



FIRST FACTS



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Adult and Youth Sunday School

NURSERY: Our nursery is open from 9 a.m. on Sunday morning through our worship service, for children birth through kindergarten. Children will be escorted upstairs from the nursery to the worship service for the “Kids” Message and then will return to the nursery. In the nursery they may participate in a brief Sunday School lesson and activity. Children are welcome to join their parents for the worship service at any time. **Parents come to the nursery after worship to pick up their children.**

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Both Children’s Sunday School Classes will begin their new studies on Sunday, September 13th. They will continue to meet after the Kid’s Message in worship. The Lower Grade’s Class will meet in their classroom next to the Nursery, Kathy Woodfin and Cherie Herbst will be teaching this class. The curriculum will focus on “The Stories of the Old Testament” based on the *Read and Learn Bible*. The Upper Grade’s Class will meet in their classroom on the second floor. Their curriculum will focus on “The 12 names of Jesus”. This class will be team taught by Kathy Brown, Melissa Harris, Sandy Wilhelm, and Julie Harrison.

Sunday School-9:30a.m.

Sunday Service of Worship- 10:30a.m.

Treasurer’s Report As of May 31, 2016

General Fund

Year to Date Income	\$74,633
Year to Date Expenses	99,563
Expenses Greater than Income	24,930



FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP

Flowers for worship may be shared to celebrate your anniversary, someone’s birthday, or in memory of a loved one or friend. They can also just say “Thanks, God!” Please call the church office (335-2579) to sign up for flowers.

The flowers in the Sanctuary on June 26th, were in honor of Pastor Kim and Rebecca Nelson.

Worship Attendance

May 29	56
June 5	47
June 12	56
June 19	74
June 26	77

Stated Meeting of the Session 2016

From the Session:

The Session did not meet in June. The next scheduled Session meeting will be on July 17th with Rev. Grant Gillard serving as Moderator.



July Meal-a-Month

Box of ready to eat cereal or instant oatmeal
Box of raisins-children would love individual boxes
Can of pineapple (juice packed)



SECOND TUESDAY AT THE CHATEAU

Formerly known as the Daytime Circle, the Second Tuesday at the Chateau group will meet for lunch and fellowship on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. in the Chateau dining room. If you would like to attend please call Sharon Metcalfe at 651-5274 or Ruth Needle at 334-4515 so that arrangements can be made for a table to accommodate all of us. We will order off the menu with each person being responsible for their own lunch. All are welcome.



Jesse Thomas Stover of Farmington, Mo., son of Greg and Lianna Stover, graduated on May 7, from Mineral Area College with an Associate Degree. On May 22, he graduated from Farmington High School. He will be attending Missouri University of Science and Technology this fall. Jesse is the grandson of Evelyn and Bill Stover.



6/12 - 6/18 Troop four attended Summer Camp at Lewallen which is celebrating 80 years as a BSA Camp. The troop had 10 scouts attend camp, each received 3-5 merit badges, 5 scouts participated in the various older-scout programs, and 4 were attending camp for the 1st time. The troops turtle "Pedra the Pit Jumper" took 1st place in the turtle races. Two scouts were in the Voyager patrol of the week, Lennon B. was voyager of the week also winning voyager knot of the day twice, Caden N. also won voyager knot of the day, Philip F. completed the mile swim and both Philip F. and Payton W. completed the requirements for the World Conservation Award. On Wednesday evening several family members came out with food and hugs, enjoyed a camp campfire and witnessed the Order of the Arrow call out ceremony where Ty W., David B., and Scoutmaster Ms. Marcia were chosen as OA candidates. It was an incredibly hot week with fun had by all. The troop is planning a lock-in for July with regular activities to resume in August.



Susan Hatley will serve as Visiting Organist for the July 3 & 10 services. She was born and raised in Parma, Missouri and attended Parma High School. Her undergraduate degree was a Bachelor of Science in Music Education and Church Music from William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri with emphasis in organ. She received further training in Church music from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Mill Valley, California and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, where she studied organ under Don Hustad, organist for the Billy Graham crusades. Her Masters degree was completed at Southeast Missouri State University with emphasis in Music Education. Her Masters Thesis was under the direction of Dr. Gary Miller on North German organ music and her concluding recital was played at First Presbyterian Church in Cape. She taught in the public schools for 30 years and presently teaches Functional Piano Classes at the university and private piano at the Music Academy.



The Book Club will meet on Thursday, July 14 at 7:00pm at the home of Jean Cairns. 7:00 pm. The book for discussion is *The Elephant Company* by Vicki Croke.



"I am resurrection and the life"
Catherine 'Kitty' Leah Rueseler
December 15, 1925-June 12, 2016

Memorials

Memorials have been received in memory of:
Kitty Rueseler, from August W. Birk, Mike & Pricilla Kastan, Sam & Lisa Bishop, Barbara Calvin, Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Paul Currie, Virginia Goodwin, Fern & Wilma Harris, Sharon Metcalfe, Ruth Needle, Bob & Ann Parkinson, Mary Alice Regenhardt, Betty Sewell, Ronald Lessmann DDs, Nancy Bray, The O'Haira, Ann Bartlett, Karen Cobb, Gaylon & Ruthie Smith, Dr. & Mrs. S Edwin Noffel, Douglas & Lydia Temple, Rebecca & John Cook, Rebecca Rueseler, Dennis & Michelle Griggs, John & Jeanne Hirsch, Paul & Alice Kabo, Winifred Hirsch-Ward, Elease Morgan, Glenn & Amy Morgan, James & Lois Weakley



HEARTFELT THANKS !

It took many helpful, capable hands to fulfill Kitty Rueseler's wishes for her funeral service and then to assist her family by hosting a dinner after the funeral for over 50 relatives.

As co-chairs of the Christian Outreach Committee responsible for assisting the Pastor and handling these matters, we want to express our gratitude to all the church members who were involved in addition to these staff/church members: Shirley Sullivan, Gina Thomas, and Kathy Woodfin. Also assisting with childcare were Melissa and Elsie Harris and Cherie Herbst.

Setup Assistance: Shirley and Don Gibson

Ushers/Greeters: Neva Kay Ross, Marlena and Jerry Pind, Georganne and Bill Syler Bell Ringer and Van

Driver: Daryl Henry Fellowship Committee Members who planned, prepared and served the meal

included: Caroline Manuel, Marlena and Jerry Pind, Donna Farris, Sharon McCune, Joyce Rayfield, Daryl Henry Additional Assistance with Food: Ruth Needle, Ruth Pautler, Janna Tuck and members of Kitty 's

P.E. O. Chapter GF Table Arrangements: Judy Rueseler and Donna Pikey In addition, other church members provided financial support through donations to the Christian Outreach budget.

We are so thankful for everyone's support in memory and appreciation of Kitty, a longtime devoted member of the Christian Outreach Committee and of this church since 1952.

Sincerely,

Nancy Bray and Jeanne Hirsch



Please Stay in Touch with Church Office

The members of our church's Christian Outreach Committee of the Session are always on call to help meet your pastoral care needs, but your help is essential for us to do that especially after Pastor Kim retires and while we are without a pastor on staff.

If you or a family member is dealing with an illness, injury, hospitalization or a family crisis such as a death, please call the Church office at 335-2579 to let us know. Also, please tell us if you want a pastoral visit, prayers, support in any way. Our Committee and Church staff won't know unless you help us know that we need to send a pastor or church members to visit, to offer prayer support, bring meals or provide transportation. There will always be an area pastor on call for us.

Also, help keep us informed about other church members or regular visitors who may have special pastoral care needs if you are not violating a confidentiality. When you call the Church staff, then our Committee chairpersons will be contacted to begin the process of providing the assistance needed.

Our Christian Outreach Committee includes the following church members: Nancy Bray and Jeanne Hirsch, co-chairs; Jean Cairns, Melissa Harris, Sharon McCune, Ann Parkinson, Bob Parkinson, Ruth Pautler, Neva Kay Ross, Vonda Slinkard, Evelyn Stover, Sandy Wilhelm, Kathy Woodfin.

The Rev. Dr. Anita Hendrix will be in the pulpit on July 3.

She began service as Presbytery Leader for Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery on July 1, 2014. Prior to her arrival, she was the Executive Presbyter for the Presbytery of Riverside. Previous ministry includes: Pastor of an urban church, Hunting Ridge (Baltimore, Maryland), Interim Pastor of Preble Park Presbyterian Church (Green Bay, Wisconsin), Campus Pastor at the University of Wisconsin, Associate Executive for the Presbytery of Long Island, and Associate Pastor of Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church (Wilmington, Delaware). She received a Doctor of Ministry degree from McCormick Theological Seminary, a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a B.A. from the University of Maryland in College Park.

Anita has two young adult children: David in Southern California, and Eva in Baltimore.

The Rev. Sam Roethemeyer will be in the pulpit July 10 & 17th.

He grew up in Nashville, Illinois and graduated from Greenville College, Greenville Illinois after high school, with Bachelors degree in Religion and Philosophy in 1972. He and his wife were married on May 27, 1972 in her hometown, Okawville, Illinois. Rev. Sam attended Eden Theological Seminary in 1975 with a Master's Degree and was ordained in St. Paul United Church of Christ in Nashville, June 8, 1975. He served as Pastor in Olney/Dundas, Illinois First and Saron United Church of Christ from 1975 to 1979, St. John United Church of Christ, Trenton, Illinois 1979-1988, and finally at Emanuel United Church of Christ from 1988 until September 20, 2014 when he retired. They live in Jackson and he continues to be President of the Jackson Ministerial Alliance, volunteering a lot of time to its food pantry. They have three Children, Christy Shinn (Geoff), Beth St. John(Jason), and Matthew Roethemeyer (Diana), and seven Grandchildren.

Rev. Leigh Bonner will be in the pulpit July 24th.

Rev. Leigh Bonner is a PC(USA) Teaching Elder and a graduate of Rhodes College and Vanderbilt Divinity School. For four years, Leigh has been serving as Job Coach and Chaplain for Congregational Relations at Nations Ministry Center, a Presbyterian nonprofit agency serving refugees in Nashville. There, she places refugee clients in sustainable employment, assists with social services, and liaises with refugee congregations to train pastors and elders to help their congregants through the integration process. She spent 2006-2007 in Ghana as a PC(USA) Young Adult Volunteer, teaching at a church school and living with a Ghanaian family in Accra.

Lewis Edgar Bock will be in the pulpit July 31

Our speaker is a native of Cape Girardeau. Raised and confirmed at First Presbyterian Church, he is an ordained Elder and Deacon, and is currently a member of Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA) in The Woodlands, Texas...and holds dual membership at Cape Bible Chapel in Cape Girardeau. He has been a Lay Speaker on many occasions over his church life.

A 35 career with the Allstate Corporation led him to Kansas City, Chicago, and finally, to Houston. He is married to Carolyn Ford Bock (who has the Missouri half of the residences), and serves on various Boards, including the Southeast University Foundation, Young Life Gateway Region, and Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church and Cemetery.

JULY PRAYER CALENDAR

The Session hopes you will use this 'Prayer Calendar' as we daily pray for each other and some of the mission concerns of our church.

- 1st Presbytery of Missouri River Valley
- 2nd Mike Brown (birthday)
- 3rd Woody & Julia Woodfin (anniversary);
Judy Wagoner, Caroline Manuel (birthday)
- 4th The Presbytery of Northern Waters
- 5th Presbytery of Prospect Hill
- 6th Jerry & Marlena Pind (anniversary); John Hirsch (birthday)
- 7th The Presbytery of South Dakota
- 8th The Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area
- 9th The Presbytery of Winnebago
- 10th Synod of Lincoln Trails
- 11th Presbytery of Blackhawk
- 12th Presbytery of Northern Plains
- 13th Presbytery of Chicago
- 14th Presbytery of Great Rivers
- 15th Presbytery of North Central Iowa
- 16th Presbytery of Ohio Valley
- 17th Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois
- 18th Presbytery of Wabash Valley
- 19th Midwest Hanmi Presbytery
- 20th The Presbytery of Whitewater Valley
- 21st Bob Parkinson (birthday)
- 22nd Wyn Hirsch Ward (birthday)
- 23rd Randy & Karen Flowers (anniversary)
- 24th Don Fadler (birthday)
- 25th Presbytery of the Mid-South
- 26th Mid-Kentucky Presbytery
- 27th Presbytery of Middle Tennessee
- 28th Dr. Ray Ritter, Jr. (birthday)
- 29th North Alabama Presbytery
- 30th Dr. Mike & Kathy Brown (anniversary)
- 31st Presbytery of South Alabama

From the Mission Yearbook of Prayer and Study

O God, you created all people in your image. We thank you for the astonishing variety of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of friendship and show us your presence in those who differ most from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

July 2016

Monthly Planner

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