

THIS WEEK AT KIRKWOOD

Sunday, September 1, 2013

10:00 am—Worship Service
1:30 pm—Korean Service (S)
3:00 pm—Korean Fellowship (FH)

Monday, September 2, 2013

Labor Day
Office Closed

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

7:30 pm—ACA Meeting (CR)
7:30 pm—Outreach Meeting (C)

Wednesday, September 4, 2013

9:00 am—MOPS (FH/K)
6:00 pm—CS Pack 685 Mtg (SB)
7:00 pm—BS Troop 1140 Mtgs (FH)
7:00 pm—CS Pack 1140 Committee Mtg (CR)
8:30 pm—AA (CR)

Thursday, September 5, 2013

7:00 pm—KFFL Tailgate Party (C)
7:00 pm—Ladies AA
7:30 pm—BS Troop 1140 ASM Mtg (FH)
7:30 pm—Choir Practice

Saturday, September 7, 2013

8:00 am—MOMS Club Regional Event (various)



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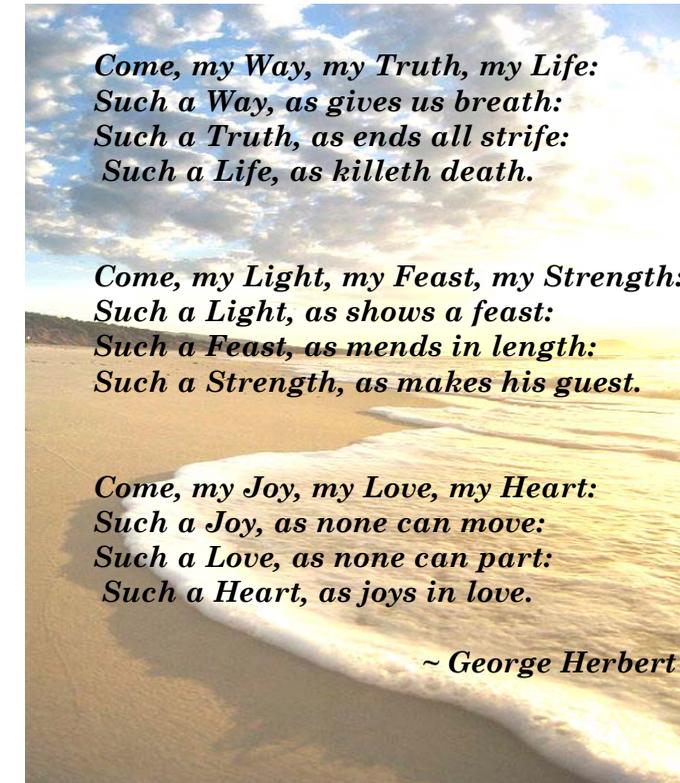
MINISTERS: All Members

CLERK/SESSION ELDERS: Doug Amon, Bob Gisch, Pam Johnson, Karen Koenig, Dan Larson, Nathan Mottl, Phil Myers, Joe Ross, Yvonne Taylor, Steve Wingfield, Joe Yancey. Karen Koenig—Clerk of Session

DEACONS: Aida Cardona, Myra Kurtz, Clydette Lobred, Beth Mateyka, Warren Qualley, Martha Schoonmaker, Maggie Snyder, Sandy Webster, Ardyss Wherry

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*“Kirkwood Presbyterian Church is a joyful community of faith—
seeking, serving, and sharing Jesus Christ.”*

Kirkwood's Mission Statement

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SILENT REFLECTION

WE GATHER TOGETHER

“When Jesus said, ‘I am the way the truth and the life’,
it means that you are NOT.”

~ Richard Rohr

“The only way to God is God’s Way to us.”

~ Charles W. Allen

As you enter the sanctuary, please prepare for worship with quiet reverence.

PRELUDE *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* arr. Robert W. Thygeron

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

GREETINGS, NEWS OF THE CHURCH

(During the offertory please sign the Friendship Folder and pass it along the pew. You may complete a prayer request card and give it to an usher.)

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ adapted from *I Peter 2:9-10*
Nathan Mottl

Leader: Grace and peace to you from God our Father
And from the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: And to all who are loved by God and called to be saints.

Leader: Together, we are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation.

People: God’s own people,

Leader: In order that we might proclaim the mighty acts of him

People: Who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Leader: Once we were not a people, but now we are a people.

People: Once we had not received mercy, but now we have.

All: Thanks be to God!

Joys & Concerns

This Week’s Birthdays:

2 Linda Pierce Knutson
Jim Schoonmaker

This Week’s Anniversaries:

3 Claire & Bob Runger
5 Doug & Sara Amon
Max & Amy Schindler



Friend us on Facebook!

Special Concerns:

Members/friends in the armed forces who are in harm’s way:
Major Joe Yancey, U.S. Army
Guantanamo Bay

Health & Personal Concerns:

Bob Flory
Steve Coffman’s sister-in-law, Jan Coffman
Andrew Lemberos, friend of Denise Gulley
Hal Sellers
Ann Gisch’s niece’s husband Gary Klimek
Dick Pape
Heather Telfer’s father, Bob Snow
Michelle Scofield’s mother Andrea
Morgan Death, friend of Jon Larson
Ben Steven, Joan Reynold’s grandson
Bill Olin—Burke Rehab Center

Fall Worship Schedule starts NEXT Sunday, Sept. 8th

Sunday School sign-up sheets available in the Commons area

9:30 am – Gather for a light breakfast

9:45 am – Classes begin for Adults and Teens

9:45 am - Kids Rock ‘N Stuff for ages 3 through grade 6

9:45 am – Nursery care for newborns through age 3

11:00 am – Worship Service

Sunday School ages 3-6th grade

Calling all acolytes! If you are going into First grade or up, and are interested in helping out by being an acolyte, please contact Kathy Lewis at otterturk@aol.com or (703) 888-3050. Training is provided.

Rev. Lees' regular day off is Friday. In the event of a need to contact the pastor, you may contact Rev. Lees at (c) 703-589-7167.

Fall office hours are 9:30-2:30 M-F.

Last movie of the WEBS Summer Movie Night series is on Wednesday, September 4 at 7:00 at Martha and Jim Schoonmaker's home. The movie decision is still in production and title TBD – but it will be a good one! Bring a dish to share and RSVP, or for questions, please call Martha at 703-451-0808 or email at home@schoonmaker.org

Brunch With a Bunch is cancelled for September 1st since it falls on Labor Day weekend. Watch for details about the location of the next Brunch With a Bunch, which will be on Sunday, October 6th.

A special "Thanks" to all who have signed up to extend our hospitality on Sunday mornings by either being a Greeter or providing for our Welcome Table. There are still some available opportunities to support this important expression of Christ's love and welcome. So, stop by the Commons Area after worship and pick an available date and sign up. Share in the joy of bringing the welcoming spirit of Christ to our community.

New Church Photo Directory will be available via email on Friday, September 13th. Hard copies will be available starting Sunday, September 15th. Please contact John Wherry or the office if you would still like to have your photo included in this edition.

With the end of summer here and the inevitable return to our routines, Budget and Finance would like to remind the congregation that receipt of pledges usually falls off during the summer, and 2013 was no exception to the rule. Please take a moment to evaluate where you are in fulfilling your pledge and try to "catch up" as soon as possible. The B&F Committee will be meeting with banks in the near future regarding the refinancing of our mortgage, and it is vitally important that our balance sheet and income statement shows that we are on track to stay within our budget. We are grateful for your continual generosity as we live into our mission to *seek, serve, and share Jesus Christ as a joyful community of faith.*

Today is the last day to contribute school supplies to Lynbrook. Please place your donations in the marked box in the Narthex. Collected supplies will be delivered to Lynbrook the week of Sept. 1st. Thank you for helping in this effort. Below is the list of the most needed items:

- Thin and thick sized colored markers (Crayola)
- Glue sticks
- 24 ct. packs of crayons (Crayola)
- Dry erase markers thin or thick (Expo)
- Scissors
- Solid colored folders with pockets and brads
- #2 pencils (Dixon/Ticonderoga)
- Composition notebooks

GATHERING PRAYER

~ *The Book of Common Worship*

Loving God, we open our hearts so that we might grow into salvation. We sing the praises of the One who embraces us in mercy and leads us from darkness into light. We offer ourselves to You in joyful worship as your precious and chosen people in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

464 BH

WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD

(PLEASE SIT)

CALL TO CONFESSION

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases and God's mercy never ends. Our hope is in God whose mercy is new every morning. God is faithful and just and forgives our sin as we offer our confession and seek God's grace in Jesus Christ. Let us pray...

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Responsive*)

L: Lord Jesus Christ, you show us the way - the risky way which you took.
The way which challenges all that is evil and destructive. We confess that too often we choose the easy and non-threatening way which allows evil to triumph and denies people the opportunity to live an abundant life.

***P: Forgive us, Lord, when we lose direction
and so fail to follow your way.***

(moment of silence for personal confession)

L: Lord Jesus Christ, you speak the word of truth which brings good news to the poor, freedom to those who are oppressed and enslaved, and healing to those whose lives lack wholeness. We confess that too often our minds are swayed by the media's 'truth' which can be so contrary to the gospel.

P: Forgive us, Lord, when our lives deny the truth of your words and your deeds.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

L: Lord Jesus Christ, you give us the gift of life - emptying yourself of all self-serving power in order to empower others with your abundant life and selfless love. We confess that we like to use power to further our own righteousness, even if it excludes others from your grace and mercy.

P: Forgive us, Lord, when our desire for power and for being right is stronger than our desire to make your life visible through us.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

L: Lord Jesus Christ, remind us that the landscape of God’s grace becomes clearer when we follow your way.

P: ***The sound of God’s voice is easier to hear when our lives speak God’s truth. The heartbeat of God’s love throbs within us when our lives bear witness to Christ’s gift of life now and forever. Amen.***

(moment of silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God hears our prayers and knows our hearts. In Christ, we are forgiven and called again to love our neighbors as ourselves and to live in God’s ways of love, justice and peace.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

(PLEASE STAND)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Father, I Adore You* 191 GH

*Father, I adore you, lay my life before you, how I love you.
Jesus, I adore you, lay my life before you, how I love you.
Spirit, I adore you, lay my life before you, how I love you.*

WE PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

(PLEASE SIT)

OFFERING *(Please pass the Friendship Folder)*
OFFERTORY *Lord I Want to be a Christian* arr. Dan. R. Edwards

(PLEASE STAND)

DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* 592 BH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Children ages 3 to 1st grade are invited to go to Bridges to Worship, a time of learning and fellowship specially designed for them)

(PLEASE SIT)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD

(PLEASE STAND)

***HYMN** *Come My Way, My truth, My Life (vs. 1)* (insert)

(PLEASE SIT)

THE GOSPEL John 14:1-14 p. 938

SERMON “Via...Veritas...Vita”

***HYMN** *Come My Way, My truth, My Life (vs. 2-3)* (insert)

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

*Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Consecration of the Gifts
Prayer*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (RESPONSIVE READING) ~from “The Apostles Creed”

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* 417 BH

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Enter His Courts with Praise!* Adam Mason

BH—Blue Hymnal GH—Green Hymnal
(BCW) Book of Common Worship (BCP) Book of Common Prayer

Pastor Lees and a Deacon Greeter will be in the Narthex to greet you. We welcome you to join us for a time of refreshments and fellowship.

COME, MY WAY, MY TRUTH, MY LIFE

Cm Bbm Ab Bbsus4 Bbm Cm

1. Come, my Way, my Truth, — my Life: Such a
 2. Come, my Light, my Feast, — my Strength: Such a
 3. Come, my Joy, my Love, — my Heart: Such a

Bbm Ab Bbsus4 Bbm Gb Fm Bbm Fm

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Eb Db Eb Fm Bbm Eb sus4 Eb

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“It hath been formerly judged that the domestic servants of the King of Heaven should be of the noblest families on earth. And though the iniquity of the late times have made clergymen meanly valued, and the sacred name of priest contemptible; yet I will labour to make it honourable, by consecrating all my learning, and all my poor abilities to advance the glory of that God that gave them. . . . And I will labour to be like my Saviour, by making humility lovely in the eyes of all men, and by following the merciful and meek example of my dear Jesus.”

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None of Herbert's poems had been published when he died, but upon his deathbed he gave them to his friend Nicholas Ferrar, asking them to be published only if they might help “any dejected poor soul.” This “little book,” as he called it, contained “a picture of the many spiritual conflicts that have passed betwixt God and my soul, before I could subject mine to the will of Jesus my Master: in whose service I have found perfect freedom.”

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