

Our Service Today

There is no one like our God! This fact gets exclaimed a number of different ways throughout the Bible. One of the ways is through the declaration that God is HOLY! If you add moral perfection and goodness to the fact that no one is like our God, you are beginning to get the flavor of the Holiness of God. The origin of this declaration comes out of the experience of God's tangible presence. It is an expression of worship. It cannot be taught but must be caught. If we are to ever really begin to know the God of Jesus Christ, we must, in some way, know that He is Awesome!

Today, we gather because we have been called by God to come and worship. We arrive and at our best we come with expectation, we are coming into the presence of our God. The focus isn't on what we get, we want to honor the living God. We want to respond to His grace and love by expressing our thanks and praise. At the same time, worship is intended to be a coming into his presence—catching, knowing, experiencing the living God. If this happens we will be changed.

We have been praying that you will experience God who is present with us through Jesus Christ this morning.

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 associate something I do regularly throughout the day as a trigger (e.g. checking my texts) that reminds me to think about Jesus being with me and for me.**
- **To build practices of preparation for Sunday worship.**
- **To consider if God is calling me to minister to others and share my talents on a short term mission trip to Columbia or Czechia (applications due 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.

January Sermon Series

... the little changes that

Sometimes small changes that we make over time make the biggest difference in our lives. Following Jesus is about growing into a new way of living, where we learn to make shifts in what we do, how we see, and what we value. This January, we are going to look at four choices that if we turn into habits have the power to lead us into life with Jesus that becomes the "life that is really life" that Jesus promised us in the Gospel.

- Jan. 7 - From Me To God**
Isaiah 6:1-8
- Jan. 14 - From Spiritual Infancy To Spiritual Adulthood**
Ephesians 4:11-15
- Jan. 21 - From Rushing To Rest**
Isaiah 30:15; Exodus 20:8-11
- Jan. 28 - From Snacking To Feasting**
2 Timothy 3:16-17



Prayers This Week

West Siders :: Jeff and Mollie Lutz
West Side Ministry :: Missions Council
Mali Children :: Rokiatou Dite and Mossodie
Local Church :: Christian Reformed Church, Kennewick
Additional Concerns :: Robert & Margaret Storms, Harvey Huisingsh, Roger Johnson, Lil Leggett, Drew Kachele, Katy Schlahta, Carolyn Oster, Taylor (great-grandson of Joe & Laura Engel), The Family of Gary Bush, The Family of Carolina Bullard, The Family of Patricia Muñoz, Phyllis Goecke (death of her brother), Nancy Murray Snyder (death of her daughter)
In Military Service :: North Carolina-Mike Parkman; South Carolina-Adam Hardy; Nevada-Jared Hoey; California-Sam & Charina Erhart, Devin Glade; Washington-Matt Serene

The rosebuds today welcome Nathan, Georgia, and Rolland. Nathan Asher was born Nov. 1 to Gerry & Jennifer Wyatt. Georgia Kate was born Dec. 5 to Eric & Erika Samehorn. Her proud grandparents are Larry & Wanda Peterson. Rolland Douglas was born Dec. 31 to Jason & Carolyn Shaw. His proud grandparents are Will & Maja Shaw.

This week we are praying for Tyler and Rochelle Holm ministering in Malawi. They recently sent some praises: *"*The University of Livingstonia is in the middle of a seminar, and Rochelle is enjoying teaching a Theology Research course and helping out with senior level students. *Tyler just finished his first term as a doctoral student in Intercultural Studies at Biola University. He is enjoying the challenge, and this change is already providing new benefits to his full-time work teaching."*

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 (509.946.4656).

For private prayers throughout the week, contact the Prayer Chain: Go to www.westside1.org and click the Prayer Request button (upper right-hand corner); or call Danni DeYoung (509.546.3959) or the Church Office (509.946.4656). To be included in Additional Concerns or In Military Service, contact the Church Office (509.946.4656).



January 7, 2018 8:15 & 9:45 am

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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.
- Child care 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

Ages 2-K - WSN
"Rainbow Kids"
2's-3's - Rainbow Rm
PreK-K - Sunshine Rm

Kids Gr. 1-5
"Promised Land"
WSN
Holy Word Studios

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

ADULTS (see Jan Term insert for complete descriptions)

GAP-Get Acquainted Place WSN Room 7



Jan Term 2018
Today's Class: Flourish Mid-Columbia
Facilitator: Dan Wodrich
WSS 306 (Upper Room)

Special Events

Christmas Cards. Have you checked the Christmas Card Mailbox in WSN Narthex to see if you've got mail? The mailbox will close next Sun., Jan. 14.

Youth Parent Meeting 11:15 am-12:15 pm in WSS Room 105 (High School room). God has a lot in store for our Youth Ministry in 2018! There'll be light refreshments. And Ben Downey, Youth Director, will be sharing with you what's coming up for student ministry this year. Hope to see you all there!

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

Church Calendar: January 8 - 13, 2018

Monday

- 12:00 pm P2P-Person to Person Lunch, WSN Narthex
- 6:30 pm Boy Scouts Meeting, WSN Narthex/Sanctuary/Cafe/HW Studios
- 6:30 pm Women's Softening Hearts Life Group, Betty Malone's house (Richland)

Tuesday

- 5:30 am Pure Desire: Breakthrough & Break Free-For Men Only, WSN Room 47
- 7:30 am Marcus Whitman Elementary Tutoring, WSS Narthex/Room 306
- 9:00 am Church Staff Meeting, WSN Church Office
- 6:00 pm Session Budget Planning Meeting, WSN Room 15-17
- 6:30 pm ESL/Citizenship Classes, WSS-all rooms
- 7:00 pm West Side Preschool Clean-up Night, WSN-all Preschool rooms

Wednesday

- 8:30 am Coffee with the Bible, WSN Sanctuary
- 10:15 am Moms in Prayer Group, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 11:30 am Women's Sarah Circle Lunch & Program, WSN Narthex
- 11:30 am Men's Sarah Squares Lunch, Sterlings (2500 Queensgate Dr-Richland)
- 12:30 pm Flourish Meeting with West Side Team, WSS Room 306
- 12:45 pm Preschool Advisory Committee Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 6:00 pm MS (gr 6-8) Blacklight Dodgeball, WSS Sanctuary

Thursday

- 7:30 am Marcus Whitman Elementary Tutoring, WSS Narthex/Room 306
- 9:00 am Women's Morning Glory Bible Study, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 1:00 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting, WSN Room 15-17
- 6:30 pm Alpha Prison Ministry, Coyote Ridge Corrections Center (Connell)
- 6:30 pm Missions Prayer Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 6:30 pm MS (gr 6-8) Life Group, the Baldwin's house (Richland)
- 7:00 pm Worship Team Rehearsal, WSS Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, WSN Sanctuary

Friday

- 6:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous-Step Monsters Group, WSN Room 15-17
- 7:00 pm Iglesia de Cristo Avivamiento-MLLF, WSS Room 306

Saturday

- 7:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study, WSN Koinonia Café
- 8:00 am Worship Team Rehearsal, WSS Sanctuary

WSN = West Side North, 615 Wright Ave

WSS = West Side South, 603 Wright Ave

MARK YOUR
Calendar
SUN., JAN. 28, 12:30 PM
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Events in the Life of the Church

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

Senior Adult Ministry. P2P-Person to Person lunch Mon., Jan. 8 and 22, 12:00 pm, WSN Narthex. Join us for a homemade lunch and lots of fellowship and laughs.

Coffee with the Bible Wednesdays, 8:30-10:00 am, WSN Sanctuary. Please join us for a time of fellowship, learning and praying.

Women's Ministry. Sarah Circle lunch Wed., Jan. 10, 11:30 am, WSN Narthex. Join us for a nice lunch and fellowship. We'll be making Valentines to be delivered to our shut-ins. Need childcare-call Carol (217.508.3073). In case of inclement weather, we follow the Richland school closings.

Men's Ministry. Sarah Squares, spouses of Sarah Circle ladies, lunch Wed., Jan. 10, 11:30 am, Sterlings Restaurant (2500 Queensgate Dr.-Richland).

From the Deacons. Thank you to all of those who so generously donated to both the Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets and the gifts for the Christmas Toy Shop. Many families were touched and blessed by your generosity. At Christmas alone, we helped over 60 families. We helped these families have the means to celebrate the holidays, and we extended to them the blessings we know in relationship in Christ.

With Gratitude: Julie and I would like to express our profound thanks for your abundant generosity to us in the Thanksgiving Offering. We are overwhelmed with your love and this expression of your affection. May God richly bless you all during this new year.

- *Karel & Julie Coppock*

Finance Committee. Financial data: Jan. 1, 2017 Beginning Balance \$28,610; 2017 Year to Date Income \$959,142; 2017 Year to Date Expenses \$989,602; Ending Balance Nov. 30, 2017 -\$1,850.

Do you have unused electronic devices?

Tyler and Rochelle Holm in Malawi (Africa) are working with a Lay Ministry Training Center which has started an e-book ministry. This new ministry is trying to get electronic resources where theological books are hardest and least likely to reach.

Do you or someone you know have a gently-used Kindle, tablet or e-reader that you would like to donate to this program? Please contact Tyler (tyler@tylerholm.com) or Rochelle (rochelledh@hotmail.com). They will help you clean off your personal data and mail it to this important and growing program.



Ministry Staff

Rev. Ralph Kieneker :: Lead Pastor
Patrick Grover :: Associate Pastor/Director-Children & Family Ministries
Rev. Shari Grover :: Associate Director-Children & Family Ministries
Ben Downey :: Director-Youth & Family Ministries
Rev. Karel Coppock :: Alpha Outreach, Prison, Service and Missions Ministries
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