KIRKWOOD KRONICLE

A Christian Community Knowing, Loving & Serving Christ, to Make Him Known to All.

June and July 2016



Dear Members and Friends,

On June 26, following the 11:00 service, we will have a reception in the Fellowship Hall to wish a fond farewell to our Director of Music, Drew Lusher as he prepares to depart for study in Germa-

ny. I have so enjoyed Drew's mastery of all things related to the Director of Music position. His humor, his self-effacing personality, his high regard for what other people think have been an inspiration to staff and members of the congregation alike. Drew has a graciousness which pervades everything he says and does. Please take the time to thank him for his service here as he enters a new phase of his professional development. And Drew, somehow return to your re-enacting days as a Union Civil War soldier!! Too funny.

KirkWood folks please make sure you take some time to wish our dear friend Drew a meaningful and graceful study abroad.

See you in church. "With a song in your heart."

Fondly,

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Worship: 9:30 a.m. (Contemporary) & 11:00 a.m. (Traditional)

Sunday School: 8:30 a.m. (Adults)

9:30 a.m. (infant-6th grade & Adult) 11:00 a.m. (middle school - Adult)

Summer Worship (July/August):

8:30 a.m. Sunday School & 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

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CONGREGATIONAL CARE HAPPENINGS

Congregational Care

THE LINUS GROUP

The 22 blankets pictured were lovingly made by Kirk-Wood's Linus Group and Sarah Circle members. Each year we donate blankets to a non-profit organization called Project Linus. Recipients are children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need in our area. You do not have to be a member of these groups to donate a handmade blanket. Please do, however, consider joining one or both of these groups. Linus Group meets every Wednesday at 10:30 at the church throughout the year. Sarah Circle meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 at the church (September - May). Read more about Project Linus at projectlinus.org





WE NEED YOU!!

Congregational Care Needs You to offer prayers and compassionate attention for members and friends experiencing sickness, medical procedures, and loss of loved ones - we need to be in touch with these folks to express God's love. Please review the long list of Illnesses/Health Concerns in our bulletin each week. We become stronger as a fellowship when we care for each other. We need help in preparing bud vases from the Sunday flower arrangements for delivery to homebound and sick members and friends. If you can help arranging flowers for the bud vases, please call Bill Gilbert or Cathy Alexander. We also need someone to be our history keeper, to keep notes on the life of KirkWood and the many events and changes which occur over the years: this is an important area of work but not overly time consuming. Please contact Bill Gilbert or Cathy Alexander if you are interested in becoming our KirkWood historian.

UPDATES

Congregational Care and Property and Facilities

DINING PARTNERS

Dining out group met at the Linehan's house for a really fun time of fellowship and dinner. Weather finally gave us a break for the evening and our attendance was excellent. Thanks so much to all and a big thanks to Wendy and Rich Linehan for hosting the evening.

MILITARY APPRECIATION DINNER

Military Appreciation Dinner was held on May 15 with very good attendance to enjoy the BBQ (same BBQ we used to make here at KirkWood, bought from Kiwanians) and fried chicken plus some really tasty side dishes. A speaker from the DAV presented a most informative discussion of their activities on the peninsula to help vets receive the benefits to which they are entitled.

COMING EVENTS

Coming events include our annual picnic scheduled for June 12, our Tides Outing for August $13^{\rm th}$, and KirkWood Silver events in June and July . Our picnic will be held after the 11 am worship service; setup for the picnic will be done at 10 am on Saturday, June $11^{\rm th}$; please sign up in the Narthex for attending the picnic and helping with setup. KirkWood Silver attended the Greek Festival on June $2^{\rm nd}$ and will be traveling to Fredericksburg for to see the play "Oklahoma" on Wedesday, July $20^{\rm th}$; watch bulletin for further information and signup. Please review our bulletin each Sunday to learn of fellowship opportunities.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

P&F Committee News: P&F wants to let everyone know that big changes are going to happen this summer: We are making plans to resurface the entire parking lot! We are obtaining quotes for the work to include repairing all of the potholes at the entrance to the circle and the middle parking area, resurfacing the entire lot, and then restripe all of the parking spots. We do not have a scheduled date yet but it will be in the June/July time frame. We will keep you all posted because we may have to cancel all activities the week of the installation.

If you are interested in joining the P&F committee to helping keep the church in good working order please contact Kirk Reno & Roger Crone.

Thank You!

Worship

KirkWood church would like to thank the following ladies:

Mary Gross for creating and donating the lovely Easter banner that was displayed in the front of the sanctuary. It was a blessing to everyone in the church!

Wilma Mitchell for sewing new acolyte stoles. They are bright white and beautiful!

Bible Studies

Christian Education

8:30 AM

Adult:

"Muslims, Christians, and Jesus" by: Carl Medearis – This series will demonstrate and discuss how to build life-changing relationships between the world's two largest religions.

Fellowship Hall, May 22 – June 12

Leader: Bruce Knight

9:30 AM

Adult:

Bible Study: "Ecclesiastes" – They will methodically be going through the book from the Bible. Studying all aspects of each verse and how it directly applies to your life.

Room 4, March 6 - June Leader: Tony Sweers

"Muslims, Christians, and Jesus" by: Carl Medearis – This series will demonstrate and discuss how to build life-changing relationships between the world's two largest religions.

Fellowship Hall, May 22 - June 12

Leader: April Mershon

Elementary Age: Students will rotate through classes based on monthly themes. Way of the Word (WoW) is for ages Kindergarten through 5th grade. We meet upstairs in Room 11 then move to rooms based on our activities for the week. There is something for every learning style! Leader: Jeannine Scott, Renae Prenya and other volunteers.

11:00 AM

Adult:

"James" – Looking at how our relationship with God changes through prayer, His will, praising Him, and other relationship building topics.

Fellowship Hall, March 6 - June Leader: Dr. Joyce Armstrong

"Discussions on Michael's Sermons

Each week we will discuss Michael's sermon, and how we can apply it to our lives.

Room 4, May 22 - June 26

Leader: Ted Lovdahl

High School & Middle School:

"Friend Me" by: Donna Carter – Experience a richness in your human relationships that you've never experienced before. As you do, draw closer to the One who designed you to love and be loved, by other people and by Him.

Room 8, May 22 - June 26

Leaders: Ryan Wenner, Jim Mershon, Ashley Wenner, & Cathy Alexander

GLORY Time available for ages 4 through 2nd grade: Children are dismissed from worship service after the children's message to study various aspects of the worship service. Nursery A/B, Leaders: Jeannine Scott and Katie Mitchell.

Nursery available for ages birth until 4 years old. Nursery A/B, Leader: Katie Mitchell.





Starting May 29th, college students are invited to get coffee at Starbucks after the 9:30 service to discuss the topic of the sermon and how it can be applied to our lives. Since many Christians have a difficult time transitioning from high school to adulthood, it is important that college-aged followers understand what we are called to do at our age and how we can support each other in the process. By discussing the sermon topic, we will be able to grow as Christians by sharing what we believe and listening to what others' opinions are. C³ will be meeting at the Starbucks located at 120 Ottis Street, off of Victory near Second Street Restaurant. If you have any questions, then you can contact Jamie Mershon at 757-325-7190 or jem2015@hotmail.com.



Children's Ministry

Turn Markers



Into Energy!

Wow will continue, through June, our mission project of collecting dried markers, highlighters and dry erase markers to send to the color cycle facility for conversion into fuel. Please bring your markers from home to add to our collection.



KICK youth group had a galactic good time with dinner and activities on May 4th. We ate Hans Burgers and Vader Tators, created our own light sabers and tie fighters, and saved popular characters from Carbonite!

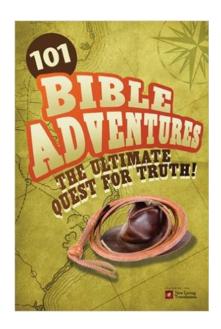
Contact Jeannine Scott to make sure your 3-5th grader is on the email list for summer fun.

Way of the Word (Elementary Sunday School Class)

June's lessons will be based from Phil Vischer's "Galaxy Buck: Mission to Sector 9" DVD. We will include the preschool class for this out of this world summer class. To connect at home to more of Phil Vischer's lessons, check out www.jellytelly.com

This month the Children's library focuses on family activities. Fill your summer with fun devotionals and games. Find these books and more in the Glory Room (Room 2).



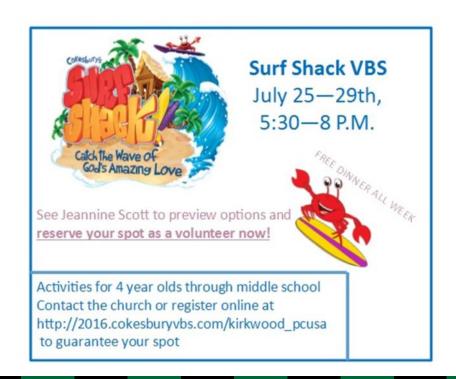




VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration open! Tell your friends!

See Jeannine to volunteer and learn about training dates. Food donation and supply needs will be posted beginning in July.





DATE	EVENT	
June 14	Flag Day	
June 19	Father's Day	
June 20	First day of summer	
July 1	Canada Day	
July 4	Independence Day	

2016 High School and College Graduates

Name	High School	Future Plans
Cason, Caitlyn	Poquoson High	VA Tech – Major biochemistry, minor psychology (then plans to attend pharmacy school at VCU)
Kibler, Brenden	Bethel High	CNU – Music major-trombone (plans to be a band director)
Shoun, Sam	Poquoson High	Newport News Shipyard Apprentice School

Name	College	Degree	Future Plans
Barrick, Matthew	Marymount College	Doctorate in Physical Therapy	Plans to work as a physical therapist in the Hampton Roads area
Clifford, Reed	JMU	Finance	
Craig, Olivia	JMU	Graphic Design	
Landers, Hannah	Virginia Tech	BS in Marketing Management/Minor in Professional & Technical Writing	moving to Roanoke to work as an Account Manager for CH Robinson
Young, Jessica	ODU	BFA Graphic Design/ Minor in Marketing	



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5th – Luke 7:11-17 12th– Luke 7:36-8:3 19th– Luke 8:26-39 26th– Luke 9:51-62

<u>July</u>

3rd- Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 10th- Luke 10:25-37 17th- Luke 10:38-42 24th- Luke 11:1-13 31st- Luke 12:13-21