



WSBC welcomes you to gather for worship as the church each Sunday.

Thank you for your ongoing participation and preparation to gather at WSBC or online each week.

As we take steps forward together through this COVID-19 pandemic world, we ask that you mindfully follow these guidelines:

- **Please make an RSVP each week.** wsbc.info/worshippersvp
- **Please monitor your health** and the health of any family members who will be attending with you.
- **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**; 10-15 minutes before service times. (Service Times are 9:00 and 11:00AM)
- Please **wear your own mask at all times while at WSBC** ... especially while singing.
- Please **sanitize your hands regularly** (especially upon entering and exiting the Sanctuary) and minimize touching all surfaces while at WSBC.
- Please **practice social distancing while at WSBC**. This means staying a comfortable 6 feet from others while sitting in the pews and fellowshiping with your church family.

Thank you.



A Well-lit Walk
Ephesians 5:1-14

How well do you imitate your Creator God?

Walk in Christ's Love.

Walk in Christ's Kingdom.

Walk in Christ's Light.



Welcome and Call to Worship

Battle Belongs

Christ is Risen

Cornerstone

Community Life and Prayer

Sermon

A Well-lit Walk
Ephesians 5:1-14
Pastor Joel Sisson

My Savior's Love

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanctuary flowers today are in thanksgiving for the life of Dave Wagner.

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

Journey to the Cross: Family Devotions. A new *Story of Redemption* devotion is available on our **website:** <https://wsbc.info/journey> and

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

each Sunday up to Palm Sunday. Starting on Palm Sunday there will be a new devotion **every day** of Holy Week.

As we approach the **Easter** season and **Holy Week** (March 28-April 4), we hope you use this time of the year for personal moments of worship reflecting on the incredible sacrifice Jesus Christ made on the cross for us. Please RSVP and plan to arrive early for these services. RSVP forms <https://wsbc.info/easter/#RSVP>. Overflow space will be available.

Palm Sunday, March 28 at 9 and 11AM

Good Friday Communion Service, April 2 at 7:30PM

Easter Sunday, April 4 at 9 and 11AM

Sanctuary Flowers If you want to contribute to the traditional flowers on Resurrection Sunday, choose the *FLOWER FUND* on the Giving page of the church website (<https://wsbc.info/give/>), or write *FLOWERS* on your offering envelope or the memo section of your check. Also include the greeting you want published. Deadline for inclusion is **Monday, March 29**. Suggested donation is \$12. Enjoy your flower at home by taking it from the clay pot following the 11AM worship.

Karen Ulery's Retirement During today's service, we will be recognizing and thanking Karen Ulery who is retiring on March 31 after serving as Office Administrator since 2000. If you were unable to write a note of thanks to Karen before today, feel free to put one in her church mailbox.

FINANCIAL

For 5 Months Ending 2/28/2021	Actual Giving	Actual Expenses	Budget
General	\$360,400	\$337,800	\$369,900
Missions	\$120,500	\$66,400	\$130,300

CALENDAR

TODAY 21

9AM Worship
11AM Worship
5PM Small Group
6PM Small Group

THURSDAY 25

6:30AM *Galatians* Men's Bible Study
6:30PM *Biblical Themes* Core Class
7:30PM Couples/Families Small Group on Google Meet

MONDAY 22

9AM *VOICE* Deadline
6PM Men's Basketball
8PM Women's Prayer on ZOOM

FRIDAY 26

TUESDAY 23

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 27

7AM *Getting the Most Out of Waiting For God* Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 24

7AM Men's Prayer on ZOOM
9AM Worship Reservations accepted for March 28

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1:30PM *Pray A to Z* on the Patio

SUNDAY 28

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

MISSION FOCUS

MARK AND LIZ SISLER

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After much prayer and through the Holy Spirit's leading, I can say without hesitation that we have seen God work in new and powerful ways. The Young Life areas in our region (Iowa and Illinois) started meeting in smaller groups. My work in area development was able to continue by meeting in driveways, back-yard patios, and **ZOOM**.



Through it all we saw God's guiding hand as we moved towards deeper relationships and pressed in to help students through this very difficult time.

We give praise to God for three new Young Life areas that were opened during the pandemic (Moline and Bettendorf last Spring and Decatur last fall).

Liz continues to work at assembling a ministry to teen moms (Young Lives). It has been difficult to meet with teen moms because of the COVID restrictions and Des Moines public schools not meeting in person. Over the past six months Liz has assembled a group of mentor ladies that have been trained and also formed two partnerships with local organizations. The mentor moms are now praying for opportunities in the near future to begin relationships with teen moms in hopes of leading them towards Jesus.

Praises:

For four mentor women that have been trained and are ready to begin meeting teen moms.

For two local organizations that want to partner with YoungLives.

For God's direction and leading as we minister to students during this very difficult time.

Prayer requests:

For God's guidance in developing new Young Life areas (Des Moines suburbs and Orange City). Please pray that we would be connected with adults that want to reach students in their town.

To be able to meet with teens moms and start developing meaningful relationships with them.

For our Young Life camps this summer, that teens would be able to attend, and that God would draw their hearts to Him.