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THE CONNECTION

Connecting Westside to the Community



A NOTE FROM PASTOR JOSH

Dear Westside Family,

Summer is finally here and hopefully the rain will return to normal, what a wet season we have had. The Leadership Team has been diligently working with Tony Mosley to identify top three goals from his list of nine potential congregational goals in the written report. The first of three goals we will work together on is: *Consider ways to increase healthy communication that minimizes triangulation and leaves little room for misunderstanding and misinterpretation of events. When new controversies and conflict emerge, have intentional processes in place to manage them openly, honestly, and compassionately.* We are working SMART during this process which means Specific, Measurable, Achievable/Relevant, and Timely. This process will take time and we are guided by Tony to not attempt to rush through these goals. These next 9-12 months will be essential for Westside to evaluate who we are and vision for a successful future. We understand that there have been decades of tension built-up since the formation of Westside UMC. We understand that this tension is made up of people and people are imperfect. We also understand that we serve a perfectly loving God who will remain steadfast in his choice of the people of Westside UMC taking on his characteristics of love, forgiveness, and unity.

Let's continue to pray for God's will to be done in our congregation, in our denomination, in our community, and in our own life. As Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9.23).

In His Love,

Pastor Josh

July - August Forget - Me - Nots

Please take time to send a card, call or visit our Forget - Me - Nots.

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If you have any names to be added or removed, please contact the church office.

CANCER PATIENTS

Please pray for those with cancer and their families

Don McClintock Andrea Long Bill Harmon Rick Keller's Wife Susan Boedicker Jean Bowen Dave Bowersock Susan Christy Jack Crabtree Chuck Greeley Betsey Goff Kohls Amy Parthemore Ron Taylor Joel Vega Lauren Cunningham



JULY 2019

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 6p 12 Step | 5 12:30p Senior Luncheon | 6 |
| 7 9:30a Sun. Sch. 10:15a Choir Pr. 10:45a Worship | 8 6:30p Leadership Team Meeting | 9 | 10 | 11 10a Small Group Conversation 6p 12 Step | 12 | 13 2p Sharing at Springview Manor |
| 14 9:30a Sun. Sch. 10:15a Choir Pr. 10:45a Worship | 15 6:30p Leadership with Tony Mosley | 16 | 17 | 18 10a Small Group Conversation 6p 12 Step | 19 | 20 |
| 21 9:30 am Sun. Sch. 10:15 Choir Practice 10:45 am Worship | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 10a Small Group Conversation 6p 12 Step | 26 | 27 9a Community Breakfast |
| 28 9:30 am Sun. Sch. 10:15 Choir Practice 10:45 am Worship | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |
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Important Dates to Remember

July 8 - 6:30 p.m. Leadership Team Gathering

July 15 - 6:30 p.m. Leadership with Tony Mosley

August 19 - 6:30 p.m. Leadership with Tony Mosley

Minutes of the meetings with Tony will be posted on the website

under the media tab. Look for "Meeting Minutes".

AUGUST 2019

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| 4 9:30a Sun. Sch. 10:15a Choir Pr. 10:45a Worship | 5 5:30p Zumba | 6 | 7 | 8 6p 12 Step | 9 | 10 2:30p Sharing @ Lima Convalescent Home |
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News from Your Discipleship Team!

Want to ADD ZEST TO YOUR SUMMER routine? Please join Lori Brookman as she leads a time of fellowship in The Connection Cafe. Have your spirit lifted as you listen to Joyce Meyer's CDs about "BEING A GOD PLEASER NOT A PEOPLE PLEASER", share in positive conversation, and enjoy light refreshments. Lori will lead these gatherings from 10:00-11:45 on Thursday July 11, July 18, July 25, and August 1. Please join her for as many as your schedule permits.

The Tots-Connection class at Westside is still looking for teachers! Take time to prayerfully consider filling this role! This is a great opportunity to serve kids and young families by providing a safe and fun environment for toddler/preschool aged children during Sunday services. If you hear God calling you to this ministry opportunity, contact Kristen, 567-712-9422.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES COMING! The Discipleship team will be offering more opportunities to serve and share the love of Christ in the near future. Please be watching for them!

Your Discipleship Team: Lori Brookman, Jo Ellen Cook, Cindy Crawford, Kristen Davis, Jacqui Dill, Sally Leidy, Pam Meffley, Jessica Schelb, Trudi Snyder, and Judy Steigleder

News from Your Leadership Team!

THE LEADERSHIP TEAM OF WESTSIDE IS working on your behalf to move forward in our ministries here at Westside Church. We are meeting regularly with our coach and Parish Consultant, Tony Mosley, to strategically plan and implement healing and service as the Holy Spirit leads us.

On June 17 we worked hard to identify 3 goals that we would begin our focus for the year. Goal 1: Westside U.M. C. will respectfully communicate to our church family and community with clear, direct, and concise messages. Together, we are the body of Christ and choose to communicate transparently with one another as a family, modeling Jesus' interaction with his disciples. We will intentionally create a safe environment for direct dialog and active listening. We will use verbal and written communication along with the various facets of technology to accomplish our goal. Ongoing evaluation will be accomplished through an increase in worship attendance, active engagement and participation in missional activities, an awareness of activities, and an articulation of our ownership of the mission. In addition to the online church calendar, the use of multiple forms of communication (verbal, written, social media, etc...) will be utilized. We will continue to be solution focused with our vision toward the future.

The Leadership Team will meet on July 8 at 6:30 for our next regular meeting. Our regular meetings allows us time for worship, brainstorming, addressing business concerns and congregational concerns. You are welcome to share your dreams and ideas with the team prior to the meeting. We welcome your input and how God is calling you and the church for ministry.

Westside Team Leaders are in the information baskets in the Connection Café for your information along with the minutes of our meetings and information about various ministries.

Our next meeting with our consultant, Tony Mosley will be on Monday, July 15.



Since Summer has begun, the youth at Westside have been continuing to meet for youth group. We finished up our "Wonder Women of the Bible" series by talking about Abigail and Lydia. We learned that God calls us to be humble servants, to apologize and make things right with the people in our lives, and be obedient believers in Christ.

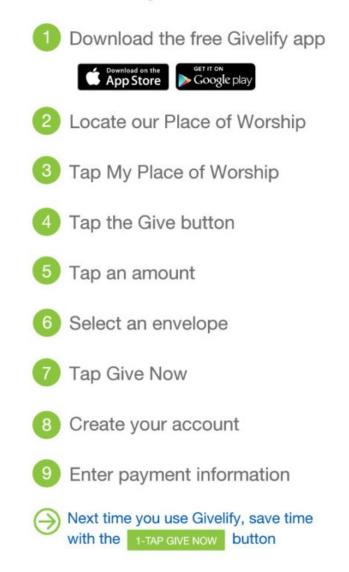
At the beginning of June, our high school senior, Ella Atkinson, graduated! We are so proud of her and all that she has accomplished! She has been such a blessing to our youth group. We know that she is going to do big things in life and that God is going to use her for His gain! Thank you to our church family for supporting our youth!

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