



KirkWood Kronicle

A Monthly Newsletter of KirkWood Presbyterian Church

*A Christian Community Knowing, Loving, and Serving Christ, to make
Him Known to All.*

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Dear Members and Friends of KirkWood,

Hope you are enjoying these moderate temperatures of January and February. Of course as soon as I write these words, the temperatures will head for the ice cellar. Just remember before you know it, spring will be bursting forth.

Across my desk this week came a journal produced by Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary "Being Alive in a Crazy Busy World." In it pastors, seminary teachers and others lament what our hectic, busy, crazy lifestyle has done to the spiritual lives of you and me. Gone are the days when you and I can enjoy a beautiful sunset or a walk in the woods or a trip to the seashore to pick up shells along the shore or to watch a sunrise. Most of the time we are too busy checking our iPads while someone is up front speaking using a power point slide. The pace of 21st century life will only get more and more frantic.

So what's a Jesus disciple to do in such a hustle-bustle world?

You can start by making sure you enjoy a Sabbath rest each week. Open your Bibles, pray, make some alone time, turn off the cell phones, iPads, pagers and dare to close your eyes and rest. I see too many persons living lives built on minimal sleep, lots of daily problems and very few support systems in place. Is it any wonder you see so much anger and rage on our highways?

So don't be afraid to cultivate some down time with only you and the Lord. Even Jesus made time for just His Father and himself. Why should we think we don't need Sabbath? Really we do. In a Big Way.

Fondly,

Michael

February 2012

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Worship: 9:30 AM (Contemporary)

11:00 AM (Traditional)

Sunday School: 8:30 AM (Adult)

9:30 AM (infant - 5th grade & adult)

11:00 AM (youth - MS/HS & adult)

We're on the Web!

<http://kirkwoodpcusa.org/>

KirkWood's November calendar can be found at the following link:

<http://www.kirkwoodpcusa.org/calendar.html>

**Looking for the Permanent Prayer List,
Birthdays, Anniversaries, Baptisms, and Births for October?**

Please pick up a copy of that page on the narthex table.



February 5	Psalm 34
February 12	Mark 1:40-45
February 19	Mark 9:2-9
February 26	Revelation 15:4



**CALLING ALL
SINGERS, YOUNG
AND OLD
(IN BETWEEN TOO)**

Easter Cantata Season is starting on February 8th at 7:15 P.M. We will be singing Marty Parks arrangement of "Song of the Lamb, an Easter Invitation" on April 15, 2012. Rehearsals will be Wednesday evenings from 7:15 – 8:15 P.M. Hope to see you there. Questions? See Rae Lyn.

Worship Committee will be meeting February 14th at 7:00 P.M. to discuss plans for Lent and Easter seasons. All are welcome to attend.

Watch for upcoming events during Holy Week!

**Welcome newest members to our acolyte team:
Logan Snyder, Olivia Hollowell, and Alex Brambani.**

Also many thanks to all the acolytes who participated in our very successful Christmas Carol adventure during the holidays. We received very good feedback on our singing "messengers of joy". We were even gifted with cookies from an appreciative home owner !!!

Keep up the good work young people. Blessings to all.

Gloria Crone
Acolyte Coordinator



Come be part of the PLD Committee!

If you have had previous church leadership experience or have served on Session, you are invited to come join the committee in 2012. We meet on the last Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM.

The Planning and Leadership Development Committee (PLDC) is responsible for leading the Session in the long-range development planning process for KirkWood. It is also responsible for tracking and reporting progress on that plan to the Congregation through preparation of the Annual Report. Additionally, PLDC is responsible for leadership development programs, new Elder training, new member classes, maintenance of church statistical databases, and periodically conducting surveys to help the Session know the thoughts of the congregation concerning issues related to church operations.

2012 Objectives:

- Facilitate quarterly Session retreats in 2012 to continue work on putting the new KirkWood vision into action.*
- Re-examine and propose changes to the Session committee structure and scheduled meetings to increase efficiency and effectiveness of the Session.*

Continue to lead and manage short and long planning at KirkWood to link the KirkWood Vision to planned activities and events.

Interested? Contact either Chris Kammermann at 218-1453 or Rich Egyud at 234-0033.

Children's Christian Education



Mark Your Calendars

Feb 12th at 12:15pm in Room 4 for Vacation Bible School Planning.

Many hands make light work. Come to help pick a theme and compile a timeline.

What should we keep? What should we add? Bring your suggestions to make them count!



WoW Sunday School

Each month the elementary students have a theme that they learn through different rotations. They work on memorizing and meditating (M&M) on a corresponding memory verse. For the month of February the theme and the M&M verse is The Lord's Prayer! They will 'experience' prayer through art, drama, movie and games as they attend Sunday school each week. Please allow them to share what they are learning to help open up communication about the Lord's Supper. On March 4, they will attend 9:30 worship to observe Communion.

Remember Me! Family Devotion Time

Over the summer I heard a devotional on the radio that has a lot of relevance as Valentine's Day approaches. It mentioned the sizes at a local ice cream shop; Like it!, Love it!, or Gotta Have it!

Spend some time with your family this month talking about which categories your favorite things fall into (dessert, birthday presents, your siblings). THEN, add your faith to the categories. Where does Jesus fit? Worship, Sunday school, fellowship, mission, devotion time?



Family Devotions

Christian Education - Youth Groups

Calling all 3rd-5th graders!!!

The K.I.C.K. Christmas gathering was really fun. Thanks for the donations to Toys for Tots. Hope the New Year is getting off to a good start for everyone!

Our next K.I.C.K. (Kids in Christ at Kirkwood) meeting will be on Sunday, January 29th, from 4-5:30pm at the Cortina's house. Our address is: 35 Dryden Dr., Poquoson. We will have a game party, playing ping pong, fuse-ball, air hockey, etc.. Please join us! Contact Janie Cortina- newno62@gmail.com.



Hello Kirkwood Presbyterian! The youth team wants to take a moment to update you on what's new with our 6-12 grade programs.

KYG will now be happening every Sunday night!

The time will be the same as always, from 7-9pm, so come and bring a friend! Stay tuned for news on a Valentine's day party for the high school group.

Fisher Kids leaders would like to thank the kids for the great turnout on January 8th with a game involving speed and trivia questions and PB & J sandwiches as a snack while they discussed Jesus' baptism.

Fisher Kids and KYG joined forces for a trip to IcePlex on the 22nd, before the congregational dinner and line dancing.

Upcoming events include:

- Soup Kitchen, February 4th meet Kirkwood - 9:30am
- Soup Luncheon will be February 5th, at noon, come and support our youth programs!
- FK meeting Feb 5th on Jesus the Healer
- Fisher Kids Lazer tag Sunday, Feb. 19th
- Pancake dinner will also be in February on the 21st at 5pm, and we hope all MS and HS youth sign up and come to serve up some pancakes this night

Congregational Care

Congregational Care Committee

Congregational Care (CC) is happy to announce a brand new fellowship event for KW adults and their friends. Our very own Miriam Mason will be teaching line dancing classes in our fellowship hall. Two classes will be held every Monday from March 5 to May 7 at 1:30 PM and 5:00 PM. Two additional classes will be held every Friday from March 9 to May 4 at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM. These classes are free and the only thing we ask is that participants wear athletic or soft sole shoes for safety. Sign-up sheets for each class are posted in the church narthex. What a great way for KirkWoodians and friends to get to together for fun and fellowship.

Be sure to dust off those chili recipes and have them available. On April 21, (that is Saturday) our annual Chili Cook-Off contest/ dinner will be held in conjunction with The Talent/No Talent Show. So mark your calendar and come on out to KW for great chili and entertainment.

Congregational Care strives to unite Kirkwood and look after our loved ones at church, at home, in the hospital, or anywhere life would take them. We currently have a great group of folks who prepare vases of flowers for individuals, visit our shut-ins and those who are ill or in the hospital, provide rides for individuals to church or doctor appointments, send cards, or work on fellowship dinners. We always need more interested individuals to help the CC Committee so please contact Scott Coverdale (867-7748) or Helene Watson (867-9389) if you can help.

By the way if you signed-up last September to prepare meals for KW members who need assistance and have not been contacted, you are definitely still on the list and will be called when CC is notified of the need for meals. Thanks again for previously signing-up.

KIRKWOOD SILVER will be having a Soup Luncheon and 2 guests from Quilts of Valor, a program which provides hand-made quilts for Wounded Warriors on Thursday, February 16th, at 11:30 AM. Please sign up in the Narthex beginning January 29th, and indicate if you are willing to provide a crock pot of soup, bread or rolls, or dessert. Watch the bulletin for further details.

Call Wanda Birch at 868-8651, if you have questions.



Congregational Care



MEN'S BREAKFAST

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2012

**“God Was Here & I
Was Out to Lunch”**

February 24

Ch. 13 - Don't Miss the
Spirit of Compassion
Matthew 25:31-40
Food: Nate Nickerson

March 30

Ch. 14 - Don't Miss the
Dramatic Lessons of Love
Luke 19:41-44
Food: TBD



Sarah Circle will study a very appropriate beatitude in our February meeting -- "Greatly Honored Are the Pure in Heart". We hope you are able to join us as we delve into what this beatitude means for each of us in our Christian walk today. We will meet on Tuesday, February 14th, at 9:30 a.m.--Valentine's Day! Be a "sweetheart" and join us!! If you have any questions, please contact Wilma Mitchell at 865-6020.

Also coming up in February, Sarah Circle will again sponsor our annual Church World Service Blankets Plus mission. We ask each member of our congregation to search his/her heart and support this very worthwhile effort. Watch for more information about this later in February.

KirkWood's Eating Out Group will meet on February 25, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. We will be going to Riverwalk Restaurant in Yorktown located on 323 Water Street. The restaurant offers a wide variety of seafood from the Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic Ocean. Beef, poultry, and other popular fare are also well represented. Come join us for fellowship and great fun, and meet new people. Please RSVP by February 21, 2012 to Faye Shaw 868-4290 or e-mail afshaw@cox.net

Property & Facilities Committee

P&F committee chairs are Nate Nickerson and John Nicholas. Please feel free to pass along to them any concerns or observations you may have regarding our church's facilities or if you are interested in volunteering to get involved in P&F.

Thanks to the following P&F folks who are always working behind the scenes-

- Tom and Linda Briggs for providing facilities support for a wedding at KW in early-December
- Jerry Deaton for refreshing and planting pansies in the road sign garden bed
- Jim Birch for re-hanging a picture in the Narthex
- Kirk Reno for repairing an electrical wiring fault on the 2nd floor
- Bob Maloney, Bruce Knight, Kirk Reno, Jerry Deaton, Arba Williamson, Dan Drejza, Tom Briggs, Roger Crone for helping rake and clean up the last leaves of the season at KW on December 10th
- Jerry Deaton for maintaining the lawn tractor and support equipment in preparation for the 2012 mowing season



A special call out: Much thanks to Dave Trumpoldt, Bob Maloney, Arba Williamson, A.G. Williamson, Kirk Allen, Paul Stough and Lisa Nickerson for answering the short-notice call on Thursday evening, Jan 19th, to move various chairs, tables, TVs, VCRs, etc. from the attic and 2nd floor down to the narthex for a donation pick up on early Friday morning. There were a lot of stairs, but the great response allowed us to complete the job in 30 minutes! So quickly, in fact, that Bruce Knight and Burt DeShayes checked in to help, too, but the job was already complete! Thanks to all.

Upcoming P&F opportunities-

* Spring Clean up on March 24th (March 31st as a back up) - Stop by between 8am to 12pm. Come for one hour or stay for four, whatever works for your schedule. We will rake and mulch all the gardens and grounds and make KW ready for Spring!



*Summer Lawn mowing Teams- an easy way to be a part of KW and meet other folks. From April thru October, be a member of a 3-person team to mow & edge the KW lawn every couple months; training provided! More info to follow in March.

The next P&F meetings are February 14th and March 13th at 7pm in room 8 on the second floor. P&F tends to work a lot "behind the scenes". Come see what is going on, all are welcome! Any questions, feel free to call Nate Nickerson at 868-9393.

Mission News

PORT: We are partnering with Noland United Methodist Church the week of February 29-March 7. As of Kronicle press time we do not have an exact date. Please watch the bulletin and Mission board for the date. In addition, PORT has added 4 weeks to the calendar and Kirkwood has agreed to work Friday, March 23 at Tabernacle Baptist Church. It is located on the corner of Lucas Creek and Colony Road in Denbigh. Thank you to everyone who helps out with this valuable mission.

SOCKS FOR PORT: A big thank you to all that donated socks and shoes to be given to the PORT residents during December and January. They will be distributed during the month of February.

ST. PAUL's: Thank you to everyone who volunteered on January 28. Our next scheduled date is March 31st. Please watch the bulletin board for sign ups.



Needed Now:



If you are interested in playing softball this season with the KirkWood team please sign-up soon in the narthex. We need men and especially women. If you have any questions please contact Arba Williamson at 867-9289 or awillia114@aol.com.





**All the
Pancakes you
can eat !**

Come out and Support the Youth's Mission on Fat/Shrove Tuesday, February 21st from 5:00 - 7:00 P.M.

Special dates in February

- February 14 Valentine's Day
- February 19 Transfiguration Day
- February 20 Presidents' Day
- February 21 Fat Tuesday - Pancake Dinner
- February 22 Ash Wednesday
- February 26 First Sunday of Lent