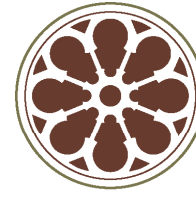


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What's Happening . . . Week of January 24		
Sunday January 24	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 3:30 PM-5:30 PM	Sunday School Worship Service: Installation of Officers All Church Event: Ice Skating
Monday January 25	7:00 PM	Facility Enhancement
Tuesday January 26	7:00 PM	New Deacons Meeting
Wednesday January 27	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Team Choir
Thursday January 28	7:45 AM 10:00 AM	Communications Team Women's Book Study
Friday January 29	12:30 PM	KeenAgers
Saturday January 30	8:00 AM	Morgan Men's Breakfast
Sunday January 31	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: "All One Body We" Scripture: I Corinthians 12:12-31

All-Church Event This Sunday!
Ice Skating, 3:30 PM-5:30 PM



The Ice Skating is at 560 Eureka Springs Drive. The cost is \$9 for 11 and older, \$8 for 10 and under. Please meet inside the front entrance and bring the exact change. We will pay as a group and then skate, eat, play games and cheer each other on!!!

Hope to see you there!!

Children and Youth Art Display



Come enjoy the Children and Youth Art Display this Sunday, January 24 and Sunday, February 7 in the CMC foyer. We have such talented young people!!

JOY Circle
February 21, 5:30 PM

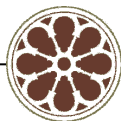
Looking ahead, we want to remind you that JOY will **not** meet on the second Sunday, as usual. We will meet on the third Sunday, Feb. 21, 5:30 at the church. Go ahead and mark it on your calendar!

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

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

Life Together by Mickey Anders



The situation in Haiti is one of the worst natural disasters and human disasters in our time. I am sure that you join me in feelings of frustration that more cannot be done quickly to alleviate the suffering and pain. There have been many appeals for funding, but I want to suggest that the best way our church members can give is through our denomination's Week of Compassion Offering. 100% of our gifts go directly to aid; none is taken for overhead. Week of Compassion workers are already on the ground in Haiti working closely with other humanitarian agencies.

Our Outreach Committee has committed \$1,000 of our budgeted funds to Week of Compassion, and we hope that our members will at least match that amount. You can get updates on the work of Week of Compassion Haiti by going to their website at www.weekofcompassion.org.

I look back on 2009 with a deep sense of satisfaction about our church. Our attendance in worship has grown averaging 212 for the year, and we added 38 new members last year! We made many physical improvements including the new floor in McMahan Hall, a new furnace for the Historic Sanctuary, a new furnace for the Little Elks area, a new surface on the parking lot, a new phone system, new cabinets for McMahan Hall, and the replacement of seven HV/AC units in the old building.

Perhaps our biggest achievement has been in the area of financial giving. Our people are good stewards! Even with the terrible economic news, we gave to the budget \$14,678.40 more than in 2008.

Here are some key figures from our end-of-the-year financial report:

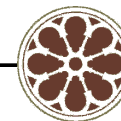
Total Revenues for Budget	\$352,431.25
Expenses for Ministry Support	\$232,709.82
Fellowship	\$3,641.37
Witness	\$2,752.30
Discipleship	\$6,300.12
Worship	\$2,423.53
New Ministries	\$1,000.00
Outreach	\$27,283.00
Physical Plant	\$106,789.98

In addition to our gifts to the budget of the church, our members give over and above gifts toward the building debt. At the end of 2006, our debt on the building was \$876,468.29. At the end of 2009, our debt was 665,125.62. As I recall the original cost of the CMC was \$1.3 million, so we have paid off about half of the cost of the building.

I am making tentative plans for an adult mission trip November 7-13. There is a group from Crestwood and Central that go every year to do a Habitat build on the Gulf Coast. I have contacted the leaders of that group about the possibility of our joining this Disciples build. If you have any interest in participating in this trip, please let me know and reserve the dates on your calendar. I will share more information about this mission trip as I get it.
Mickey

Mickey

Serving Sunday, January 24



Worship Leader	Bob Ross 1/24 Frank Goad 1/31
Elders	Steve Feese, Jamie Crouch
Deacons Serving Communion	Mary Griffen-P, serve stage Peter Griffen, Lynn Purdom-PS Darrin Deaton-D (alternate) Ellie Johnson, Kendra Weisenfeld, Dick Rohlf-CS Taylor Nossokoff-S, usher
Greeters	Evelyn Cartmill, Thelma Brown Agnes Sandford, JoAnna Griffin
Sound System	Media Team
Acolyte	Braxton Minke
Fellowship Hour	Mary & Peter Griffen
Visitor Care	Eddie & Eyvonne Overton
Homebound Communion January 24	Don & Alicia Allen, Terry Bay

	Our Attendance	
	1/17/2010	Last Year
Worship	222	213
Church School	56	
Children's Church	26	

**Memorial
In Memory of Myrtle Broadus
Given by Ann Morgan**

By Our Prayers

- Congratulation to Chris and Megan Weiss upon the birth of their son, Elliott Christopher Weiss, who was born on Sunday, January 17.
- Mary Smith.
- Jim Price.
- Delena Wilson (Leaves on January 20 for a medical mission to Haiti).
- Stewart Glasscock (Lynn Purdom's father).
- Juanita Sears.
- Margie Drake.
- Barby Hardy.
- 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, 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.

Our Ministry Received 1/17/2009 \$6466
"Make God Real" Campaign New Building Received 1/17/2009 \$835
Week of Compassion: Haiti Response \$646

Children Worship & Wonder Schedule

1/24 Parable of the Mustard Seed

Storyteller: Holly Fuqua

Greeters: Kelly Reese, Angie Kerrick

1/31 Parable of the Leaven

Storyteller: Holly Fuqua

Greeters: Angie Kerrick, Stephanie Reedy

2/7 Parable of the Great Pearl

Storyteller: Sarah Anders

Greeters: Stephanie Reedy, Pat Murphy

2/14 Parable of the Sower

Storyteller: Sarah Anders

Greeters: Pat Murphy, Zach Fuqua

2/21 Lenten Puzzle

Storyteller: Juliette Kilpatrick

Greeters: Zach Fuqua, Jamie Crouch

2/28 Jesus and the Children

Storyteller: Juliette Kilpatrick

Greeters: Jamie Crouch, Jeannie Tungate

New Deacons Meeting Tuesday, January 26 7:00 PM

This meeting will be for all of the newly elected deacons for 2010. Please call Darrin Deaton 859-230-6431 if you have any questions.

KeenAgers Friday, January 29 and February 26 12:30 PM

We will be watching a video series on "Our Lincoln." This is the play that was at the Kennedy in Washington, DC and Singletary Center in Lexington. We will watch act one in January and the act two in February.

A musical, theatrical, and historical tribute to the nations sixteen president.

We will also have a potluck on both of these days. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

Baptism in the New Year



Do you feel God calling you to be baptized at South Elkhorn Christian Church as we begin this New Year of 2010? If so, please contact Holly (hollyfuqua@gmail.com) or call the church office. Once we have an idea of how many people and what ages are interested, we will either hold weekly classes or meet regularly on an individual basis. If you have not been baptized, please pray about it and let us know.

God's Pantry Donations Needed



Let's not forget our food for God's Pantry. The organizations in our city such as God's Pantry are being called on very heavily right now. We need to help. They will come and take our filled barrels and leave us two more. All we have to do is bring the food.

New Sunday School Class To Begin on Sunday, February 7 Room #123 in Lil Elks Wing Teacher: LaDondra Cercone

This class is an exploration of how accepting God's love enables us to love others. Living love is the first, and key step, in caring for, forgiving, offering kindness and being patient with the others in your life. Max Lucado's book, A Love Worth Giving, based largely on 1Corinthians 13, examines how we can accept God's love and offer our love to others more freely. We hope that you can come!

Books will be provided. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are interested.



Morgan Men's Breakfast Saturday, January 30 8:00 AM

Gene Simonuet will be speaking.

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

Want to visit the mountains? If so please sign up on the church bulletin board. The deadline is February 28. We would love for children, youth and adults to join us! This is a great time to invite friends outside the church as well.

The group price for Dixie Stampede including tax and gratuity is \$36.09 for adults and \$23.97 for children 4-11. Children 3 and under are free if they sit on a parents lap. The facility is fully accessible for individuals with special needs and they have vegetarian meals available upon request.

We have rooms blocked under South Elkhorn Christian Church at Best Western Plaza Inn. The cost is \$51.00 per room for two double beds with a delicious continental breakfast provided. We also have a room reserved for morning devotions together. Reservations for the rooms need to be made by February 28. Please call 1800-232-5656 to make reservations.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

I hope to see you in Pigeon Forge!

Holly

Discovering Islam 101 - Muslim Origins, History, and Practice - February 5-7, 2010

Friday: 12:30 pm-3:00 pm - Attend Friday Prayers (Salat) at Mosque*

*We will meet at SECC for a 12:30 pm departure **-OR-** you may meet us at the Mosque at 1:00 pm. See the Current in coming weeks for additional details.

Friday: 7-9 pm at SECC; Sat 9:30 am-1:30 pm at SECC (coffee, juice, & donuts provided):
Sunday: Noon-2 pm (A delicious Iraqi Luncheon at SECC.)

Salem Alekum! Do you know over **1 Billion people** practice some form of Islam? Do you know that Islam is the fastest growing religion in the world and in the U.S.? Do you know the impact such growth and immigration issues mean for the U.S. and other Western countries?

What is Sunni? What is Shia? How are these factions different and why are they different in belief and practice? Why is there so much violence between these different factions? What is Sharia Law? What does its implementation in a new environment mean for the inhabitants?

Why is there a variety of dress among Muslim women? Why do some women wear the burka, some wear the Hajib and Veil, and some wear the Hijab only?

Come join us on a fascinating journey through the origins, basic history, and belief system of Islam. We'll use material from PBS, the History Channel, a course book, discussion, and sharing from Muslim friends.

We'll attend/observe Salat (prayers) at a local mosque on Friday afternoon. Any who wish only to attend Salat may do so **FREE!**

We'll explore the life of Mohammed, Muslim origins, the Five Pillars of Islam, and learn about the Qu'ran and Hadith. We'll learn about the importance and role of Mecca, Medina, and Jerusalem in Islam. We'll discuss Muslim views of Jesus, the Bible, and Christianity.

Most importantly, we'll explore loving ways of having dialog with, reaching out to, interacting with, and sharing about Jesus and Christianity with our Muslim friends. We'll celebrate the end of our weekend adventure with an Iraqi meal after worship on Sunday.

Please note there is a nominal cost for the seminar of \$15 per individual and \$20 per couple. This will cover materials, a course book (one per couple), and other expenses. There will be a small additional charge for participating in the Sunday meal.

RSVP ASAP (no later than Sunday, January 31) to the church office or sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Hope you can join us! Steve Moore

Ski Trip to Perfect North Saturday, February 20 Cost: \$45

The price includes admission, lessons and snowboarding, skiing and tubing rentals. Please sign up on the sheet in the CMC foyer. We will need more than 15 people to get the group rate of \$45 so please bring your friends! See Holly if you have any questions.



All Church Event Food & Football Party February 7 6PM



Bring a potluck dish to share and a can of soup for God's Pantry. We will end at half time. You can sign up on the bulletin board. Please Bring your friends!

Nathaniel Mission Clinic Coordinators Needed

NATHANIEL MISSION CLINIC, a free clinic in Lexington, is in need of **2 part time paid nurse clinic coordinators** to lead the health clinic Mon-Fri. Additionally, a **part time paid dental assistant** and **volunteer dentists** are also needed immediately – flexible days and hours for dental clinics, including weekend/evening if desired. For more information please contact Sarah Moore, sdmoore4@insightbb.com or Cindy Arbra, arbras@windstream.net.

Valentine Dinner Dance Saturday, February 13, 6:30 PM



Our youth will serve the delicious lasagna dinner at our annual Valentine Dinner Dance. All proceeds will go toward the youth summer mission trip. Jeannine Robinson will be taking reservations on January 31 and February 7 in the cmc foyer. It only cost \$10 per person. Child care will be provided at no additional cost. Mark your calendars now for February 13.

Parents Night Out



Celebrate Valentine's Day the week after and miss the crowds! The church will offer Parents Night Out Friday, February 19 from 6:00 pm-10:00 pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board. The deadline is Friday, February 12. Please contact Kenna Blanton (859) 221-8728 for information or cancellations.



Earth Stewardship Tip of the Week

Take old magazines to nursing homes or schools to be read or used for crafts.