

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 wrong things). Apologize to God and turn away from harmful behavior and start doing good things (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 religious 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, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church, may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator, or come forward at a meeting of the congregation. A person may join one of the following ways:

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

Members shall strive to be faithful to Christian principles as outlined in scripture and support the mission of the church through attendance, prayer, service and monetary giving. The *first step* to becoming 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, NOVEMBER 24, 2019

WELCOME TO WORSHIP – *I am glad you are here!* There are lots of churches in Topeka, so we're happy you have chosen to worship with us. Please talk with me after the worship service if you would like to know more about being a follower of Jesus, need personal prayer, or want to request a pastoral visit! Blessings, Pastor Ivan

PIE FUNDRAISER – Pick-up pies today, Nov. 24, 2019 if you were not able to pick them up yesterday. The Youth will also AUCTION a few **SPECIALITY PIES today, NOV. 24 at 12:00 noon.** Thank you! Questions? Contact the Church Office at (785) 233-4241 or pastor@wsbctopeka.org



BABY CLOSET - As we begin to prepare for Christmas, the Baby Closet is asking for help to fill 50 personal care bags for families that visit the Baby Closet during December. Items needed for the bags include **deodorant, shampoo, body wash, toothpaste and toothbrushes, combs, band aids and lotion.** We thank each of you for helping us out with this project. The families are happy to receive these bags



BIBLE STUDY – Bible Study at 10:30 am every Wednesday in Holmer Hall. Come for the one-hour small group study of the biblical book "**MICAH.**" Bible studies are free and open to the public.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS FOR WWW KIDS – Donate a new or gently used Christmas Ornament for the WWW Kids Bible Club students. Each child will receive a small gift of candy, fruit, and an ornament. Place item in the box inside the Sanctuary **before Tuesday, December 10.** Thank you! ~ Alice Payne, Coordinator

CHOIR CHANGES - All who enjoy singing and have some available time to spend learning music are invited to join the Choir on **Wednesday's at 7:00 pm**, Contact our Choir Director, Matt Smith at (785) 230-6442 if you have any questions or songs you would like to sing.

FOOD PANTRY - The Free Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry is now open every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 pm. Call the Church Office at (785) 233-4241 for more information. **BRING a government-issued PHOTO ID and a piece of US Mail with the clients NAME and CURRENT ADDRESS as proof-of-residency every visit.** Equal Opportunity. *All food is available at no cost. **We need empty egg cartons and reusable bags.**



HOSPITAL & EMERGENCIES – If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital for an emergency or for surgery, **the hospital staff and chaplains' office will NOT contact the Church Office or the Pastor. You or a family member must call the Church Office at (785) 233-4241 or Pastor's home at (785) 267-0936.** Pastor is willing to visit the hospital and pray prior to surgeries.



MEADOWS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY

COLLECTION - During the month of November we will be asking for donations of socks, sweatpants and boxes of tissues for the children who attend Meadows Elementary. A small tree will be set up in the sanctuary where these items can be placed.



WWW KIDS BIBLE CLUB – Wonderful West Side Wednesdays (WWW) Bible Club has begun another year of adventure! **Supper will be served at 5:30 pm.** Come on in and register between 4:30 - 5:30 pm. Forms for registration will be available at the door or you may request those ahead of time by calling the church office. Bible Study classes available for Kindergarten through adult. Van rides to and from the church are available. Please call the church office (785 233-4241) to arrange a ride or for more information. We want to see you there!!



THANKSGIVING OFFERING - Your gift to the Thanksgiving offering will go towards the building fund to help with all the building repairs in the future.

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Carpenter, Al & Bradley – Health concerns
Carpenter, Harry and Pat – Health concerns
Goff, Jim – Health concerns
Human Trafficking / Sexual Slavery
International Ministries and Missionaries (Global Servants)
Jones, Gwen – Health concerns (Potwin Presbyterian)
Key, Charles – Health concerns (Nelda Janway's brother)
Lewis, Joanna – Health concerns (Nelda and Jack Janway's grandniece)
Longstaff, Judy and Ernie – Health concerns
Lynch, Holly – Health concerns (Nancy Oshe's daughter)
Matthiessen, Jessica – Health concerns
May, Nancy – Health concerns
Merrifield, Bill and Marie – Health concerns
Morris, Annie – Healing (Don & Molly Morris granddaughter-in-law)
Morris, Don and Molly – Health concerns
Poe, Becky & Terry – Health concerns
Roach, Carolyn – Health concerns (Nelda Janway's sister)
Springer, Keith – Health concerns (Marianne Spano's brother)
Springer, Larry – Health concerns (Marianne Spano's brother)
Swank, Kim – Health concerns
WWW Kids Bible Club
Wildman, Kay – Infection in leg
Zab, Lola – Health concerns (Marianne Spano's sister)

HOMEBOUND & CARE FACILITIES:

*Portia Allbert	*Hilda Lundgren
*June Cunningham – Brewster Place	*Renea May
*Shirley & Larry Dell	*Rogene Moody - Homestead
*Helen Farrar –Plaza West	*Ken Paslay – Brookdale
*Gerald Haney –	*Theo Penny
*Russ Hunter –	*Edward Perkins
*Mary Lou Johnson – Aldersgate	*Juanita Plankinton
*Alice Kieffer	*Hazel Smith-Tindall – Ottawa
*Etta Landis –Capital Ridge	

YOU'RE INVITED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL - Be kind to yourself and join a class! It's an opportunity to learn more about the Bible, our faith, ourselves, our past, present, & future, and our Savior. We are offering four different class opportunities for adults.

- **"The Apostles Creed: Together We Believe"** by Matt Chandler taught by Jack Janway upstairs in the first room off the elevator. It is a new 12-week, video-based study. Each session is based on a part of the Apostles Creed and how it applies to living as Christians.
- **"The Basics of Christian Faith"** taught by Pastor Ivan. It meets downstairs in the Youth Room.
- **"Outlive Your Life" by Max Lucado.** Rexanne Greuter is leading a women's class discussing ideas and spending meaningful time in prayer support. This class is upstairs in the first room off the South stairway.
- **"Reading the Bible as Literature"** a video series taught by Doug Mauck in Holmer Hall. These videos help bring the Bible to life and increase our understanding.

You would be welcomed at any of these classes. They are open to all. It's a great chance to fellowship with other believers and to enhance your spiritual growth. Classes begin @ 9:15 every Sunday morning.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2019 - Nominating Committee members, Maryanne Spano, Nancy Cottril, Dick May, Jr., Ernie Longstaff and Sonia Roling submitted the following:

- **Moderator - Pat Carpenter**
- **Treasurer - Nancy Lindberg**
- **Church Clerk - Fran Seymour Hunter**
- **Christian Education – Open (No Nomination)**
- **Missions - Jim Goodnow**
- **Worship - Brice Smith**

The Church Council voted to accept the report and present it to the congregation. **The Church will vote to adopt these nominees and the proposed 2020 Budget on Sunday, December 8, at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall during the Church Business Meeting (Budget Breakfast)**

Thank you. ~ Pat Carpenter, Church Moderator

PROSED 2020 BUDGET – The Church Council approved the draft **Budget for 2020**. Please review the details of the proposed Budget before the **Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 8 at 9:00 am in the**

Fellowship Hall. Breakfast Potluck: bring a breakfast casserole or dish to share. Copies are available from an Usher or the Church Office. See Nancy Lindberg, Church Treasurer, for details or questions.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship Service (S)
12:00 pm	Stewardship Dinner

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9:00 am	Baby Closet
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

6:00 pm	Outreach Meeting (HH)
6:00 pm	Capital City Men's Chorus (FH)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 OFFICE CLOSED

10:30 am	No Bible Study – Book of Haggai (HH)
3:30 – 5:30 pm	No Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)
5:00 – 7:00 pm	No Baby Closet Ministry
5:30 – 6:00 pm	No Free Supper (FH)
6:00 – 7:00 pm	No Bible Study and WWW Kids Bible Club

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 THANKSGIVING OFFICE CLOSED

1:00 - 3:00 pm	No Baby Closet Ministry
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29 OFFICE CLOSED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:00 am	Hanging of the Greens
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship Service (S)

REMEMBER

This is the final month to recognize persons who have joined our congregation during the month of November. On the first Sunday of the month, those celebrating an anniversary are recognized in the worship service, and we use a brief litany to dedicate them to God once more. Those celebrating an anniversary membership renewal in November:

• John Swain	Baptism	November 07, 1965	54 Yrs
• Steve Farrar	Baptism	November 13, 1966	53 Yrs
• George Gammell	Baptism	November 09, 1969	50 Yrs
• Helen Bloom	Letter	November 28, 1971	48 Yrs
• Brice Smith	Baptism	November 02, 1972	47 Yrs
• Bruce Smith	Baptism	November 02, 1972	47 Yrs
• Ken Paslay	Letter	November 08, 1973	46 Yrs
• Julie Hershey	Baptism	November 30, 1975	44 Yrs
• Jan Pukach	Letter	November 16, 1955	44 Yrs
• Clarence Payne	Baptism	November 20, 1977	42 Yrs
• Andrea Mauck	Baptism	November 16, 1980	39 Yrs
• Trena Ansell	Letter	November 13, 1985	34 Yrs
• Colleen Smith	Baptism	November 11, 1990	29 Yrs
• Emily Hersh	Baptism	November 20, 2011	8 Yrs
• Katelyn Hersh	Baptism	November 20, 2011	8 Yrs
• Shelby Hersh	Baptism	November 20, 2011	8 Yrs
• Christine Carrier	Baptism	November 01, 2015	4 Yrs
• Kim Maggard	Baptism	November 01, 2015	4 Yrs
• Stella Maggard	Experience	November 01, 2015	4 Yrs
• Kenneth Mildfeldt	Baptism	November 01, 2015	4 Yrs
• Jolie Lippitt	Experience	November 04, 2018	1 Yr
• Tera Triggs	Experience	November 04, 2018	1 Yr

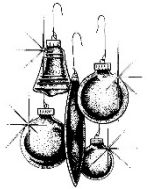
Please offer them your congratulations and rejoice with them in the celebration of another year of giving and service to God through West Side Baptist Church. If you have information for a missing member, please contact the Church Office.



FINANCIAL GIVING – Thank you for the generous support of the work of God in and through West Side Baptist Church. Donations report:

	<u>11-17-2019</u>	<u>Y-T-D</u>
General Fund	\$ 3020.00	\$ 187,017.08
Building Main	\$ 435.00	\$ 9,256.00
Sunday School	\$ 7.00	\$ 441.56
Baby Closet	\$	\$ 1,550.00
Fellowship/Benevolence	\$	\$ 1,976.22
World Mission Offering	\$	\$ 1,763.09

HANGING OF THE GREENS – The Hanging of the Greens (decorating the Sanctuary, Holmer Hall, and classrooms for Advent/Christmas) will be **Saturday, November 30 at 9:00 am.** Everyone is encouraged to help “deck the halls and walls.”



GREUTER FAMILY OPEN HOUSE COOKIE PARTY – Come to the **Greuter Open House Cookie Party** on **Saturday, December 14** from **1:00 to 4:00 PM** at **2211 SW 33rd St., Topeka 66611.** We make a couple of thousand cookies, so you will not need to bring cookies, gifts, or anything but an appetite. Enjoy the many tasty treats we make to share during the holidays. We will serve coffee and punch. It is a “come and go” event. No reservations needed. Kids welcome!



~ Ivan, Rexanne, Jessa, Macy, and David

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – The Worship Committee is planning the **Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service on Dec. 24 at 5:00 pm.** We will sing familiar hymns, listen to special music, and worship the Lord. Share your ideas with Jan Mauck, Chair of the Worship Committee.

WORSHIP LEADERS: NOVEMBER

Acolytes – Nathan Poe and Shelby Hersh

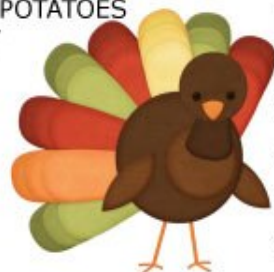
Technology Team – Tom Mansfield, Brice Smith, and Bruno Sprengs

Ushers – Mark Arnold, Don Johnson, Steve May, Clarence Payne, and John Swain

YOUTH GROUP - The Middle and High School Youth Group will go **Ice Skating at Crown Center** (<https://www.crowncenter.com/business/crown-center-ice-terrace>) in **Kansas City on Saturday, November 30** after the "Hanging of the Greens." We will meet at the Church prior to departure (around 11:00 AM). All youth and adult sponsors welcome! Bring a lunch or money to eat at Wendy's. Cost: \$10.00 per student for skates and time-on-the-ice (*no funds from Student Fundraising Accounts available for this event*). We will return to the church around 5:00 pm. Please talk to Pastor Ivan if you have any questions.

Happy Thanksgiving!

APPLE PIE
BEANS
BREAD
CORN
CRANBERRY SAUCE
GRAVY
HAM
MASHED POTATOES
MILK
PUMPKIN PIE
ROLLS
SQUASH
STUFFING
SWEET POTATOES
TURKEY



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ILLUMINATION PRESENTS
Dr. Seuss'
The GRINCH

FREE MOVIE NIGHT

Come watch as a grumpy Grinch plots to ruin Christmas for the village of Whoville in "The Grinch" (2018). A free movie night for all ages!

FRIDAY, DEC. 6 | 6 PM
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