

# Westside Baptist Church Bulletin

## March 17, 2024

Speaker: Pastor Mark Wong

#### **During Worship**

- Be still and prepare your heart for worship.
- Please take care of your personal belongings to avoid theft.

#### Offering

- Welcome to donate via E-transfer, email: westsidebaptistoffering@gmail.com
- To donate by cash or cheque, please use an offering envelope and put it into the offering bag during worship.
- When making a donation, please indicate the donation envelope number and the full legal name. The offering envelope number can be obtained from the church office.

#### Notes to CitRUs parents:

- The enrollment age for CitRUs Children's Ministry starts from age 3; one parent can accompany children under 3 to participate in worship in Room B.
- Classes are held on Sunday mornings at 11:30 am at Room E & F.
- After class, please supervise the children who have been picked up from the classroom.

#### Parking

- The upstairs parking lot (Parking Lot 1) is designated for new comers, people with reduced mobility, the elderly and families with young children.
- Additional parking spaces are available at 8508
  Ash Street (Parking Lot 3) and #1-8765 Ash Street
  (Parking Lot 4) on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
  Maps are available in the foyer.
- · Please do not double park.
- When parking in the outdoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2), please be careful not to block the fire escape and keep a distance of 3 feet from the building's exterior wall so that the fire door can be fully opened.
- To be considerate of your neighbors, please do not park outside the residential area.
- The indoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2) will be closed at 1:00 pm on Sundays. If you exceed the time limit, you will have to wait until 10:00 am on Tuesday morning to collect your vehicle.

#### Announcements

- Monthly Bulletin which consists of: 1) summary of the deacon board meeting and 2) financial report has already been posted on the church website and bulletin board.
- Christian Education will begin today after worship at Room E. The topic is Apologetics -"Cold Case Christianity". All are welcome to join.
- For those who would like to join Westside through baptism of transfer of membership, please register at <u>universe.com/westside</u>. We will offer WBC101 as soon as we have enough people to form a class. We will schedule a time that is feasible for all who want to join.
- Good Friday Silent & Communion Worship will be held on March 29 Friday 10:00 - 11:15am. The topic is The Great Power in Passion. Advanced registration on <u>universe.com/westside</u> is required. Service will be conducted in English with Chinese subtitles. Children program will not be provided; families are welcome to worship together in Room B. Registration Deadline is March 27 at 9:00pm.
- The English Ministry will be hosting a Praise and Worship Night on Saturday, April 27th, from 7 to 9 pm. The title will be "The Heaven's Song." All are welcome.
- Youth Conference 2024 "Reason For God" will be held at Trinity Western University from Friday, May 17th to Monday, May 20th. The cost for our 4-day and 3-night event



will be \$315 per person. It will include meals, accommodation, travel and a T-shirt. Spaces are limited to 50 participants only on a firstcome, first-served basis. Registration is now open for teens from Grade 6 to Grade 12. Please register early.Registration Link: <u>https://forms.gle/ dnFHZtjHXB9etKzw8</u>

- Vacation Bible School will be held from July 2-6, suitable for children from kindergarten to Grade 5. Details will be announced later.
- Our short-term mission team will go to Mexico City for a short-term mission trip from October 18th to November 1st. We are recruiting 5 to 6 members. Church members who are interested in participating, please contact Deacon Tommy Tung.

## **Kingdom Character 10. Peacemaking**

[<u>Matthew 5:10-12</u>]

#### Sermon Outline

Introduction

**Preliminary Observations** 

First – a double beatitude •

Second - pronouns shift •

· Third – Jesus in the picture

Fourth – reason for persecution •

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [Matthew 5:10]

#### **My Reflection**

 $\cdot \;$  What did God tell me through the message today?

#### Why being persecuted is to be congratulated?

#### Persecuted for being righteous

Persecution for doing righteous

#### Persecution for speaking righteous

#### **My Prayer Response**

• Write down your responsive prayer for God's word today.

### **My Reflection**

• What did God tell me through the message today?

## **My Action Response**

• What changes will you make in response to God's word today?