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JUNE 25-29

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Summer Mission Nights

The Mission Action Team is again sponsoring Mission Nights throughout the Summer. These opportunities are designed to further educate us as to the Mission Opportunities we have to be able to participate in or partner with! A light meal will be provided at 6:30 pm with the program from 7-8pm. Sign-up sheets will be available in the Narthex so we can have a count for dinner. Please save the following dates:

Wednesday, June 13 - Rev. Eric Garbison, Cherith Brooks Catholic Charity Worker House

The Rev. Eric Garbison, an ordained Presbyterian Minister who works and lives at Cherith Brook Catholic Charity Worker House which is located at 3308 E. 12th St. in Kansas City, MO will come and talk to us about what it is like to minister to the homeless. They provide counseling, clothing, showers, food and many other amenities to Kansas City's homeless population. Eric has chosen to live at the facility with his family. It is an evening you won't want to miss.

Wednesday, July 18th - Morgan Battes, RISE up against Hunger

Ms Morgan Battes from RISE up against Hunger will speak to us about our opportunity to host an inner generational event on October 20, 2018. We need to raise \$2900 for this event and then her organization will come and set up our assembly line where we will be filling 10,000 bags of non-perishable food that will be used in International Hunger Relief. She will give us the details and let us know what is expected of us. This is an exciting project and we pray that you will save both of these dates to work with of us. We will need 60-80 volunteers of all ages to help assemble and prepare the packages for shipping!

Wednesday, August 15th, Sister Andrea

Sister Andrea from the Franciscan Warehouse in Independence, MO will be coming to us to let us know how we can partner with them. Many of you collect prescription bottles and this is where they are taken and then shipped to third world countries where medications are available but they need containers to dispense in!

We the people of the First Presbyterian Church of Lee's Summit are called by God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, sent by Christ to build faith, bring hope, share love, as a diverse, growing, grace-giving community.

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Nursery Director: Cassandra Pyburn
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Sunday Worship Schedule
9:00 am Contemporary Service
10:00 am Faith & Fellowship
11:00 am Traditional Service

June/July 2018



Michael's First Take

*"There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under heaven."*
Ecclesiastes 3:1

Dear First Church Community –

Ah...Summer. Some are here. Some are there. Summer is a time for recreation or re-creation... which is exactly what we will be doing this summer.

Seven projects to update and improve our church home were discussed and approved by Session last month as well as a capital campaign to pay for them. This summer, we will learn more about them, discuss them, and begin to see them. All these projects come out of years of discussions and hard work by different, commissioned Task Forces. The Vision Task Force (2015-16) developed our Vision and Mission Statements as well as possible Action Steps. In 2017, we commissioned the Revitalization, Narthex/Entryway, and Yard/Playground/Sign Task Forces to bring Session proposals to help us accomplish our goals. The projects approved were brought by the N/E and Y/P/S Task Forces. They are: A digital sign, a playground, a theater (outdoor area for weddings, performances, etc.), a new entry with vestibule and covered walkway, a canopy for covered drop-offs, a narthex renovation that includes a hospitality area, and an improved Fellowship Hall entrance. Five of these projects will begin soon. Before the last two (Narthex and FSH entrance) get underway, Session would like the congregation to discuss our Fellowship Hall. This Summer, I will hold several Snack n Yaks to do so as well as a survey to gather your input.

This Summer, we will seek to fill two part-time positions – Director of Music and Director of Christian Education. Both openings will be posted in the next few weeks.

Summer Sermons will be "The Fruit of the Spirit". Throughout the summer, our Youth will be presenting the Children's Sermons at the 11am service.

Summer is a great time to experience camp! Heartland Day Camp for children who have completed Kindergarten to 6th Grade will be on-site, June 25-29. Everyone is invited to join the Youth for their local mission work, July 23-27. Monthly midweek Mission speakers will be coming to share with us. Mission in June will have a food drive and a shoe drive; in July they will have a school supply drive. Both endeavors help us help those in need through Lee's Summit Social Services. Our Royals night is June 1 and Church Picnic is July 29.

General Assembly meets June 16-23 in Saint Louis. Observers and visitors are welcome. Please pray for our elected Commissioners and for our 223rd General Assembly.

May God bring renewal within you and our church throughout this summer...this summer of re-creation.

In the Faith, Hope, and Love of Jesus,

Pastor Michael

Is First Church your church? Then please let your family members and care givers know so that we will be contacted when you need us and can't call yourself. We are here to support you and your family in all the ways that we can, but you need to let people know to give us a call. Thank you.

SUMMARY OF May 15, 2018 MEETING OF SESSION

THIS SUMMARY IS NOT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

The meeting was opened with a walking tour of the locations of the new playground, outdoor theater, and digital sign; and then with prayer. Rev. Dr. Dennis Haines reported on the Campaign Task Force: members are Rev. Dr. Dennis Haines, Willis Duncan, Don Buss, Michael Murphy, Duane Muckey & Jim Stilley with 3 additional members to be determined. A schedule & financial status were presented. Funds expended to date are Playground \$20,222; Sign \$18,487; & Architect (for Narthex & entry way) \$9,000. Session approved the stone, color, and location of the sign and hiring Eldecon for the electrical wiring to it.

Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed and approved. Clerk of Session reported: Arvis Shields, inactive member, passed away in 2017; Don Cochran, member, passed away May 2, visitation & funeral were held at the church on May 12; Carole Fulk, member, was placed on inactive roll at her request as she now resides in Columbia, MO; Donna Dilsaver joined the church on Sunday, May 13; Monthly calendars for June and July 2018 were reviewed and updated.

Finance Action Team (AT) reported April had higher income & lower budget expenses for a surplus for month compared to budget of \$6,974. At the end of April the YTD income was \$15,170 over expenses and we had \$79,336 in the bank checking/saving account. April income was \$38,172 and YTD income was \$155,888.

Building & Grounds AT reported repairing the cabinet above the ice-maker –no cost.

Education AT reported about a Heartland Intern for the school year and starting an additional adult Sunday School class in the fall; working on creating a rec-room for youth; have 23 signed up for Traveling Day camp so far; and youth will do Children's Sermons at 11:00am services during the summer.

Fellowship AT reported women's breakfast is going well; sold 74 Royals tickets for June 1 game; need help cleaning up after May 20 celebration; & July 29 will be all church picnic.

Mission AT reported Summer Mission Nights will begin Wednesday June 13 with special programs announced in CNN; noisy offering is averaging more than \$300 per month; value of donation items for Happy Bottoms was \$830.

Outreach AT proposed adding a "button" on the web site for electronic donations – Session approved.

Worship AT is seeking an office volunteer on Wednesday afternoons to contact Sunday helpers (i.e. acolytes, readers, ushers, etc.). Contact Brenda Varner or Barb Shaffer if interested.

Pastor Michael's report included meetings, visits, & working on summer plans, Ebenezer Too and planning for DCE & Director of Music searches.

Old business: discussed Pentecost service and presentation on Ebenezer Too projects.

New business: Pastor McCall & Donna Haines will attend Presbytery meeting at Atchison, KS on June 5.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by all and The Lords' Prayer.

CARING MINISTRIES...Here at First Pres., we are all family and we are here for each other! Through volunteer efforts we offer many "Caring Ministries." During difficult times, people often feel very alone. They may have no one to talk to who will really listen. Stephen Ministries give them a listening ear—someone they can talk to about things they wouldn't discuss with anyone else. **H.O.W.** is our Hospitality on Wheels. We offer a few meals for those in need from surgeries, illnesses, bereavement, and more. If you are interested in preparing meals for someone, or if you have a need for a few meals yourself, contact Sharon Pyburn at the church, 524-3933, or email Jspyburn@aol.com. The **We Care** team meets once a month. Members of this team reach out to our shut-ins. Contact Sharon Pyburn if you feel you have time to visit with any of our members who can't make it out to church. **Did you know...**we are a Stephen Ministries Congregation? We are one of more than 12,000 congregations throughout the world that have equipped lay people to care for those experiencing grief, divorce, hospitalization, and many other life crises. **Stephen Ministry** is our "one to one" compassionate care team. Stephen Leaders go through extensive training and they meet weekly with those who have concerns. If you have questions about the program, please contact Pastor Michael, John Fields or Sharon Pyburn.

Sunday's Volunteer Schedule for June and July

Date	9:00 Team	11:00 Team	Worship Leaders 11:00	Acolytes
June 3 Communion	1	1	Laura Muckey	Jackson Boye
June 10	2	2	Donna Haines	Anna Murphy
June 17	3	3	Martha Wood	Jack Dumler
June 24	4	4	Zach Calder	Lila James
July 1 Communion	5	5	Cheryl Farris	Brooke Bellamy
July 8	6	6	Katie Murphy	Ian Murphy
July 15	7	7	John Tapp	Hugo Dwyer
July 22	1	1	Brian Boye	Jackson Boye
July 29	2	2	Lana Ogden	Tyler Tindall



Happy Birthday to You...



June		
6/ 1 Carl Bennett	6/20 Isabel Murphy	7/ 4 Jason Prier
6/ 2 Jeff Howe	6/20 Anna Murphy	7/ 5 Amy Tilton
6/ 3 Bea Finkemeier	6/20 Ian Murphy	7/ 7 Bruce Schworer
6/ 5 Becky Gordy	6/20 Courtney Ng	7/ 7 Mike Sievers
6/ 5 Kaylee Roumas	6/21 Asa Carson	7/ 9 Stewart Black
6/ 5 Barbara Stone	6/22 Gwynn Olson	7/ 9 Alex Pederson
6/ 6 Audrey Gilbert	6/23 Rob Cromwell	7/ 9 Nancy Tapp
6/ 8 Bonnie Klinginsmith	6/23 Patty Sievers	7/ 9 Lois Walden
6/ 8 Ian Roudebush	6/24 Ed Felps	7/12 Ian Shemwell
6/10 Karleigh Carlson	6/24 Tammy Goldstein	7/13 Benton Lightfoot
6/10 Linda Sharp	6/24 Todd Rogers	7/13 Emery Ng
6/11 Nick Shemwell	6/24 Donna Skouse	7/17 Arnold Stone
6/12 Marty Koehn	6/26 Barbara Anderson	7/18 Brian Howell
6/12 Dawn Seiler	6/27 Stan Dujakovich	7/18 Cassandra Pyburn
6/13 Leslie Bone	6/27 Merle Turney	7/21 Meg Anna
6/13 Evan Spencer	6/28 Carol Rauscher	7/22 Bob Markle
6/14 Larry Clarke	6/28 Brenda Varner	7/22 Carolyn McCall
6/14 Elsie DeWolf	6/29 Riley Boye	7/23 Jack Howell
6/14 Nolan Voigt	6/29 Willard Bricker	7/24 John Tapp
6/15 Isabella Gieringer	6/29 Elizabeth Hunt	7/25 Cailyn Persinger
6/15 Justin Pyburn	6/29 Caryl Schieszer	7/ 26 Gary Blakeman
6/17 Sarah Apperson	6/30 Debbie Betscher	7/26 Sheila Harris
6/17 Aidan Covinsky	6/30 Lola Payton	7/30 Jackson Dumler
6/19 Willis Duncan	6/30 Madilyn Walter	7/30 Marisa James
6/20 Barbara Atkinson		7/30 Marty Sexton
6/20 Donna Cusick		7/31 John Ball
July		
	7/ 1 Jillian Bell	
	7/ 2 Mary Stilley	

TIME AND TALENT CONNECTION FORM... If you haven't filled one out yet, please grab one from the table in the Narthex! This is a great way for our Action Teams, Small Groups, Sunday School Programs, etc. to know you are interested in joining them or just looking for more information! For more information, please call the church office at (816) 524-3933.

From the Fellowship Action Team

Update on Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost Sunday was a wonderful day! Not only did we have an inspiring and inclusive, combined worship, we had a fabulous brunch with Chris Cakes pancakes. 175 hungry persons stayed for fellowship and enjoyed being served! The Handbell Choir's Signature Sale was a reported success and they raised over \$1,000 for refurbishing of the Malmark Handbells which will be completed this summer. Congratulations were expressed to our graduates and we wish them well in their future endeavors!



Donuts for Dads on Father's Day June 17, 2018

The Fellowship Action Team will be handing out doughnuts during the 10:00 am time for fellowship on Father's Day, Sunday, June 17. Please plan to stay after the 9:00 am Contemporary Worship or come before the 11:00 am Traditional Worship to eat a doughnut and celebrate all of our fathers and father figures!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ALL CHURCH PICNIC SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018

The All Church Picnic will be held at the church beginning at 4:00 pm. We will begin with fun games and then have grilled hamburgers and hotdogs with all the trimmings. And for dessert, we are having homemade ice cream! We are looking for folks to make ice cream so if you would like to show off your talents, let Sandy Eberhard or Alex Calder know you are interested. Bring your chairs and beverages and prepare for a great time of fellowship! More information will come as event gets closer.



Many Thanks...

We want to "THANK ALL OF YOU" who helped us recently with the Memorial Dinners and Receptions at the church. The set up, serving, cooking and clean up crews are all so necessary for a successful and stress free day. If you would like to help in any way in the future, please contact Martha Delozier at (816) 525-7823 or Phyllis Muckey at (816) 524-0825. Thanks again!

Youth News

- Overwhelming thanks and gratitude to everyone who participated in, attended, donated items and supported the youth at the Youth Fundraiser Dinner, Talent Show and Auction in May. We can report that a good time was had by all!
- Curt is planning to gather the youth for a mid-week program on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 pm this summer. This program will be designed to "catch up, check in" and have positive and inclusive time together. They should bring a sack dinner and prepare for a great time of fellowship with each other!
- For almost 20 years, our youth who have been confirmed or will be confirmed in the coming year, have painted bricks that are placed in the "Brick Room" in the lower level of the church. It is a fun tradition and a way for them to leave their legacy for future generations. The available painting dates are July 9-12 from 2:00-8:00 pm. More information will be available.
- The Youth Mission Week will be a five day intergenerational event designed to involve not only the youth, but other groups from the church. We will be spending each day volunteering our time at organizations in need and with charitable groups throughout the greater Kansas City metropolitan area. Serving meals to the homeless, tending gardens and helping those in our own back yard are just a few examples of the people and places where we will be lending a helping hand that week.
- We said we wanted to create a game room and our response has been overwhelming! Thank you for all of the donations and your support!

Gatherings This Summer

ELIZABETH BIBLE STUDY...is continuing a book study , He Speaks to Me by Priscilla Shirer. They meet each Friday at 9:30 am at the church. Please contact Carol Phillips for more information.

EATING OUT GROUP...will dine at **Grunauer's Restaurant on Saturday, June 2** at 6:00 pm. The group will meet at the church at 5:30 pm for anyone wanting to carpool to the restaurant. Please contact Dick and Lucy Daily at (816) 220-8792 to let them know you will attend and if you would like to carpool. The restaurant is located at 101 West 22nd Street, KC, MO (Freight House District). On Saturday, July 7, the group will share a meal at **Krokstrom Klubb & Market** at 6:30 pm. Anyone wanting to carpool should meet at the church at 6:00 pm and call the Dick and Lucy to let them know you will attend and/or carpool. The restaurant is located 3601 Broadway Blvd., KC, MO. All are welcome for both evenings!

THE WOMEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP...will meet on Saturday, June 2 at 8:30 am at the church. All women of the church are welcome to join them for breakfast and fellowship!

THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP...will **not** meet on Saturday, June 9 but will meet on Saturday, July 14 at 7:45 am at the church. All men of the church are welcome to join them for breakfast and fellowship!

THE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP...sponsored by Kansas City Hospice will meet on Tuesday, June 5th from 3:00-4:30 pm at the church. They meet the first Tuesday of each month. If you are interested in joining the group or need more information, please contact Christy Hanson at (816) 363-2600. There is no cost to join but they request that you register with Christy prior to your first meeting.

THE MEN'S GROUP ANNUAL FISH FRY...is Friday, June 8 at 6:30 pm, This has become an annual tradition as we enjoy fellowship with our spouses and others from the church. If you haven't attended now is the time - it's a great gathering and all are welcome! Please RSVP to tomandroxie@gmail.com and let them know if you are bringing a salad, vegetable, dessert or appetizer and how many will attend Their address is 604 N. Winnebago Drive Lake Winnebago, MO. Tom can also be reached by phone at (816) 812-8979.

KEENAGERS...will gather at the church on Wednesday, June 13 and July 12 at noon. Bring your sack lunch, a game to play, a deck of cards or even crayons and something to color! Just a good way to spend a couple of summer afternoons amongst friends! On Thursday, August 16, Dennis and Donna Haines have invited the Keenagers to their home for lunch and a time of fellowship. More info will follow! All are welcome!

ONE GOOD MEAL...we collect cookies on the fourth Sunday of each month for this program. Please bring cookies, individually wrapped (one large or two small), to church on Sunday, June 24 and Sunday, July 29. Thanks for your support of this program! For more information, contact Barbara Stone at (816) 509-8681.

LIFE LINE SCREENING, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at First Presbyterian Church of Lee's Summit on **Monday, June 18, 2018**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.**



Let's Be Healthy Together!

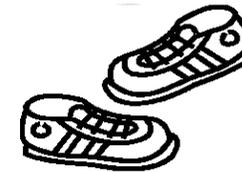


From the Mission Action Team

Throughout the year, we partner with Lee's Summit Social Services to help those in need. Our summer months are full of preparation for the upcoming school year and the following programs are how we are responding to the call in our community. Please help where you can and know that the Mission Action Team appreciates your giving and care for the children and youth in our school district.



"SHOES, SHOES, SHOES"



School vacation has just begun, but Lee's Summit Social Services is already preparing for the back to school shoe drive. Our church generously donated over \$1,600 last year to provide new shoes, purchased by personnel at LSSS, for children whose parents cannot afford to buy them. LSSS will begin distributing the shoes in July in preparation for the 2018-19 school year which begins August 15. A labeled shoe box and envelopes are available in the outer narthex for contributions. Please make your check out to the church and memo "LSSS Shoes."

"SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE IN JULY"



School Supplies already? We start collecting the needed supplies on July 1 and will continue through the month because it takes an enormous amount of time for LSSS volunteers and staff to assemble backpacks for the hundreds of students who come to them for school supplies and clothing. If the supplies don't arrive until August, there's just not enough time for preparation.

Donations are always welcome and if you want to shop, we need pencils, loose-leaf paper, spiral notebooks, crayons, and any other school supplies. Because of Lee's Summit School District recommendations, please purchase Fiskar brand scissors. They are asking that we **do not** donate paints this year. If you want to make a monetary contribution, envelopes will be in the narthex.

Looking ahead...

August Mission Project: BACKSNACK PROGRAM

First Church is responsible for providing food for the BackSnack program at a Lee's Summit middle school for the month of September. This food goes home with middle school aged youth on Friday afternoons so they have food to eat over the weekend. Here are some suggested items: canned dinners with meat (chili, meat ravioli, etc.), canned meat (chicken, tuna, vienna sausage), canned soup, canned beans, canned fruit, canned vegetables (small cans rather than family sized are preferred); peanut butter, jelly (in plastic only), flavored rice or noodle bags, cereal bars, individual cereal packs, oatmeal packets, juice boxes, fruit snacks, pudding cups, microwave popcorn, or other individual snacks. Please bring donations to church during August. Monetary donations are also accepted and appreciated—we will shop for you!



NOISY OFFERING



Noisy Offering will be collected on Sunday, June 24, to support the shoe drive for Lee's Summit Social Services. On July 29, the Noisy Offering will help purchase school supplies for Lee's Summit Social Services. Thank you for donating your loose change to these programs! Both are worthy causes!