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Tidy up, together!



All church members are invited to help out from 9am to 4pm on Saturday, Feb. 2, to clean various areas of the church building. The tasks will involve deep cleaning restrooms and vacuuming/dusting rooms. *Many hands will make the load light!*

Please come prepared with rags, dusting cloths, bathroom-cleaning products, buckets, portable vacuum cleaners, and anything else you feel might be helpful for removing dust and cobwebs.

Bring also snacks and a brown-bag or microwaveable lunch for nourishment during your breaks.



Join Keiler and Pastor Jeff for Table Talk this Sunday

On Sunday, February 3, WGCC member Keiler Swartz and Pastor Jeff Moore will present the Table Talk during morning worship. The text will be First Corinthians 13:1-13.

Please plan to join us as we explore the importance of deep and abiding love in our faith and community life.

WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission: Following Jesus' teaching and sacrificially serving the people who are the most marginalized.

Disciples women: A Valentine for Promise Place

There is no luncheon/general meeting in February. Two of the groups will meet on Valentine's Day so expect lots of chocolate and hearts at those meetings!

The service project for the month will be an offering to purchase a large item for the Promise Place closet. This is part of the Kirkwood Area Every Child Promise organization. Last year we bought a bassinet. We will see what is collected and what the need is before we decide on an item.

The group meetings for February:

Thursday, Feb. 14, Lydia Group: 9:30 am, Gilda Rzchowski's house

Thursday, Feb. 14, Martha group: 12:30 pm, Heritage Room, Marilyn Combs & Mary Sue Finney hosting

Thursday, Feb. 21, Tabitha group: 7 pm, Heritage Room (WGCC), Daun Hasbarger, hosting

-Sally Smith

A thanks for reusing and recycling

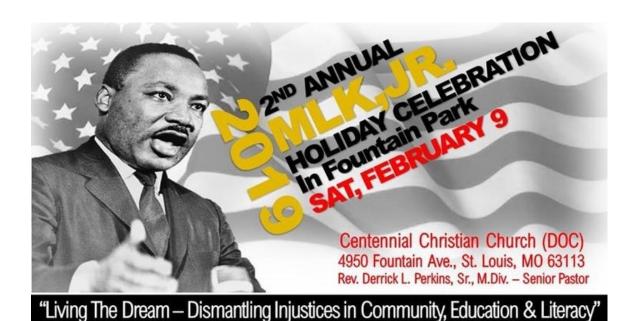
To everyone who contributed plastic containers for our Disciples Women to repackage detergent for Webster-Rock Hill Ministries, THANK YOU!

At this date we have enough containers to do our February repacking.

In April we will purchase more detergent.

Watch for our request for more containers after April. Recycle and Reuse! What a great way to support our Green Chalice program.

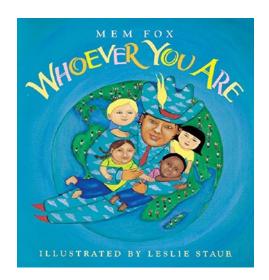
-Pat Roseman



Next up for the NOW book project

Big thanks again to all who have helped with the NOW book project. Your support continues to allow us to provide one or more books for each NOW family we sponsor monthly. In 2019, help is needed to allow us to purchase some new books that match the ages of our NOW families. We are purchasing two new books at present, as noted below.

We already have a generous donation that allowed us to purchase 15 copies of Happy Dreamer. What we need now is donations to purchase 15 new copies of Whoever You Are



Whoever You Are is available at different costs from different on line and actual store front book stores. Costs may vary from those printed below. Whether you want to donate an actual book or money in any amount to support its purchase (or for future new books) please let me know. That will allow me to manage the numbers still needed.

Whoever You Are is a soft cover book available at Barnes and Noble (\$3.88), Amazon (\$3.99), Eye See Me (\$3.99)

A reminder of what have we done to date: We gave each family a copy of the book Corduroy in September. In October each family received a book that answered a question...ie, What is Snow? What are Stars? In November each family received an activity type book, one that involved children touching or pointing or moving parts of the book and pages. In December we had enough donated Christmas books for each family. In January larger families received more than one book and smaller families one book. Book types varied and included gently used and new, activity, early reader, counting, stories to read aloud.

Books are typically sent home in NOW food bags on the second Friday of the month.

Contact Laura Stuetzer, 314-962-7156, laurajunest@hotmail.com

'Name that Tune' for KAEChP



"Name that Tune" is back, rocking and rolling for KAEChP on Friday, Feb. 22, at First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood.

Tickets are \$20 per person or \$160 for a table of 8.

Come and bring your friends for an evening of great food, fun and fellowship. The goal of Kirkwood Area Every Child Promise is to prepare every child and family for success as the children enter kindergarten. The organization offers supportive partnerships and financial resources, health resources, a "Clothing Closet" and, in partnership with KirkCare, food for families and individuals. All are Welcome. Doors open at 6; the tunes start at 7.

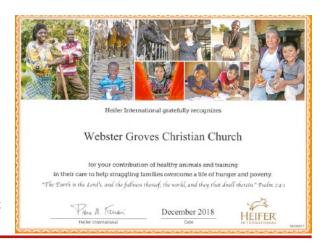
To sign up, email office@kirkwoodpres.org

WGCC earns kudos from Heifer International

Heifer International saluted Webster Groves Christian Church for raising \$2,127 this year during the Christmas Season.

For the entire campaign, we've raised more than \$15,000. "Wow, that's a lot of lives you've directly impacted," said Heifer's Amy O'Malley in a note to the congregation.

"Thank you. We could not do what we do without you."



Spice things up and help Isaiah 58 ministries

During the month of February, pick up a few new spices (no used or open spices please) and donate them to Isaiah 58 Ministries!

Spice suggestions: salt, pepper, Italian blends, poultry blends, chili powder, cinnamon, oregano, thyme, curry powder, onion powder, garlic powder, Mrs. Dash seasoning blends

Spices can be dropped off at Isaiah 58 Ministries, 2149 S. Grand Blvd., Monday thru Thursday, 10 am to 1 pm, or at Fiddlehead Fern Café, 4066 Russell Blvd., open everyday 7 am to 3 pm.

Learn more at www.i58ministries.org

Isaiah 58 Ministries serves those living in hunger and poverty in near-south city. The organization also has a "Bag of Blessings" program, which it collects and distributes on a regular basis. The monthly collections are listed below.

—Brenda Booth, executive director, Isaiah 58 ministries

Month	Food	Pantry Essential	Personal Care Item	Cleaning Supplies
		Cooking Oil (Canola, Olive,		
January	Oats, Dried Beans	Vegetable)	Body Lotion, Lip Balm	Laundry Soap
February	Tuna, Tuna Helper	Spices	Razors, Shaving Cream	Toilet Bowl Cleaner
March	Cereal, Peanut Butter, Jelly	Baking Soda	Toothbrush, Toothpaste	Mr. Clean Magic Erasers
April	Beef Stew, Canned Greens	Coffee (ground)	Deodorant, Bar Soap	All Purpose Cleaner
May	Pancake Mix, Syrup	Salt, Pepper	Diapers, Wipes (size 4, 5, 6)	SOS Pads, Sponges
	Canned Fruit, Hot	Cooking Oil (Canola, Olive,		
June	Chocolate, Tea	Vegetable)	Shampoo, Condition	Laundry Soap
July	Oats, Dried Beans	Flour (1 or 2 lbs)	Body Lotion, Lip Balm	Toilet Bowl Cleaner
August	Tuna, Tuna Helper	Baking Powder	Razors, Shaving Cream	Dish Soap
September	Cereal, Peanut Butter, Jelly	Coffee (ground)	Toothbrush, Toothpaste	Mr. Clean Magic Erasers
October	Beef Stew, Canned Greens	Salt, Pepper	Deodorant, Bar Soap	All Purpose Cleaner
November	Pancake Mix, Syrup Support Buy-A-Bird	Flour (1 or 2 lbs)	Diapers, Wipes (size 4, 5, 6)	SOS Pads, Sponges
December	Canned Fruit, Hot Chocolate, Tea	Sugar (1 or 2 lbs)	Shampoo, Condition	Laundry Soap



Save the dates: Disciples summer programs

For admission forms and scholarship information, go to: http://www.mid-americadisciples.org

Christian Regional Youth (CRY)
Participating in Disciple Summer
Mission in Springfield, Mo.
Adult chaperones can apply for
Leadership Development grant
6-12 grade June 24-28

That All May Be One - a camp to celebrate the Beloved Community -

Camp MoVal, Union, Mo., - in partners with the United Church of Christ Target ages are upper elementary through middle school but intergenerational families welcome June 30-July 6

Scholarships are available through our Orchard Crest Permanent Fund. Applications are due by May 15 and require recommendation from home church.

Faith Adventures Camp

Camp Hebron, Pittsburg, Mo. CYF (completed 9th-12th grade) 7/29-8/2 Chi Rho (completed 6th-8th grade) 7/29-8/2 JYF (completed 3rd-5th grade) 7/29-8/2 Try-It (K-2 with an accompanying adult) 8/1-8/2

Canoe Adventure Camp on Current River

Shannondale Retreat Center - Timber, Mo.

In partnership with the United Church of Christ

Middle and high school - July 14-18

Mission intern program

Young adults are invited to apply to the Global Ministries Global Mission Internship program. **Participants** serve from one to three vears with one of our international mission partners. Applications are due March 31

IN OUR PRAYERS ...

Recent concerns

- For Carole Hughes's friend's father who is recovering from brain surgery.
- For the family of Pat Roseman's friend Stan, who recently passed away.
- For Gilda Rzchowski's friends Linda and Larry, battling Alzheimers and recently suffering a broken neck.
- For Craig Wood, who is recovering from a stroke.
 He is doing well, but has a road ahead to recovery.
- For Richard Frankenberger, recovering from a broken femur
- For Analyn Howells, recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- For Andy Lindberg, who is recovering from a foot amputation.
- Dick Savage, who continues to ask for our prayers.
- For Linda, a friend of Laura Stuetzer, facing medical issues.
- For students of Keiler Swartz who are suffering because of cutbacks in Medicare
- For Jen, a relative of the Roses, recovering from cancer surgery.

- For the family of Stephen DeWitt, Sally Smith's nephew, who passed away in December.
- For a friend of Molly Gibbons, who is in rehabilitation
- For Vincent a relative of Carole Hughes, suffering from hearing loss.
- For all who lost loved ones in the past year.
- Melanie Ave, the wife of one of Bob Rose's coworkers, who was injured in a car accident.
- For Katie, a friend of Max Ott, who is a foster parent going through the adoption process.
- Dev Crist as she continues on sabbatical.
- Marley Sexhauer, as she battles seizures.
- For Jane Yount.

On the move:

We have a new address for Elisabeth (Ibby)
Stern:

Elisabeth Stern

3418 E. Debazan Ave.

St. Pete Beach, FL 33706

• Bill Sullivan, as he continues to recuperate.

Thanks for ...

- Marilyn Combs' daughter on a recent visit from Michigan.
- For all those donating books to Project NOW
- John Christensen and Delcia Corlew, who recently were honored for their service to the Shepherd's Center.
- All visitors who were able to join us over the Christmas season.
- For all the veterans who have served our country.
- The gifts and spirit of our musicians.

Community

- For victims of natural disasters, as we minister to them through our week of compassion offering.
- For refugees and immigrants.
- For families who have lost children to domestic violence.

Ongoing concerns

- Bill Woodrome
- John Norris

UPCOMING EVENTS

ACCESS THE CALENDAR AT WGCC.ORG

SATURDAY, FEB. 2 9 a.m.-4 p.m.: All-Church cleaning

SUNDAY, FEB. 3 9 a.m.: Christian formation

10:30 a.m.: Worship

TUESDAY, FEB. 5 10 a.m. Matthew Gospel Study

SATURDAY, FEB. 9 10 a.m.: MLK celebration Centennial Christian

SUNDAY, FEB. 10 9 a.m.: Christian formation

10:30 a.m.: Worship

5 p.m.: Room at the Inn

TUESDAY, FEB. 12 10 a.m. Matthew Gospel Study

THURSDAY, FEB. 14 Valentine's Day

7:30 a.m.: Foodbank run

7 p.m.: KAEChP general meeting

CWF group meetings

SUNDAY, FEB. 17 9 a.m.: Christian formation

10:30 a.m.: Worship

Webster-Rock Hill King Celebration

TUESDAY, FEB. 19 10 a.m. Matthew Gospel Study

THURSDAY, FEB. 21 9:30 a.m. Sewing group

FRIDAY, FEB. 22 6 p.m.: KAEChP Name that Tune (1st Pres.)

SUNDAY, FEB. 24 Week of Compassion Special Offering

9 a.m.: Christian formation

10:30 a.m.: Worship

TUESDAY, FEB. 26 10 a.m. Matthew Gospel Study

Deadline for next Witness

THURSDAY, FEB. 28 9 a.m. Cardmakers

5 p.m.: Room at the Inn



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