

KIRKWOOD KRONICLE

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

AUGUST 2019

★ Special Edition ★

Hello KirkWood!

The Christian Education and Worship Committees would like to give you an additional update on recent and upcoming events. So, get out your calendar and invite your friends. We look forward to sharing, learning, and worshipping with you.



August 25: Youth Sunday Worship and Rally Day

September 8: Return to two services at 9:30 and 11:00 A.M.
and SALT classes resume



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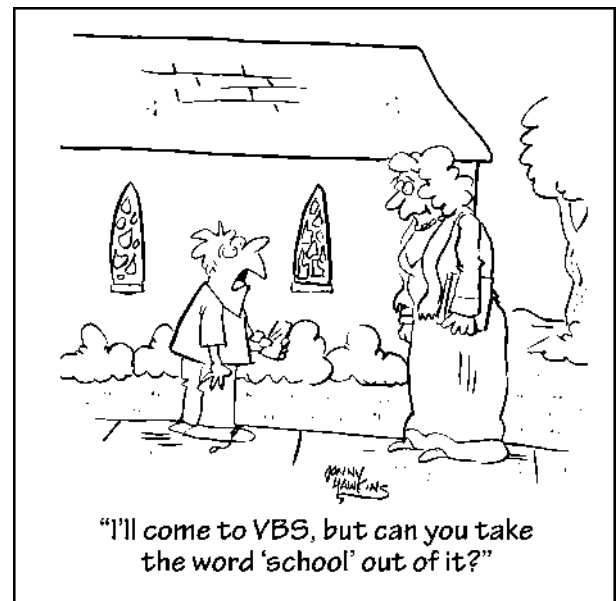
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Summer Worship: 10:00 a.m. (nursery available)

Sunday School: 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (through 8/18)





BELL CHOIR

Worship



We have 2 positions open in our bell choir. We need you! Please speak to Ann Brown about joining this fun group of ding-a-lings! No experience necessary. We will train!

Rehearsals begin Wednesday, Sept 11th 6-6:45 pm

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Worship



What would you call a bunch of exuberant children with significant vocal talent who love singing praises to God?

The KirkWood Children's Choir (K-5th grade) needs a name! Please submit ideas to Ann Brown (orybeebrown@gmail.com). The contest winner will receive 2 free tickets to the Children's musical dress rehearsal on May 9, 2020!!

We have an exciting yet challenging year ahead for the KirkWood children's choir:

Sunday, 9/15/19 12:15 pm – 1 pm Weekly rehearsals begin

Saturday, 12/14/19 10:30 am Cantata dress rehearsal

Sunday, 12/15/19 Cantata (both services)

Sunday, 5/10/20 Children's Musical (both services)



CANTATA CHOIR

Worship

Am I “good enough” to sing in KirkWood’s Cantata Choir?

Take this quiz: (all answers are yes or no!)

Do you have a heartbeat? Are you currently breathing? Have you ever been known to smile? Are you looking for a new way to serve? Do you enjoy KirkWood cantata presentations? Do you have Wednesday evenings free from 7-8 pm?

(if you answered yes to at least 1 question, YES, you ARE GOOD ENOUGH TO JOIN THE CANTATA CHOIR)



We are always looking for newcomers! It is a fun way to celebrate Advent and Christmas by giving something back to others while meeting new people and learning a bit about music and singing.

Our Cantata choir will be gearing up next month with 3 events:

1. **Cantata Kick-off Pot Luck Supper** at the Searles’ house at 4 pm on Sunday, September 15th. (We gather for fellowship and a meal, and then we get to hear a recording of our cantata, “The Silence and the Sound”, by Heather Sorenson.)

2. **Cantata Boot Camp**, Sat. Sept. 21st from 9 am-12:30 pm

(Ann calls it a “Choir Retreat,” but Christine Pregler says it is more like “Boot Camp”!) This special morning includes fellowship, devotional, rehearsal, tips for the care and feeding of your voice, and concludes with a meal.

3. October 3rd (Wednesday) from 7-8 pm is **our first weekly rehearsal**.



WORSHIP CHOIR

Worship



After our more relaxed Summer schedule, the Worship Choir resumes Wednesday evening rehearsals on **Sept. 4th at 7 pm.** and we will sing at the 11 am Service on **Sunday, Sept. 8th,** when KirkWood moves back to our two service schedule.

We have a wonderful variety of music planned for the Fall, including 3 new pieces:

Heather Sorenson's new arrangement of "Cornerstone"

"I Was Glad, So Glad" (based on Psalm 122)

A new arrangement of "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

We also have many returning favorites, including "The Majesty and Glory of Your Name" by Tom Fettke.

Plan ahead In addition to presenting our cantata on Dec. 15th, we **will help lead a congregation-wide caroling trip into the community on Dec. 21st.**



RALLY DAY

Christian Education

Getting Ready for Launch

While many of us are enjoying breaks from routine to explore and spend time with family this summer, just around the corner is a new school year and fresh opportunities to nurture our faith and one another. On August 25th we'll be having a Rally Day to highlight the educational opportunities at KirkWood that will start up in September. Look forward to some fun with balloons, some finger-food snacks, selfie opportunities with our youth, and plenty of information.

The KirkWood education program runs on volunteers like you, so look for opportunities to both serve and be served. There will be something for everyone. No matter what road we've traveled so far, we can all benefit from learning more of the richness of the grace of Jesus. Fellowship around the Bible is always enriching, and inviting the little ones to join you in Jesus' lap to learn of Him is always priceless. Look for where you need to be this Fall. Prepare for launch on Rally Day.





RECRUITING

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TEN GREAT REASONS TO TEACH SUNDAY SCHOOL

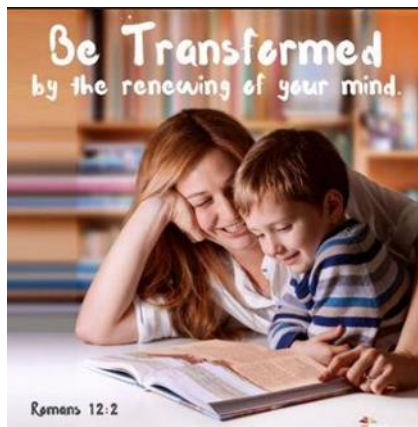
(especially Children's Ministry *hint hint*)

10. It's a great way to get back into your Bible.
9. You will become an instant hero to parents and the pastor.
8. Kids will start waving at you in church.
7. It will get your creative juices flowing.
6. It's a great opportunity to do together with a friend, your teen, or spouse.
5. You'll learn how to share your faith (and your family will see yours in action).
4. You'll deepen your relationship with God and knowledge of scripture.
3. You will become part of a team of new friends.
2. Because we all *really do* have time for what's important and fun.
1. Because there's no higher calling than helping raise up a new generation of disciples.

Bonus! Along the way, you'll grow in patience, humility, and selflessness.

Skills required:

- The ability to read
- A sense of humor
- A caring spirit
- And the love of God growing in your heart



Form a teaching team to help with scheduling conflicts. Openings available in all ages. Opportunities with children at 11 A.M. *and* at 12:15 P.M. (for help during children's choir practice).



YOUTH EVENTS

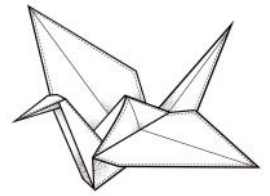
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Clean out your cupboards... feed the youth group! If you have any non-perishable items not suitable for donating to the food pantry but want them gone, KYG is always looking for handouts for our hungry teens! Things like popcorn bags, pop-tarts, packaged cookies, dried fruit, and chips are very welcome! (Please no peanut products for allergy concerns.)

KYG All-Out Epic Youth Sunday will be August 25! Please mark your calendars and be prepared to worship with our youth leading!

KYG Missions out- Our youth are mobilizing a ministry to bless people. If you know of a group that would benefit from some appreciation and are open to speaking with our youth- please contact Ashley Wenner with details. (804-413-2113)



Back to School Youth Rally is scheduled for Sept 7, hosting multi-denominational and cultural youth groups for worship and a message. If you would like to assist with details and planning, please contact Ashley Wenner (804-413-2113).



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Christian Education

Words are not enough to express my thankfulness for your help with VBS. You have boldly gone beyond the limits of the galaxy to help power up faith in the next generation. Your kindness has made this journey a blessing for many. I hope you will join in on the next enterprise with children's ministry! VBS 2020 is tentatively scheduled for July 27-31st. We will be the Knights of North Castle on a quest for the King's Armor.

Enjoy the slide show at <http://kirkwoodpcusa.org/wp-content/uploads/VBS-2019.mp4>



Glory to God,
who is able to do far
beyond all that we could
ask or imagine by his
power at work within us!
Ephesians 3:20

