



All-Stars! Show your WGCC colors!

**Buy a new
WGCC t-shirt
(shown above)
at the church
office.**

It's only \$10.

That's right. It's All-Star time.

Have you heard of the WGCC All-Stars?

Their record is historic. All wins and zero losses!

As with all All-Stars it isn't who they are but it's what they do that makes them winners.

Stepping up to the plate every time when big hitting help is needed.

Keeping the WGCC "park" in great condition.

Feeding the crowds when they come.

Cheering the players on with outstanding music.

Coaching us fans to make the WGCC nation an outstanding team.

Leading us forward to Championship seasons. These are our All-Stars.

Yes, it is ALL-Star time.

Every one of you is an All-Star on the WGCC team.

THANKS for all each of you do for the WGCC team.

- Pat Roseman



Hank Martin's legacy lives on in our music

The Memorial Fund Committee of WGCC recently purchased an 88-key Yamaha digital piano to replace the keyboard that was stolen from the church last month. This newer model is much lighter in weight and is able to be moved and secured when not in use. It also has not only piano sounds, but organ, strings, and percussion as well.

The Memorial Committee felt that this was a truly wonderful way to honor the memory of Hank Martin (for whom music was such a big part of his life), and is grateful to all of the donors who chose to remember Hank with their gifts to the Fund.



SPROG Operation Sack Lunch



Many thanks to those of you who supported the SPROG project with monetary donations and preparing the lunches. WGCC helped to fill the tummies and enrich the summer camp experience for 80 SPROG participants, and the directors and counselors thanked us enthusiastically with each delivery! What a blessing to be part of this outstanding program.

Daun Hashbarger

The Disciples roll in style at Pridefest

Several St. Louis area Disciples Congregations participated together in the 2016 St. Louis Pridefest. Members and friends of Community Christian Church, Compton Heights Christian Church, Liberation Christian Church, Union Avenue Christian Church, and Webster Groves Christian Church sponsored booths, offered communion, and participated in the parade as witnesses to wholeness in a fragmented world.



Summer Mission 2016

Xander Gerdes, Khotso Moore, John Christiansen, John Gerdes, and Jeff Moore of Webster Groves Christian Church participated in Disciples Summer Mission 2016 in St. Louis along with Disciples youth and sponsors from 19 Disciples congregations from 9 states. The groups stayed at Washington University, and worshiped and ate at Union Avenue Christian Church, Webster Groves Christian Church, and several other St. Louis sites. While in St. Louis the groups did service projects at Memorial Boulevard Christian Church, Webster Rock Hill Ministries, and Doorways - an interfaith housing ministry serving people living with HIV in Missouri and Illinois.

Support WGCC at Webster celebration

WGCC again is hosting a free water booth at the Webster Groves Community Days.

Please stop by the booth, and if you are available to help, contact Lea Gerdes.

It's a great time and a fun way to spend a few hours celebrating the holiday.

Volunteers needed:

At press time, Lea was still looking for volunteers on:

July 1: 9-11 p.m.

July 3: 2-4 p.m.; 6-8:30 p.m.

July 4: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; 1 p.m.-3 p.m.; 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

(and don't forget your WGCC t-shirt!)

Mountains, Music, and Memories: Documentary Film Series

Hosted by The Shepherd's Center in collaboration with Webster Groves Public Library

The Amazing Nina Simone

Sunday, July 10, 2-4 pm

She was left out of Civil Rights history. Erased by jazz critics and forgotten by most Americans because no one knew how to categorize her greatness. Now a new documentary reveals the real Nina Simone through over 50 intimate and exclusive interviews with those who best knew the artistry and intentions of one of America's true musical geniuses.

Alive Inside

Sunday, July 17, 2-3:30 pm

Alive Inside is a joyous cinematic exploration of Music's Capacity to reawaken our souls and uncover the deepest party of our humanity. Filmmaker Michael Rossata-Bennett chronicles the astonishing experiences of individuals around the country who have been revitalized and awakened by the simple act of listening to the music of their youth.

Webster Groves Public Library

301 East Lockwood, Webster Groves, MO 63119

Free and open to the public

Please RSVP to the Shepherd's Center 314-395-0988

Walk-ins welcome on a first come first served basis



Global Mission Fest comes to WGCC in August

The Mid-American Region of the Disciples of Christ is sponsoring Hands Around the World, a celebration of global mission, in mid August.

Part of that celebration features missionary visits to local churches, including a visit by Judy Chan, who is a communications specialist for Global Ministries' Hong Kong Christian Council.

She will be at Webster Groves Christian Church on Sunday, Aug. 21. More details about her visit to come.

Created in God's Image: Racism, Faith and Justice

What: Workshop at Columbia College, Columbia, Mo

When: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. July 9, 2016

How much: \$40, includes lunch and materials.

This workshop is an outreach of the Reconciliation Ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). This initiative seeks to nurture the wholeness of the church through educating and engaging congregational leaders to dismantle systemic racism and other oppressive structures

Details and registration: <http://www.center4ministry.org/prar.html>





Look who's turning 101!

Marion Cadwallader was born July 9, 1915. She is 101 years old this year and our oldest member.

Marion became a member of WGCC in 2009. She lives at Sunrise Senior Living in Des Peres. Our communion volunteers visit with Marion regularly. She is always delighted to see us and greets us with her quiet sweet smile. She enjoys singing with us but also enjoys just listening as we tell her about church happenings and reminisce about her family.

Let's celebrate Marion's birthday with a card shower to her. Her address is: Marion Cadwallader, Sunrise Senior Living, 13460 Manchester Road - #322, Des Peres, MO 63131

Tom Stockdale memorial service on July 30

Former Webster Groves Christian Church Interim Minister, Rev. Tom Stockdale, died June 9 in St. Louis. He was 82.



An eloquent and poetic thinker as well as a beloved and insightful leader, he served the historic Union Avenue Christian Church for fifteen years as its Senior Minister. In his work and life, the arts of ministry spanned preaching, worship, social change, education, administration, community outreach, and also the arts of poetry, music, visual arts, and film.

He was a founding creator of the Interfaith Sidebar (Film and Faith) of the St. Louis Film Festival. He was an avid photographer, golfer, and a lover of Labrador retrievers.

He was a patron of the arts in many

forms including photography, painting, sculpture, music, cinematic arts, theater and poetry.

He is survived by his wife Pat and their four children.

A memorial service celebrating his life will be held at 11 a.m. at Union Avenue Christian Church on Saturday, July 30, 2016 (733 Union Blvd., St. Louis 63108). Donations and remembrances may be sent to Union Avenue Christian Church.

A birthday thank you

Frances Head passes along these thoughts after the recent celebration of her 100th birthday:

The recognition the Church gave me for my 100th birthday is appreciated. I received many birthday cards from members of the church expressing their happiness at my celebration. Their kind words made me feel grateful and appreciated.

It is wonderful to be a member of WGCC when people express such warm feelings.

Thank you for helping me celebrate my 100th birthday.

*Most sincerely,
Frances K. Head*

IN OUR PRAYERS ...

Recent Concerns

- For Peter and Carrie Koen, friends of the Smiths, who recently adopted five children from Costa Rica
- Mallory, a friend of Shah Smith who recently died
- Pauline Smith, a longtime member who recently fell and broke her hip
- Beth Cooley's mother, diagnosed with breast cancer
- Richard Mark's brother in hospital
- Dale Wolff, brother of Donna Wolff who is having health concerns
- Nick Saunders, a friend of Adam Rose who recently lost his father
- Deb Trautman's husband having neck pain
- For Vicki Ott's stepmother, and for Max's boss
- Sharon Watkins, who recently lost her mother
- For Richard Frankenberger, recovering from quadruple heart bypass surgery
- Laura Steutzer's friend Linda, who is struggling with health issues

- For Mony Tes
- Kathy Wolff, who has been battling pain for more than a year.
- For the family of Tom Stockdale, who recently passed away
- For Pat Roseman's grandson, as he travels to Guatemala
- Prayers for Stewart's (friend of Carole Hughes) family. He was killed in an auto accident
- For the families of George Estes, Henry (Hank) Martin, and Dorothy Wood--all of whom recently passed away

Thanks for ...

- The joy for the time that Denise Pahl got to spend with her father, before he recently passed away
- Their talents of Lisa Cripe in arranging our recent hymn service
- Recent successful surgery for Diana Knuckles
- Frances Head and Marion Cadwallader, celebrating their 100th and 101st birthdays

Community prayers

- Prayers for the kids and counselors at SPROG and Room at the Inn
- For the victims and families of the Orlando nightclub mass-shooting
- For all victims of terrorism around the globe
- For the families of Meacham Park struggling with poverty
- For patience and understanding in dealing with social media
- For community conversation in election season

Ongoing concerns

- Bill Woodrome
- Gloria Bitza
- Louise Larsen
- Marion Cadwallader
- John Norris
- Doris Derickson
- Kathy Carson
- Michelle Fielden

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, JULY 1:	7:30 a.m.: Educare Coffee Ministry
FRI-MON JULY 1-4:	Water booth at Webster Groves celebration
SUNDAY, JULY 3:	9 a.m.: Christian formation 10:30 a.m.: Worship
MONDAY, JULY 4:	Independence Day
TUESDAY, JULY 5:	6:30 p.m.: Painting and drawing meet up group.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6:	6:30 a.m.: Coffee ministry (Parking lot)
SUNDAY, JULY 10:	9 a.m.: Christian formation 10:30 a.m.: Worship 2 p.m.: Amazing Simone, film at WG Library 5 p.m.: Room at the Inn
MONDAY, JULY 11:	10 a.m.: Corinthians bible study
THURSDAY, JULY 14:	7:30 a.m.: Foodbank Run CWF group meetings
SUNDAY, JULY 17:	9 a.m.: Christian formation 10:30 a.m.: Worship 2 p.m.: Alive Inside, film at WG Library
MONDAY, JULY 18:	10 a.m.: Corinthians bible study
TUESDAY, JULY 19:	6:30 p.m.: Painting and drawing meet up group.
THURSDAY, JULY 21:	9:30 a.m.: Stitch and Sew for BRO
SUNDAY, JULY 24:	9 a.m.: Christian formation 10:30 a.m.: Worship
MONDAY, JULY 25:	10 a.m.: Corinthians bible study
TUESDAY, JULY 26:	Deadline for next edition of Witness
THURSDAY, JULY 28:	5 p.m.: Room at the Inn
SATURDAY, JULY 30:	11 a.m.: Tom Stockdale Memorial (Union Ave.)
SUNDAY, JULY 31:	9 a.m.: Christian formation 10:30 a.m.: Worship

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