



WSBC welcomes both the “scattered” and the “gathered” church to remain connected and active. Thank you for your complete cooperation, patience and grace given as you personally prepare to gather at WSBC each week.

What to expect at WSBC.

As a result of the pandemic (COVID-19), it is necessary to make some changes in how we are used to gathering for worship. We must be intentional in providing reasonable guidelines and precautions for the good of your neighbors who attend and participate in our worship services. As such:

- Please monitor your (and your family members’) **health and temperature** and sanitize your hands before attending an on-site WSBC worship service.
- **Please stay home** - if you are sick, if you (or any family member) have a fever, if you have recently tested positive for COVID-19 with or without symptoms, or if you have had any close contact with a person who has been confirmed, suspected or is symptomatic of COVID-19.
- Plan to **arrive early** on Sunday mornings as doors will open 20 minutes before service times. (Service times are 9 and 11AM).
- Please **wear your own mask** while at WSBC.
- Please observe and maintain all **social distancing (6 feet)**, in the sanctuary *but also while coming and going*. Please, distance 6 feet from others, refrain from handshakes and hugs, avoid fellowshiping in hallways and the narthex, and minimize touching all surfaces.
- Help us accommodate both services. Please, do not linger in the sanctuary or narthex. **Fellowship with friends and family outside the building** along 45th Street and then walk around the church to the parking lot, bank or wherever you parked your vehicle.



A Righteous Savior
Jeremiah 33

God reveals the secret of His redemptive plans for His people.

God tells about His great and unsearchable purpose for our salvation.

God tells about the great and unsearchable person of the Savior.



December 20, 2020

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Call to Worship

In the Fields of the Lord

Community Life

Sermon

A Righteous Savior
Jeremiah 33
Pastor Dean Monkemeier

Advent Candle for Love

Cradle Carols

Joy to the World

Midnight Clear (Love Song)

Come All Ye Faithful

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Online Worship Options:

<https://wsbc.info/online-stream/>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/WSBCVillageChurch

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/wsbcvillagechurch>

Freshman Student of the Week is **Mae Wolcott**, Indiana University.

OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS CAROLS: TODAY, December 20 at 5PM. Bring your friends, family and your favorite hot chocolate as we gather outdoors to sing and fill our neighborhood with Christmas Carols. <https://wsbc.info/christmas/> You may contact Pastor Joel with questions.

Family Advent Devotionals: JESSE TREE. Each day this Advent season, our WSBC Kids Leaders share video Advent devotions with your family. The devotionals are posted here:

<https://wsbc.info/children-family/jesse-tree/>

The church's maintenance custodian is on vacation through Sunday, January 3. Please be prepared to manage your own set up for your events during this time. Thank you.

Beginning Wednesday, December 23, you may make your worship service reservation for Sunday, December 27 at: wsbc.info/WorshipRSVP.

You are invited to celebrate the birth of Christ with us in-person on **Christmas Eve.** The service times are 4:30 and 6PM with livestream beginning at 4:30PM. We hope you can join us to sing familiar carols and listen to Pastor Dean's reflections on Christ: *The Light of Christmas*.

2020 Year End Gifts. As the calendar year draws to an end, please note:

For donations to be included in the 2020 calendar year, all gifts need to be postmarked on or before December 31, 2020. When bringing your donation to the church, it needs to be received in the church office by noon on Thursday, December 31, 2020.

FINANCIAL

For 2 Month Ending 11/30/20	Actual Giving	Actual Expenses	Budget
General	\$111,800	\$129,900	\$151,300
Missions	\$44,400	\$1,600	\$49,700

CALENDAR

TODAY 20

9AM Worship
 11AM Worship
 1:30PM Families/Couples Small Group
 5PM Outdoor Christmas Carols
 6PM Small Group

MONDAY 21

9AM VOICE Deadline
 8PM Women's Prayer on ZOOM

TUESDAY 22

8:30AM EMI Men's Group

WEDNESDAY 23

9AM Worship Reservations accepted for December 27
wsbc.info/WorshipRSVP

THURSDAY 24

4:30PM Christmas Eve Service
 6PM Christmas Eve Service

FRIDAY 25

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!

SATURDAY 26

7AM Daniel Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY 27

9AM Worship
 11AM Worship
 1:30PM Families/Couples Small Group

MISSION FOCUS

Jon and Anita Lewis

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The Lewis' have been supported by WSBC since 1981. With a world-wide ministry of encouragement, Jon is a frequent guest speaker at Christian conferences for national pastors and leaders. Formerly a missionary pilot in Africa, Jon's years of mission work has equipped him for this coaching ministry.

Jon continues to be heavily engaged in leadership and ministry network mentoring and consulting all via Zoom meetings. Hardly a day goes by that he is not linking up with someone across the African continent via Zoom or WhatsApp. The good news is that these platforms have actually made African leaders much more accessible than normal. In many ways, more communication and decision-making is happening as a result.

With four planned trips canceled during the past year, Jon has switched to preparing seminars on *Steward Leadership* to be available on the Internet. During the past few months, he has completed a participant's workbook and eight video training lessons in English and is now in the middle of a Portuguese version.

That, in turn, will be followed by a lesson series in French. Once again, it appears that COVID has actually spurred a new approach that will result in greater distribution overall.

January is the month that Jon usually teaches courses on missions at Whitworth University. This year teaching the class will be a combination of in-person and online interaction. But, PTL, a record number of students have signed up for the course showing interest in global missions.

Prayer Requests:

For successful completion of translation and video production of the *Steward Leader* course into both Portuguese and French. Jon is hoping to run some training webinars in early 2021 with local facilitators who want to teach the course.

For ability to fully change and adapt to new teaching restrictions during the Whitworth University January Term course, *The Global Christian Movement*. Pray too for impact on the students, many of whom might leave the class, challenged to consider a missions career.

For Christians in both Nigeria and Mozambique who are facing severe persecution (and death) by radical Muslims.

Thanks again for your faithful support and interest in our work.

