



JUNE 2015

SUNDAY

9:30 am

Sunday School

10:45 am

Worship Service

6:00 pm

Youth Group

**3rd Sundays Carry-in
Fellowship Meal**

MONDAY

Noon Prayer Group

1:00 pm

Quilting for Homeless

WEDNESDAY

**7:00 pm Bible Study
(adults & youth)**

FRIDAY

9:30 am

Stay Strong Exercise

SATURDAY

10:00 am Al-Anon



Lexington United Methodist Church

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Are you checking in or checking out? This is the question each of must answer as summer arrives. For many churches that have small attendance numbers the tendency is to check out for the summer. Sunday school teachers are ready for a break because no one has helped to relieve the load of teaching the children and youth throughout the school year. They want, and sometimes crave, to attend a small group or adult Sunday school class to nourish their own spiritual growth. This is necessary for them to do so!

So let me share a “what if” with you: what if some of our folks would volunteer to do Sunday school for June and July as a gift to our dedicated Sunday school teachers? In most cases what is needed is for someone to spend time with our children and youth. I would call this a chance to check in and make a difference!

The old adage is that if I ask everybody (general plea) then no one responds thinking (more like praying) that someone else will respond so that I don’t have to. DON’T BE THAT GUY is the popular phrase on sports radio right now. They are usually talking about someone who does something stupid that hurts the team. The same principle holds true for your church! To not respond in this case would be to harm the ministries of our church as we do not and shall not quit being the church just because summer has arrived.

The same holds true for your attendance at church. Summer is a time for vacations and family outings that will occasionally mean missing church. That is to be expected. What is not expected is to say goodbye in June and hello again in August!

Just something to think about and ponder!

Your servant in Christ, Terry

NOTES FROM SARAH BLACK, CHURCH COORDINATOR

VBS

HELP WANTED! Our Vacation Bible School is July 19-23 from 6:00-8:30 pm at the Presbyterian Disciples Church. Our curriculum this year is called, "Everest," and looks to be loads of fun. Teachers for all ages are needed along with leading recreation and crafts. If you're able to help us out, even for one night, please contact Annie Yates or Sarah Black. This is important for "OUR KIDS!"

WISH LIST

Our nursery is in need of a few items and I know we can help out. Jennifer indicated we could use the following items:

Girls Toys-Baby dolls, play high chair, Barbie car, baby bottle

First Aid Kit-Thermometer

Little people sets made by Fisher Price. (at Wal-Mart)

Mr. Potato Head (\$10 at Wal-Mart)

Wooden train sets

Wooden puzzles

Many of our toys in the nursery are "well loved" and need replacing. Please don't bring items you simply want to get rid of, but things new or gently used. Thanks, Sarah

"PRAYER"

Have you ever wondered if it works or not? Our newest class can help you find answers to that and other questions you might have. We've just started, so if you can join us, please do. Pastor Cook is teaching from a book called, "The Circle Maker." Class meets on Tuesdays, at noon, in the Seekers' Classroom. Plan on joining us!!!

CHOIR

The last practice this year for our choir is Wednesday, May 13th. If you can do a special song, play an instrument, or have something musical for Sunday mornings, please contact Jan Thompson to arrange. Thanks and see you in the fall!!!

WHY???

This Adam Hamilton book brings to light a puzzling topic we all have wondered about. It focuses on making sense of God's world. Class begins on May 13th, at 7pm in the Explorers classroom. Led by Kari Heisler, the study proves to be of interest to us all. Plan on joining!!

Years ago Virgil McFadden built a "piano moving dolly. We can't locate it at the church, so if you borrowed it, please return it to the church. Thanks, Sarah

THANKS SUZANNE & TONY!

On Sunday, June 14 we will be honoring Suzanne and Tony Hoeppner during our carry-in meal after worship. Please plan on attending and thank them both for their years of service to our church with a card shower. The Hoeppners will be relocating July 1.

(This will replace our regular 3rd Sunday meal.)

Members in Care Centers & Homebound

Bob Backs (KU Med)

Bonnie Best (Care Center)

Virginia Fetter (home)

Pat Fisher 9833 Overbrook Ct., Leawood, KS 66206.

Geneva Hamilton (nursing home in California)

James Lauderdale (Bristol Manor)

Tootie Mason (John Knox Village, Lee's Summit)

Mary Stephenson (Care Center)

Ruth Wainscott (Colorado Springs, CO)

Alice Wiley (Meyer Care, Higginsville)

Roberta Wyatt (Care Center)

June Birthdays

7	Janice Tubilolo	22	Sherri Chandra
12	Blake Johnson	25	Rowdy Yates
15	Tom Ehler	27	Beth Simnitt
18	Nicole Backs	27	Stephen Coggins
19	Gavin Goodloe	30	Butch Caldwell
20	Cooper Lynn		

If your birthday is not listed, please contact the church office, patty@reachingforyou.org 259-2483.

Annual Conference

Pastor Terry, Rowdy and Annie will be attending Annual Conference June 5 through June 8.

Some important decisions will be made this year including:

- Camping Changes
- District Boundary Changes
- Election of Delegates to General & Jurisdictional Conferences*

Please pray for guidance and patience for all attending Annual Conference this year.

*General Conference is the top policy-making body of The United Methodist Church. The 1000-member assembly meets once every four years to consider revisions to church law, as well as adopt resolutions on current moral, social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for church wide programs for the next four years. The next General Conference will be held in 2016. The next Jurisdictional Conference will also be held in 2016.

REACHING NEW PEOPLE

March 20 & 21, Rowdy and Annie Yates joined Pastor Terry Cook at a learning time at the Missouri Methodist Conference Center in Columbia, MO. The topic was "Growing our Congregations, and Reaching New People" There were so many great ideas shared, and so much information that could make a huge impact on our local churches.

We need your help. There will be 3 meetings over the next few months where we will have the opportunity to share with other Methodist churches that attended the learning time, and are looking forward to growth. We will get to share ideas among our committees, and learn what is working for other congregations. We will take the church van, and dinner will be provided at the meeting.

Please plan on attending, and encourage others to join us too, so we can see more lives touched by God in our communities!

- June 2, 6:30-8 @ St. Paul UMC in Independence
- August 4, 6:30-8 @ Glenwood Park in Independence
- Oct 6, 6:30-8 @ St. Paul UMC



The Women of the Church
will meet for a carry-in luncheon
at noon on Friday, June 13

Mary Kate Alkire will share her travels with us.

Annual Conference 2015 Livestream Schedule:

(available at www.moumethodist.org)

Friday June 5, 2015

10:30 Opening Worship: Rev. David Gilmore

4:00 Bishop's Message: Bishop Schnase, Rev. Karen Hayden and Rev. Bob Farr

Saturday June 6, 2015

10:45 AM - Service of Commissioning and Retirement

7:15 PM - Service of Ordination: Rev. Sue Nilson Kibbey

Sunday June 7, 2015

9:00 AM - Bishop's Learning Time: Rev. Jeff Brinkman "The Search for Spiritual Vitality"

10:30 AM - Sunday Morning Worship Service and Holy Communion: Rev. Alice Fowler

Monday June 8, 2015

8:00 AM Bishop's Learning Time: Bishop Robert Schnase "Just Say Yes, Unleash People for Ministry"



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Ad Team Meeting

May 17, 2015

Members present: Nancy Oles, Terry Holzhouser, Roger McFadden, Terry Cook, Suzanne Hoeppner, Patty Solars, Annie Yates, Jacki Worthington, Lynda Johnson, Sarah Black, Mable Hawkins and Janae Fuller.

Pastor Terry opened the meeting in prayer.

Lynda made a motion that the minutes from the March meeting be approved as written, as there was not a meeting in April. Nancy Oles seconded.

Suzanne gave the Treasurer's Report. Nothing unusual to report, only normal bills. \$3000 check will be used to offset costs incurred for the sound system. A check will be written this week for the Nepali relief, along with district apportionments. Suzanne let the group know that they have sold their house and they will be leaving at the end of June. She stated she was blessed by this position and by the generosity of the church and of the group. The group wished her well and let her know how appreciated she was and that she and Tony will be missed! Motion was made to approve Treasurer's Report. All in favor. Motion approved.

No old business.

New Business: Roger let the group know that it will be about \$1500 to replace the accordion style doors in the for life center. He also thinks we should hold off on replanting the trees from the Jenkins memorial until fall so that we don't have to worry about watering them during the summer.

Brent brought up the Fire Works sales. Everyone agreed that we wanted to do it again this year. Volunteers will again be needed. He also talked with the group about the church's internet connection. He gave several ideas of where to start to get internet up to speed. He also gave an update on the church's computer equipment and where updates need to occur.

Sarah Black shared the information about bible school. She is also working on an area wide Women's Retreat that will be hosted at our church in September. Leadership training will be taking place on October 1 and 2, 4 members will be going. She asked for permission to use money from the Education Fund to send this group. Mable made the motion to send the group, Brent seconded the motion. The cost is \$556.00. All members were in favor, motion approved. Sarah also discussed our inclement weather plan, i.e. what do we do if a tornado comes, etc while in the building. Sunday school leaders had a small training on what to do if this occurs.

Annie gave a report on the youth. The biggest group attended on Mother's Day—15!! The Truth About Sex class is going well. There have been several events with the youth, including working in a thrift shop in KC. A trip to a youth homeless shelter is planned for later in May.

Annie again reiterated what was learned at the conference two months ago—Go outside the church walls, go out into the community! Go to public places and let people know we are “real” and approachable. The pastor and our congregation need to network at different places in the town. Terry followed up with information about a cluster meeting that he went to with 3 other pastors. Meetings for the congregation will be held on June 2 at St. Paul UMC, August 4 Glenwood Park, October 6 St. Paul UMC, all meetings are from 6:30-8 —These are meetings for the congregation to attend with their pastor. He needs volunteers to come and go with him to these meetings. Please let him know if you can come. Discussion occurred.

Check in Angels-It was \$20 a month for 3 months. Annie let the group know that it has impacted our face book page. Terry asked that we vote to continue or not with this ministry. Discussion took place. A motion was made by Terry to keep going for 6 months. All in favor.

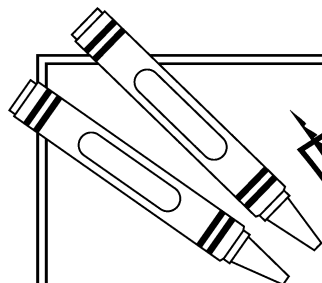
Baby Grace is going well. A spa night is being planned for the moms. The Polar Express night might be held here this December. A discussion on how to get more donations for diapers occurred. Diapers are bought strictly from donations from the members of the church. AS ALWAYS, DIAPER OR MONITARY DONTATIONS ARE WELCOME!

Lynda Johnson talked about missions. People are helping with the food pantry this month, we are hoping other churches help throughout the year. A group is going again to help with the greenhouse at the school. There have been 2 work days. Kids in the community meeting for tomorrow is cancelled, a meeting will be held later in the week.

Annual conference is in June. Rowdy, Annie and Terry will be going. Many important items will be discussed. If you have any items you would like to be taken forward, please see Annie J

The group will be meeting every other month. Next meeting will be in July.

Meeting was closed in prayer by Brent Zweifel.



PUZZLE

Written for our learning

Not only did God give us the Bible as his Word, but he also gives us many people to teach us his ways. Our greatest teacher is Jesus, God's Son.

Directions: Complete Matthew 19:16-17 by filling in the blanks (using words from the Word Bank) and then unscrambling the three words and writing them on the tablets.

WORD BANK	ask	do	eternal	If	good	good	Why
	good	Jesus	life	man	One	Teacher	

A _____ came up to _____ and asked,
 "_____, what _____ thing must I _____
 to get _____ life?" "_____ do you
 _____ me about what is _____?" Jesus replied.
 "There is only _____ who is _____.
 _____ you want to enter _____ ...

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Matthew 19:16-17, NIV

Answers: A man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?" "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied, "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life ... obey the commandments."



"SUNDAE" PARTY

Invite your Sunday school teacher(s) to a special thank-you celebration.

What you need to make a card:

- 8" x 11" cardstock (or blank cards)
- Crayons or markers

What you do:

1. Fold the cardstock like a card. On the outside, write "Thanks for being my teacher!"
2. On the inside, write a personal message and sign your name.

Celebration options:

- Buy a gift card from a local ice cream parlor and tape it inside the card.
- Invite your Sunday school class to bring all the makings for sundaes for your teacher(s).
- Invite your teacher to an ice cream parlor or to your house to enjoy sundaes together.