

Our Welcome

We welcome all visiting with us today; we sincerely hope that you will be drawn to God through each other, and we hope too that you will worship with us at every opportunity you may have. If you would, please fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the collection plate as it is passed.

Sunday School – 9:00 AM

Song Leader	Rocky Rager
Scripture Reading	Michael Driver
Prayer	Steven McGhee

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:00 AM

Welcome	Dr. Jon Partlow
Opening Prayer	Bobby Parmley
Preside Lord's Supper	Mark Smith & Larry Ross
Serve Lord's Supper	Jonathan Partlow & Matthew Partlow
Sermon	Dr. Jon Partlow
Announcements	TBA
Closing Prayer	Tony Deason

Sunday Evening Worship – 5:30 PM

Song Leader	Steven McGhee
Opening Prayer	Danny Bruce McGhee

Wednesday Evening Bible Study – 7:00 PM

Song Leader	Rocky Rager
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Leadership

Elders

Billy McGhee ... 265-5414
Danny Bruce McGhee ... 265-5690
Bobby Parmley ... 265-2739

Deacons

Doug Boley ... 265-9870
Lilburn Rager ... 265-5766
Larry Ross ... 265-2612
David Watkins ... 265-2560

Minister

Jon Partlow, D. Min.
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Music Minister

Rocky Rager ... 265-5736

Detention Center Minister

Jacky Moore ... 725-6787

THE WEST SIDE STORY

A BULLETIN FOR THE WEST
SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

APRIL 22, 2012



Transforming Anxiety by Jon Partlow

Discussing the weather, the UK championship basketball season, great aunt Betsy's aging health, or deciding whose turn it is to walk the dog are some of the conversations that may require little effort or distress to initiate. Informing a patient that she has cancer, confronting someone's lack of ethical living, telling an employee that the cutbacks will involve his job, or discussing spiritual issues with a friend often creates enough anxiety to fill a storage unit, a double-wide storage unit. Inviting a friend to church falls into the latter category.

Sometimes it's stressful and difficult to invite a friend to church; you feel like you're putting your friendship at risk. I often feel the same anxiety. A few of years ago, I wanted to invite an acquaintance to church. Not knowing him all that well, I delayed the invitation. By the time I "got the nerve" to invite him, he had already been plugged into another church.

By hosting a *Friends, Family & Neighbor Day* we're removing one element of the anxiety. The invitation to attend church is not just attending church, but a special worship on a special day with our friends. Instead of saying, "Do you want to come to church with me," the question transforms to, "Our church is having a Friends Day and I was wondering if you'd be my 'friend' that day?" Do you see how the wording changes the invitation? You are not just inviting them to

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Dates, Prayers, & Events

April 29	Ladies Meeting	4:30 pm
May 1	Elders, Deacons, Ministers Meeting	7:00 pm
May 6	Friends, Family, & Neighbor Day	10:00 am
May 9	Birthday Anniversary Fellowship & Senior Recognition Dinner	6:00 pm
May 13	Mother's Day Luncheon	11:15 am
May 16	Baccalaureate (no Wed night service)	7:00 pm

Remember in Prayer . . . Wayne Addison (suffering from hepatitis); **Dewayne Alder** (concerns about his back); **Glendolene Alder** (see the tracheotomy doctor on Wednesday and then the cancer doctor on May 16); **Doug & Stacey Boley** (going to Houston on Tuesday to discuss the test results with the doctor); **Jane Camp** (Hearthstone 223); **Larry Camp** (had an ultrasound on his liver on Thursday); **Imogene Dulin** (had her second cataract surgery on Wednesday and is doing well); **Eva England** (undergoing cancer treatment); **Ronnie Grace** (Stacey Boley's uncle has leukemia); **Ruth Holland**; **Lawrence Killebrew** (suffering from dementia); **Wendell Langham** (preached Wilmon's funeral, has terminal throat cancer); **Abby Lee** ([Porter]discs in her back giving her problems); **Billy McGhee** (ultra sound on leg showed great improvement); **Bernard McPherson** (undergoing chemotherapy and will follow it up with radiation treatment); **Chuck Miller** (undergoing chemotherapy); **Bobbye Miller** (continues to recover from high triglyceride); **Tommy Moore**; **Stan Wilson** (cellulites is improving).

Happenings . . . Remember our 7 seniors who will be graduating May 18 (Cady Alder, Connor Coffman, Michael Driver, Brittany Fowler, Stephanie Moore, Taylor Partlow, and Michael Rager). Their gift boxes are in the foyer . . . *Todd County Central High School will be hosting Baccalaureate on May 16 at 7:00 pm. Because we have so many seniors this year, West Side will dismiss our services that night to participate in Baccalaureate, which will be held at the auditorium. **Jon Partlow** has been asked to keynote the service. . . . (see **"Happenings"** on next page)



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("Offended" cont.) church, you are affirming a deeper, meaningful relationship that you value with that person.

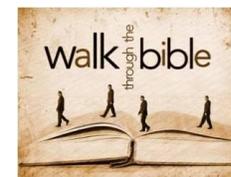
So, relieve some of your anxiety. Reaffirm your appreciation for your friend. Pray for the courage to invite your friend. Take advantage of an opportunity to share Christ with a friend. Let's get excited for Friends, Family, & Neighbor Day May 6.

Solo Deo Gloria!

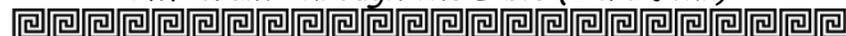


Sermons for Today

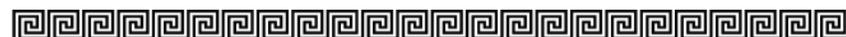
AM: Between Two Worlds (John 18:36-37)



PM: *Walk Through the Bible (2 & 3 John)*



("Happenings" cont.) VBS will be July 1-4 . . . Friends, Family & Neighbor Day will be May 6. . . . Group 3 is in charge of the bridal shower for **Millie Deason** whose wedding is May 12th. Millie has requested a money wreath instead of a shower. Please give monies to **Anna Jo Parmley** or **Bettye Fowler** by April 29th . . . Appreciation to **Phyllis Rager** for cleaning the grout from the tile in the foyer (a lot of time on her knees with a toothbrush) . . . Congratulations to **Kayla Watkins** for making the All-Class A Tournament (softball) Team.



"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

Frederick Buechner