

This Week at Kirkwood

Sunday, November 9, 2014

Christopher Smith - Guest Worship Leader
Pastor Lees on Vacation
9:45 AM Adult and Teen Sunday School;
Kids Rock 'N Stuff
11:00 AM Worship Service (S) - children
dismissed to Sunday School
12:15 PM Youth Group

Monday, November 10, 2014

5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 2460 (FH)
6:30 PM CS Pack 1140 den meetings (CR)
7:30 PM BS Troop 1140 Committee Meeting
(FH)
7:30 PM WOK Book Club (C)

Tuesday, November 11, 2014

Veterans Day
9:30 AM Springfield Acres Garden Club
Board Meeting (FH/K)

6:30 PM CS Pack 1140 Den Meetings (CR)
7:30 PM BS Troop 1140 PLC Meeting (C)

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

9:30 AM MOPS Steering (C)
11:15 AM Springfield Christian Women's
Connection (N)
7:00 PM BS Troop 1140 Meeting (FH)
7:30 PM BS Venture Crew 3200 (CR)
7:30 PM Mission Committee (P)
7:30 PM WEBS (C)

Thursday, November 13, 2014

6:30 PM Bells
7:00 PM Ladies AA
7:30 PM Choir Practice

Saturday, November 15, 2014

9:30 AM Private Violin Class (FH)
5:00 PM S.O.M.E. Set-up (FH)

(S) Sanctuary (C) Conference Room (CR) Classrooms (N) Nursery (FH) Fellowship Hall (P) Parlor



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MINISTERS: All Members

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Karen Koenig—Clerk of Session

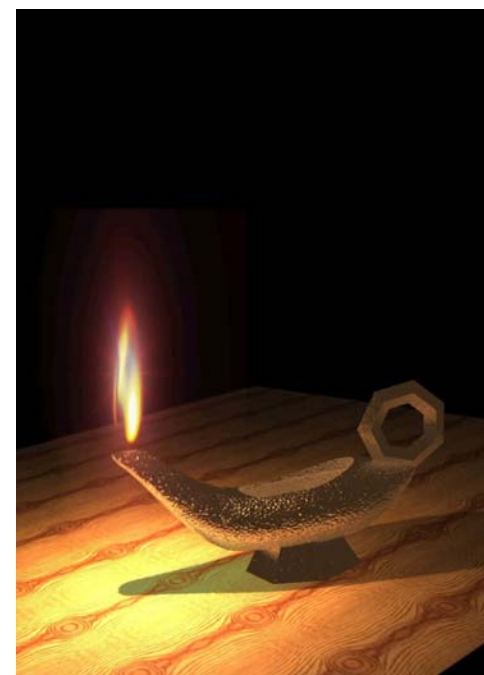
DEACONS: Aida Cardona, Ann Gisch, Myra Kurtz, Clydette Lobred, Tammy Mottl, Warren Qualley,
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*“Kirkwood Presbyterian Church is a joyful community of faith—
seeking, serving, and sharing Jesus Christ.”*

Kirkwood's Mission Statement

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SILENT REFLECTION

“Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and she is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one’s thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

~ Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16

WE GATHER TOGETHER

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

PRELUDE *God Leads Us Along* arr. George A. Young

PSALM FOR THE DAY Psalm 78:1-7

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

WORDS OF WELCOME Steve Wingfield

Leader: Grace to you and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!
People: Let us worship God!

Introit *Gentle Shepherd* William Gaither
 Dominion

CALL TO WORSHIP Steve Wingfield
~ adapted from Psalm 70:4

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
 And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People: And also with you.
 Leader: Rejoice and be Glad!
People: For God is our Salvation.
 Leader: Rejoice and be Glad!

Sunday November 23 - “Anything But Turkey!”

Give the turkey, and you, a break. Bring soup, sandwiches (including PBJ for the kids), chips or a dessert and join your Kirkwood family and friends for an easy **potluck lunch** before Thanksgiving.

Following the meal, please join us to **decorate the church** in anticipation and celebration of Christ’s birth.



Joys & Concerns

This Week’s Birthdays:

Nov. 12 Sara Amon
 Nov. 13 Elizabeth Mateyka

This Week’s Anniversaries:

Nov. 10 Dan & Rebecca Larson
 Nov. 12 Michael & Marissa Hock

Special Concerns:

Our Missionaries in Zambia:
 Rev. Kari Nicewander & Joel DeJong

Tom & Karen Mirabella and family, serving in the mission field in Japan

In Celebration:

William Haller Jones was born on November 3. He is the son of Sam & Kristen Jones and the grandson of Bob & Maggie Snyder.

Health & Personal Concerns:

Bob Flory
 Hal Sellers
 Dick Pape
 Heather Telfer’s father, Bob Snow
 Morgan Death, friend of Jon Larson
 Kathy Lewis’ friend Mary Torczon
 Keith Scott
 Bobbie Myers - Phil Myers’ mother
 Dani Schwalb
 Alfredo and Arleene Luciano, brother and sister-in-law of Aida Cardona
 Carla Coffman, Rebecca Larson’s mother
 SGT Manny Rivera’s family, friend of Kathy Lewis
 Gary Klimek, husband of Ann Gisch’s niece
 Katherine Hart, mother of Ann Gisch
 Justin Braker, nephew of Bob Gisch
 Michael Taylor, brother of Ron Taylor

Flowers today are given by Warren & Karen Qualley in loving memory of our parents, Ray & Helen Qualley and Marion & Agatha Brown.



Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings: Next Sunday's Revised Common Lectionary Reading:

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25
Psalm 78:1-7
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

Judges 4:1-7
Psalm 123
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

S.O.M.E. Sandwich Making: Next Sunday, immediately after the worship service, volunteers will gather in the Fellowship Hall to prepare sandwiches for So Others May Eat. Contributions of bologna or sliced cheese are welcome and should be placed in the kitchen refrigerator. Join us for fellowship and to help feed the homeless.

Kids Helping Kids: Next Sunday is Kids Helping Kids! All kids of Kirkwood, get ready to help assemble week-end food packs for hungry students at Newington Forest Elementary after service in the Fellowship Hall. Donations of boxed mac & cheese, ramen noodles, instant oatmeal, canned chicken or tuna, cheese and crackers, and granola bars are always welcome. Bring your items with you to the Fellowship Hall or place them in the ECHO box labeled "Kids Helping Kids." See you there!

CROP Walk: On **Sunday, November 23**, Kirkwood will participate in the 22nd Annual Burke CROP Hunger Walk in support of global programs for disaster response, literacy, clean water initiatives, teaching agricultural practices, and many more efforts to reduce the stunning number of people (over 900 million) who suffer from food insufficiency. Last year, ECHO received a check for nearly \$9,000 from the Burke walk. Please consider supporting this worthy cause as a walker or by sponsoring a walker. You can find out more at www.burkecropwalk.org or by contacting Nathan Mottl, Kirkwood's Crop Walk Coordinator.

Thanksgiving Basket Deliveries: If you would like to join the Deacons and the Mission Committee in delivering Thanksgiving Baskets to families in need after worship on **November 16**, please sign up in the Commons Area or contact Doug or Sara Amon at dla100@aol.com, it is a wonderful experience serving the community.

Brunch With a Bunch: This small group is open to all on Sunday, December 7 at Ledo Pasta & Pizza, 8324 Old Keene Mill Rd., Springfield (in the Giant shopping center across Traford Ln. from Kirkwood). It's scheduled for **12:30 pm** so head straight there after worship and the Hospitality Table. Please contact Warren and Karen Qualley at 703-646-5905 or via e-mail at wqualley@hotmail.com if you have any questions. There is a special opportunity to help out the Northern Virginia Chorale at this Brunch, as they will be holding a fundraiser on that Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Please mention the Chorale when paying your check so that they will receive a percentage of that check. We hope to see you there!

National Capital Presbytery plays a vital role in providing education, resources and support for our local congregations and was instrumental in assisting Kirkwood to refinance its mortgage at an attractive rate. We would like to be able to fully fund our per member assessment this year, so if you have not yet made your contribution, please consider writing a check to Kirkwood for \$36 and mark the memo line as NCP Assessment. Thank you.

If you have not done so already, please take a few moments to faithfully consider how God is leading you to financially support the ministry of Christ here at Kirkwood in the coming year. Complete your Pledge Card or the "I Plan to Support Kirkwood" card you'll find in the pews and please return it with your morning offering.

Hard copies of the **November Lamplighter** are available to pick up in the Commons Area following worship.

People: For God is Great.

GATHERING PRAYER (UNISON)

O great and loving God, your wisdom is radiant and unfading, easily discerned by all who seek your way. When faithful men and women live in love and work for justice, heaven breaks into earth. Give us the grace to live confidently and expectantly, trusting that the Lord of history, who has been approaching from all eternity, comes into life continually with compassion, redemption, and hope. Amen

(PLEASE STAND)

Hymn

Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

15 BH

WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD

(PLEASE SIT)

Call to Confession

Beloved, we are called to live in right relationship with God by loving one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins to the One who pardons our offences. Let us pray...

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you by not honoring you or loving one another. When we ignore the injustice in the world our worship brings you no delight. Make haste to help us, that we may stand in right relationship with you and the whole of your creation and sing your praises through the mercy of Christ, our resurrected Savior. Amen.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

~ adapted from 1 Thess. 2:7

Leader: Sisters and brothers, rejoice and be glad, for God is mighty to save and comes to you in peace to forgive, restore, and strengthen you eternally in Christ.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

(PLEASE STAND)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jesus, Remember Me

599 BH

*Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom. (Repeat)*

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)

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children ages 3 to 6th grade are dismissed to their Sunday School classes)

GREETING, NEWS OF THE CHURCH

*(Please sign the friendship folder and pass it along the pew.)
(You may complete prayer request cards and give them to an usher.)*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

O Zion, Haste

James Walch

(PLEASE STAND)

DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(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

THE EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

p. 1030

(Please Stand)

Hymn

Seek Ye First

333 BH

(PLEASE SIT)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

p. 860

SERMON

Awake in the Now

ANTHEM

*Up and Away Medley
Dominion*

arr. Joseph Linn

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Closing Prayer (Unison)

Eternal God, you call us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND)

Hymn

Rejoice, the Lord is King

155 BH

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the Lord, Mighty God (to the tune of Edelweiss)

*May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever;
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God’s face, full of grace forever;
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.*

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory

arr. John Hughes

BH—Blue Hymnal GH—Green Hymnal

Following service, Christopher Smith will be in the Narthex to greet you. We welcome you to join us for a time of refreshments and fellowship.

The Introit, the Offertory, and the Anthem today were rendered by the group Dominion. Dominion members are Scott Bunton, Bob Gisch, Connor Gulley, Jim Lister, and Jim Wakefield.

Rev. Lees will be on vacation from Sunday, November 9 until Tuesday, November 11. For pastoral emergencies during this time, please contact Rev. Saul Cardona at 703-232-3041.

Please welcome our guest preacher, Director of Choral Music, Christopher Smith. Aside from being trained as a musician (M.M., Westminster Choir College), Christopher has also completed Seminary at Yale Divinity School and the Institute of Sacred Music. He is currently doing doctoral work in Liturgical Studies at the Catholic University of America where he also teaches on occasion. He is a published author on areas of liturgical studies and music.