

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021

9:15 am Sunday School (Suspended in Red Phase)
10:30 am Worship Service (S)

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00 am No Baby Closet (Mobile on Wed. Only)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

4:30 pm Women's Bible Study (online)
6:00 pm Council of Ministries Meeting (HH)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

10:30 am Bible Study – Book of Psalms (HH)
3:30 – 5:30 pm Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)
3:30 – 5:30 pm Baby Closet Mobile Ministry (North Doors)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14 **Deadline for Annual Reports**

9:00 am No Baby Closet (Mobile on Wed. Only)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15 **Pastor's Day Off**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

10:00 am Worship Committee Meeting (HH)
1:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal (S)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

9:15 am Sunday School (Suspended in Red Phase)
10:30 am Worship Service (S)
2:00 pm Mission Committee Meeting (HH)

WORSHIP ONLINE at:

- Facebook LIVE – <https://www.facebook.com/wsbctopeka>
- YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/WSBC>

Order a free copy of the service on DVD by contacting the Church Office.

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP – *We are glad you have joined us in the Sanctuary and Online!* In-person attendees are asked to **complete a Connection Card** and leave in the pew after the service. Share greetings, prayer concerns, and comments online or private message me at <https://www.facebook.com/ivangreuter>. **Download the Bulletin and News in the Pews from the church website: www.wsbctopeka.org.** Please contact the Pastor or Church Leader if you would like to know more about being a follower of Jesus, being baptized, need prayer, or want to request a visit!

ANNUAL REPORTS – It is that time again for all the Council members to start thinking of what you want in your report. Please submit your report to Lynda in the Church Office office@wsbctopeka.org by Tuesday, January 12. **The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 31 at 12:00 pm, downstairs.**



COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES MEETING – The Church Council will meet on Tuesday, January 12 at 6:00 pm in Holmer Hall or via Zoom. See Pat Carpenter, Church Moderator, for agenda items or details.

MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING – The Mission Committee is scheduled to meet at 2:00 pm next Sunday, Jan. 17, in Holmer Hall. See Jim Goodnow, Coordinator of Mission, for more information.

BABY CLOSET – The **Baby Closet is CLOSED** to the public and will operate in **MOBILE DISTRIBUTION ONLY** until further notice. Families may pick-up **diapers, formula ointments, and wipes on WEDNESDAYS** from

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3:30-5:30 pm at the North Door. Leave a message on the Baby Closet voice mail for supplies.

BIBLE STUDY ONLINE – Join us for “The Psalm Book of Israel” Bible Study on Wednesday **MORNINGS** at 10:30 am in Holmer Hall (face masks, mass limit, and social distancing required) or **ZOOM** (see email for link and password).

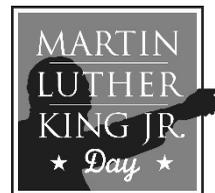
FOOD PANTRY – NO FOOD PANTRY ON DECEMBER 30. Free Fruit and Vegetable Food Pantry on **Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 pm, while supplies last.** **MOBILE SITE:** enter western PARKING LOT from 4th and CLAY Streets; do not park or exit your vehicle. Equal Opportunity. *All food is available at no cost. **FACE COVERINGS or MASKS REQUIRED.**

- **YEAR TO DATE REPORT** –17,211 individuals (7,886 adults, 6,813 children, and 2,512 seniors) in 4,392 families were able to receive 132,819 pounds (66.4 tons) of free bread, fruits, vegetables, and other items from the Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry at West Side Baptist Church in 2020. We served 1½ times more families compared to previous years.

Thank you to Jack Janway, Outreach Coordinator, and all the volunteers who make this service project possible.

GIVING STATEMENTS FOR 2020 – Nancy Lindberg will mail the charitable contribution letters for 2020 before February 1. Please see Nancy with any questions or special requests. **GIVE SAFELY ONLINE:** <https://west-side-baptist-church.square.site>

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY CLOSED – The Church Office will be CLOSED on Monday, January 18 in observance of our American Baptist brother, MLK Jr. Day. The Office will open at 8:00 am on Tuesday, January 19.



MIDWINTER MISSION CONFERENCE - Canceled - The ABCCR made the difficult decision to cancel the 2021 Mid-Winter Missions Conference that would have occurred in January 2021 because of concerns related to the pandemic. The executive minister hopes every one understand the rationale and reminds us to stay engaged with our global servants. You can see a full list of our global servants at International Ministries' website at www.internationalministries.org.

PUBLIC HEALTH NOTICE: RED PHASE – BUILDING CLOSED TO PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE – To mitigate the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID 19), the Church leaders have enacted **Phase Red Protocols** on the advice of our Executive Minister, the Governor of the State of Kansas, and Shawnee County Health Officer. Effective immediately until further notice:

1. **BUILDING CLOSED** to the public.
2. **MASKS REQUIRED** - All persons (age 6 and older) are required to **WEAR A MASK IN PUBLIC** including employees of the church, with certain exemptions apply including all children *age 5 and under*, when social distancing (keeping six feet of distance between yourself and others outside your household, except for occasional or incidental moments of closer proximity) is not possible. (see SNCO Emergency Order #2020-68 and the Governors Executive Order #20-68 Mandatory Mask Protocol).
3. **LIMIT MASS GATHERINGS to 10 persons (including weddings)**
4. **HIGH RISK INDIVIDUALS and PARENTS AND SMALL CHILDREN should take more intensive precautions including staying-safe-at home.** High-risk individuals include those with underlying medical conditions, including chronic lung disease, asthma, heart conditions, severe obesity, chronic kidney disease, liver disease, or who are otherwise immunocompromised.
5. **NURSERY CLOSED** – The church nursery will be CLOSED until after the first of the year for cleaning and sanitizing.
6. **CHILDRENS PROGRAMS** are **SUSPENDED** including Sunday School (all ages including youth), Children's Church, Youth Bowling League, etc.
7. **SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS** will operate in **MOBILE DISTRIBUTION.**
8. **WORSHIP and BIBLE STUDIES** will be offered **REMOTELY (online).** For more information about preventing the spread of COVID 19, visit: <https://www.snco.us/hd/coronavirus> or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website (www.cdc.gov).



OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Coronavirus/COVID 19 – healing, health, isolation, vaccine, wisdom, etc.
 Albert, Henry – Lou Gehrig’s (Karen & Janice Kirby’s cousins’ husband)
 Amos, Barbara – Healing (fall)
 Beyer, Martha – Healing (Nancy Cottril’s sister)
 Carpenter, Al & Bradley – Healing
 Carpenter, Pat and Harry – Healing
 Cottril, Nancy and Wayne – Healing
 Lewis, Joanna – Healing (Nelda and Jack Janway’s grandniece)
 Lindberg, Howard – Healing (Nancy Lindberg’s brother)
 Lindberg, Nash – Healing (Nancy Lindberg’s cousin)
 Longstaff, Judy and Ernie – Healing
 May, Nancy – Healing
 May, Renea* & Steve – Healing
 Peck, Matthew – Baptism
 Pinkham, Al and Barbara – Healing (Nancy Lindberg’s cousins)
 Pucket, Roxy – Healing (Molly Morris’s sister)
 Reed, Ernie – Healing (Kansas Rehab)
 Springer, Keith – Healing (Marianne Spano’s brother)
 Swank, Kim – Healing
 Zab, Lola – Healing (Marianne Spano’s sister)

Church and people in:

- 03 - 09 January 2021 - Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, and Palestine
- 10 - 16 January 2021 - Iran, Iraq, and Syria
- 7 - 23 January 2021 - Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen
- 24 - 30 January 2021 - Cyprus, Greece, and Turkey†

Ministries and Missionaries (Global Servants)
 National Guard, Military Personnel (Active Duty), and our Veterans
 Ward Meade Neighborhood and WWW Kids Bible Club

†Ecumenical Prayer Cycle "In God's Hands - Common Prayer for the World" from the World Council of Churches (<https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/prayer-cycle>)



WHITE AS SNOW

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 Jesus, our Savior, came to earth to purify sinners.

Directions: Figure out which path through the puzzle is correct. Choose one to try, starting at the first picture under the "Path" box. Follow each picture's directional cues to see if the words make sense when placed in order in the blanks below. If not, try a different path until you figure out the Bible verse.

	MOVE →	MOVE ↑	MOVE ←	MOVE ↓	
PATH 1	PATH 2	PATH 3	PATH 4	PATH 5	PATH 6
for	give	come	together	around	after
self	into	settle	eternal	thanks	forgive
God	LORD	says	without	Christ	warmth
love	sins	scarlet	other	light	praise
red	star	white	snow	winter	peace

↓ EXIT

“ _____ now, let us _____ the matter,” _____ the
 _____. “Though your _____ are like _____,
 they shall be as _____ as _____”

ISAIAH 1:18, NIV

Answer: Path 3; come, settle, says, LORD, sins, scarlet, white, snow