

KIRKWOOD KRONICLE

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

APRIL 2019

A Letter From Our Pastor



Hello KirkWood!

In 1 Corinthians 12 the Apostle Paul says, “Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it!” Paul is specifically talking about the Church and how it functions in the world. He goes on to talk about different abilities that Church members possess and makes a point of saying that no one member of the Church possesses the ability to do everything!

One of the great assets of KirkWood that I have experienced in my year here is the ability of this body to do so many kinds of things. It has been a privilege indeed to be a part of all the ways that KirkWood lives out its calling as the Body of Christ.

As KirkWood moves forward, it will be critical to continue to hold on to that understanding of what it means to be the Church. Although the Church has business-like qualities, and even though there are many business-like concerns, The Church of Christ Jesus the Lord is people. It is people who are committed to serving and following Jesus wherever that may lead.

So, as we continue to move forward into the future that Jesus has in mind for us, we can remember how Jesus has put his Church together. We can make a commitment to use the gifts, talents, and abilities that Jesus has given us to build up the Body of Christ here at KirkWood and around the world.

In Christ,
Charles



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

Sunday School: 8:30 a.m. (Adults), 9:30 a.m. (Adults), 11:00 a.m. (Children, Youth, & Adults)



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WEEKLY READINGS & SERMON TITLES

April 7 - Isaiah 50:4-9a & Matthew 27:11-23

Sermon Title: AN INNOCENT MAN

April 14 - Isaiah 53:1-12 & Matthew 27:45-56

Sermon Title: FROM A DISTANCE

April 18, Maundy Thursday - Exodus 12:1-4,14 & Matthew 26:26-29

Sermon Title: SACRIFICE

April 21, Sunrise Service - Isaiah 55:1-11 & Romans 6:3-11

Sermon Title: BAPTIZED TO DEATH

April 21, Easter Services - Jeremiah 31:1-6 & Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon Title: EMPTY

April 28 - Pastor Rebekah Tucker-Motley Preaching

SPECIAL DATES

April 7 - Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 14-21 - Holy Week

April 14 - Palm/Passion Sunday

April 18 - Maundy Thursday (Service at 7:00 p.m.)

April 19 - Good Friday (Office Closed)

April 21 - Easter Sunday

April 22 - Easter Monday (Office Closed)

April 24 - Administrative Professionals Day



Easter Services

Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m.
 Contemporary - 9:30 a.m.
 Traditional - 11:00 a.m.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Worship

Bell Choir

The KirkWood Bell Choir members are ringing their way through Holy Week. In addition to accompanying the Cantata Choir on Palm Sunday and Easter, they will play an arrangement of “Jesus Shall Reign.” This arrangement features several handbell techniques:



Martellato (it means literally “to hammer”) - the ringers ring the bells into the table

Thumb-damping - the bells are muted by ringing the bells while putting a thumb on the lip of the bell

Shaking - this is a way to sustain a longer note

KirkWood’s Children’s Choir

On Palm Sunday, April 14th at 11:00 a.m., the Children’s Choir will join with the Cantata Choir and the Bell Choir to sing “Hosanna Processional.” This piece is sort of a round and beautifully describes the sound of the crowd praising Jesus as He triumphantly entered Jerusalem. The word Hosanna literally means an exclamation of adoration or praise.



Cantata Choir

The KirkWood Cantata Choir will be leading the 11:00 a.m. worship services on Palm Sunday and Easter. On Easter they will rock the house with the gospel song “Love Brought me Back!” There is so much joy and love in this song, we almost can’t wait until Easter to sing it! The piece features our own Albertina Dowe at the piano.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Worship

Worship Choir

On Sunday, April 7th at the 11:00 a.m. worship service, Mary Brown, will play a sweet rendition of "How Beautiful" (tune by Twila Paris, arranged for flute and piano by Joel Raney).

Lyrics:

How beautiful the hands that served
the wine and the bread
and the sons of the earth.

How beautiful the feet that walked
the long dusty roads
and the hills to the cross.

How beautiful is the body of Christ.
How beautiful the heart that bled
that took all my sin and bore it instead.

How beautiful the tender eyes
that chose to forgive
and never despise.

And as He laid down His life
we offer this sacrifice
that we will live just as he died:
willing to pay the price.

How beautiful the radiant Bride
who waits for her Groom
with His light in her eyes.

How beautiful when humble hearts give
the fruit of pure lives so that others may live.

How beautiful the feet that bring
the sound of good news and the love of the King.

How beautiful the hands that serve
the wine and the bread and the sons of the
earth.
How beautiful is the body of Christ.





MUSIC MINISTRY

Worship

Severe Weather: 100% Chance of Rain



It is looking as if this year we will experience RECORD FLOODS across the region. This just may be because the Kirk-Wood Children's Choir is presenting the musical, 100% Chance of Rain, about Noah and the Flood!

We are preparing the scenery, making the costumes, collecting the animals, and learning many fun songs that tell the story of Noah and the Ark. Highlights of our musical:

Mr. and Ms. Noah (artfully played by Ben and Jeannine Scott)

Vocal solos by Tshiek Wellons and Morgan George

Thunder by Thaddaeus Schloicka

Rain by Nathan Harman

Cameo appearance by Andrew George

Come see what the children have been up to!





CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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KirkWood Silver

KirkWood Silver's April event will be a Sub Sandwich lunch followed by a Town Hall Meeting on April 11th, when we can give our valuable input to the Mission Study Team. We will have a variety of sub sandwiches and cookies to enjoy along with great fellowship! Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the Town Hall meeting will follow. Signing up for the April 11th Town Hall meeting signs you up for this KWS luncheon also. If you have not signed up yet for the April 11th Town Hall meeting, please do that by April 7th so we will know how much food to buy.

Let Wanda Birch know if you can bring a plate of cookies or brownies. Contact her at (757) 868-8651 or at wandjbirch@verizon.net.

Blood Drive

The next blood drive is scheduled for **THURSDAY, May 23rd** from 2:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The fabulous cooks and bakers will be out to feed all donors as well. No menu as of this date, but the food is always great. **The rest of the blood drives for 2019 will be on Thursday, August 22nd and November 21st.** Donors can schedule their appointments by going online to www.redcrossblood.org; sponsor code "KirkwoodPC". If you would like to save yourself some time on drive day, you can access the **RAPIDPASS**. RAPIDPASS lets you do the prescreen process from your laptop or desktop computer and can save you as much as 15-20 minutes when you get to the drive. The Red Cross will send a link to your email the day of the drive. There will be someone in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, May 5th and 12th between the worship services to make appointments. If you would like to help with the preparation of the food prior to the drive, there will be a signup sheet in the Narthex two weeks prior to the drive or contact Gloria Griffin at (757) 223-4104. If you have questions or would like to inquire as to how you can help at upcoming drives, please contact Cathy Hudgins at (757) 869-2645 or hudgepudge@aol.com. There is an urgent need for all types of blood now and always. Please prayerfully consider coming and donating this lifesaving need.



LAWN MOWING TEAMS

Property & Facilities

A Few Good Lawn Maintainers

We have seven teams that will take care of KirkWood lawn maintenance this year. Each team has four dates that start the week before Easter and run up to the Pumpkin Patch in fall. There are four elements to the job. The riding mower is used for the large, open areas. A push mower is used for areas the riding mower cannot access. The edger is for where grass meets pavement. The blower is for tidying up at the end. We have a new push mower and new blower this year.

Normally a team is at least three people. It takes several hours work to do it all. Some teams work together, others take one of the four elements as their schedule permits. Some folks use the church's equipment and others bring their own. There is gasoline and oil stored in the shed and each team has a key for access.

One team has a critical shortage while the third member recuperates, and we need someone to fill that spot in the interim. Jerry Deaton and Mike Fore would much appreciate your offer to step in. I would also like to have several more folks that are willing to be on call to fill in for a team member in an emergency absence. I am sure the current teams would be glad to welcome a fourth member if you can make that commitment.

Let Murray Ritter know and he would be glad to answer any questions. The church bulletin board has names, dates and contact information for the teams. You can reach him by phone at (757) 867-9022 or murrayritter51@gmail.com.





KIRKWOOD'S NEW 12-PASSENGER VAN

Property & Facilities

KirkWood recently purchased a Nissan 12-passenger van. You may have already seen it in the parking lot or read about it in the bulletin. The KirkWood Session believes the Van will enhance many of our programs and support new ones. The van will support monthly KirkWood Youth Group events in the local area, be available for small group events, St. Paul and PORT ministries, provide transportation for youth and adult mission trips, and be a transportation option for many other KirkWood programs. The Session evaluated several options and decided to pay half and take a loan for the balance. Look for announcements about opportunities to donate to a Capital Campaign to pay off the loan early.



CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

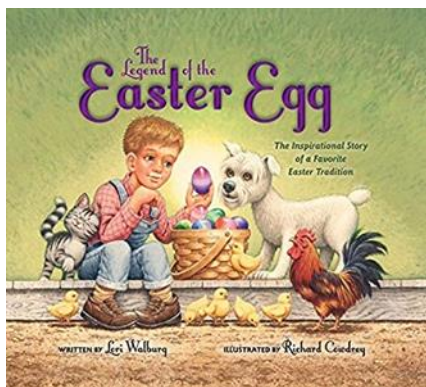
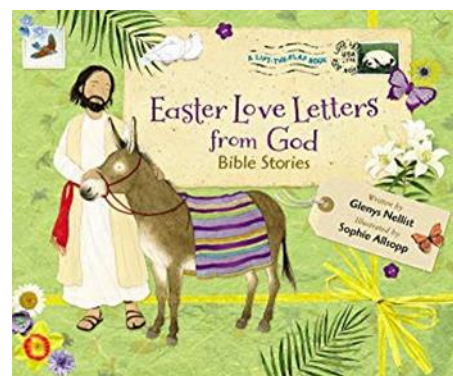
Christian Education

Look for these new additions to the Children's Library.

Little Chick's Bible



Easter Love Letters From God by Glenys Nellist



The Legend of the Easter Egg by Lori Walburg



Egg Prep Day

Wednesday, April 10th

6:00-7:00 p.m.

Meet in Room 5 to help us stuff the plastic eggs with candy. We will prepare 1000 eggs for the hunt!

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 13th

10:00 a.m. - noon

Why do we dye eggs at Easter? Why does a bunny hide them? Why do we fill eggs with treats?

Volunteer or visit the 2019 Egg Hunt to learn more. Sign up or contact Jeannine Scott.

KIRKWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EASTER EGG HUNT


A fun and exciting Easter holiday celebration



SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Join us anytime between 10 A.M. and noon for an experience that is so much more than your normal egg hunt! Enjoy crafts, food, games, and prizes.
RAIN OR SHINE

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The **meaning** of life is to **find your gift.**
The **purpose** of life is to **give it away.**
William Shakespeare

SERVE IN KIDMIN.
You have so much to give away.

Start thinking about how you can share your gifts at children’s ministry events.

VBS is July 22-26 from 5:30- 8:00 p.m. with a space theme. Join us on to MARS AND BEYOND to explore where God’s power can take you!

The sign ups will be posted after Easter.