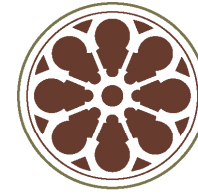


South Elkhorn Christian Church
 (Disciples of Christ)
 4343 Harrodsburg Road
 Lexington, KY 40513
 Email: southelkhorn@juno.com
 www.southelkhorncc.org
 Phone: 859.223.1433
 Fax: 859.223.8663

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Non-Profit Organization
 U.S. Postage Paid
 Lexington, KY
 Permit No. 931



SOUTH ELKHORN CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

February 17, 2010, No. 07

What's Happening . . . Week of February 21		
Sunday February 21	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 5:00 PM 5:30 PM	Sunday School Worship Service Children & Youth JOY Circle
Monday February 22	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Stephen Ministry FET Meeting
Tuesday February 23		
Wednesday February 24	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Team Choir
Thursday February 25	7:45 AM 10:00 AM	Communications Team Women's Book Study
Friday February 26	12:30 PM	KeenAgers Roxburg Conference (Louisville)
Saturday February 27	8:00 AM	Morgan Men's Breakfast Roxburg Conference (Louisville)
Sunday February 28	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 5:00 PM	Church School Worship Service Children & Youth

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,
 Jennifer Davis, Megan Brown

The Current

Worship This Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday School at 9:00 AM

Sermon: "Demo Sampling" Scripture: Romans 10:8b-13

**Join the Seekers Sunday
School Class!**

The Seekers Class will begin a new study on *Philippians and Galatians, Interpretation Bible Study* by Stanley P. Saunders. Lesson One begins this Sunday, February 21 in room 111 at 9AM.

This 10 unit study will delve into two of Paul's letters, offering solid biblical content in a creative study format.

Enjoy lively discussion as we seek deeper understanding of God's word and guidance for faithful Christian living in today's world.

Janet Warren

JOY Circle
This Sunday, February 21, 5:30 PM

Looking ahead, we want to remind you that JOY Circle will **not** meet on the second Sunday, as usual. We will meet on the third Sunday, Feb. 21, 5:30 at the church. Go ahead and mark it on your calendar!

Timothea Branham has agreed to share with us about her recent life-changing decision. If you don't know what that is, then make sure you come to the meeting!

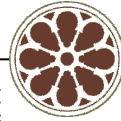
Cathy & Anne

**Sign up Today for
the Pigeon Forge
Trip!
March 28-30
More information
in this issue of
The Current!**



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

Life Together by Mickey Anders



I love to quote Norm Atkins who says that Sunday morning worship is the best hour of his week. It should be that way for all of us. Our faith community revolves around that most important act of communal worship. One time a week we gather together to focus on the divine, to offer our prayers to God, and to listen for a fresh word from on high.

Some churches have consciously chosen a "seeker-friendly worship," and they make the worship service as informal as possible. I think they try to create a coffee house type atmosphere where people may mill about and sit at card tables with their lattes. Other churches offer a high-church atmosphere where one would be afraid to come to church without a tie, and worship is surrounded with hushed tones.

Our church has chosen to offer a blended style of worship. We certainly don't want people to feel that their everyday clothes are not suitable for worship. We don't want to create a stuffy atmosphere where people may be afraid to be friendly to one another. And yet, we also hope for an appropriate atmosphere of worship and reverence. We hope that we can create a blended worship with the best of the old and the best of the new.

We have our informal time of fellowship before the service. We expect people to enjoy the coffee and snacks provided in the foyer before worship. We have even scheduled thirty minutes between Sunday School and worship so that our people can enjoy the refreshments and visit with one another.

It's sometimes a bit like a raucous coffee house out there, but serious business is taking place during that time.

Our visitor care team makes sure that newcomers are greeted and have the information they need about our church. Parents are making sure their children have been to the bathroom so that they will not disturb the worship to come. Elders are searching for the "sheep" in their shepherding groups and extending their care to them. Relationships are nurtured, fellowship is built, caring is supreme.

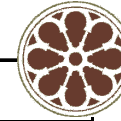
But then we envision a definite change as we enter the worship space. We hope to leave the informal coffee house atmosphere in the foyer and make the move to intentional worship as we enter the ministry center. We leave our refreshments behind, and turn to God. We still find a few newcomers and old friends to welcome, but then the prelude calls us to center down and focus on worship. The prelude marks the beginning of worship and offers a time to pray and meditate before we sing our praises and hear God's Word.

We see our worship service as a time when all our attention is focused on God. I have noticed that several of our members, who have health issues making it difficult for them to sit for the entire worship service, make a point of sitting in the back where they can quietly stretch and move about without disturbing the other worshippers. They recognize the importance of worship. The last thing they want to do is distract someone from the important work taking place in worship.

For just over an hour per week, worship is prime. Nothing else matters. Nothing distracts. We are a people intent on meeting our God. And Norm is right - it's the best hour of the week!

Mickey

Serving Sunday, February 21



Worship Leader	Frank Gercone
Elders	Eddie Overton, Jeff Parrett
Deacons Serving Communion	Prepare & Serve: David, Pam & Bart Denham Distribute & Alternate: Dick Rohlf Distribute & Serve: Oliver Griffen Clean & Serve Stage: Karen Keeling Clean & Serve: Kenny Keeling Clean & Serve: Suzanne Johnson Usher & Alternate: Darrin Deaton
Greeters	Gretel Morgan, Timothea Branham Joe & Ann Lane
Sound System	Media Team
Acolyte	n/a
Fellowship Hour	Doug & Kelly Nossokoff
Visitor Care	Eddie & Eyvonne Overton
Homebound Communion February 28	Evelyn Cartmill, Chad Conley, Jamie Crouch

	Our Attendance	
	2/14/2010	Last Year
Worship	233	208
Church School	69	
Children's Church	29	

By Our Prayers

- Gretel Morgan who is preaching Sunday at Morgan Christian Church.
- Joe Murphy is at St. Joseph Hospital.
- George Compton is at Thomson Hood.
- Mary Smith.
- Juanita Sears.
- Rita Murphy.
- Barby Hardy is at home.
- Rita Haggard is at St. Joseph Hospital.
- Karen Bowman, (Peggy Thomas' daughter).
- Mike O'Bryant (Thelma Brown's brother in law).
- Lukas Nedelco (Debbie Parrett's nephew).
- Zach Pickard.
- Mason Pontrich (Little Elks Student).
- Gavin Carr (former Little Elks Student).
- Cathy Morris.
- **Please remember our homebound members in prayer:** George Compton, Lula Eades, Ella Fuqua, Margaret Peacher.
- **Please remember our family and friends in the military:** Crystal Anders in Iraq, Rodney Lipscomb in Iraq.

Please call the church office if you would like to add or remove a name from this list.



Earth Stewardship Tip of the Week

When purchasing new appliances, look for the Energy Star label. Consider geothermal heating and cooling for your next furnace/air conditioner.

THANK YOU!

We want to thank Jeannie Robinson and crew for all their leadership for the Valentine's Dinner Dance. The youth are excited about their mission trip this summer, and the money raised from the dinner event helps make it possible. Thank you so much!

KeenAgers

Friday, February 26, 12:30 PM

We will be watching Act Two of the video series "Our Lincoln" and enjoy a potluck lunch. This is the play that was at the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC and Singletary Center in Lexington.

Morgan Men's Breakfast

Saturday, February 27, 8:00 am

Jeff Parrett will present the program on baseball...pitches, balls and strikes, hits and homers, flies and lies.



Euchre

**This Saturday, February 20
7:00 PM, McMahan Hall**

There will be lots of fun, fellowship, and food. Everyone is welcome. If you don't know how to play, this is an excellent opportunity to learn. Please call Jeannine Robinson (223-5545) to reserve your seat.

Facility Enhancement Team

In the fall of 2008 the Cabinet created a committee to oversee the decoration of all church interior common areas and to oversee all interior storage. Leadership is provided jointly by the Worship Team and the Ministry Support Team.

The current Team Leader is Mary Louis Phelps and team members are: Sharon White, Kim Wemyss, Carol Neal, Jamie Crouch, Lynn Purdom, Kay McAllister, Janet Warren and Holly Fuqua, pastor liaison.

Procedures were put into place back in 2008 to guide our work and to help members know how to donate decorative items, change décor or store things. The procedures are:

Contact Mary Louis (or a team member) if you have a decorating item to donate. The team can help with selection and placement of the item.

Contact Mary Louis (or a team member) to obtain team approval before you paint walls, decorate, change any current décor, move or discard furniture/items.

Contact Mary Louis (or a team member) if you wish to store items or to change the current location of stored items.

Thank you for adhering to the procedures and please get suggestions or questions to any team member.

Children and Youth News!

This Sunday, February 21, 5:00-7:00 pm

Children: Dinner and Movie Night!

Youth: Dinner and lesson on "Death and Dying"

Over the next 2 weeks, the youth will talk about death by visiting the Kerr Brothers Funeral Home, listening to Janie Field's story of her daughter, Missy and learning what the Bible says about death. These are very important conversations and I hope everyone can attend.

Next Sunday, February 28, 5:00-7:00 pm

Children: Dinner and Bible Study

Youth: Dinner and lesson on "Death and Dying"

Sunday, March 7, 3:00 pm

All Church Family Bowling Party at Southland Bowling Lanes! The cost is \$3.00 per person per game and \$3.00 adults shoes/\$2.00 kids shoes 18 and under. We will have special prizes as well!!!

Children Worship & Wonder Schedule

2/21 Lenten Puzzle

Storyteller: Juliette Kilpatrick

Greeters: Pat Murphy, Jamie Crouch

2/28 Jesus and the Children

Storyteller: Juliette Kilpatrick

Greeters: Jamie Crouch, Jeannie Tungate

3/7 Jesus and Bartimaeous

Storyteller: Chris Geiger

Greeters: Jeannie Tungate, Timothea Branham

3/14 Jesus and Zacchaeus

Storyteller: Chris Geiger

Greeters: Timothea Branham, Jennifer Aldarondo

All Church Trip Pigeon Forge, Tennessee to Dixie Stampede! March 28-30

**SIGN UP THIS SUNDAY...THE
DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 28!**

Cost:

Dixie Stampede is \$36.09 for adults and \$23.97 for children 4-11.

Best Western Plaza Inn is \$51.00 per room for two double beds with a delicious continental breakfast provided.

Reservations for the rooms need to be made by February 28. Please call

1800-232-5656 to make reservations under South Elkhorn Christian Church.

Let Holly know if you have any questions. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Save these Dates!

Vacation Bible School

June 6-10

6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Youth Mission Trip to Hazard

July 6-9

See Holly for more information!

**2010 Disciples Women
Quadrennial Assembly
June 23-27, Greensboro, N. C.**

WHAT? A gathering of women of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

WHY? Once every four years we gather from across the country and the world to praise God through worship, fellowship, study and work.

WHERE? In Greensboro, NC, at the Koury Convention Center/Sheraton Four Season Hotel

REGISTRATION? \$375 by March 31, or \$400 afterwards.

FOOD? Optional \$75 meal package (3 lunches and 3 dinners); or your choice of many nearby restaurants and food court options.

HOUSING? Sheraton Four Seasons Hotel at \$122 (discounted for Quadrennial) per room/per night, plus tax.

TRANSPORTATION? Ride on a chartered bus from Lexington @ cost of \$100 per person round trip. Bus scheduled through Linda Jones at Christian Church in Kentucky (233-1391); or make your own plans. Parking is free at the hotel.

MORE QUESTIONS? To find more information and/or to register go to www.quadrennial.org or contact EVELYN CARTMILL at 873-1580 or revevcart@windstream.net.

**Kids Consignment Sale
March 18-20**



The Consignment Sale is right around the corner! Your help is needed with meals. We need people to bring in fruit, veggies, sandwiches, snacks, pizza, desserts, light meals, drinks, etc. We have had more workers in the past few years, therefore, we could use more food, which includes breakfast, lunch, dinner and of course snacks to eat between meals. If you are willing to buy or make some food, we would greatly appreciate it. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer! Thanks for your help.

Easter Egg Hunt!

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 3 at 10:00 am in McMahan Hall. Please mark your calendars for this wonderful event! We are going to begin collecting Easter candy for the big day because we will need all the candy by Saturday, March 27. Please feel free to bring bags of individually wrapped candy to the church office marked "Easter Egg Hunt." We want to be careful of our children that have nut allergies, so please bring candy that is nut free. Thank you!



**Catch the Excitement!
Sunday School Classes
9:00 AM-10:00 AM**

The Bible Class, Room 108
Class starts 9:15-10:15
Lynne Clark, Teacher

The Seekers Class, Room 111
Janet Warren, Teacher

About Christianity Class, Room 211
Zach Fuqua, Teacher

Explorer's Class, Room 109
Dave Johnson, Teacher

The Lectionary Class, Room 110
Jack McAllister, Teacher

Children and Youth Classes

Infants—Preschool: Teachers: Kenna Blanton, Megan Brown, Jennifer Davis, Room 214 & 215

Four Years—2nd Grade: Teachers: Sarah Anders, Becky Burklow, Room 208

3rd—5th: Teachers: Debbie Parrett, Anne Carter, Room 207

6th—12th grade: Teachers: Elise Wallace, Jeff Parrett, Room 209