



Westside Baptist Church Bulletin

**May 18, 2025
5th Sunday
of Easter**

Speaker: Pastor Alan Yu

During Worship

- ▶ Be still and prepare your heart for worship.
- ▶ Please close the main hall doors gently during worship services.
- ▶ 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 your donation envelope number and your 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 9:00 am at Room E & F.
- ▶ Please supervise your children after you have picked them 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.
- ▶ The indoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2) will be closed at 1:00 pm on Sundays. Afterwards, you will have to wait until 10:00 am on Tuesday morning to collect your vehicle.
- ▶ Additional parking spaces are available at 8508 Ash Street (Parking Lot 3) on Saturdays from 4:00 - 7:00pm and Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Maps are available in the foyer.
- ▶ To be considerate of our neighbors, please do not park in the residential area.
- ▶ When parking in the outdoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2), please be careful not to block the emergency exits and keep a distance of 3 feet from the building's exterior wall so that the emergency exit doors can be fully opened.
- ▶ Please park and lock your bike/e-bike outside. Do not park the bike inside the building.
- ▶ Congregants are required to register online annually to park at the church or 8508 Ash during worship services. Registration link: <https://forms.gle/TDSft5sAJgk5QMeN8>



Scripture Reading Plan

- ▶ John chapters 9 to 12 focus on Jesus' identity as the Messiah, His miracles, and the growing opposition from religious leaders. In John 9, Jesus heals a blind man, illustrating spiritual blindness. John 10 portrays Jesus as the Good Shepherd, highlighting His care for His followers. John 11 shows the raising of Lazarus, pointing to Jesus' power over death. John 12 marks the final stages of Jesus' public ministry, including His anointing, triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and teachings about His death. These chapters emphasize Jesus as the Lord of life, and highlight the decision each individual must make regarding their belief in Him.
- ▶ Reading Plan for this week:
 - ▶ May 18 (Sunday) John 9:24-41
 - ▶ May 19 (Monday) John 10:1-21
 - ▶ May 20 (Tuesday) John 10:22-42
 - ▶ May 21 (Wednesday) John 11:1-16
 - ▶ May 22 (Thursday) John 11:17-37
 - ▶ May 23 (Friday) John 11:38-57
 - ▶ May 24 (Saturday) John 12:1-19
 - ▶ May 25 (Sunday) John 12:20-36

Co•Mission

25. I am the Good Shepherd

[[John 10:11-21](#)]

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. [John 10:11]

Sermon Outline

Introduction

Content

1. Knowing

2. Bringing Back

My Reflection

- What did God tell me through the message today?

My Reflection

- What did God tell me through the message today?

3. Sacrificing

Conclusion

My Prayer Response

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

My Action Response

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

Small Group Discussions

Testimony

1. Please share about your multimedia meditation experience last week. What do you find rewarding? What do you find frustration?

Know

2. Please review your sermon notes for this week. What did you learn that you did not know previously?
3. Read together again John 10:1-21. What impression does this passage give you? What is the most intriguing saying in this passage to you? Why?
4. What does Jesus mean when he says, "I am the good shepherd"?
5. How does the Old Testament imagery of shepherds (e.g., Psalm 23, Ezekiel 34) inform our understanding of Jesus' statement?
6. How does the concept of knowing (ginosko) in Greek differ from a mere intellectual understanding?
7. How did the Judeans respond to Jesus' claim to be the good shepherd? Why?

Feel

8. How does it feel to imagine Jesus as your good shepherd, who knows you intimately and still loves you? Do you find it comforting or unsettling to be fully known by Jesus? Why?
9. How do you feel when you hear Jesus say, "I lay down my life for the sheep"?
10. What fears arise when you think about the call to lay down your life for others as Jesus did?
11. What would it look like, in the context of your everyday life, if you take on the identity as a shepherd? What would you see differently? What would you feel differently? What would you do differently? What does it mean to be a good shepherd there?
12. What does it mean for Westside to take on the role as a shepherd of our neighbourhood? What will this look like? What would we see differently? What would we feel differently? What would we do differently, if we are a shepherd of this neighbourhood?


Plan

13. What are the hindrances (including internal and external) for you to become a shepherding presence in your community? What are the effective ways to remove these hindrances? Please ask your group members for advice.

Do

14. Resolve to become a shepherding presence in your community. Share how practically you'll do this with your group members.
15. Invite a group member to be your accountability partner, and give him/her permission to rebuke you when you have not followed through on your resolution.
16. Commit to become a shepherding presence in your community. Ask the Holy Spirit to mould you more into the likeness of Jesus.

Announcements

- ▶ **Monthly Bulletin** has already posted on the bulletin board and the church website. Please refer to it for important notices.
- ▶ Christian Education. Topic: **Faithful Presence** (7 lessons) May 4 - June 15 10:45 - 11:45am in Room E. Please register at universe.com/westside
- ▶ **WBC101** will begin in July. For those who would like to be baptised or transfer their membership to Westside please register on universe.com/westside.
- ▶ **Vacation Bible School** is now open for registration for children in grades 1-5. Space is limited. Cost: \$99 per child. Dates: August 18-22, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Register by Friday, May 30 at tinyurl.com/WBC2025VBS.
- ▶ A **semi-annual congregational meeting** will be held on Sunday, July 20, at 2:00 p.m. The agenda includes introducing Jason Lam as the new treasurer, Justin Chen as the new church clerk, presenting the semi-annual financial report, and potentially appointing new pastors.
- ▶ The church is currently recruiting members to participate in the following ministries, please contact the pastoral staff if you are interested:
 - ▶ Assist in drafting a **natural disaster response plan**. No professional background is required.
 - ▶ Assist in **developing and managing the church's social media platforms** (Instagram and Facebook).
 - ▶ Assist in **organizing the Block Party** during the Labour Day long weekend.
- ▶ The church and Canadian Blood Services will host a **blood donation event** at the 4750 Oak St station on July 5 at 1:00 p.m. Please [register online](#) to participate.

Fellowship Life

- ▶ **Westside 101** is a course designed for anyone who wishes to join us as a member through baptism or transfer of membership. It consists of approximately five 90-minute classes. Please register at universe.com/westside.
- ▶ **Small groups** are the heart of our fellowship life and an essential part of our holistic Christian living. We invite you to join our small groups if you are willing to commit. To register, please visit universe.com/westside.