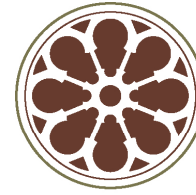


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SOUTH ELKHORN CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

May 5, 2010, No. 17

The Current

Worship This Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday School at 9:00 AM
Sermon: "Come Over to Macedonia"
Scripture: Acts 16:9-15



What's Happening . . . Week of May 9		
Sunday May 9	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service No Children & Youth Group
Monday May 10	6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry
Tuesday May 11		
Wednesday May 12	3:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Pastoral Relations Worship Team Choir
Thursday May 13	7:45 AM 12:00 NOON 6:30 PM	Communications Team Outreach Elders Potluck
Friday May 14		
Saturday May 15		
Sunday May 16 Graduate Sunday	9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 NOON 5:00 PM	Church School Worship Service Children Youth Group

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

GRADUATE SUNDAY



Join us next Sunday, **May 16** at 10:30am to honor our 2010 Graduates. The following graduates will be recognized:
 Andrew Feese, Adam Greene, Hannah Griffin, Kelcie Hollis, Kevin Minke, Kyla Parrett, Lauren Wemyss Pruden, Tyler Pruden, Lindsley Purdom, Brian Robinson and Neely Zeroogian.

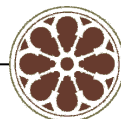
During the worship service we will invite our graduates to come forward to receive their gift and to share their future plans. If a graduate cannot attend this service, please send Holly your name and future plans so we can announce it to the congregation. Thank you!

Youth Mission Trip to Hazard July 6-9

The deadline to sign up is this Sunday!

Hey Youth! It is time to sign up for the Mission Trip to Hazard, Kentucky. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer or contact Holly as soon as possible. It will be a life changing experience!

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



I can't remember the last time I missed a Sunday because of illness, that is, before last Sunday! This has been a very bad allergy season for many folks. I had been so proud (perhaps too proud!) that I did not have a problem with allergies, but then it finally got to me too. Someone called it the "Kentucky Crud."

My special thanks to Holly for stepping in at the last minute to deliver the sermon for Sunday. I listened to the recording of it early on Monday, and must say she did a fine job! I cannot tell you how much of a relief it is to have someone like Holly on staff who can cover so well when I am absent. That takes a big load off my mind.

And I looked out the window of my office this morning and saw three lovely cherry trees planted in front of the church. As you will recall, the Worship Team decided to try something different at Easter. Instead of giving over \$700 to the local florist to provide lilies for the church, we decorated the church with some silk flowers and some lovely potted plants on loan from the Madison's. The money collected was used to purchase these new trees, which is just one part of a new landscaping plan that the Facilities Enhancement Team has been working on. I am so proud of the members of our church for embracing this new approach.

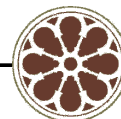
Several people have expressed their appreciation for not having flowers that caused them to have allergic reactions; and others expressed their appreciation for using these funds for the long-term beautification of the church.

By the way, I'm looking for a few missionaries. No, I don't need missionaries to Tanzania or China, though that might be exciting. I need missionaries to the other side of church. We all know that we easily get stuck in a rut, and one rut is sitting in the same place in church every Sunday. There is something comforting about that, but think of all the people who sit on the other side of church you miss getting to know. I am convinced that this can be one tool for increasing our friendliness quotient and for increasing our fellowship quotient.

Yes, I have noticed that many of our folks sit in the same place every Sunday. That's our natural tendency, and brings a certain level of comfort. But I am hoping for a few missionaries who will accept the challenge. It will take a conscious effort, but I think it would be a great missionary action to sit in a different place every Sunday. You might even like the acoustics better from the center aisle. The sermon might sound better from the north side. I am confident it will give you a chance to build a relationship with someone new. Any takers?

Mickey

Serving Sunday, May 9



Worship Leader	Tom Simpson
Elders	Steve Feese, Kelly Nossokoff
Deacons Serving Communion	Prepare & Serve: Angie Kerrick Prepare & Serve: Katie Minke Prepare & Serve Stage: Gaynelle Morris Distribute & Serve: Suzanne Johnson Clean & Serve: Timothea Branham, Deborah Goad, Logan Parrett Usher & Alternate: Gary Whitaker
Greeters	Gretel Morgan, JoAnn Walker Dee Campbell, Dee Pinkstaff
Sound System	Media Team
Acolyte	Gage Minke
Fellowship Hour	Sharon White & Dee Campbell
Visitor Care	Sharon White, Jamie Crouch
Homebound Communion May 23	Steve Feese, Kelly Nossokoff, Eddie Overton

	Our Attendance 5/02/2010	Last Year
10:30 AM Worship	172	213
Church School	48	
Children's Church	25	

By Our Prayers

- Karen Bowman, (Peggy Thomas' daughter).
 - Melissa Burklow (Becky Burklow's niece).
 - Gwen Courtney.
 - Rita Haggard.
 - Barby Hardy.
 - Kelcie Hollis
 - Paul McDonald (Kristie Minke's uncle).
 - Danny Minke.
 - Cathy Morris.
 - Joe Murphy.
 - Reta Murphy.
 - Lukas Nedelco (Debbie Parrett's nephew).
 - Mike O'Bryant (Thelma Brown's brother in law).
 - Mary Louis Phelps.
 - Zach Pickard.
 - Ryan Randolph (Phyllis Rohlf's nephew).
 - Phyllis Rohlf.
 - Sandi (friend of Katie Minke).
 - Juanita Sears.
 - Mary Smith.
 - Bob Strait (Karen Keeling's father).
 - Sarah Walker (Lois and Jerry Walker's granddaughter).
- **Please remember our homebound members in prayer:** 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.

Children Worship & Wonder Schedule

5/9 Good Shepherd & the Lord's Supper II
Storyteller: Jeannie Tungate
Greeters: Angie Kerrick, Stephanie Reedy

5/16 Ascension
Storyteller: Jeannie Tungate
Greeters: Stephanie Reedy, Pat Murphy

5/23 Pentecost
Storyteller: Holly Fuqua
Greeters: Pat Murphy, Zach Fuqua

5/30 Baptism
Storyteller: Sarah Anders
Greeters: Zach Fuqua, Jamie Crouch

6/6 The Ark and A Tent for God
Storyteller: Juliette Kilpatrick
Greeters: Jamie Crouch, Jeannie Tungate



Earth Stewardship Tip of the Week

Running Errands: BYOB—Bags, that is. It's good for your wallet, too. Some retailers, such as CVS, now pay you for every disposable bag you *don't* take (\$1 on a special CVS card for every four trips on which you "Bring Your Own Bag.")

Euchre
This Saturday, May 8
7:00 PM

Everyone is welcome.

This is the Last Week to Complete the Church 360 Survey

Folks at South Elkhorn Christian Church are being invited to find ways God might be inviting our congregation to imagine new ways of faithful life and witness as a congregation. The *anonymous* survey (also known as the Roxburgh Survey) is gathering two kinds of data:

Quantitative — designed to provide basic data about who attends; and

Qualitative — A series of questions designed to find out how we view our readiness for mission-shaped life as a church.

The following excerpts on the introduction and description of the survey are taken from the survey web site <http://www.msurvey.org/c/scc>

“What is this Survey?” This survey is a tool for initiating listening conversations across the congregation. Think of this survey as a resource to initiate dialogue with one another about who you are right now in terms of your missional life as a congregation.”

“How long will it take?” It will take you about 40 minutes to complete this survey. We are asked to be thoughtful and give careful consideration to our responses.”

“The survey consists of:

1. An initial section of data questions.
2. A section containing sixteen sections with four questions in each section. We are asked to choose only one of these responses. 5. Agree Strongly, 4. Agree, 3. Neither Agree nor Disagree, 2. Disagree, 1. Disagree Strongly

3. A "Comments" section provided after each of the 16 sections.” We encourage you to go to <http://www.msurvey.org/c/scc> and take this survey so that we might get a better idea of how God is leading us in our life of faith and witness together. Hard copies are also available in the foyer of the CMC.

Letter from Todd Adams Associate General Minister and Vice President of Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Dear South Elkhorn Christian Church,

Greetings and blessings to you in the name of Jesus Christ! As I write this year's "Where Your Money Goes Letter," I am mindful that 2009 was a challenging year. In 2009, we experienced one of the most difficult, global economic cycles since the Great Depression. We all know the news and the headlines. The one headline you may not know is that as a result of these challenges, giving to Disciples Mission Fund decreased by more than 10%.

As part of this year's where your money goes letter, I am including a four-year giving history for your congregation. I want to challenge and encourage you to look at your congregational trend and see how together we can increase your support of our common mission.

I am also asking that if your congregation decreased your support of DMF in 2009 because of your own economic challenges that you look for opportunities to restore your giving to your previous levels.

2006: \$4732.32 2007: \$11,921.00 2008: \$12,818.85 2009: \$9,723.68

Your gifts to Disciples Mission Fund support a wide variety of mission work. Here are some examples of the ministry your congregation's contribution supported in 2009. Your \$9,723.68 was divided so that:

- \$3869 went to your region of the church, Christian Church in Kentucky.
- \$988 to 14 Disciples-relation colleges and universities and seven seminaries and divinity houses.
- \$1161 to the Division of Overseas Ministries (DOM) Global Ministries.
- \$937 to Disciples Home Missions.
- \$597 to the Office of the General Minister and President.
- \$226 to Ethnic Ministries.
- \$227 to Pension Fund.
- \$220 to Disciples Benevolent Services.
- \$198 to OGMP Communication Ministries.
- \$136 to Church Extension.
- \$129 to Higher Education and Leadership Ministries.
- \$105 to Council on Christian Unity.
- \$66 to Disciples Historical Society.
- \$55 to ecumenical ministries.
- \$137 to International Disciples Women's Fellowship.
- \$475 to Treasury Services, the Office Of Promotion and the Office of Stewardship Ministries.
- \$24 to other related organizations of the church.
- \$164 to Council of General Ministries.

WEDDINGS WEDDINGS WEDDINGS!



South Elkhorn is a lovely place for a wedding! So...with members setting dates and making plans, and a number of inquiries coming in from interested non-members, we have completed a Wedding Service Policy and established a Wedding Coordinator Team!

Kay McAllister is team leader and Jo Kane is our contact member. Joining them in the fun are: Phyllis Alexander, Alicia Allen, Kelly Nossokoff, Tammy Starbuck, Mary Louis Phelps, and Kim Wemyss. There is room for ANYONE interested in serving in this ministry! You may give as much or as little time as you have.

We would be happy to have you join us...or contact us to coordinate your wedding!!!

CONFIDENTIAL!

That's what Stephen Ministry is. Everything a person tells his or her Stephen Minister is kept in strict confidence. People are often afraid that if they tell someone what is troubling them, word will get around and others will look down on them. But a Stephen Minister keeps everything a care receiver shares confidential, and through the sharing God works miracles of healing and peace.

Cabinet Meeting Highlights

The Cabinet met Tuesday, April 20, at the church. The following are highlights of the business meeting:

Goals set at the January retreat have been assigned to specific ministry areas. Progress on the goals are now reviewed at each monthly Cabinet meeting.

In March, the Cabinet approved the Wedding Policy presented by Phyllis Alexander on behalf of the wedding policy committee.

It was announced at the March meeting that Dick Rohlf had submitted his resignation as a Cabinet member-at-large. At the April meeting, Steve Feese announced that Adam Zeroogian has agreed to serve out the remainder of Dick's term. Adam's appointment was approved by the Cabinet.

Steve Feese gave an update on the Roxburgh Initiative.

Mickey gave a report of the Stephen Ministry conference and announced tentative plans for another training session in October.

Chad Conley gave an update on physical plant issues, including the parking lot lighting project. Chad also announced plans for an upcoming all-church work day.

The next Cabinet meeting is Tuesday, May 18, at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Meetings are open to the congregation.

**Vacation Bible
School News
Galactic Blast
June 6-10
6pm-8pm
Newborn—Fifth
Grade**



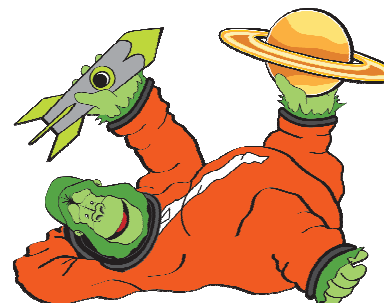
Registration Forms are now available. Please pick up your form in the foyer and turn in to Holly or the church office.
Please invite your friends!

We still need volunteers to sign up. You can sign up on the Bulletin Board in the foyer.

Donations That Are Needed

- *Volunteers for Craft Room
- *140 aluminum pie pans
- *cardboard
- *Rick Rack
- *Scotch tape
- *Pipe cleaners

You may drop off items in the church office. Please see Jeannie Tungate if you have any questions



UPCOMING CHILDREN & YOUTH EVENTS

This Sunday, May 9: No Youth Group. Enjoy time with your mothers and grandmothers and all the wonderful women in your life.

Next Sunday, May 16: Children: We will meet after church for lunch and an activity. Youth: We will meet at 5:00 pm dressed in your fancy clothing! We are taking the High School Senior Graduates out to dinner. Our seniors can pick where we will eat!! Please RSVP to Holly.

Sunday, May 23, 5:00-7:00 pm: Children—Cook out at Holly's House at 5:00 PM to celebrate the last Sunday of Youth Group until August.

Youth—We will gather after church and will go to Will's home for lunch. After lunch, we will go to Shilito Park for disc golf. Please bring clothes to change into after church.

*An invitation from Kathryn L. Wilson
(Master of Divinity)*

*The Graduating Class
The Trustees and the Faculty
Of
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of your presence at the One hundred and forty-
fourth commencement Friday morning, May
fourteenth
Two Thousand and Ten
At ten o'clock*