

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** – 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).
2. **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).
3. **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)
4. **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 Christian church may be received 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, APRIL 22, 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

AGAPE BENEVOLENCE FUND - Your neighbors and friends need your help! The Church receives financial donations over-and-above our operating expenses to help members and neighbors in need with medicine, rent/mortgages, utilities, and water bills. The Benevolence Committee has received and awarded more than \$2,250.00 in requests this year - twice the amount then we've received in donations. Would you consider giving a gift to help our church family and friends? Donations can be given on Sunday, mailed to the Church, or dropped off at the Church Office (M-F, 8 am to 4 pm). Pastor Ivan

GLOBAL SERVANTS FROM CHINA - West Side Baptist Church will host the **Rev. Emerson and Ivy Wu**, ABCUSA Global Servants serving in China and Hong Kong, on **Sunday, April 29 at 4:00 pm**. family serves as the directors of the Global Chinese Training Ministry. You can find more information about the Wu family and their work in China at www.internationalministries.org.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING – The Council has set the next congregational Quarterly Business Meeting and Potluck Luncheon on **Sunday, April 29 at 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. Please bring a covered dish and/or dessert to share.



AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING (AFC) – Thank you to every family who gave to the annual **America for Christ Offering (AFC)**. 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. **We have received \$ \$1,291.13 towards our goal of \$1,500.00.** Please bring your coin collection box to church and place them on the Communion Table.



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.

CHILDRENS ACTIVITY BAGS AND BULLETINS – **We are glad to have children in worship!** Activity bags filled with coloring pages, crayons, and other items are available for preschool and elementary-aged children near the sanctuary door. Enjoy the bags and children's bulletins; take your artwork home. Place the bags on the front pew after the worship service so we can restock them.

DOORSTEP, INC. – Our local mission partner, Doorstep Inc., will host their **ANNUAL BANQUET** honoring their volunteers on **Thursday, April 26 at 6:30 pm in St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**. They will have a speaker, entertainment, volunteer awards, quilt drawing, taco bake for dinner and a Love Offering for Doorstep! **Reservations are due by April 24.** Call the Doorstep Office (8am – 3pm) at (785) 357-5341 to make a reservation. They will have the **Quilt Drawing (Raffle) at \$1 per chance** but you do not have to present to win! See Chuck Cozad, our Doorstep representatives for tickets or buy them at the banquet before dinner!



WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

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

MONDAY, APRIL 23

9:00 – 11:00 am	Baby Closet Ministry
6:00 – 9:00 pm	Capital City Men's Chorus (FH)

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 am	Music Committee Meeting (HH)
5:30 pm	Adult Sunday School Teachers Meeting (HH)
7:15 pm	Outreach & Evangelism Meeting (HH)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

10:30 am	Bible Study (HH)
4:00 – 6:00 pm	Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)
4:30 – 7:00 pm	Baby Closet Ministry
4:30 pm	Open Gym Time
5:30 pm	Supper (FH)
6:00 pm	WWW Kids Bible Club and Adult Study
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (S)

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

1:00 – 3:00 pm	Baby Closet
6:30 pm	Neighborhood Improvement Assoc. Meeting (HH)

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

9:00-12:00	Youth Work Day at West Side Baptist
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SATURDAY, APRIL 28

1:00 pm	Worship Practice (S)
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FIFTH SUNDAY SING – The "Fifth Sunday Sing" will be held on **April 29**. Please share your requests with Janet Nyfeler or Jan Mauck before April 22.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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
Almira Collier – Healing for health concerns
Judy Longstaff – Healing for health concerns
Hilda Lundgren – Healing for health concerns
Nancy May – Healing for health concerns
Marie Merrifield – Healing for health concerns
Rogene Moody – Healing for health concerns
Don Morris – Healing for health concerns
Janet Nyfeler – Healing for health concerns
Ken Paslay – Healing for health concerns
Becky Poe – Healing for health concerns
Bob Roesler – Interim Minister at FBC of Topeka, starting Feb. 1, 2018
Jill Roesler – Healing for health concerns – shoulder surgery
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)
*Helen Farrar – Healing for health concerns (Plaza West Care Center)
*Gerald Haney – Healing for health concerns
*Russ Hunter – Healing for health concerns
*Mary Lou Johnson – Healing for health concerns (Aldersgate)
*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)
*Theo Penny – Healing for health concerns (Lawrence)
*Juanita Plankinton – Healing for health concerns
*Hazel Smith-Tindall – Healing for health concerns

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.



HEARTLAND TRAVELING DAY CAMP – Potwin Presbyterian and West Side Baptist Church are once again partnering to host Heartland Traveling Day Camp. It will be held **Monday, June 11 thru Friday, June 15** at West Side Baptist. Children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade may attend. There is **no cost**, but a registration form must be completed by May 20. Parents may register their child online at <https://www.heartlandcamps.org/traveling-day-camps>. Space is limited, so register soon. We would love to have your kids be a part of this wonderful experience!
~ Alice Payne, Christian Ed

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!

NEWSLETTER – Newsletter articles and reports are due in the Church Office by noon on **Wednesday, April 25** for publication on Sunday, April 29.

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. .

WORLD MISSION CONFERENCE – Register for the **World Mission Conference on July 4-7, 2018 at Green Lake, Wisconsin sponsored by International Ministries (IM)**. Discover how International Ministries global servants and partners make disciples for Jesus Christ through ministries of health and wellness, economic and community development and the abolition of human trafficking. Registration deadline: June 1.

CHURCH CAMP - Seven potential campers have worked over the last three months to earn scholarship dollars to help them go to church camp this summer. Sage Poe, Jessa Greuter, and Macy Greuter are planning to attend Quest at Green Lake. Nathen Poe, Aaron Poe, David Greuter, and Ricky Reyes are planning to attend a summer camp sponsored by ABCCR. We want to thank Pat Carreno, Fran Hunter, Nancy Cottril, Nancy Lindberg, Colleen Smith, Brice Smith, Jim Goodnow, Mark Calloway and Pastor Ivan. These adults helped them set goals and achieve their activity points. Thanks also to the congregation for your generosity and interest in our camping program. ~ Alice Payne, Coordinator of Christian Education



AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) – The new Automated External Defibrillator (AED) has arrived. It was installed in the elevator foyer. I will be scheduling a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class with instructions on using the AED in May. Please see Pat Carreno if you are willing to be certified in this class. The class will last from two to four hours.



Here is some information why defibrillators are used to save lives. The American Heart Association estimates that in the USA alone, at least 250,000 people die each year of cardiac arrest. About 10,000 of these might have been saved if they had received immediate treatment from a defibrillator. When sudden cardiac arrest occurs, it usually is caused by malfunction in the heart's electrical system. This is called ventricular fibrillation. If this critical condition happens, it prevents the heart from pumping blood throughout the body. Death from ventricular fibrillation can occur in seconds. Defibrillation is a relatively simple procedure that involves placing electrode pads on a person with an exposed chest and delivering an electrical shock to the heart as instructed. This externally delivered shock often will restores the heart's electrical system to normal rhythm. Together with CPR, defibrillation provides the most effective care for victims in cardiac arrest. ~ Pat Carreno

WWW- Our last Wonderful West Side Wednesday will be May 2. You are invited to join us as we celebrate with a carnival themed evening for all our kids, youth and adults who have attended this year. We are in need of some donations of baked goods for the Cake Walk and 2 liter bottles of soda for the Pop Ring Toss. We are

also in need of volunteers to help supervise games and activities. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board outside the office. Thank you! Colleen Smith

Music Word Search

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