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Starting

September 13th



09:30 a.m.

Contemporary Worship

Two Styles, One Sermon

11:00 a.m.

Traditional Worship

two styles,  
**one** church

## Service Times Change

On Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> we will move into our new worship service structure. At 9:30 a.m. we will have our contemporary worship service. Then at 11:00 a.m. we will have our traditional worship service. During both of these worship services we will host adult Sunday school options as well as children's programming. At this time we are in the final stages of planning our children's programming offering.

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## Involvement Ministry News

The GOAL of this Involvement Team: Identify opportunities for **ownership** and **commitment** for West Side Church of Christ members.

How do we promote the **involvement** of as many people as possible? It is important that those who join in participation know it is not intended to be a lifetime "job". We will endeavor to ask for your commitment for a specific length of time. If we involve as many people as possible, hopefully we can prove the adage, "**Many hands make light work.**" Our ownership of the operation of West Side Church of Christ will give each person a sense of pride and accomplishment. It is too bad when we work a few members beyond their enjoyment and the only way to get out of a job is to give up and quit all together.

There are plenty of opportunities and places to get involved. Rather than saying, "something needs to change," we encourage everyone to get involved and become the change. West Side needs each member to be INVOLVED in some way.

Becoming involved can give you the opportunity to become friends with new people, share ideas and suggestions as to how we can work joyfully for the church, and bless others through your gifts and talents. Please volunteer to share your time and talent in making the life of the church dynamic.

If you would like to know how you can become involved, please see Jeremy Bosdell or Lew Rainey.

Do not set any limits upon  
what He can do through you.

-Roy Lessin, [meetmeinthemeadow.com](http://meetmeinthemeadow.com)



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## Quote of the Month

*"The task of the modern educator is not to cut down jungles,  
but to irrigate deserts"*

~ C.S. Lewis

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## Youth Group News

We hope everyone has had a relaxing and memorable summer. With school starting back up we have moved our weekly youth group to Sunday nights from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Some things that you can look forward to in youth group this fall:



### Good Food



### Good Music

- Lost and Found
- Jordan Howerton Band
- Rend Collective
- For King and Country

### Fun Games

- Ultimate Frisbee
- Hallway Ball
- Chubby Bunny
- Gaga Ball

We will also be planning a night of Lazer Craze and a lock-in at the church! These are great events to invite your friends to! Come join us each Sunday night with your friends as we get to know God a little more each week. Some of the topics that we will be studying in the next few months are:

- Aha (Idleman)- Awakening.Honesty.Action
- The Case for Christ (Strobel)- A journalist personal investigation of the evidence for Jesus
- 10/10/80 (Open)- Giving

We are looking at concerts to attend as a youth group (Lost and Found anyone?) and other fun activities to enjoy together. We will also be serving our church and community through our annual rake and run and spaghetti lunch. Come and join us for youth group this fall!

# IDENTITY

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## Some Food For Thought

Summer is winding to a close, the days are growing shorter, school is back in session, and that can only mean one thing ... football season is upon us. Football season is one of my favorite seasons. I love the football news cycle. I love the thrill of the game. I love hoping that this year may just be the year that my Cleveland Browns stop living in the football cellar. And I love the fact that I root for one team that is a perennial powerhouse ... OH! .... IO!

This year I am excited for September 18<sup>th</sup>. On that Sunday afternoon I am going to be sitting in the stands of First Energy Stadium in Cleveland, Ohio with my brother beside me watching my beloved Brownies battle the Denver Broncos. I will sit in the stands amongst 67,000 other football fans chanting and cheering for my team. I am eager to witness for the first time the new video boards that are the fourth largest in the NFL (I am a technology junky ... the bigger the better). I am excited to see the pyrotechnics that the players will be announced with. I am excited to see the new uniforms that honor tradition while also creating a new image. I am hopeful that day our defense will have the strength to stop Peyton Manning and escape with a "w" in the win loss column. That's what I am excited for.

But what I am not excited about is the four hour drive to Cleveland. What I am not excited about is paying twenty dollars to park. What I am not excited about is emptying my pockets and going through security to see a football game. What I am not excited about is standing in line to order food or go to the restroom. What I am not excited about is the cost of food or a few of the obnoxious fans. What I am not excited for is the wait in traffic after hoofing it through downtown just to leave Cleveland and then drive all the way back to Lebanon.

So why do I do all that? Because what excites me far outweighs what does not ... and I want to watch my Brownies play in person. Also, I am not alone. 67,000 plus people will do the same exact thing. Friends, I am convinced that we all do what we have to do, to do what we want to. I am confident you can draw the conclusion and application I am making to the church world. However, let me help

I often hear church people talk about Sunday morning soccer fields being filled with families instead of in church. I hear church members talk about how Wednesday evening, Sunday evening, and even Sunday School is now poorly attended. I have conversations that people today just do not seem to be engaged like they were in the past. And my response to that is this, people do what people want to do. And unfortunately, people, in many ways have declared church is not something they want to do. So my food for thought today is this ... what do we need to do to make a life changing relationship with Jesus , life changing being the key phrase, something that people want to have, and then do what they need to do to have it?

~ Some Food for Thought ~ Michael Dawson ~ Senior Minister

## Sermon Schedule & Preaching Notes

### ***PRAYER ON MISSION***

Sept. 6	Prayer on Mission
Sept. 14	Prayer is a Place
Sept. 20	Prayer is for Praise
Sept. 27	Prayer is for Requests

Prayer is a vital component of a life changing relationship with Jesus. But often times we find ourselves not knowing how to pray. In September we are going to begin a journey where we look at the life of Jesus and see what He did in His life that formed and shaped His prayers. And note this, if Jesus Himself, the creator of all life, God in the flesh, felt the need to pray, than I suspect that we have a need to pray. So, let's all learn together.



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## Missions News

The Evangelism Ministry Team continues to try and meet for an hour monthly on the first Tuesday of the month in the evenings at the church at 7:00 pm. To date our outreach has been serving food. The group has lead a team to serve a community dinner here in Lebanon and participated in the social on the last day of VBS at West Side. In both cases it was very rewarding to help serve but to also be a part of the fellowship that was created amongst the people we were serving. We have at least one more community meal to serve in October and we will also host a Halloween event similar to what we did last year. As anyone sees those announcements of those events, the group would love for anyone who wants to participate to participate. You do not need to be a member of our team and you can bring others. Basically, everyone is welcome.

In addition to our outreach efforts during our team meetings we have added a Bible Study component. This has allowed us to dig deeper into the biblical understanding of what evangelism is. In addition, our Bible study has helped us grow deeper as a group. To date we believe we are as much of a small group as we are an initiative team.

We have a lot of ideas and we will be planning for 2016 very soon. To help make 2016 be a really great year of growth and to accomplish some of the tasks we would like to accomplish, our team is looking to add two to four additional members. There is no rule that you have to be a member of our team or even our church to express ideas. Even if the meeting time is not good for you do not let that stop you from expressing interest. Also, you may just want to come to a meeting and experience it and we are fine with that as well. If you would like to know more about the team, what we do and/or have questions feel free to contact Eric Meilstrup, Alaina Bidlack or Michael Dawson.



On Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup>, twelve Westside volunteers worked at Matthew 25 in Blue Ash for 2 hours. On this trip to Matthew 25 we sorted dress shoes donated by Men's Warehouse. When they rent tuxes and shoes they can only send out the shoes a few times and then they must be taken out of the stores. Matthew 25 receives these discarded shoes (most still in great shape) to send to third

world nations to people who have no shoes to protect their feet. We had several tables set up where we first pulled the shoes from a large bin and sorted them into different sizes, then the fun begins, we had to match left and right shoes, tie them together and put them in another large bin for shipment. We had a great time sorting and matching and talking to one another. Some of the people that attended were, Carl Hager, Luther Stephens, Steve Spence, Judy Morgan, Jean Christy, Nancy Wells, Barb Worthington, Betty Wright, and Laura Williams. Will you plan to join us next time, October 3<sup>rd</sup>?



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*JoyBelles*

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

## Women's Ministry

If you missed the JoyBelles Kickoff Brunch, please plan to join us for the first JoyBelles meeting of the 2015 – 2016 year which will be Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup>. Our theme this year is “Joy in the Journey.” There are program booklets available in the literature rack in the hallway, or ask any JoyBelles officer, Alaina Bidlack, Debbie VanHarlingen, Laura Williams, Charlotte Peek, Jan Hollingsworth, Barb Worthington, and Joy Murvey.

- The JoyBelles have decided to change the meeting dates this year. We will not meet in January, February, and March of 2016. Instead we will meet in the summer, June, July, and August.
- Courtney and Emily Parks will be speaking on Healthy Eating. The Hostesses for September are Alaina Bidlack and Bobbie Vires. The Ministry for September is the Interfaith Hospitality Network of Warren County. We will begin collecting money to buy Christmas gifts for three families. Please plan to join us at 7:00 Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup>. If you need a ride or child care, please contact one of the officers.
- JoyBelles Chili Cook-Off and Quarter Auction ~ School has started, the weather is cooler, and it is time to think about our annual chili cook-off and Quarter Auction on Sunday night October 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Start working on your Chili recipe to see if you can be our new champion. For the Chili Cook-off you can bring in a pot of your favorite chili to share with our members, we also bring sandwiches, salads, and desserts. The chili is judged by a panel and the winners are selected. The chili is then enjoyed by all who attend. Will you be our next champion?
  - The Quarter Auction this year will benefit the piano fund. Our piano in the sanctuary needs to be replaced, and this year's auction money will help with that. What we need from you now are donations! We auction off many items each year. Suggestions for donations are: homemade knit and crochet items, quilted items, flower arrangements, small gift bags for the children (these can contain small toys, books, gum, candy etc.), baked goods, sports memorabilia, baskets of various items (we have had movie night baskets with popcorn, soda, and candy, or entertainment baskets with paper plates, napkins, table decorations, etc.) Use your imagination! If you want to donate the items, our ladies will make them into beautiful baskets as well.
  - Please start working on your donations; you can bring them to church in October. We will have more information on how the Quarter Auction works at a later date.

Prime Timers will be getting together on  
September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

The ladies fellowship breakfast will meet  
at the Frisch's in Lebanon on September  
7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

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Single names indicate a birthday. If you notice a mistake in a birthday please let the office know. We are continually trying to correct information.  
FH indicates use of the Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Evangelism 7:00 p.m.	2	3	4 Ladies Fellowship Breakfast 9:00 a.m.	5
6	7	8 12:30 Lew's Small Group FH  JoyBelles 7:00 p.m.  Ella Bidlack	9 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study FH 6:30pm  Choir Resumes 7:45 p.m.	10 7:00 Peek Small Group FH 7:00 Praise Band  Joyce Egelston Luther Stephens	11	12     Lori Speath
13 Two Service Time Change	14  Grace Wright	15 12:30 Lew's Small Group FH  Marty Egelston Larry Peek	16 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study FH 6:30pm  Katelyn Meilstrup Lois Spence	17 Activities at Church cancelled. Parking lot to be sealed	18 Land FH	19 Prime Timers 6:30 p.m.  Tony Philipppo
20	21	22 12:30 Lew's Small Group FH	23 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study FH 6:30pm  Alaina Bidlack	24 7:00 Peek Small Group FH 7:00 Praise Band	25	26
27 Noah Hollon Ambra Prescott Penny Parks	28 Ronald Waits	29 12:30 Lew's Small Group FH  Tiffany Bastin	30 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Bible Study FH 6:30pm			

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## September Serving List

Position	9/06	9/13	9/20	9/27	
<b>9:00 &amp; 9:30 a.m. Communion and Offering Schedule</b>					
<b>Communion</b>	Michael Dawson	Rob Wright	Jeremy Bosdell	Eric Meilstrup	
<b>Offering</b>	Michael Dawson	Rob Wright	Jeremy Bosdell	Eric Meilstrup	
<b>11:00 a.m. Serving Schedule</b>					
<b>Communion</b>	Michael Dawson	Rob Wright	Lew Rainey	Scott Williams	
<b>Meditation/Prayer</b>					
<b>Offering Med/Prayer</b>	Tim Hill	Jim Ashby	Scott Williams	George VanHarlingen	
	Don Tennyson	George VanHarlingen	Don Tennyson	Don Tennyson	
	Jim Fries	Jim Fries	Tim Hill	Tim Hill	
	Lew Rainey	Bill Murvay	Bill Murvay	Bill Murvay	
	Bob Worthington	Bob Worthington	Nathan Bidlack	Bob Worthington	
	Nathan Bidlack	Marty Egelston	Tim Coriell	Marty Egelston	
	Tim Coriell	Greg Fisher	Greg Fisher	Tim Coriell	
<b>Basement Prayer</b>	George VanHarlingen	Scott Williams	Jim Fries	Scott Williams	
<b>Benediction</b>	Tim Coriell	Larry Peek	Scott Williams	Rob Wright	
<b>Home Communion</b>	Rob Wright Bud Baker	Eric Meilstrup Jeremy Bosdell	Scott Williams Tim Hill	Lew Rainey Larry Peek	
<b>Elder on Call</b>	Lew Rainey	Scott Williams	Eric Meilstrup	Rob Wright	
<b>Special Music</b>					
<b>Greeters 9:30 A.M.</b>					
<b>Greeters 11:00 A.M.</b>	Louise Collins			Rob Hollingsworth	
<b>Sound 9:30 A.M.</b>	Rob Wright	Jake Wolf	Rob Wright	Jake Wolf	
<b>Computer 9:30 A.M.</b>	Jessica Mink	Jeremy Bosdell	Jeremy Bosdell	Jessica Mink	
<b>Sound 11:00 A.M.</b>	Rob Wright	Beckie Ashby	Cheryl Fox	Beckie Ashby	
<b>Computer 11:00 A.M.</b>	Cheryl Fox	Cheryl Fox	Gina Wright	Gina Wright	
<b>Communion Preparation ~ Cheryl and Mike Fox</b>					
<b>11:00 Worship Team ~ Larry Peek, Diane McRoberts, Judy Morgan, Charlotte Peek, Melinda Fox, Lexie Kinsworthy, Arretta Rainey</b>					
<b>9:00 a.m. &amp; 11:00a.m. Nursery &amp; Extended Worship Team Members</b>					
<b>Nursery</b>					
• <b>9:00 A.M.</b>	Betty Wright	To Be Announced: As of printing, this structure was still in development.			
• <b>Sunday School</b>	Breakfast Sunday				
• <b>11:00 A.M.</b>	Jan Hollingsworth				
<b>Extended Session Crew Members 9:00 A.M.</b>	Gina Wright				
<b>Extended Session Crew Member 11:00 A.M.</b>	Debbie VanHarlingen				

### Service Times

#### Sunday:

Contemporary Worship 9:30 AM  
 Bible School During Services  
 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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