

## HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN TODAY!

**GOOD NEWS!** God loves and yearns to redeem all people. The Bible clearly outlines the way to become a follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** –
2. Admit to God you are a sinner (you have done things that were wrong). Apologize and turn away from your sins towards God (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
3. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** - Believe that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross and rose from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
4. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a spiritual commitment to be a follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Savior (Rescuer and Redeemer) and Lord (Ultimate Leader). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
5. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS** - Tell your family and friends about your new faith in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly announce your decision to be a Christian.

### HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH!

**COME FORWARD** – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, accepting Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church may request and be accepted into the membership of this church. Upon request to the Pastor, Moderator or at a meeting of the membership, a person may be received by affirmation of the membership based on:

1. **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM**
2. **LETTER OF TRANSFER** or recommendation from a previous Christian church and prior baptism; or a
3. **SATISFACTORY STATEMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAITH** and prior baptism

Members shall strive to be faithful to Christian principles as set forth in scripture and support the mission of the church through attendance, prayer, service and monetary giving. The *first step* to become a member is to *come forward* during the singing of the last hymn so you can share your decision with the congregation.



## WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP – *We are happy you are here!*** You will hopefully discover very quickly this is a small, loving church in a big city. If you are looking for a place to belong, make real friendships, and get involved - then West Side is for you! Please speak with me after the worship service if you would like to learn more about having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, need personal prayer, or want to request a pastoral visit! Blessings, Pastor Ivan

**AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING (AFC)** – West Side will receive its annual **America for Christ Offering (AFC) during the month of March**. This offering helps fund evangelistic and mission work in the Central Region (Arkansas, Kansas, and Oklahoma) as well as the work of the American Baptist Home Mission Societies in N. America and Puerto Rico. **Our goal is \$1,500.00**. See Don Johnson, Coordinator of Mission, for more details.

**MOVIE NIGHT** – The Outreach and Evangelism Committee will host a **Movie Night, "Risen,"** along with a Chili Supper on **Wednesday, March 28 at 5:30 pm in Holmer Hall (HH)**. See Mark Calloway for details.

**BREAKFAST ON SUNDAYS** – Sign-up if you plan to attend the free breakfasts on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall starting at 8:30 am. All ages are welcome to eat for free.

**BIBLE STUDY** – Come for the free one-hour small group study of the biblical book "**ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**" on **Wednesdays at 10:30 am in Holmer Hall**. The Bible study is taught start-to-finish ("lectio continua"), no previous experience necessary. Bible studies are free and open to the public.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** - The Christian Ed. Committee is cancelled for **TUESDAY MARCH 20 AT 5:30 PM in Holmer Hall**. See Alice Payne, Coordinator, for information.

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE – Contemporary Worship Service Tonight at 4:00 pm.** The Worship Team will lead us in singing contemporary Christian worship songs, and Pastor will share a Bible lesson from the *morning scripture reading*. Come in comfortable, casual clothes.

**OUTREACH & EVANGELISM COMMITTEE** – The Outreach Committee will hold their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, March 27 at 7:15 pm in Holmer Hall (HH)**. See Mark Calloway for details.

**MUSIC COMMITTEE** – The Music Committee (Choir Director, Organist, and Pastor) has its weekly meeting to select hymns, songs, and spirituals for worship services on **Tuesdays at 9:00 am in Holmer Hall**. All are welcome!

**EASTER SERVICES** – Everyone is invited to participate in our ecumenical (nondenominational) worship services during Holy Week:

- **PALM SUNDAY CANTATA** – The Choir will perform their annual Easter musical on Sunday, March 25 at 10:30 am at West Side Baptist Church. This year, the Choir will sing “The Light of Life: AN Easter Musical” with words and music written by WSBC member, James Goodnow.
- **MAUNDY THURSDAY AGAPE FEAST** –Potwin Presbyterian Church will host their annual “Agape Feast” on Maundy Thursday at 6:00 pm.
- **GOOD FRIDAY** – Westside Christian Church will host the Community Good Friday service at 7:00 pm.
- **EASTER SUNRISE** – We will host the Easter Sunrise Service at the Chapel in Ward Meade/Old Prairie Town at 7:00 am.
- **EASTER BAPTISMS** – We will perform the Ordinance of Holy Baptism on Easter Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Speak with Pastor or Mark Calloway if you are interested in being baptized.



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, MARCH 18

8:30 am	Breakfast (FH)
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship Service (S)
2:00 pm	Mission Meeting
4:00 pm	Contemporary Worship Service (S)

### MONDAY, MARCH 19

9:00 – 11:00 am	Baby Closet Ministry
6:00 – 9:00 pm	Capital City Men’s Chorus (FH)
6:30 – 8:00 pm	Financial Peace University (HH)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 am	Music Committee (HH)
	No Christian Ed Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

10:30 am	Bible Study (HH)
4:00 – 6:00 pm	Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)
4:30 – 7:00 pm	Baby Closet Ministry
	No Open Gym Time
	No Supper (FH)
	No WWW Kids Bible Club and Adult Study
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (S)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 22

1:00 – 3:00 pm	Baby Closet
6:00 pm	NIA Meeting

### FRIDAY, MARCH 23

### SATURDAY, MARCH 24

9:30 am	Easter Egg Hunt @ Ward Meade Park
1:00 pm	Worship Team Rehearsal (S)

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Joe Abby – Praise God for miraculous healing (Pat Abby’s husband)  
Mark Arnold – Healing for health concerns  
Mark Calloway – Healing for health concerns  
Al Carpenter – Healing for health concerns  
Harry and Pat Carpenter – Healing for health concerns  
Esther Carrier – Healing for health concerns  
Shirley Dell – Healing  
Hilda Lundgren – Healing for health concerns – wound care  
Nancy May – Healing for health concerns  
Marie Merrifield – Healing for health concerns – wound care  
Rogene Moody – Healing for health concerns – wound care  
Don Morris – Healing for health concerns  
Janet Nyfeler – Healing for health concerns – sinus  
Ken Paslay – Healing for health concerns  
Sonny Payne – Healing for health concerns (Clarence Payne’s brother)  
Becky Poe – Healing for health concerns  
Bob Roesler – Interim Minister at FBC of Topeka, starting Feb. 1, 2018  
Jill Roesler – Healing for health concerns  
Keith Springer – Healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano’s brother)  
Lola Zab – Healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano’s sister)

### **HOMEBOUND:**

\*June Cunningham – Healing for health concerns (Brewster Place)  
\*Gerald Haney – Healing for health concerns  
\*Russ Hunter – Healing for health concerns  
\*Mary Lou Johnson – Healing for health concerns  
\*Alice Kieffer – Healing for health concerns  
\*Karen Kirby – Healing for health concerns  
\*Reginald Kirby – Healing for health concerns  
\*Etta Landis – Healing for health concerns (Legend at Capital Ridge)  
\*Madeleine Martinson – Healing for health concerns (Fleming Place)  
\*Mae Martin – Healing for health concerns (Plaza West Care Center)  
\*Juanita Plankinton – Healing for health concerns  
\*Hazel Smith-Tindall – Healing for health concerns

**EASTER EGG HUNT** – The Outreach Committee will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 24 at 9:30 am at Old Prairie Town/Ward-Meade Park. We need donations of individually wrapped candy and plastic eggs.



**FIFTH SUNDAY SING** – The Music Committee is planning to host a “Fifth Sunday Sing” on **April 29**. We will sing your favorite worship songs and hymns during the service. Please share your requests with Janet Nyfeler or Jan Mauck before April 22.



**FRUIT & VEGETABLE FOOD PANTRY** – Free bread, fruits, and vegetables on **Wed. from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm** or while supplies last. **Program eligibility:** Households in Topeka area (zip code 66601-66619). **ID required:** a piece of US Mail with client’s name and current address for identification. One household per address. Client must be present. All food is available no cost.

**RIDE TO CHURCH** - If you need transportation to/from a worship service, Wednesday nights, or another church-related activity, please **call the Church Office at (785) 233-4241 during Office hours (Tuesday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)**. Volunteers are needed to ride along with our driver to transport children on Wednesdays and Sundays. Contact Mark Calloway if you would like to volunteer.

**MISSIONARIES VISITING** – Our church financially and prayerfully supports more than 180 Global Servants (missionaries) through International Ministries (IM), also known as the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, who work cross-culturally to invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ and to proclaim, through both word and deed, God’s reign of justice, peace and abundant life for all creation. West Side Baptist Church will host the following missionaries. Join us for these amazing opportunities:



- **Revs. Keith and Debbie Myers**, ABCUSA Missionaries serving in Central Mexico, will be visiting WSBC on **Sunday, March 25 at 4:00 pm**. They will share about their work with the Council of Rural Indigenous Evangelicals

