

## Our Service Today

Jesus came to give us life, not just more time but more life, a deeper and richer experience of living. It is part of the reason why we call the message about Jesus, Good News! As we begin to experience a better life, it fills us with a desire to worship and express our gratitude. Of course, if we come into worship and we don't feel like singing, it may be a sign that what we are experiencing isn't quite the life Jesus had in mind for us. It is also true that sometimes the life Jesus calls us to pursue just doesn't sound all that appealing.

Today we are going to begin talking about living a truly Christian life, but it doesn't sound like the way to more life. It probably sounds like work and self-denial. We are called to follow Jesus' example, and one of his greatest traits was his selfless love. Selflessness doesn't sound all that appealing; it doesn't sound like the way to experience the best of life, more like work and self-denial. As we prepare for worship, it might be helpful to remember how we benefit from the selflessness of Christ. Take time to meditate on Mark 10:42-45:

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. <sup>42</sup>Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup>Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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 seek to trust Jesus every day with my living, breathing, walking, working, eating and relational life. One way I am feeling called to do this is by \_\_\_\_\_.**
- **To start praying daily this prayer: "Lord give me eyes to see and hands and feet ready to act, show me how I can be on mission for you today, to serve you and love others."**
- **To consider donating big ticket items to the Mission/Youth Trip Auction (Apr. 28). Please contact me.**

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.



### New Sermon Series

Jesus came to lead us into life that is really life. He came to save us from just surviving in a broken world to thriving in a new life, with new purpose, hope and peace. Paul is one of our greatest teachers in understanding the way of Jesus. We are going to spend four weeks leading up to Holy Week understanding Paul's great claim that "to live is Christ" and even more "to die is gain."

**Mar. 4** - Live Selflessly (Philippians 1)    **Mar. 18** - Live Directionally (Philippians 3)  
**Mar. 11** - Live Humbly (Philippians 2)    **Mar. 25** - Live Joyfully (Philippians 4)



### 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 ::** Eric Mast (Ophelia and Eliana)

**West Side Ministry ::** Worship Committee

**Mali Children ::** Fatoumata and Aba

**Local Church ::** Calvary Chapel, Kennewick

**Additional Concerns ::** Robert & Margaret Storms, Harvey Huisinigh, Roger Johnson, Lil Leggett, Drew Kachele, 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 Enoc and Cristina Hernandez with Open Arms Ministry in Colombia. They recently wrote: "May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus be with you, your family and congregation. Enoc and I want to thank each one of you for all your love and care for us and Open Arms Ministry. We pray that all the financial support you are giving us may increase for you a hundred percent, the seeds you are planting on the Kingdom of Lord will be for this earth and the eternity. We are going to be waiting for you with OPEN ARMS in Colombia for your Mission Team's visit in June. We love each one of you and thank you very much to have adopted us into your lives and church."

**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](http://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 4, 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



#### Meet the Ministry Staff - TODAY at 11:00 am

Are you new to West Side? We'd like to get to know YOU. Come join us TODAY at 11:00 am in WSS Room 306 for an hour and meet our ministry staff over a cup of coffee: [WSS Room 306 is up the stairs, next to the kitchen.].



Want to know more about West Side Church? Talk to Bob or Judy Tibbatts today or contact them at 509.946.9905 or rjtibbatts@yahoo.com.



## Church Calendar: March 5 - 10, 2018

### Monday

- 5:30 pm Trainee Committee Meeting, WSN Room 15-17  
6:30 pm Boy Scouts CBM/Troop Meeting, WSN Narthex/Café/Sanc/HW Studios

### Tuesday

- 7:30 am Marcus Whitman Elementary Tutoring, WSS Narthex/Room 306  
9:00 am Church Staff Meeting, WSN Church Office  
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)  
1:00 pm Knitters Group, WSN Koinonia Café  
5:15 pm Wed@West Side-Potluck Dinner (Lasagna), WSN Sanctuary  
6:00 pm Wed@West Side-Classes for all ages (children/youth/adults), WSN/WSS

### 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)  
12:00 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting, WSN Room 15-17  
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 Worship Team Rehearsal, WSS Sanctuary  
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, WSN Sanctuary

### Friday

- 6:30 pm Flourish Mid-Columbia Event, First Lutheran Church (Richland)  
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  
8:00 am Worship Team Rehearsal, WSS Sanctuary  
9:00 am Flourish Mid-Columbia Event, First Lutheran Church (Richland)

WSN = West Side North, 615 Wright Ave

WSS = West Side South, 603 Wright Ave



#### Support our Summer Mission Trips:

**Contribute auction items.** We are looking for big ticket items for our live and silent auctions. To donate, contact Traci Parish (509.531.2845) or mark the Connection Card and Traci will contact you.

**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 narthex on Sundays and during the week in the Church Office. Buy a ticket today and receive a free cinnamon roll (Pat Reich's specialty) - while supplies last.

**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 info., go to [www.TrocitiesANightOfHope.com](http://www.TrocitiesANightOfHope.com).

## Events in the Life of the Church

*Additional information available on the Information Boards in either narthex or at [www.westside1.org](http://www.westside1.org).*

**Women's Ministry.** Knitters Group Wed., Mar. 7, 1:00 pm, WSN Koinonia Café. Sarah Circle lunch Wed., Mar. 14, 11:30 am, WSN Narthex. All women, especially young mothers this month, are invited to join us for a nice lunch, fellowship and program. Karen Weakley will share about her work with the Richland School District and Partners for Early Learning, which provides learning opportunities for preschool children. She will also share about brain development in young children and its importance for their future success. Need childcare-call Carol (217.508.3073). Please RSVP to Joanne Fankhauser (509.943.1202) if you plan on joining us for lunch.

**Daylight Savings.** Don't forget to "Spring Ahead" at 2:00 am on Sun., Mar. 11.

**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.

**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, 2017 Beginning Balance \$28,610; 2017 Total Income \$1,095,286; 2017 Total Expenses \$1,101,008; Ending Balance Dec. 31, 2017 \$22,888.

### New Member Classes begin Mar. 11

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 talk to them in person at the Meet the Ministry Staff event today.



### 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.



### 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**