



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.



Togetherness
Ephesians 2:11-22

Our Togetherness in Becoming the Church is Defined by:

Alienation - when we were once separated from Christ and one another.

Reconciliation - how Christ brought us near to God through the cross.

Identification - who we are now as the church; together for God with Christ by the Holy Spirit.



Call to Worship

Great Things
God So Loved [We the Kingdom]
Living Hope

Community Life

What a Friend we Have in Jesus

Sermon

Togetherness
Ephesians 2:11-22
Pastor Joel Sisson

May Jesus Christ be Praised
We Are God’s People

Benediction

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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>

Junior Student of the Week is **Nate Wolcott**, Purdue University.

Opportunity to serve. Is there a particular area of church life you have an interest in or where you would like to contribute? The Nominating Committee is beginning its work to develop a slate of nominations for nearly every committee in the church. If you are a WSBC member, please contact Dave Hayes via email and let him know of your interest or questions soon, as spaces are limited. The nominations are presented to the church for approval at the Spring Business Meeting on April 25 for terms beginning October 1, 2021.

The 2020 Donation Statements have been processed and distributed. If you have a church box, it was placed there. Please use this reminder to confirm you pick up the correct envelope. Place fingers on your name label on the box and gently pull, then check the name/address on the envelope. If you currently aren't coming to church, and prefer to have your statement mailed, please contact the church office with your request: 708.246.1530; finsec@wsbc.info. Thank you for your support.

FINANCIAL

For 3 Months Ending 12/31/2020	Actual Giving	Actual Expenses	Budget
General	\$240,000	\$195,400	\$218,600
Missions	\$77,700	\$65,500	\$80,700

CALENDAR

TODAY 31

9AM Worship
 11AM Worship
 6:30PM HSM Youth
 6:30PM Chicagoland United in Prayer Event

MONDAY 1

8PM Women's Prayer on ZOOM

TUESDAY 2

8AM EMI Men's Group on ZOOM
 9:30AM On Bended Knee Bible Study
 7PM Acts Bible Study on ZOOM
 7PM SLC Meeting

WEDNESDAY 3

7AM Men's Prayer on ZOOM
 9AM Worship Reservations accepted for February 7
wsbc.info/WorshipRSVP
 1:30PM Pray A to Z on the Patio
 6:30PM MSM Youth

THURSDAY 4

6:30AM Galatians Men's Bible Study
 9AM Women's Life Hebrews
 1:30PM The Good and Beautiful God
 6:30PM Biblical Themes Core Class
 7:30PM Couples/Families Small Group on Google Meet

FRIDAY 5

SATURDAY 6

7AM Daniel Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY 7

9AM Worship
 11AM Worship
 6PM Small Group
 6:30PM HSM Youth

MISSION FOCUS

PARTNERSHIP UGANDA: FOCUS UGANDA

KIREVU JUDE, UNIVERSITY TRAINING SECRETARY

"Praise be to the name of the Lord who sustained us here in Uganda and has kept you (WSBC) throughout this pandemic period."

Ministry has taken on new dimensions, online gatherings, then live opportunities were gradually opened. The relationships I built with different Christian Union students became the stepping stones for ministry even while not in touch. It has been easy for my students to call me whenever they are challenged and need help, and the advise has been fruitful and effective.

I encourage students in the Christian Unions to read through the Bible chronologically, together, and many have testified concerning the revelations they have encountered during this period.

Testimony from a student: *I also visited a number of Associates who got merry hearted at a glance of me. For example, the retired Rev Clovis Kyalimpa who stays furthest from Fortportal town among the Associates, for when he received me at his home, he felt very excited and then said, "You surely are our pastor, for you even take a step of looking for us up to so far, God bless you so much." It brought him and the wife great joy even as we had that special moment of interaction.*

What next?

- The region has gained stability after the three years of my operation there, for this reason the secretariat has given me a bigger task of the bigger central region to help unleash maximum potential.
- A new staff has been recruited full time for the Rwenzori region.

Prayer requests.

- May the grace, favor, presence, and virtue of the Spirit of the Lord be upon me even as the ministry progresses.
- May God grant me success even as I plan to have a new family (marriage) come 2021.
- Let COVID-19 pandemic have no negative effects against the ministry come 2021.