

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, SEPTEMBER 16, 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.

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S MINISTRY (ABWM) SUNDAY –



Today! We welcome Rexanne's mother, Linda Wallace, as the guest speaker. This service will highlight the local, regional, and national work of American Baptist Women's Ministries: www.abwomensministries.org. See Rexanne Greuter for information about ABWM at West Side Baptist Church.

WORLD MISSION OFFERING (WMO) -

Every September and October, American Baptist churches come together for a time of awareness, advocacy, and action for global mission.



Churches across the country celebrate and support the ministries that God is using to transform the world through the **World Mission Offering**. For the 2018, we are highlighting the Ministry Priorities of Health and Wellness, Abolishing Global Slavery, Economic and Community Development. While these represent only a fraction of International Ministries' work, they provide a window into what God is doing worldwide through our 120 global servants, 900+ volunteers, 43 home staff and 240+ global partners. **Our goal is \$1,500.00. We have received \$182.00.** See Don Johnson for more information!

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. 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



AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) - The Heartsaver CPR/AED and First-Aid Training was held on June 28 here at the church. The course provides a 2-year certification and guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association. Those who are now certified are Pastor Ivan Greuter, Jessa Greuter, Macy Greuter, Mark Arnold, Jim Goodnow and Ernie Longstaff. Thank you all for taking the time to become CPR/AED certified. If there is anyone interested in taking this class, please let me know. ~ Pat Carreno



BABY CLOSET - The Baby Closet received a donation from the Diaper Depot. Those items donated were several boxes of diapers, pull ups, and baby wipes. This donation was a big help to keep our diapers in stock. Community Action is now in charge of the Diaper Depot. We are so grateful to the Diaper Depot for their donation. ~ Pat Carreno

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.

BOILER REPAIRS - The Church voted unanimously during the Quarterly Business Meeting on April 29 to accept the **\$43,000.00** bid from McElroy's Mechanical Contractors to repair the boilers this summer. The church has **received \$20,360.07** in donations for these unexpected repairs. See Harry Carpenter for details about the boilers. Talk with Nancy Lindberg, Church Treasurer, about donations and/or a pledge.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 ABWM

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| 8:30 am | Breakfast |
| 9:15 am | Sunday School |
| 10:30 am | Worship Service (S) |
| 11:30 am | Short Congregation Meeting (S) |
| 2:30 pm | Mission Meeting (HH) |

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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| 9:00-10:00 am | Music Committee Meeting (HH) |
| 9:00-11:00 am | Baby Closet Ministry |
| 6:00 - 9:00 pm | Capital City Men's Chorus (FH) |

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

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| 3:00 - 4 :30 pm | Bylaw Review Committee (HH) |
| 5:30 pm | Christian Ed Meeting (HH) |

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

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| 10:30 am | Bible Study (HH) |
| 3:30 – 5:30 pm | Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH) |
| 5:00 – 7:00 pm | Baby Closet Ministry |
| 5:30 – 6:00 pm | Supper (FH) |
| 6:00 – 7:00 pm | WWW Bible Club and Adult Bible Study (HH) |
| 7:00 – 8:00 pm | Choir Practice (S) |

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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| 1:00-3:00 pm | Baby Closet |
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

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| 1:00 pm | Worship Team Practice |
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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| 8:30 am | Breakfast |
| 9:15 am | Sunday School |
| 10:30 am | Worship (S) |

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Mark Arnold – Healing for health concerns
Al Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Bradley Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Harry and Pat Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Pat Carreno – Healing for health concerns
Esther Carrier – Healing for health concerns
Almira Collier – Healing for health concerns
Shirley Dell – Healing for health concerns
Larry Gill – Healing (Harry Carpenter’s friend)
Karen and Reg Kirby – Healing for health concerns
Ernie and Judy Longstaff – Healing for health concerns
Hilda Lundgren – Healing for health concerns
Nancy May – Healing for health concerns
Cale Miller – Healing (Harry Carpenter’s friend)
Marie Merrifield – Healing for health concerns
Rogene Moody – Healing for health concerns
Don Morris – Healing for health concerns
Ken Paslay – Healing for health concerns
Cole Payne – Healing for health concerns (Alice and Clarence’s grandson)
Edward Perkins – Healing for health concerns (Gardner, KS)
Becky Poe – Healing for health concerns
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 & CARE FACILITIES:

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| *June Cunningham – Brewster Place | *Etta Landis – Legend |
| *Helen Farrar – Plaza West Care Center | *Mae Martin – Plaza West |
| *Gerald Haney – | *Theo Penny – Lawrence |
| *Russ Hunter – | *Juanita Plankinton – |
| *Mary Lou Johnson – Aldersgate | *Hazel Smith-Tindall – |
| *Alice Kieffer – | *Reginald Kirby – |

FRUIT & VEGETABLE FOOD PANTRY – Free bread, fruits, and vegetables on **Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 pm**, while supplies last. PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY: Households living in Topeka area (zip code 66601-66619). INCOME GUIDELINES: None. **ID REQUIRED:** Client must bring a PHOTO ID AND A PIECE OF US MAIL with client's name and current address for identification. HOUSEHOLDS: One household per address. All food is available at no cost. West Side does not participate in Client Track. **TIME CHANGE: 3:30 to 5:30 PM Starting September 1.**



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - Volunteers Needed! The Habitat for Humanity



Faith Build is an opportunity for our faith groups to put God's love into action. Over 20 Topeka faith groups have come together to construct a home in our Ward Meade Neighborhood. If you are interested in joining these efforts, please sign-up at <http://www.topekahabitat.org/faith-build>. Or, contact Janice at (785) 234-4322 or exec@topekahabitat.org. See Don Johnson for details.

ALMIRA COLLIER - Received a phone call from Almira Collier. She was at Green Lake and has fallen down some stairs. She has a hair line fracture on the right side of her pelvic bone. She is in a lot of pain but in good spirits. She will be in a nursing home in Markesan, WI. for the next four weeks. Here is the address if you would like to send her a card. Markesan Nursing Home, 1130 N Margaret Street, Markesan WI 53946. You may call 785-213-7649.

RUMMAGE SALE – The Outreach Committee **Saturday, September 29 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**. If you interested in reserving a table, please call the Church Office at 233-4241. “We have a limited number of tables - first come, first serve.”

**TABLES: 2.5 x 8 (5) and 2.5 x 6 (4)
12 Round tables 5 ft diameter**
See Mark Calloway for more information.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – New classes will start Sept. 9 at 9:15 am.

Join one of these Christian education classes:

- **Nursery** (newborn thru age 3) – LaTondra & Martha (basement)
- **Children’s Classes** – (K through 3rd Grade) Colleen & Becky (basement)
- **Middle School Youth** (4th-8th Grade) – Fran & Pat C (2nd Floor)
- **High School Youth** (9th-12th Grade) – Youth Room (basement)
- **Reading Bible as Literature (Video)** – Jan & Doug Mauck in Holmer Hall
- **Book of the Bible (Video)** – Jack Janway in Junior Room (2nd Floor)
- **Women’s Class** – Rexanne Greuter in College & Career Room (2nd Floor)

Classes will meet for 6-12 weeks. All classes are free and open to new members.

DOORSTEP - We are getting low on many items for our hygiene kits. If you can help, we would greatly appreciate it!

- Shampoo + Conditioner in 1
- Deodorant
- Shaving Cream & Razors

You can bring donations to Doorstep at 1119 SW 10th Avenue (10th & Buchanan).
Monday – Friday from 8am – 3pm.



PASTOR AT INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES BOARD MEETING – Pastor Ivan travelled to Philadelphia on Friday to attend the International Ministries Board of Directors meeting. He will return tonight at midnight. He will be out-of-the-office on Monday, Sept. 17. Please call his cell phone or the Church Office to speak with him.

Australian Birds Word Search Puzzle

Find the names of these amazing creatures from Australia.

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