

Our Service Today

To live is Christ! This is the good news that the apostle Paul knows and feels called to share. Jesus wants to give us more of life. He invites us to follow him, learning his way of life, so we can really begin living life at its best. But our experience of the world creates tension and doubt about following Jesus in His way life. Conditioned in a world that is in rebellion against God, there are times when it all seems backwards. Up looks down, right looks like wrong, and the way to more life looks like less life.

Today, we are going to be called into real life by following Jesus in the way of humility. While we have a sense of admiration for humility, no one probably jumps up and down at the idea that humility is going to fill up in living. But what if it does? What if Jesus sees pride and selfishness as a poison that sucks the life out of us, and the remedy is to begin living on the path of humility? What if getting close to Jesus means stooping down to help others; and when we do this, we will really live?

Today, we are going to listen to and grapple with Paul's call to follow Jesus on the path of humility because this is the way to really live. As we prepare for worship, I invite you to read Mark 10:42-45 and consider the way Jesus walked a humble path.

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 intentionally practice stooping down so I can love on someone who needs to be picked up and helped.**
- **To look for opportunities where I will seek to go last and try to help other people go ahead of me. When I do this, I am going to remind myself of ways that Jesus has already done this for me.**
- **To consider inviting a friend or neighbor to worship with us on Easter morning (Apr. 1).**

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.



Family Camping

Now is the time to start planning your summer! Be sure to include the annual Family Camping Weekend at Ingalls Creek Enrichment Center (near Leavenworth): Jun. 29-Jul. 1, with the option to camp on Thurs., Jun. 28. In a world that is often too busy, Ingalls

Creek is a place to go with your whole family to relax, enjoy each other, and soak up God's creation. Sign-ups to reserve your spot will begin Sun., Apr. 15, in both narthexes. Can't wait to reserve your spot? Want more information? Contact George & Debbie Mellinger (509.375.1389) or Jack & Marion Dowell (509.946.1978).



Opportunities for Baptism

At West Side, baptisms can be done in worship throughout the year by the means of sprinkling and a couple times a year through immersion in the Columbia River. This year, baptisms through immersion will occur on Easter (Apr. 1) and at Worship in the Park (Jun. 17). If you or your child/ren feel a call to be baptized, please call the Church Office (509.946.4656) to make an appointment to talk to one of our pastors.

Prayers This Week

West Siders :: Russell & Brittany Matheny (Paisley)

West Side Ministry :: Finance Committee

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Local Church :: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Kennewick

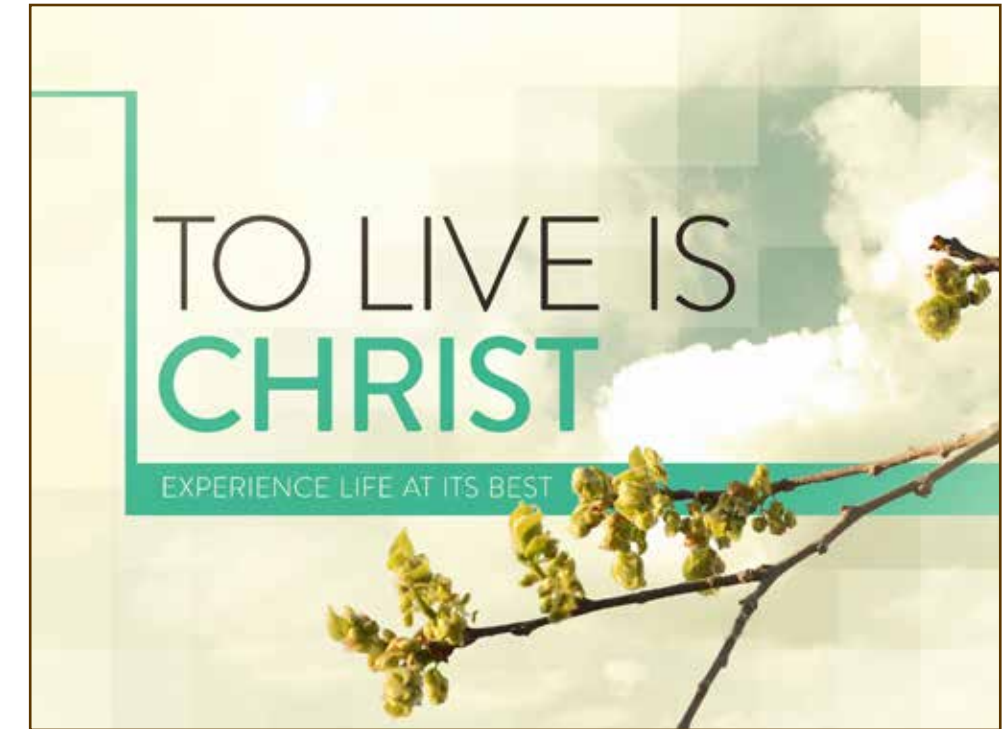
Additional Concerns :: Robert & Margaret Storms, Harvey Huisingh, Roger Johnson, Lil Leggett, Carolyn Oster, Taylor (great-grandson of Joe & Laura Engel), The Family of Gary Bush, The Family of Carolina Bullard, The Family of Patricia Muñoz

In Military Service :: North Carolina-Mike Parkman; South Carolina-Adam Hardy; Nevada-Jared Hoey; California-Sam & Charina Erhart, Devin Glade; Washington-Matt Serene

This week we are praying for Tyler and Rochelle Holm, ministering in Malawi. They recently sent a list of praises and prayer requests: *"Praises - •We have had a rain-filled January in Mzuzu, which is good for the many rural subsistence farmers who primarily grow corn. •A new term for residential students at the University of Livingstonia has begun. Tyler is teaching 4 courses to the residential and distance learning students as well as continuing with several campus library and IT projects. Prayer requests - •Rochelle will be in the field doing a water stewardship training with rice farmers for 4 days in Karonga, one of the hardest hit areas of Malawi by cholera. She will be taking every precaution for her health and for the University team with her. Also, please surround her trip with your prayers. It is a balance, as despite cholera outbreaks, other important work cannot come to a standstill. •We are looking at schooling options for Mphatso next year as her current preschool does not offer the next level and we are considering several elementary school options for September. Please pray for discernment for us as we visit area schools."*

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).



March 11, 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 (for class descriptions, see flyer on the Information Board in the narthex)

Women of the Word:
"12 Women of the Bible"
WSN Room 2-4 (Library)

Bible Study:
The Letter to the Ephesians
WSS Room 306 (Upper Rm)

GAP: Get Acquainted Place
Experience Christian Community
WSN Room 7

Church Calendar: March 12 - 17, 2018

Monday

- 12:00 pm P2P-Person to Person Lunch, WSN Narthex
- 6:30 pm Alpha Prayer & Planning Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 6:30 pm Boy Scouts Troop Meeting, WSN Narthex/Café/Sanctuary/HW Studios

Tuesday

- 9:00 am Church Staff Meeting, WSN Church Office
- 4:30 pm Mission Trip Fundraiser Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 6:30 pm ESL/Citizenships Classes, WSS-all 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 Restaurant (Richland)
- 5:15 pm Wed@West Side-Potluck Dinner (Ham), WSN Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm Wed@West Side-Classes for all ages (children/youth/adults), WSN/WSS

Thursday

- 9:00 am Women's Morning Glory Bible Study, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 6:30 pm Alpha Prison Ministry, Coyote Ridge Corrections Center (Connell)
- 6:30 pm MS (gr 6-8) Life Group, the Baldwin's house (Richland)
- 7:00 pm West Side Preschool Clean-up Night, WSN-all Preschool rooms
- 7:00 pm Worship Team Rehearsal, WSS Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, WSN Sanctuary

Friday

- 12:00 pm Faith Parish Nursing Meeting, WSN Room 2-4 (Library)
- 4:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal-Bondurant/Gire, WSS Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous-Step Monsters Group, WSN Room 15-17
- 7:00 pm Iglesia de Cristo Avivamiento-MLLF, WSS Room 306
- 10:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous-Step Monsters Group, WSN Room 15-17

Saturday

- 7:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study, WSN Koinonia Café
- 4:00 pm Wedding-Bondurant/Gire, WSS Sanctuary

WSN = West Side North, 615 Wright Ave

WSS = West Side South, 603 Wright Ave

Events in the Life of the Church

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

Today is Scout Sunday and Troop #237 would like to thank West Side for supporting them since 1950. The troop has been busy camping, skiing, hiking, fishing, and doing community service including all-church clean-ups at West Side. We meet on Monday nights and are always looking for new boys to join us. Contact Dick Nelson at 509.420.4395.

Senior Adult Ministry. P2P-Person to Person lunch Mon., Mar. 12 and 26, 12:00 pm, WSN Narthex. Join us for a homemade lunch and lots of fellowship and laughs.

Women's Ministry. Sarah Circle lunch Wed., Mar. 14, 11:30 am, WSN Narthex. All women, especially young mothers this month, please join us for nice lunch and speaker Karen Weakley. She will share about her work with Partners for Early Learning, which provides learning opportunities for preschool children, and about the importance of brain development in young children. Need childcare-call Carol (217.508.3073).

Men's Ministry. Sarah Squares, spouses of Sarah Circle ladies, lunch Wed., Mar. 14, 11:30 am, Sterlings Restaurant (2500 Queensgate Dr.-Richland).

Can You Help? Easter Sunday is coming up (Apr. 1), and we will be having an Egg Hunt again this year for elementary age kids. This is an outreach to the community and a fun object lesson as we learn about the empty tomb. Can you donate empty plastic eggs and/or individually wrapped nut-free candy (like Starbursts)? You can bring your donations on Sun./Wed. to WSN Holy Word Studios or during the week to the Church Office.

Finance Committee. Financial data: Jan. 1, 2018 Beginning Balance \$22,888; 2018 YTD Income 258,387; 2018 YTD Expenses \$168,543; Ending Balance Feb. 28, 2018 \$112,732.

New Member Classes begin TODAY

Come join us at our New Member's Class: Discovering Christian Community to learn more about West Side Church: Sun., Mar. 11, 18 & 25 9:45-11:00 am, WSS Room 302 and Sat., Apr. 14, 9:00 am-1:00 pm, WSN Room 2-4 (Library). There is no obligation for membership after the completion of the classes, but you will have the opportunity if you wish. Contact Bob or Judy Tibbatts (509.946.9905 or rjtibbatts@yahoo.com or today at the class) for more information.



Special Easter Offering

This Easter, we will be sending our special offering to Merrie Goddard, our missionary in France. Even though France is the largest country in Western Europe, only 1% of the population attend an Evangelical Christian church. Your special gift this Easter will help Merrie continue her work with Youth for Christ International. You can mark your check memo line with "Easter Offering" or use a special offering envelope available in the sanctuaries. Merrie will be visiting us Apr. 10-27.



Summer Internships: A Summer with Purpose

Do you know a college-aged person or recent graduate? Are they looking for a summer with purpose? Have them check out the 2018 Trainee Ministry Program at West Side Church! This is an intensive 9-week program that provides guidance and instruction within a supportive community, learning ministry skills through engaging with children and youth within the church. If you know someone who may be interested in learning more about the program, have them visit www.westsidetraineeministry.wordpress.com. Applications, due Apr. 8, are available on the website. The 2018 summer will run Jun. 13-Aug. 16.



A NIGHT OF HOPE
DINNER & AUCTION

Support our Summer Mission Trips:

Buy a Raffle Ticket. On sale Mar. 4-18. Your chance to win one of our auction items in this special pre-event raffle. Tickets \$10 each available in the narthexes on Sundays and during the week in the Church Office.

Come to the Dinner & Auction on Apr. 28. Ticket sales begin Mar. 25 - \$30 per ticket covers the cost of the evening. Auction sales benefit our 3 summer mission trips. Invite your friends! For more information, see insert in today's bulletin or go to www.TricitiesANightOfHope.com.