



February 7, 2021

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.

God’s Eternal Purpose
Ephesians 3:1-13

No matter what your circumstances by God’s grace you have a place in God’s eternal purpose.

To master the mystery of Christ.

To minister the message of the gospel.

To model the magnitude of God’s wisdom.

Welcome and Call to Worship

How Great Thou Art

Communion

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Sermon

God’s Eternal Purpose
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Pastor Dean Monkemeier

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

10,000 Reasons

Great Are You Lord

Benediction

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WELCOME
TO DISCOVER CHRIST AND DISPLAY HIS TRANSFORMING POWER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Online Worship Options:

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

Facebook: www.facebook.com/WSBCVillageChurch

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

Senior Student of the Week is **Anna Best** at **Marquette 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 placed in your church box. 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 7

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

THURSDAY 11

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 Church Board Meeting
7:30PM Couples/Families Small Group on Google Meet

MONDAY 8

7PM Facility and Finance Meeting
8PM Women's Prayer on ZOOM

FRIDAY 12

7PM MSM Lock-in

TUESDAY 9

8AM EMI Men's Group on ZOOM
9:30AM On Bended Knee Bible Study
5:30PM Youth Creeds and Card Games
7PM Acts Bible Study on ZOOM

SATURDAY 13

7AM Daniel Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 10

7AM Men's Prayer on ZOOM
9AM Worship Reservations accepted for February 14
wsbc.info/WorshipRSVP
1:30PM Pray A to Z on the Patio
6:30PM MSM Youth

SUNDAY 14

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

MISSION FOCUS

THE P FAMILY

Looking Back

Southeast Asia has been affected more by the lockdowns than by the virus itself. The same is true for us here. Most of our projects have found a way to keep working despite the travel restrictions, for which we are very grateful. However, some projects have pretty much ground to a halt. We were so thankful that we got to attend the dedication of the Daan de Paguh New Testament, just days before the lockdowns.

We are also very thankful for the wellness check-up that we had in June, which revealed that we both had cancer – had we not discovered that early, the consequences would have been much more dire. R had surgery in August, and T in September.

T's father passed away, also in September. He was 94-years-old and had a good, long life, which included becoming a believer just a few years ago. We were not able to travel back to the States, of course, but we'll be seeing him in heaven.

Looking Ahead

- Pray for no recurrence of the cancers.
- Pray that the language teams will continue to find creative and effective ways to serve the indigenous communities.
- Three projects are approaching the finishing of their translations. In our experience this is when extraordinary spiritual attacks come to team members and their families. Do **pray** with us for God's covering on all involved.
- We have helped start a school for missionary kids and already it has blessed many families. This school is struggling. There is great need for a principal and a teacher. We have one family with four young boys who need a furlough but cannot leave for fear the school will collapse without the mother and father who have ended up holding the reins when other teachers and two principals had to leave the field.
- Because of Covid, Southeast Asia has barred Americans from entering the country so we are basically stuck here. L J graduates in May, and has just become engaged. We ask your **prayers** for her and fiancé, J, as they start planning their futures together.