended Session Leaders 9:00 A.M.	Terri Wright	Terri Wright	Terri Wright	Terri Wright
Asst. 9:00 A.M.	Kathy Weatherwax	Kim Baker	Tracy Conley	Kathy Weatherwax
Extended Session Leader 11:00 A.M.	Terri Wright	Terri Wright	Terri Wright	Terri Wright
Asst. 11:00 A.M.	Tracy Conley	Barb Grever	Laura Williams	Barb Worthington

Service Times

Sunday:

Contemporary Worship 9:00 AM
Bible School 10:15 AM
Traditional Worship 11:00 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30 PM
Choir Practice 7:45 PM

Church Office Hours - Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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