

# KIRKWOOD KRONICLE

*A Christian Community Knowing, Loving, and Serving Christ, to  
make Him known to all.*

**MAY 2017**



## Dear Members and Friends,

As you all know, one of my favorite joys in life is to peruse the shelves at Barnes & Noble. I can be found most often in the American History, war, and World History sections. There are so many books and so little time to read them all. That's why I am constantly flipping to the back of the book to see who has endorsed the work and what some of the merits might be of this or that particular author. I don't have time to pluck down \$35.00 and then decide the book is a train wreck. So I place much emphasis on the folks who endorse the book under purchase consideration.

Commentators, Bible scholars, theologians, other congregants – all of these are needed in order to dig deeper into the contours of our faith. Add to that list Sunday School teachers, youth workers, elders, and Presbytery leaders, and you can see how other people can help deepen our faith. The community of faith we call the church is a many splendored thing, and I thank the good Lord every day for the pleasure of serving as your pastor.

Keep on challenging one another, and never be content with being content. There is always more to learn and experience as we journey through life as the disciples of Jesus.

Oh yes, see you in church.

How about this Sunday!

Fondly,

*Michael*

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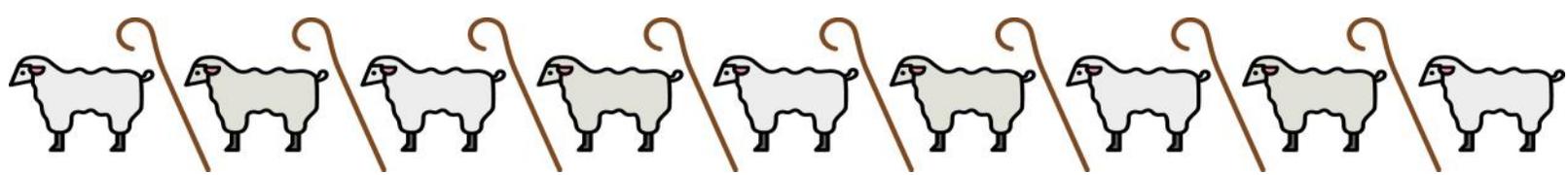
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**Worship:** 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (nursery available)

**Sunday School:** 8:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. (Adults)

11:00 a.m. (Preschool– Adults)



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# LAWN MAINTENANCE

## Property & Facilities

We still have one vacancy that needs to be filled on one of our lawn mowing teams. The team currently includes Tony Sweers and Heather Ingalls and is scheduled to mow on May 28th, July 16th, September 3rd, and October 22nd (if required.) Please contact Murray Ritter (757) 867-9022 if you can help out this team or if you can substitute for unplanned absences on other teams. Murray would like to get 2-3 new volunteers.

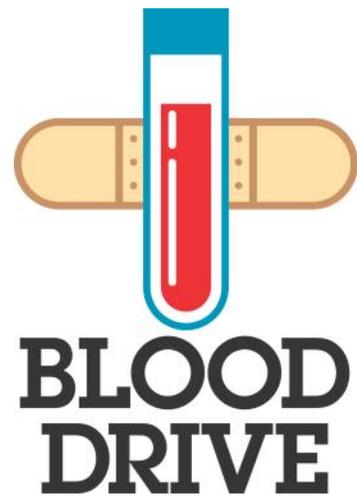


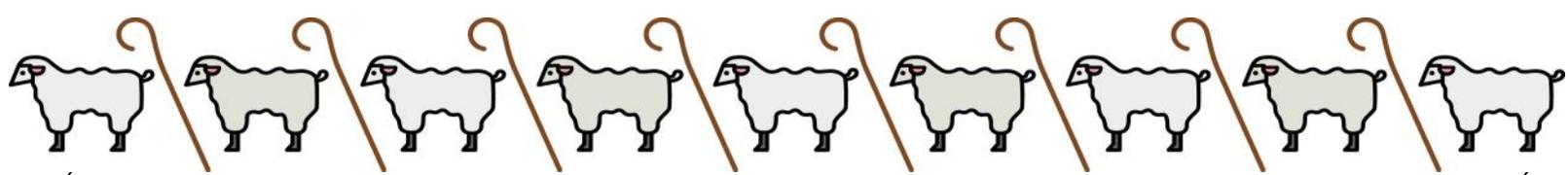
# BLOOD DRIVE

## Congregational Care

The next KirkWood Blood Drive is scheduled for **Thursday, May 25, 2017**, from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. Once again the fabulous cooks from KirkWood will be providing a meal. There will also be child care available after 4:00 p.m. to donors. You can schedule your appointment online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org), Sponsor Code "KirkwoodPC," or at church on May 14th and 21st in the Fellowship Hall! Walk-ins are still welcome, but appointments are recommended. **COME OUT AND GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE! THERE IS POWER IN THE BLOOD!** Make your appointments early. Questions: call Cathy Hudgins (757) 869-2645 ([hudgepudge@aol.com](mailto:hudgepudge@aol.com)).

For planning purposes, the schedule for 2017 is: August 24 and November 9. Please mark your calendars!





# CONGREGATIONAL CARE HAPPENINGS

## Congregational Care

Mark your calendar for the following events being planned by Congregational Care:

Salute to Our Veterans - 6:00 p.m. on May 21, 2017

Set-up for KW Annual Church Picnic - 10:00 a.m. on June 10, 2017

KW Annual Church Picnic - 11:00 a.m. on June 11, 2017

KW Night at the Norfolk Tides Baseball Game - 7:00 p.m. on August 5, 2017

### **Fellowship Dinner**



Ahoy KirkWoodians! On May 21st, Congregational Care is continuing our tradition of honoring our retired and active duty military members. "Aim High," and bring your favorite dish to share with everyone assembled in the "mess hall" with dinner at 6:00 p.m. We invited Pete Fitzpatrick from the DAV Chapter 13 to come back and talk to us about the new programs being offered to help veterans. Do not forget to give Marsha Coverdale a picture of yourself, so we can post all the pictures and guess who belongs with which picture. Also, if you have a military related cap or hat you would like to share with the decorating committee, we would like to use the caps/ hats as decorations around the room. HOOAH!

### **KirkWood Silver**

KirkWood Silver is considering a trip to Richmond on May 18th, for a visit to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts which has many fine exhibits, including Monet, Fabergé, Egyptian (with mummies!.) photography, and many others. We would plan to be at the museum in the morning and then go to lunch either at the museum's cafeteria or at a nearby restaurant. Please let Wanda know if you want to participate in this KWS outing by May 10th. You can call (757)868-8651 or e-mail at [wandjbirch@verizon.net](mailto:wandjbirch@verizon.net). Thanks!



# CONGREGATIONAL CARE HAPPENINGS

Congregational Care

## Church Picnic Set-up

Calling all volunteers to come to the KW front lawn on **Saturday, June 10th, at 10:00 a.m.** to help set up for the Church Picnic. We will be setting-up canopies, tables, chairs, the Moon Walk, etc. Thanks in advance for your help, and hope to see you there! (Note: Take down of the above items will happen on Sunday at the end of the picnic.)

## Church Picnic

KirkWood's Annual Church Picnic will be held on **June 11th, at 11:00 a.m.** on the church lawn. Wear your picnic clothes to church, bring a dish to share, and be ready for food and fun. Donations to help defray expenses will also be accepted. Please sign up in the church narthex beginning May 1st, if you will be attending so we know how much food and drinks to prepare. We also need grills, cooks, and coolers. You may also bring your favorite lawn game. Be sure to invite your family members and friends for a pleasant afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship. See you there!

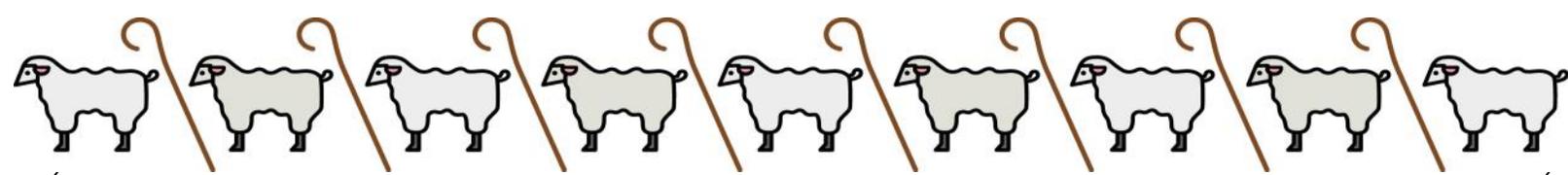


## Norfolk Tides

KirkWood's annual trip to Harbor Park to watch the Norfolk Tides will be August 5th, at 7:00 p.m. Sign up for tickets will begin in the church narthex on June 25th and end July 16th. This year's tickets will cost \$13.

## Sarah Circle

Sarah Circle will collect Project Linus quilted, knitted, and crocheted blankets to donate to children in the hospital. Sarah Circle will meet on Tuesday, May 9th. The quilts and blankets will be taken to Nancy's Calico Patch at a later date. Please bring your beautiful creations, and Sarah Circle members will gather them and send them to comfort and bless children.



# MUSIC MINISTRY

Worship

## Cantata Choir

A big “Thank you” to the Cantata Choir after the stunning Maundy Thursday service. Our community was richly blessed by your presentation of the Cantata, “A Time for Alleluia.” The expanded choir began weekly rehearsals way back in January in preparation. Special thanks to Tina Dowe, Olivia Hollowell, Tracy Louk, Charlie Reece, Ben Scott, and Jim Mershon.



## Children's Choir

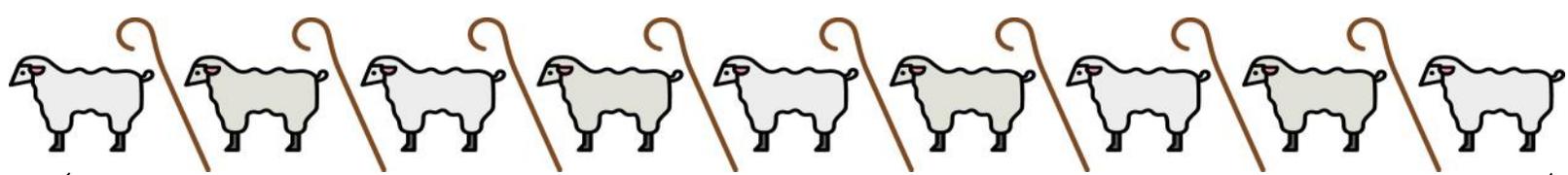
The Children's Choir will be singing during both worship services on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14th. This is our way of saying “thanks” to the Moms in the congregation for all they are to us. The text of the anthem, “Come Let Us Sing to the Lord,” is based on Psalms 95 and 96.

The following Sunday, May 21st, at 5:00 p.m., the Children's Choir will meet at Jeannine Scott's home for an end-of-the-year celebration.

## Bell Choir

“Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling”

This sweet, old hymn will probably bring back memories to many of you. On May 21st, the Chancel Bell Choir will play an arrangement of this tune which features a technique called “laissez vibrer” or “let vibrate.” In handbell ringing, every bell is rung and then “damped” (stopped) by bringing the bell against the shoulder. In “laissez vibrer” this doesn't happen, resulting in a halo effect surrounding the melody. It is similar to playing the piano with the pedal down, letting all the notes run together!

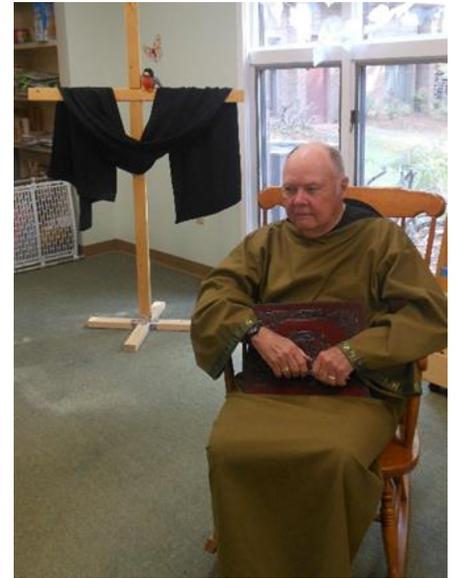


# EASTER EGG HUNT

Christian Education



Thank you to the priceless volunteers who came to help at the Egg Hunt! From Palm Sunday, through the Last Supper, the Cross, and beyond, the stories and activities made the day a great experience. We had over a 35% increase in attendance, and because of YOU, attendees had a wonderful blend of Jesus' journey with the traditions we have today.

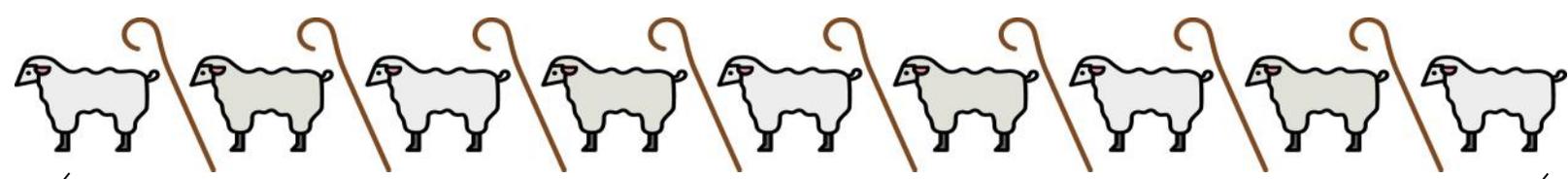


## SPECIAL DATES IN MAY

- May 4 - National Day of Prayer
- May 14 - Mother's Day
- May 20 - Armed Forces Day
- May 25 - Ascension
- May 29 - Memorial Day (Church Office Closed)

## WEEKLY READINGS

- May 7 – John 10:1-10
- May 14 – John 14:1-14
- May 21 – John 14:15-21
- May 28 – John 17:1-11



# CHILDREN AND YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Christian Education

	<p><b>HERO CENTRAL Vacation Bible School</b></p> <p><b>July 24—28th 5:30 P.M.—8:00 P.M.</b></p> <p><b>FREE Dinner</b></p>
<p><b>Register Early before all the spots fly away!</b></p> <p><b>Ages 4 years through 5th grade</b></p> <p><a href="http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/kirkwood_pcusa">http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/kirkwood_pcusa</a></p>	<p><b>KirkWood Presbyterian Church 1209 Hampton Hwy Yorktown, VA 23693 (757) 766-0343 <a href="http://www.kirkwoodpcusa.org">www.kirkwoodpcusa.org</a></b></p>

**Vacation Bible School**

Come to **Hero Central Vacation Bible School** and Discover Your Strength in God!

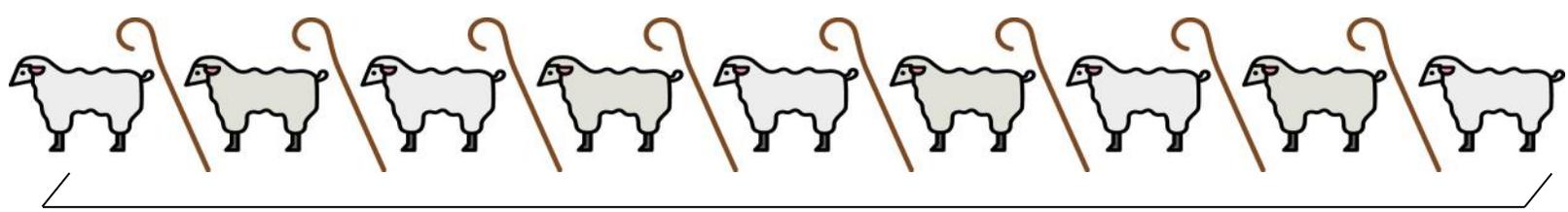
Share with your friends; registration is open online.

Sign up with Jeannine Scott to volunteer!

## Pictures of Dads

Needed by the end of May: pictures of Dads with their kids! Submit pictures to the office for scanning or email to [Jeannine.scott@gmail.com](mailto:Jeannine.scott@gmail.com).





# MISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES

Missions

## Mission Committee

Come make a difference and become a member of the Mission Committee. Mark your calendar, and meet us on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting is May 2nd. If you have questions, please contact Chris Wood (757) 335-3475 or Arba Williamson (757) 344-5588.

## Lunch at St. Paul's Weekend Ministry

Come and provide warmth, companionship, and food to those less fortunate than ourselves by assisting people with long-term dependence on food aid.

Our next date to prepare and serve lunch at the St. Paul's soup kitchen will be Saturday, June 10th. We will prepare and serve lunch to 25 to 50 guests. *Please join us.* We begin preparing food at 10:00 a.m. and finish serving lunch at 1:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is located on the Mission bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Wood (757) 335-3475.

## One Great Hour of Sharing

To date, the collection for One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) on April 16th was over \$2,000. Thank you all for your contributions. You made a difference!

## The Final Day in the Country at Zuni Homes

The Final Zuni Day in the Country on April 22nd was outstanding, from great weather in spite of the predictions, to great music, food, baked goods, auction, kids' fun, hay rides, and a celebration of 50 years of this ministry. KirkWood was well represented with volunteers (Holly and Farold Kuykendall; June and Murray Ritter; Bill and Carolyn Gilbert; Sue Worthington; Ella, Audrey, and Carolyn Ritchey; and Jim Birch,) and donations of 26 gift cards (wow!), four guessing jars, and four baked good items. Thanks generous KirkWoodians for playing a huge part in making this last Day in the Country a delightful and blessed day!

