

Our Service Today

Today we are going to focus on something really, really good. It is the call to persevere through suffering in Jesus' name. Jesus originally spoke these words to a group of Christians in the ancient city of Smyrna in **Revelation 2:8-11**. Perseverance is another word for faith. But it is not an easy word for faith. None of us like the idea of having to grind through hard and difficult times, but one of the surest things we can expect is that if we are faithful to Jesus then we are going to suffer. It paints a huge spiritual target on our back that will not be ignored. Today we are going to wrestle through this reality; why and how do we do it? It is easy to worship God when everything is going well. But to cling to him when the pressure is on is to grow up into Christian maturity. May the Lord bless us in worship today, may He bless us by helping us to find our courage and hope in Him.

Here at West Side we believe everyone has a next step, so as you worship today, consider the following as potential next steps for you:


To train and prepare myself with the Spirit's guidance and help to hold on to Jesus when persecution and hardship come.

To rejoice in the LORD that He is with me and for me!

To consider coming to Wednesdays @ West Side, beginning with a potluck dinner and Worship in the Round (Jan. 13 - classes for all ages begin Jan. 20).

To consider attending Senior Gems, a special video presentation about Dementia for those with loved ones or friends with dementia (Jan. 14).

These next steps are also the same as the next steps on the connection card so that you can take a copy home with you.



Perspectives on the World Christian Movement

Get THREADED into the STORY

You
Paul
Jesus
Luther
Alvin

One Epic Story: Biblical - Historical - Cultural

Don't miss this opportunity to "get threaded into the biggest story of all time." Register for **Perspectives on the World Christian Movement**, a 15-week "discipleship" class that will open your eyes to the heart and purpose of God and how you can participate in His work. This class presents 15 instructors in 15 weeks, allowing you to learn firsthand from the global experiences of pastors, professors, Biblical scholars, mobilizers, theologians, missiologists and missionaries from the field.

2016 Perspectives Class:

When - Tuesdays, 6:15-9:15 pm (classes run Jan. 12-May 10)
Where - Pasco Christian Church (1524 W Marie-Pasco)
Contact - Perry & Linda Moore or Suzanne Lindberg
Register - www.perspectives.org

Cost is \$250 - earn college credit or certificate of completion or participate by attending and doing the key readings. West Side Members will be reimbursed 50% by the Missions Council. Flyers are available on the Information Boards in both narthexes.

Prayers This Week

West Siders :: Jim and Patty Eastham

West Side Ministry :: Session

Mali Children :: Siaka and Daouda

Local Church :: First Baptist Church, Pasco

Additional Concerns :: Bob Leggett, Pat Van Leuven, Robin Morris, Tom Woods, Cristian Pineda, Dan Johnston, Suzanne Morris, Suzie Weckner, Paul Mendoza, Nanncy Butler and Family (death of mother, Peggy Butler, on Jan. 1), John and Sue Finch and Family (death of Sue's mother, Mary Slabaugh, on Jan. 2)

In Military Service :: Qatar-Paul Scott, Iraq-Matt Serene, Guam-Jared Hoey, North Carolina-Adam Hardy, California-Sam Erhart, Utah-Devin Glade

This week we are praying for Tyler and Rochelle Holm in Malawi (Africa). They write: *"The rains have arrived in northern Malawi and many households have planted their crops of corn, the staple food in Malawi. January and February are typically the 'hungry season' between when last year's food crop is finished and the new crop is not yet ready for harvest. Please pray for this 'hungry season' time to pass quickly and these early rains to help bring relief. There is some forecasting that it may be a poor growing year with a strong El Niño, combined and a poor season last year in some parts that has left national emergency supplies already low."*

Note: If you are admitted into the hospital, the Deacons would like to call on you. Please list "Presbyterian" on the admittance form and notify the Church Office (946.4656).

For private prayers throughout the week, contact the Prayer Chain: Margaret Mace (943.0447), Lil Leggett (375.1791), or Ann Forsythe (545.5589). To be included in Additional Concerns or In Military Service, contact the Church Office (946.4656).



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January 10, 2016 8:15 & 9:45 am

www.westside1.org

Welcome to West Side Church

Welcome! We're glad you're joining with us for worship today! We believe that God loves us and calls us into life marked by love for Him and love for one another. It is our hope that you will be drawn towards knowing His love given to us in Jesus Christ. We also hope that you will experience His love through our church family. If there is anything we can do to help facilitate your worship of God, please ask.

Blessing in Christ, *The Family of West Side Church*

Information for Parents:

- Worship Activity Bags for children are available in each narthex.
- Sunday School is available at 9:45 am for children (see below).
- Childcare is available for children (infants through age 5) at each worship service in the Infant/Toddler Room (WSN).
- Cry rooms are available at the rear of the sanctuary at West Side South and in the foyer at West Side North.

What's Happening Today

Contemporary Services :: 8:15 & 9:45 am, West Side South (WSS)

Traditional Service :: 11:15 am, West Side North (WSN)

Sunday Morning Discipleship: 9:45-11:00 am

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Rainbow Kids
Ages 2-PK - WSN

2's-3's - Butterfly Rm (Blue Door)
PreK - Sunshine Rm (Orange Door)

Promised Land Kids Gr. K-5
WSN
Holy Word Studios

Youth
MS-Gr. 6-8
HS-Gr. 9-12
WSS Basement

ADULTS (see Jan Term flyer for complete descriptions)

GAP-Get Acquainted Place WSS Room 302

Jan Term: LIVING ReFramed - Next Steps as Christ's Ambassadors in the World



Ambassadors to Those in Material Poverty
Wayne Pelly
WSS Room 306 (Upper Room)

Special Events

Christmas Mailbox. TODAY is your last chance to pick up Christmas cards sent to you by other West Siders. The boxes are in both narthexes.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal 3:30 pm, WSN Room 18-20. Interested? Contact Debbie Mellinger (509.375.1389).

Cross Currents Group. All post HS/College/Young Career adults come for games, snacks, a guest speaker, and other fun at 7:00 pm in WSS Room 105 (basement). Join our Cross Currents Facebook page for the latest news: www.facebook.com/groups/103590183036766.

Church Calendar: January 11 - 16, 2016

Monday

6:45 pm Boy Scout Troop Meeting, WSN Narthex/Café/Holy Word Studios

Tuesday

7:25 am Marcus Whitman Tutoring Program, WSS Narthex/Room 306
9:00 am Church Staff Meeting, WSN Church Office
11:00 am Memorial Service for Mary Slabaugh, WSN Sanctuary
6:00 pm Special Session Meeting, WSN Room 15-17
6:00 pm Girl Scout Troop Meeting, WSN Room 18-20
6:15 pm Perspectives Class-Spring Session, Pasco Christian Church
6:30 pm ESL/Citizenship Classes, WSS - all rooms
7:00 pm Preschool Clean-up Night, WSN - all Preschool rooms

Wednesday

10:00 am Adult Bible Study: Daniel, WSN Sanctuary
11:30 am Women's Sarah Circle Lunch & Program, WSN Narthex
11:30 am Men's Sarah Squares Lunch, Sterlings Restaurant (Richland)
5:15 pm Winter Wed @ West Side: Potluck Dinner (pizza), WSN Sanctuary
6:00 pm Worship in the Round (no Wed @ West Side classes), WSS Sanctuary

Thursday

6:10 am Early Birds Bible Study, The Tibbatts' (1725 Horn Ave-Richland)
7:25 am Marcus Whitman Tutoring Program, WSS Narthex/Room 306
9:00 am Women's Morning Glory Bible Study, WSN Sanctuary
10:30 am Senior Gems-Special Video About Dementia, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
1:30 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting, WSN Room 7
6:30 pm Alpha Prison Ministry, Coyote Ridge Corrections Center (Connell)
6:30 pm Missions Council Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
7:00 pm Senior Gems-Special Video About Dementia, WSN Holy Word Studios
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, WSN Sanctuary
7:00 pm Worship Team Rehearsal, WSS Sanctuary

Friday

5:30 am Pure Desire-For Men Only, WSN Room 7
12:00 pm Faith Parish Nursing Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
6:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous-Step Monsters Group, WSS Room 123

Saturday

6:45 am West Side Family Ski Day, meet in church parking lot to carpool
7:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study, WSN Koinonia Café
1:00 pm Memorial Service for Steve Van Note, WSN Sanctuary

WSN = West Side North, 615 Wright Ave

WSS = West Side South, 603 Wright Ave

Upcoming Memorial Services - WS North Sanctuary:

Tues., Jan. 12, 11:00 am - Mary Slabaugh (Sue Finch's mother)
Sat., Jan. 16, 1:00 pm - Steve Van Note
Sat., Jan. 23, 11:00 am - Jim Pilger

Please join us in honoring and celebrating their lives.



Events in the Life of the Church

Additional information available on the Information Boards in either narthex or at www.westside1.org.

Women's Ministry. Sarah Circle lunch and program Wed., Jan. 13, 11:30 am, WSN Narthex. A speaker from Ignite Ministries will share about how we can impact the younger generation in our community. Don't forget to bring your grocery sacks and toiletry samples for Project Wam Up. Need childcare? Contact Kay Johnston (509.627.1406).

Men's Ministry Sarah Squares lunch Wed., Jan. 13, 11:30 am, Sterlings Restaurant (890 George Washington Way-Richland).

Senior Adult Ministry. P2P-Person to Person lunch Mon., Jan. 18, 12:00 pm, WSN Narthex. Join us for a homemade lunch and good conversation.

Finance Committee. Financial data: Jan. 1, 2015 Reserves \$49,647, 2015 YTD Income \$969,073, 2015 YTD Expenses \$956,803. Nov. 30, 2015 Reserves \$61,920. **REMINDER:** Pledges are only valid for one year. All 2015 pledges expired on Dec. 31, 2015. If you pledged last year and give in 2016 without turning in a new pledge, your full donation will go to the Operating Fund. Thanks for your faithfulness in giving in 2015. Happy New Year from the Finance Office ~ Sharon Isaacson & Diane Pratt



Worship in the Round - Wed., Jan. 13, 6:00 pm, WSS

What better way to kick-off the winter session on Wednesdays @ West Side than to come together and worship the Lord as a family. After our meal time, we will meet for Worship in the Round. As many of you who attended a similar event last November can attest, this will be a dynamic evening of congregational worship that you won't want to miss. Worship in the Round is an opportunity to worship in a seating arrangement which highlights the fact that we are a family - one congregation worshipping our One Lord. The evening will be filled with singing many different songs led by multiple voices. Please plan to come and enjoy this time of worship together.

Senior Gems-A Special Video About Dementia: Thurs. Jan. 14

If you have a loved one with dementia, or know of someone who does, you are invited to a special educational video at either 10:30-11:45 am (WSN Room 2-4) or 7:00-8:15 pm (WSN Holy Word Studios). This video is presented by Teepa Snow, an occupational therapist and dementia expert with over 30 years of clinical experience. She will provide



an overview of the impacts of the disease as well as techniques that make a difference. Teepa is an advocate for those living with dementia and has made it her personal mission to help families and professional caregivers understand how it feels to have dementia and provide better care. Questions? Contact Jan Jacobson, Jan Michael, or Bev Baird.

Ministry Staff

Rev. Ralph Kienecker :: Lead Pastor
Rev. Dan Wodrich :: Associate Pastor-Christian Growth and Service Ministries
Kristianne Rogalsky :: Interim Director-Children & Family Ministries
Kristin Jackson :: Ministry Associate-Youth & Family Ministries
Rev. Karel Coppock :: Alpha and Missions Ministries, Presbytery
John Lipp :: Lay Pastor Emeritus of Care
Patrick Smith :: Director-Worship & Music Ministries
Brenda Welsch :: Director-Adult Choir

Church Office Hours :: Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm