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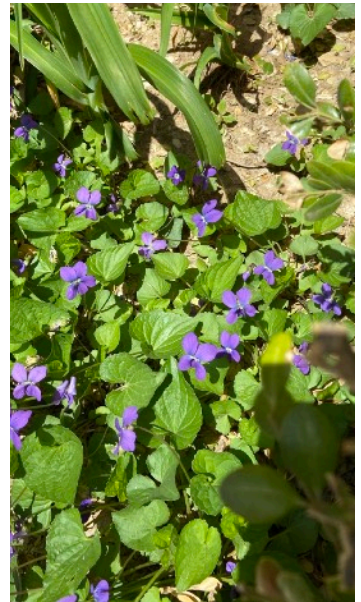
AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



Things are blooming at WGCC

The trees and flowers are in bloom and that means our Green Team of lawn cutters and landscapers are back in action. Typically our team members split the duties and each mow approximately once a month.

Please let the WGCC Church Office know if you are interested in helping!



Disciples Women find service in the soap

The last General Meeting for the year for Disciples Women will be at 1 p.m. on May 5. Weather permitting, the meeting will be held outside on the front patio-in front of the tower. The devotional will be given by the Lydia Group.

We are asked to bring our Blessing Boxes for blessing and the program will be regarding the Blessing Box Program. The officers for 2022-23 will be officially approved.

The Tabitha Group met early in April to avoid conflict with Maundy Thursday services. The meeting was held at the church with seven members attending. The May meeting of Tabitha Group will be held outside at the church if weather permits. Laura Stuetzer will lead the study and Pat Roseman will bring dessert.

The Lydia Group met on Maundy Thursday at Charlotte Pullen's home. The study was a Biblical study of Maundy Thursday led by Charlotte. They were delighted to meet with Charlotte on her birthday. Charlotte's daughter, Sarah attended along with four members of Lydia Group. The May meeting will be at the home of Gilda Rzechowski at 1 p.m. on May 12.

The Martha Group met also on April 14 at 1 p.m. in the Heritage Room at church. Carol Bachman presented the devotional. Vicki Ott and Marilyn Combs read scripture and Beverly Richmond led the discussion for the study from JUST WOMEN. Five members were present. The May meeting will be held for the Martha Group at 1 p.m. on May 12 in the Heritage Room.

Pat Roseman and Janie Joplin report that so far in April, we have collected \$210 for the Memorial Boulevard Christian Church Welfare Fund (known at WGCC as our Neighbor Fund). This amount will likely increase as all DW groups have not yet reported.

Our May Service Project will be detergent purchased for Webster-Rock Hill Ministries. Members may send contributions to Julie Wood along with your DW Budget contribution. Janie and Pat will purchase and deliver the detergent. In October, our service was detergent for WRHM. They are always excited when we bring the laundry soap. It is needed and goes out fast. Let's give to fill the laundry basket with lots of suds-makers!

We are most thankful for all the money that our members have donated this year for service and many thanks to Pat Roseman and Janie Joplin for their careful shopping and delivery of items. Many people have been helped this year with our Service Projects. Keep up the good work.

Happy Mother's Day to all the Women of Webster Groves Christian Church. You have been great mothers and have also given an awesome amount of attention to those who need care. May God bless each of you.

Respectively submitted by: Jane Martin, Secretary.





Calling all Birthday Shoppers!

Project NOW is in need of supplies to fill “Birthday Bags” for the children. Every birthday we provide a special bag with birthday prizes for each child in Project NOW. Our birthday supplies are running low. Please help us replenish our supplies with items from the list below. Items can be left with Steve at the Church or placed in the big tote, labeled Project NOW birthday supplies, outside the sanctuary. Questions: email Julie DeKinder at dekinderj@umsl.edu

Birthday Bag Supplies Suggestions:

- Cake mix box
- Cake frosting
- Small container of oil to make cake
- Candles
- Disposable cake pan
- Small toys (balls, finger puppets, slap bracelets, yo-yos, cars, dolls, etc)
- Stuffed animals
- Books
- Socks and undergarments

Each bag will ideally contain: 1 cake mix with frosting, oil, and candles, one or two small toys, or stuffed animal, and a book.

Mark your calendar for KAEChP



Will you make a commitment to St. Louis this year? Kirkwood Area Every Child Promise (KAEChP) needs your support! KAEChP provides preschool scholarships and family support to under-resourced families in the area served by the Kirkwood School District.

KAEChP is participating in Give STL Day on May 5, 2022.

Give STL Day, powered by the St. Louis Community Foundation, is a 24-hour, online day-of giving event, designed to ignite the spirit of giving across the region. Since its inception in 2014, Give STL Day has raised over \$22 million for more than 1,000 regional nonprofits.

This year, with your help, we are committed to make Give STL Day even more successful.

Mark your calendar for May 5, and bookmark this giving link: <https://www.givestlday.org/KAECHP>

- Please donate to support us on May 5, 2022. If you can't participate on May 5, don't worry! You can donate during the early giving period that just opened!

- Help us spread the word! Follow us on Facebook [here!](#)

Visit www.givestlday.org for additional details, and don't forget to give on May 5 to ensure our beloved community continues to thrive!

Sincerely,

Sarah Erwin

KAEChP Board President

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M I N I S T R I E S

TRIVIA NIGHT

\$30 Donation per person

Form a table of 8 or join with others!
Bring your own snacks, beer, wine or soft drinks.

**Heads/Tails
Mulligans**

**50/50 Raffle
Attendance Prizes**

SILENT AUCTION

Prizes To Winning Team

FRIDAY JUNE 24, 2022

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF
WEBSTER GROVES**

10 West Lockwood Ave. 63119

Doors open at 6:15pm

Game begins 7:00pm

To Register: Call WRHM office 314-961-5082
Prepayment is required for reservation of tables

Please bring canned goods to help the Ministries

REGISTER AT www.roomstl.org/events

Save the Date

August 22, 2022



ROOM AT THE INN GOLF TOURNAMENT

Old Hickory Golf Club, St. Peters

register at www.roomstl.org/events



Room at the Inn

to support

Room at the Inn Programs

save \$\$\$

REGISTER EARLY



starting April 1 until May 15th

AUGUST 22, 2022

Old Hickory Golf Club

St. Peters, MO



9:00am / Registration and donuts

10:00am / Shotgun start

Lunch: Grilled brats and hot dogs fresh off the grill
available during your round on the course

Program: Heavy appetizers at 3 pm. You will be out by
4:30 and home in time for dinner!!

Price: \$750 per foursome, \$200 for individuals
Includes hot lunch, heavy appetizers, raffle,
auction, new contests where everyone is a winner!

REGISTER EARLY starting April 1 until May 15th

Save \$50/foursome and \$10/individual

Questions: Contact David Weber 314.209.9181



Reflections on social justice with Michael Kinnamon

Member of the Disciples Justice Action Network Leadership Team, author, scholar, and ecumenical leader, the Rev. Dr. Michael Kinnamon is launching a Bible study series in celebration of Easter and DJAN's 25th Anniversary.

The Bible study series began Easter Monday and the 25 studies will be released every other day until Pentecost, June 5.

In his introduction to the series, Kinnamon writes, "In celebration of DJAN's 25 years of faithful, impactful witness, I am pleased to offer 25 brief Bible readings and reflections on the theme of justice, one for every other day between Easter and Pentecost."

Watch for these studies on DJAN's [Facebook page](#) or [website](#).

Sunday morning worship services will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome - please invite your family and friends to tune in!

**The link to the page is:
<https://www.facebook.com/WGCCDisciples/>**

Your support remains crucial

Just a reminder that even though WGCC is still under COVID protocols until further notice, the financial needs of fulfilling our mission and ministry are still there. Our ongoing faithful financial support of WGCC is still crucial. Please prayerfully and generously consider giving via check by mail, bank draft/direct deposit or through Givelify using this link:

<https://www.givelify.com/givenow/1.0/NzQw/selection>



Join us for our virtual Bible study or Sunday class

Join us on Mondays for our Zoom Bible Study on Corinthians.

If you have a smart phone, it helps to download the free Zoom app, but the program will also work on most desktop computers if you have a camera and microphone installed.

Bible Study

Mondays, 3-4:30 p.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/381789752>

Or dial in: 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 381 789 752

Koinonia Sunday School Class

Sunday, 8:45 a.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/652179864>

Meeting ID: 652 179 864

Password: 012104

Prayer concerns for WGCC and MBCC

- For Chris Webb, as he continues to recover from surgery and seeks employment
- For Wayne and Margo, friends of Kay Love
- For the family of Jane Martin's friend, Liv Connelly
- For Deandre
- For Edvonia Scott and Breona Hawkins, as they seek ordination
- For Eric Piening, following surgery
- For Val Combs, fighting complications following brain surgery
- For Katherine, a young mother who is trying to find her way
- For Karen Atkins, as she moves to a retirement home
- For Elston McCowan
- For Keiler Swartz's friend, Patrick
- For Vicki Ott
- For Richard Mark's brother, Bob, battling an infection
- For Devoree Crist's friend, Deb
- For Marilyn Combs, as she battles vertigo
- For the Burney Family
- For Susan Burney, recovering from further hip surgery
- For the people of the Ukraine, as they face aggression, violence, and invasion from Russia
- Barb Merrell asks prayers for Rosemary, Les, Jack, and her friend Wanda, who fell during therapy
- For Barb Merrell, as she seeks new housing arrangements
- For Robin Woodrome's mother, Grace
- For the unhoused
- For the Gerdes Family, as they continue to mourn the sudden loss of their son, Gabe
- For Devoree Crist's brother, John, and sister, Rosemary
- For Devoree Crist's friend, Dev Ortega, who is starting chemotherapy
- For Susan Burney's sister Carol, suffering from Alzheimers
- For Gilda Rzchowski
- For those recovering from COVID, and the effects of COVID, and for those who have lost loved ones to COVID
- For Susan Moore's family in Chicago
- For Laura Stuetzer's friend, Carm Mattera, battling ovarian cancer
- For Laura Stuetzer and her family
- For Deb Werner's niece-in-law, battling triple negative breast cancer
- For Lisa Rothe
- Barb Merrell asks prayers for Jim Mowrey, suffering from dementia
- For Rhonda Allridge and family
- For MBCC's Pastoral Search Committee, as they seek a new leader for their congregation
- For Pauline (Smith) England
- For Shirley Arther
- For Eva Moutrie
- For Gregg Eiler's sister-in-law, as she battles breast cancer
- For Jane Yount
- For Delores's daughter
- For Andy Olree
- Prayers for DeVere and Bev Shoop
- For Tom Reece, who is facing a severe kidney, liver, and heart failure
- For Kenneth Tate
- For Mildred Baker
- For Bill and Arlene Sullivan
- Analyn Howells is asking prayers for her twin sister, Evalyn Morrison, and her battle with cancer. She is dealing with side effects due to treatment
- For Carole Hughes' friend, Melody, who is battling cancer
- For Bob Rose's friend, John, battling prostate cancer



Thanks Steve!

In honor of Administrative Assistant Day this week, here's a big thanks to our office manager Steve Staicoff, and all he does for WGCC!

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The SEGA connection newsletter is available at <http://www.mid-america-disciples.org/>

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