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**IT'S NOT TOO LATE** ... to participate in the 3rd Annual KAEChP Golf Tournament & Fundraising Dinner! Join us on Monday, Oct. 7, at Westborough Country Club. **The Early Bird Registration deadline is this Sunday, Sept. 29**.

Go to birdeasepro.com/kaechp for registration details. If you're a golfer, talented or not so talented, we'd love to have you join us for a fun day on the course while investing in the future of Kirkwood kids and families.

Not a golfer? **You can join us for our fundraising dinner.** A silent auction, restaurant gift card sales, and a fund-a-need appeal will be part of the action to provide for KAEChP's programs and space.

Several of KAEChP's component programs and coordination are housed within Webster Groves Christian Church (WGCC), and the facilities of Westborough Country Club are made available for this tournament by special arrangement with WGCC. In lieu of annual rent and event expenses, the first \$30,000 of net tournament proceeds are split evenly between KAEChP and WGCC with KAEChP receiving 100 percent of the net proceeds exceeding \$30,000.

# 3rd Annual KAEChP Golf Tournament & Fundraising Dinner

Empowering families Investing in our future Keeping our promise

October 7, 2019 Westborough Country Club Register online at birdeasepro.com/kaechp Early Bird Deadline - 9/29/19

# Disciples Women involve more members

The study for Disciples women for 2019-2020 reminds us that change is a very important part of the Disciples Women. We are reminded that the Disciples of Christ Christian Church is trying to fulfill changes such as becoming a Pro-Reconciling Anti-Racial Church, formation of 1,000 new Disciples churches by 2020, the revitalization of 1,000 Disciple churches, plus

The Disciples Women Groups will meet as follows in October:

Tabitha Group, 7 PM -Heritage Room on October 17, Susan Moore, Hostess

Lydia Group, 9:20 AMin the homes on October 10, Barbara Merrell Hostess/

Martha Group, 12:30 PM -Heritage Room on October 10, Bev Richmond & Mary Sue Finney, Hostesses and Vicki Ott, Study. leadership development. These changes are a part of all the education programs in the churches. Change is very difficult, especially when we are accustomed to running a program for many years. Disciples Women in Webster Groves Christian Church has taken a large role in these changes.

One change this fall is moving our general business meeting to follow the lunch and speaker. This attempt is to involve more members in the business of the organization. The Bring Your Own Lunch will begin at noon in Fellowship Hall, followed by the speaker and then the business meeting all to be held in Fellowship Hall. By involving more members, we hope to work on leadership development and encourage more members to participate in the goals of the organization.

The most recent service project, a lunch/work day, was highly successful. The toys in the nursery were cleaned and the candle wax was removed from the church pews. The October service project is detergent

for those who cannot afford to purchase it. Parents cannot purchase detergent with food stamps. Bring your money and we will make this collection in our groups. Recent statistics tell us that one in five children come to school in dirty clothes. Some groups are purchasing washers and dryers for the schools and others are purchasing detergent as we are. We do know that children who come to school in clean clothes are much more likely to be successful in school. Later in the month of October, we will gather to package the detergent for distribution.

Marilyn Combs, Jane Martin and Julie Wood participated in a weekend Disciples Women Retreat, September 20 and 21 at St. Charles Christian Church in New Town. The service project for the weekend was filling emergency buckets for Church World Service. Buckets included items like sponges, disinfectant dish soap, clothesline and pins, work gloves, laundry detergent, heavy duty trash bags and more.

Five buckets were completed and eight were partially completed. WGCC volunteered to finish one of the buckets and other congregations were recruited to complete others. Finished buckets, along with hygiene and school kits, completed by local congregations' Disciples Women groups, will be taken to Festival of Sharing to join others in Columbia, Mo., and sent by Church World Service where needed all over the world.



# Also on the Disciples Women's calendar

We will welcome as our speaker this month at noon Oct. 3, Jan Aerie, MS, family counselor and gerontologist, who has long developed and led workshops, written curricula and founded elderly advocacy organizations with churches and communities. For the past two years, lan has been working with the Mid-America Region, leading its Ministries with and for Older Adults Program.

At the October meeting, the service projects, school kits and health kits will be dedicated. The Lydia Group will serve as hostess and the Tabitha Group will be responsible for the devotional.

-Jane Martin

# Shepherd's Center is moving to WGCC

After unanimous votes from the WGCC Board and the Shepherd's Center Board, Shepherd's Center, a WGCC partner ministry for over two decades, will be moving their offices and activities to WGCC beginning in February 2020.

They will be renting three office spaces in the WGCC education wing, just across the hall from Promise Place and Parents as Teachers. Shepherd's Center programs will be scheduled into the WGCC calendar along with the many other groups that use the building. We are excited to be partnering in this new way and hope to find additional opportunities to share in mission and ministry!

# Please help us end hunger one step at a time!

The St. Louis CROP Hunger Walk is coming up on Sunday, October 6. Those of us who are



lucky enough to have plenty to eat every day can help the many who do not – and there are lots of ways to pitch in!

*Walk...*join us at <u>Eden Theological Seminary</u> (475 E. Lockwood) at 4:30 to register, grab a snack from the <u>Holy Crepe food truck</u>, choose from the 1-mile or 3-mile route, and go!

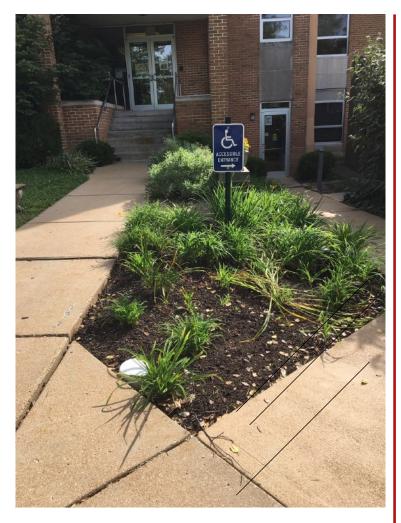
*Click...*visit the <u>WGCC team page</u> and sign up as a virtual walker. You can help the cause without breaking a sweat!

*Give...*sponsor a walker or make a donation to the team. You can do it on the website or bring a check to church. Some of the money raised will be going to local agencies including Webster-Rock Hill Ministries.

*Listen...*come to the seminary chapel at 7pm for the Festival of Psalms concert featuring the Eden choir. An offering will be received to support the CROP Walk.

*Pray...*please do pray for the success and safety of the walk, and for all those who are going hungry.

*Ask...*contact <u>Lisa Cripe</u> or <u>Susan Moore</u> if you have any questions! Thank you!



### Nice job, Green Team!

Here's a shout out to the Green Team for the sweaty days they put in mowing the church property in this summer-that-won't-end. And a special thanks to Paul Murphy for the landscaping work done at the west entrance. It really improved appearance of entrance.

Green Team members: Ray Brown, John Burney, Mat DeKinder, Bill and Billy Howells, Larry Ludwig, Mike Moran, John Pahl, Bob and Adam Rose.

-Pat Roseman

### Fair Trade Update

As we know food prices seem to be moving upward. Our Fair Trade Table items of coffee, tea and chocolate are not escaping the increase. HOWEVER you have time to purchase items on the table NOW at lower prices before we place our next order.

Visit the Fair Trade Table this month and help your budget!

-Pat Roseman

#### A new book from Devoree Crist

Dear friends, my book is here! This book has been an ongoing blessing for me.

I took the scripture of the day, chosen by Pastor Jeff for preaching, and meditated on it. The resulting spirit prayers thus blessed me in meditation, in writing, in praying them together, and now in organizing them into this collection.

I hope those who read this book can experience the gift of scripture and prayer to deepen their relationship with God.

There are 5 copies which I left at the church to sell, but you can also get it from BookBaby at this address:

https://store.bookbaby.com/ book/Spirit-Prayers

-Devoree Crist



# October 11 – 13, 2019





October 11 at 7 p.m. Webster Groves Christian Church 1320 West Lockwood Avenue St. Louis, MO 63122

October 12 at 7 p.m. St. Charles Christian Church 3337 Rue Royale St. Louis, MO 63301

October 13 at 10 a.m. First Christian Church of Troy 1302 Boone Street Troy, MO 63379

Culver-Stockton Choir/Jazz Ensemble Concert October 13 at 3 p.m. Culver-Stockton College Robert W. Brown Performing Arts Center One College Hill Canton, MO 63435

The Culver-Stockton College Fine Arts Department is proud to present the schedule for the 2019-20 Choir Tour.

Please join St. Louis Area alumni, family and friends as we gather to enjoy this special music. If you know of a prospective high school student that might be interested in hearing our choir and meeting some of our students, please invite him or her to attend.

For more information, contact the Office of Fine Arts at finearts@culver.edu.

# IN OUR PRAYERS ...

### **Recent concerns**

- For Andy Lindberg, as he continues his recovery.
- Mark and Kathy Hoefert, friend of Max Ott who were hit by flooding in South Dakota.
- For Eva Moutrie, who asks that we keep her in our prayers.
- For Trevor, a student of Robin Woodrome.
- For Tamara, who is being helped out by the Gibbons family.
- For Marilyn Combs' daughter Janet, who is battling cancer.
- Fo Sue Winchester, a friend of Donna's dealing with health issues.
- For the sister of Carole Hughes, who has gall bladder and liver cancer.
- For Bev Richmond and for Doug Richmond, who are facing health issues.

- For Analyn Howell's sister who is battling cancer.
- For two coworkers of Julie DeKinder fighting cancer.
- For Jeff Tedford, who is rehabbing at home.
- For Jim Simpson and his wife Bobbie, as Jim battles esophageal cancer.
- For Gloria Hutchings.
- For Lou Garr, a friend of Bob Rose's who is battling cancer.
- Dick Savage, who continues to ask for our prayers.
- For Jane Yount.
- Bill Sullivan, as he continues to recuperate.

### Thanks for ...

- The recent engagement of Billy Howells.
- For a recent visit to see Wilkens, who is doing well at college.

- For Carol Beth True's music and her service.
- For all those donating to Project NOW.
- For Doug Breese settling into his new home.

# Community

- For refugees and immigrants.
- For families who have lost children to domestic violence.

### **Ongoing concerns**

- Bill Woodrome
- John Norris
- Doris Derickson
- Kathy Carson
- Michelle Fielden
- Jane Michener



### Dear Webster Groves Christian Church:

Thanks for the generosity of your space! We are so glad that we are able to bring people together to serve others!

Kirkwood NOW

# UPCOMING EVENTS ACCESS THE CALENDAR AT WGCC.ORG

THURSDAY, SEP. 26	9 a.m. Cardmakers	
	5 p.m.: Room at the Inn	
SUNDAY, SEP. 29	9 a.m.: Christian formation	
	10:30 a.m.: Worship	
TUESDAY, OCT. 1	10 a.m.: Gospel of Matthew Bible Study	
THURSDAY, OCT. 3	11 a.m.: Disciples Women meeting and luncheon	
SUNDAY, OCT. 6	World Communion Sunday	
	9 a.m.: Christian formation	
	10:30 a.m.: Worship	
	CROP walk	
MONDAY, OCT. 7	KAEChP golf tournament and dinner	
TUESDAY, OCT. 8	10 a.m.: Gospel of Matthew Bible Study	
THURSDAY, OCT 10	7:30 a.m.: Foodbank run	
	Disciples Women group meetings	
	Disciples Women work and eat day	
	10 a.m.: Golf thank you writing	
SUNDAY, OCT. 13	9 a.m.: Christian formation	
	10:30 a.m.: Worship	
	5 p.m. Room at the Inn	
THURSDAY, OCT. 17	9:30 a.m. Sewing group	
SUNDAY, OCT. 20	9 a.m.: Christian formation	
	10:30 a.m.: Worship	
THURSDAY, OCT. 24	9 a.m. Cardmakers	
	5 p.m.: Room at the Inn	
SUNDAY, OCT. 27	9 a.m.: Christian formation	
	10:30 a.m.: Worship	
TUESDAY, OCT. 29	Deadline for next Witness	
	10 a.m. Ezekiel Bible Study	

#### WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

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



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#### The SEGA connection newsletter is available at <u>http://www.mid-americadisciples.org/</u>

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