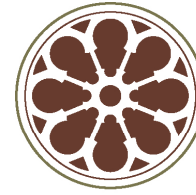


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There will not be a newsletter next week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

What's Happening . . . Week of November 22		
Sunday November 22	9:00 AM-1:00 PM 10:30 AM 5:00 PM	Sunday School Worship Service Youth & Children
Monday November 23		
Tuesday November 24		
Wednesday November 25		All events cancelled
Thursday November 26		Happy Thanksgiving (church office closed)
Friday November 27		(church office closed)
Saturday November 28		
Sunday November 29	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Church School Worship Service No children & youth activities

S.E.C.C. Staff:
 Senior Minister..... Mickey Anders
 Associate Minister..... Holly Fuqua
 Music Minister.....Chris Weiss
 Children's Director.....Emily Downing
 Intern.....Christopher Geiger




Pianist.....Kay McAllister
 Secretary.....Tammy Starbuck
 Little Elks Pre-School Dir...Carol Neal
 Nursery Attendants.....Kenna Blanton,
 Erin Fields, Jennifer Davis

The Current


Worship This Sunday at 10:30 AM, Sunday School at 9:00 AM
Sermon "The King of the Jews" Scripture: John 18:33-37

Wednesday evening Vespers Service in the Historic Sanctuary at 6:00PM (first Wednesday of each month).
Connections (third Wednesday of each month) in McMahan Hall at 6PM.

 **Chili Cook Off and Talent Show!**
This Sunday, November 22, 5:00 PM
Everyone is invited! Child care will be available.
Remember, if you did not sign up to bring anything, that is fine, just bring yourself. It will be a great night!

Thanksgiving Day Dinner at SECC
Thursday, November 26, 2:00 PM

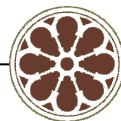
If you plan to attend, but have not made your reservation, please call or email Gail Minke at (temltd@aol.com) call (223-2669).



SUNSHINE MINISTRY TEAM Meeting
 This Friday, November 20
 10:30 AM
 Room 211/212 of CMC

Bell Ringing for The Salvation Army
This Saturday, Saturday, November 21

Our Mission Statement: To Love God and Neighbor through Worship, Witness, Fellowship, Service and Discipleship.



On November 29, we will be taking a fifth Sunday special offering for Christian Care Communities (formerly Christian Church Homes). Disciples churches, and our church particularly, have a long history of support for this worthy organization. Christian Care Communities was founded in 1884 and provides senior retirement living and long-term care for older adults through an extensive network of retirement communities. I know that many of our members have been faithful supporters of CCC for many years.

Somehow we have overlooked our fifth Sunday offerings and so far this year we have not given nearly what we usually do. Last year, we gave over \$3,000 during the year, but so far this year, our special offerings have only collected about \$300. If you love this organization, please make a special effort to catch up on our gifts on November 29.

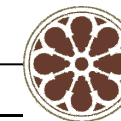
Please note that we will be having a congregational meeting after church on December 6. This will be our annual meeting in which we adopt the budget for next year and approve the Nominating Committee report. A copy of the Nominating Committee report is included elsewhere in this newsletter. The Finance Committee and Cabinet have not quite completed the budget for 2010, but that will be made available as soon as possible.

Last week, Tammy sent the Current by email to our list of members' email addresses. If you would like to receive it early, please make sure we have your email address. However, everyone will always receive the Current through regular mail too. One reason is that we have to have over 200 pieces of mail to get the bulk rate at the post office. We are only slightly over that number now, so it would cost significantly more if we reduced our mailing list.

Another reason is that I believe that communication must be redundant to be effective. People need to hear announcements in several formats before it really sticks, so we plan to continue to announce events verbally on Sunday, put them on the overhead screen, mail them, and now email them.

We are also planning a congregational meeting on January 10 to deal with the proposed changes in the articles and by-laws. If the Cabinet adopts their final changes at their meeting on November 17, we will immediately begin publicizing the changes. We want our members to have plenty of time to study the documents and be informed of the proposals. We will have an informational meeting on Wednesday night, December 9, at 6 pm in the Historic Sanctuary to verbally explain the changes. The committee members will be present to try to make the changes as clear as possible and to answer questions. If any members want to suggest amendments to be considered on January 10, we ask that those amendments be submitted in writing in early December so that we can help publicize them. We plan to print in the Current the proposed amendments so that everyone can give due deliberation to them. At the congregational meeting on January 10, we will vote on the amendments in the order that they have been presented. These are important changes, and we want everyone to be informed and heard.

Finally, I want to call your attention to the press release posted on the bulletin board about the renaming of the clinic that Dr. Tom Pinkstaff started. The clinic, which provides primary care for foster children as well as children with special health care needs, was renamed the Thomas H. Pinkstaff Medical Home Clinic. Mickey



By Our Prayers

- Peter Simounet (Gene Simounet's son, Nicole Price's brother).
- Bill Duff.
- Carolyn Schneidt (Terry & Donna Bay's neighbor).
- Karen Bowman (Peggy Thomas' daughter).
- Bob Mossman.
- Jessica Nealey (Becky Burklow's daughter).
- Stewart Gatewood.
- Phyllis Rohlf.
- Ruth Haggard (Ray Haggard's mother).
- Chuck Heidel (friend of Lloyd and Kim Wemyss).
- Cecelia Kemmerer, Pam Zwart's Aunt.
- Johnny McGuire (Timothea Branham's brother).
- Marion Diamond (friend of Mary Louis Phelps).
- Charley Phelps (relative of Mary Louis Phelps).
- Ed Butcher.
- Jeff Page (family of Maurice & JoAnn Walker).
- Lukas Nedelco (Debbie Parrett's nephew).
- Rita Haggard (J.D. Haggard's mother).
- Zach Pickard.
- Mason Pontrich (Little Elks Student).
- Gavin Carr (former Little Elks Student).
- Terry Bay's father, Milton Bay.
- Cathy Morris.
- **Please remember our homebound members in prayer:** George Compton, Ella Fuqua, Margaret Peacher.
- **Please remember our family and friends in the military:** Crystal Anders (training for a week in Georgia, then up to six months in Iraq).

By Our Service, Sunday, November 22 and Sunday, November 29	
Worship Leader	Richard Royster (11/22) Lara Blake (11/29)
Elders	Alan & Dee Campbell (11/22) Cliff Ellerbrook, Evelyn Cartmill (11/29)
Deacons Serving Communion	(11/22) Jamie Crouch, Darrin Deaton, Lynn Purdom-PS Morgan Alexander-D Kyla Parrett-D (Alternate to serve) Kenny Keeling, Felito Aldarondo-CS Karen Keeling-C, serve stage Greg Smith-S, Usher (serving 11/29) Timothea Branham, Tom & Kendra Weisenfeld-PS Amy Morris-D Kelcie Hollis-D (Alternate to serve) Eyvonne Overton, Sue Southworth, Chad Conley-CS John McCrary-Usher, serve stage
Greeters	Gretel Morgan, Timothea Branham (11/22) Joe & Anne Lane (11/22) Anne Carter, Jean Gatewood (11/29) Ann Morgan, Laura Johnson (11/29)
Sound System	Media Team
Acolyte	Braxton Minke Olivia McCrary (11/29)
Fellowship Hour	Mary Louis Phelps, Nancye Smith (11/22) Agnes Sandford, Peggy Thomas (11/29)
Visitor Care	Eddie & Eyvonne Overton 11/22 & 11/29)
Homebound Communion Nov. 22	Jim Price, Bob Ross, Liz Short

Our Ministry	
Received 11/15/2009 \$4033	
"Make God Real" Campaign	
New Building Received 11/15/2009 \$545	

Our Attendance		
	11/15/09	Last Year
Worship	230	209
Church School	60	
Children's Church	31	

Notes from Chris...



Hey Folks! Several people have been asking me when I'm performing and where. Mickey suggested that I list it in the current for everyone to see! So if you're interested here is my schedule for the upcoming future. I also try to put posters up by the Choir room listing my schedule.

November 21: 7-9 PM, Coffee Break
December 5: 6-7:30 PM, Wilmore Old Fashioned Christmas and 8-10 PM, Main and Maple Coffeehouse in Nicholasville
December 11: 10 PM, Common Grounds in Lexington
January 4: TBA Natasha's Bistro in Lexington

Angel Tree



Please support the Thomson Hood Veterans Center and the Migrant Families of Lexington by taking a name off of the Angel Tree next Sunday. Gifts will need to be returned by Sunday, December 13. Please attach the tag that you get from the tree to the gift when returning it to the church.

Employment Needed: Ruaa (Refuge family) is looking for employment and would like to clean houses. She will need transportation if the house is not located near a bus line. Anyone interested in hiring her should contact Elise at 227-5242.

Parent's Night Out Friday, December 4 6:00pm-10:00 pm.

Deadline to sign up is November 29. Sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the foyer or you can contact Holly.

KeenAgers Trip to UK Collage December 6, 2:00 PM

The cost is \$15.00 per person, if we have 15 people attend. Mary Louis will need your money to make reservations. If you have never seen this program, it is wonderful! We may take the bus. More information coming soon!

Morgan Men's Breakfast Saturday, December 5 9:00 AM (note time change)

Everyone is invited to join us for this very special Christmas Breakfast.



Coat Collection

The Joy Circle will be collecting gently worn coats for men, women, and children. If you have a coat to donate take it to the coat rack across from Tammy's office and hang it there. There will be a box with hanging tags to hang over the hanger. We will collect until January 1. Thank you in advance for the donation.



Joy Circle Cookie Exchange

It has been a few years since we held our December Cookie Exchange. On Sunday, December 6 at 5:30 PM we will meet at Carol Neal's (260 Cave Run Circle. 230-1790). We'll have a Christmas lesson, eat refreshments and take home some goodies. All women of the church are invited. Bring homemade or store bought finger treats. Come enjoy the fellowship.

Baby Food for God's Pantry

Each year Little Elks Pre-School collects baby food for God's Pantry. If you would like to donate food bring it to McMahan Hall and place in the collection display until November 24. We attempt to collect 500 food items.



Thank You,
Little Elks Preschool

Hats and Mittens Tree

Little Elks Pre-School will continue the tradition of collecting new hats, mittens and gloves to donate at Christmas time. Please bring to church and hang on the tree in McMahan Hall anytime between November 30 and December 13. Last year we collected over 100 sets.



Southern Lights At the Kentucky Horse Park Sunday, December 13 @ 5:15 PM All Church Event...mark your calendars now!



We have much to do at Southern Lights!! Not only will we see the beautiful Christmas lights, but we can go to the petting zoo, visit the museum, eat refreshments, ride the train, visit the gift shop, explore the arts and crafts, enjoy the model trains and of course see Santa Claus! We hope everyone can join us!

We will meet at the church at 5:15 pm. The cost is \$15.00 per vehicle. If you have extra room in your vehicle, some people/families may want to carpool to split the cost. Please see Holly if you have any questions.

Thank You!

Thank you to Lloyd and Kim Wemyss for the wonderful puzzle they made for the Children's Sermon on Sunday!

Children Worship & Wonder Schedule

11/22 The 10 Best Ways to Live
Storyteller: Holly Fuqua
Greeters: Pat Murphy, Megan Weiss

11/29 The Prophets Show the Way
Storyteller: Sarah Anders
Greeters: Megan Weiss, Zach Fuqua

12/6 Mary and Joseph Show the Way
Storyteller: Gretel Morgan
Greeters: Zach Fuqua, Kelly Reese

12/13 The Shepherds Show the Way
Storyteller: Chris Geiger
Greeters: Elise Wallace, Jeannie Tungate

12/20 No Children Worship & Wonder due to Christmas Cantata

12/27 Christmas— Meeting the Christ Child
Storyteller: Janie Fields
Greeters: Gretel Morgan, Kelcie Hollis

Drive Through Bethlehem Saturday, December 12, 2009 6PM-10PM

It's time to get excited for our annual opportunity to reach out to our community and tell the greatest story ever told. If you have been through this since the first year or this could potentially be your first time, you are invited to participate in this great event. No acting experience required! Sign up sheets are in the foyer.

Seekers Sunday School Class To Begin New Study Room 111

If you have been thinking about attending Sunday School—Now is the Time!

The Seekers Class began a new study last Sunday at 9:00 AM. Our study is titled "Meeting God in Scripture: Entering the Old Testament." We are studying and responding to passages from Hebrew Scripture in the company of a group of people who want to learn more about the Bible and basic stories of the Christian faith.

The study is designed for nine weeks and is not a full survey of the Old Testament. The intent is to give the big picture by offering glimpses of the richness found in the Hebrew scripture.

The Seekers Class is located across from the library in McMahan Hall.

Come if you can,
Janet Warren, Facilitator



Earth Stewardship Holiday Tip of the Week

Tag It!
Use old Christmas cards as gift tags.

Fifth Sunday Offering for Christian Care Communities

Through your financial support of Christian Care Communities YOU sit by the bedside of Christian Care's older adult residents in eight different Kentucky communities. Sometimes the resident simply needs a word of encouragement because of having just made a life changing move. At other times the resident feels sad and lonely because of the loss of a loved one or friend. Sometimes the resident is afraid because of the uncertainty of growing older. At other times, blinded by pain, the resident is nearing the end of life. YOU are there through eight chaplains and hundreds of other Christian Care staff waiting with them for the sun, or of even greater importance the Son of God, to shine into their darkness. Thank YOU for being there!

Next Sunday, November 29 is a fifth Sunday and all across Kentucky Christian churches will be receiving Fifth Sunday Offerings for Christian Care Communities. We hope that YOU will participate in the offering joining a host of others sitting through the night, giving comfort and hope.

There will not be a newsletter next week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Therefore, serving schedules for the next two Sundays have been included in this newsletter.

December Birthdays



Larry Crouch	3
Ollie Hawkins	4
James Price	6
Isa Alderondo	7
Elise Wallace	7
Kerrie Hudson	9
Eyvonne Overton	10
Wilbur Buntin	14
Sarah Russell	17
Barbara Johnson	23
Stephanie Long	25
Bethany Smith	30

December Anniversaries

Clabe & Carolyn Slone	10
Bill & Carol Neal	11
Gaynelle & Jim Morris	18
Paul & Chris Helsby	23
Maurice & JoAnn Walker	28
Zach & Holly Fuqua	30



Please notify the church office if we do not have your birthday and/or anniversary.

Email: southelkhorn@juno.com or phone at 223-1433.



All Church Trip to Perfect North Saturday, January 9 cost: \$45

Price includes admission, lessons and snowboarding, skiing and tubing rentals. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you want to attend. More information to come soon!