



The Good News

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Our Congregational Meeting will be July 30, 2017. Please plan on staying a few minutes after church to participate. We need everyone's input.



Bug Spray Needed for 3MM

Dear Friends,

We learned on Monday, June 19th that the homeless have a need for bug spray. As we know, many bugs carry disease and bites can pose serious health problems. The homeless who live on the streets, in camps, or cars are exposed to these risks on a far more frequent basis than you and I.



Unfortunately, bug spray is not cheap. The cheapest I have found is Repel Insect to pg. 2

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Repellent Sportsman Max Formula Spray Pump 7.5 fl oz that covers mosquitos, ticks, fleas, gnats for \$3.47 or Cutter Backwoods formula, 6 oz. for \$2.97. The Cutter spray is not as strong as the Repel product. Both are available through Wal-Mart.

To distribute these at our 3rd Monday night meal we need 120 cans. Can you help? Please get the word out through face book as well. Perhaps some of your friends can help. Our next 3rd Monday meal is July 17th.

—Susan

Considerate Visitors

The youth group of Cynthiana, KY Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) had a scheduled visit to Heifer Project at Perryville, AR for the week of Father's Day 2017 Their leader, Larry Bishop, contacted Pulaski Heights Christian to see if they could lodge 30-35 kids and adults overnight on their way. Arrangements were made. Greg Pendleton would meet them on Sunday, June 18th, and Tom would come into work early on Monday morning to see them off.

Thirty-one people stayed overnight in our building. They left us a Thank You card: "Thank you very much for sharing your church with us for the night—Lyndy" was a typical message.



It's a blessing to be able to share a facility with other people. It is so much more blessed when there are grateful guests. Not only that, in this case, the group emptied all the downstairs wastebaskets and took the refuse to the trash can outside! Then they posed for the photo above before rolling off to breakfast and Heifer Project.

—Tom

About Truth



This proverb seems especially appropriate for our world these days. In so many places "truth" is labeled "fake" and that which is "fake" or greatly distorted is labeled, "truth". A forceful, competitive partisanship seems to have infected all public discourse and kindness has fallen out of style. May God help us all to remember that how we act and respond to one another, especially when we disagree, matters to our world and to our God.

Confidence



A kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they drew. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's artwork. As she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

from Jim's Playground - Heavenly Humour Compilation



On Sunday, June 25th, I had the pleasure of meeting Caroline Hamilton-Arnold who is on staff with Week of Compassion. Week of Compassion is our church's disaster relief and emergency response ministry. She was in town because she was meeting with our sister congregation, Park Hill, about the flooding that they had earlier in June. What was initially thought to be a minor problem has turned out to be a much larger problem with a great deal of flooring and dry wall having to be ripped out.

It was wonderful to see Week of Compassion at work right here in our own back yard. Caroline shared about week of compassion work sites across our Great River Region including updates from the flooding in Louisiana that occurred last year.

I learned that when week of compassion sets up a mission team, they are often involved for a long time. They don't just come in, disburse funds, and leave. They work to coordinate efforts among all kinds of local agencies and ministries. They bring volunteers and recruit volunteers and they work until problems are resolved.

Here is a list of the places in North America, in 2017, where Week of Compassion has set up mission response teams. You can go to this link, <http://www.weekofcompassion.org/map-of-responses/>, to see a map of places in North America and around the globe where Week of compassion is helping.

Alabama, Storm Relief
 Arkansas, Storm Recovery (2)
 Canada, Emergency Response
 USA, Refugee Response (2)
 USA, Long-term Disaster Recovery (2)
 California, Emergency Family Support
 California, Emergency Response
 California, Emergency Solidarity Support
 California, Storm Recovery
 Colorado, Storm Recovery
 Florida, Storm Relief
 Florida, Long-term Hurricane Recovery
 Kansas, Emergency Response
 Kansas, Wildfires (2)
 Kentucky, Storm Recovery
 Kentucky, Storm Relief (2)
 Louisiana, Storm Recovery
 Michigan, Long-term Recovery, Flint Water Crisis

Michigan, Refugee Response
 Mississippi, Tornado Relief
 Missouri, Storm Recovery (3)
 Missouri, Tornado Relief
 North Carolina, Storm Recovery (2)
 North Carolina, Long-term Hurricane Recovery (3)
 Oklahoma, Storm Recovery
 South Carolina, Hurricane Matthew Recovery
 Tennessee, Storm Relief (2)
 Texas, Emergency Support
 Texas, Flood Relief
 Texas, Flood Recovery
 Texas, Storm Recovery (3)

I am grateful for the work of Week of Compassion. It allows us to care for Christ through caring for our neighbors in need locally, and around the globe.

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

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Additional Prayers

Please pray for our city and all who were injured in the shooting incident on Saturday morning, July 1, at the Power Ultra Night Club. Please pray for healing and for solutions to the violence.

Please also pray for our city as they are working on ordinances that are affecting where the homeless can be served meals. This may impact the Broadway Bridge project, or as we call it, our "3rd Monday Meal" where we feed 120 homeless friends once a month.

May 2017 Stewardship Report

May Budget Needs – \$8,166.67
May Offering – \$4,626.25
Other Income – \$1,740.00
Total May Actual Income – \$6,366.25

May Budgeted Expenses – \$8,890.33
May Actual Expenses – \$6,808.92
Net Loss for May – \$ -442.67

Fiscal-Year-to-date through 5/31/17
Offering – \$60,339.30
Other Income – \$37,289.60
Total FYTD Income – \$97,628.90
Expenses FYTD – \$92,574.70
Net Result FYTD – \$ 5,054.20



Events in July 2017

- Birthdays in July 17 – Angela Frazier; 23 – Greg Pendleton; 24 – Alex Perry VC3; 31 – Betty Jo Thibault.
- Events of note
- 4 – Independence Day (Church office closed)
- 6 – 1st Thursday Shop 'n Sip.
- 13 – 6:00 pm Board Meeting (date change)
- 16 – Sign August birthday cards.
- 17 – Third Monday Meal is served; 1101 W. Markham St.
- 30 – Community Breakfast. 7:30 a.m. at Quapaw Quarter UMC, 1601 S. Louisiana St.
- 30 – Congregational Meeting after Worship
- Sunday School July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30



Events in August 2017

- Birthdays in August 18 – Bill Ward; 29 – Jeannie Cross.
- Events of note
- 3 – 1st Thursday Shop 'n Sip.
- 14 – 6:00 pm Board Meeting
- 20 – Sign September birthday cards.
- 21 – Third Monday Meal is served; 1101 W. Markham St.
- Sunday School August 4, 11, 18, 25

Please Continue Prayers for:

Frank C., Stephen C., Martha C., Shannon P., Ron C., Jean H., Kim P., Trip R., Lynda C., Keith R., Mrs. F., Bill S.; Ezgi Y., Wissam A.; our Church; the homeless of Little Rock; those who were wounded in the Little Rock night club shooting; the Mission First initiative of the DoC; those struggling to do God's will; refugees who are fleeing the violence of war. Pray for peace as global tensions rise, pray for the grieving, that they may be comforted; those worldwide being persecuted for being 'different'; the citizens and residents of the U.S.A., pray for the 2017 Disciples of Christ General Assembly, and others God leads you to know of.

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