

This Week at Kirkwood

Sunday, September 13, 2015

9:45 AM Adult/Youth Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service (S)
12:30 PM Deacons Meeting (CO)
12:30 PM Youth Group
7:00 PM Hot Lanes Band Practice (S)
7:00 PM Session Meeting (CO)

Monday, September 14, 2015

5:15 PM GS Troop 144 (FH)
6:30 PM CSP 1140 Den Meeting (TR, 3 CR)
7:30 PM BSA Troop 1140 Committee Meeting (FH)
7:30 PM Women's Book Club (CO)

Tuesday, September 15, 2015

6:00 PM CSP 1140 Den Meeting (SB)
7:30 PM BSA Troop 1140 PLC Meeting (CO)

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

7:00 PM BSA Troop 1140 Meeting (FH)
7:30 PM WEBS (CO)
8:30 PM AA (SB)

Thursday, September 17, 2015

10:30 AM Women's Thursday Circle (P)
6:30 PM Ladies Night Out AA (SB)
7:30 PM Chancel Choir (S/Music Room)
7:30 PM BSA Troop 1140 ASM Meeting (CO)

Friday, September 18, 2015

Saturday, September 19, 2015

9:30 AM Violin Class (S)
8:30 PM BSA Troop 1140 Life to Eagle (FH)

Sunday, September 20, 2015

S.O.M.E. / Kids Helping Kids

(S) Sanctuary (CO) Conference Room (CR) Classrooms (SB) Sanctuary Basement (FH) Fellowship Hall (P) Parlor



KIRKWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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DEACONS: Aida Cardona, Ann Gisch, Jim Heidenreich, Betsy Johnson, Clydette Lobred, Tammy Mottl, Sandy Webster, Ardyss Wherry

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KIRKWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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

Kirkwood's Mission Statement

SEPTEMBER 13, 2015

11:00 AM

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SILENT REFLECTION

*“Tell someone to do something, and you change their life - for a day;
tell someone a story and you change their life.”*

~ N.T. Wright

WE GATHER TOGETHER

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

PRELUDE *Enter His Court with Praise* Adam Mason

PSALM FOR THE DAY Psalm 19 p. 473

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Acolytes

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

WORDS OF WELCOME Rex Grigg

Leader: Grace to you and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **Let us worship God!**

INTROIT *The Gift of Love* Hal Hopson

CALL TO WORSHIP Rex Grigg
~adapted from Psalm 19

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: All around us, O God, creation speaks a silent story,
telling a wondrous tale—proclaiming your glory.

- new white socks and underwear for adults and children, boys’ jeans in all sizes and men’s jeans in small and medium sizes. We also need new or gently used and clean winter coats, especially for children.

ECHO Needs: Right now through October is the time of leanest inventory in ECHO’s Food Room due to increased demand during the summer and seasonally low donations. If you have unused electronics laying around, here are some current special needs that have been requested: computers with USB ports/LCD monitors, keyboards, mice, wires/cables, power supplies and adapters.

Lynbrook Elementary School Supplies: Kirkwood will continue to collect school supply donations **through October 4** in the Lynbrook Collection Box until October 4. These donations support Lynbrook Elementary School which has released their supply list online at <http://www.fcps.edu/LynbrookES/docs/supplylist.pdf>. Copies of the list can also be found in the commons area. It is very important that every child have their school supplies for the new school year and Kirkwood would like to reach out to those in need at Lynbrook Elementary School who have not already received their school supplies through other charities.

Peacemaking Offering: This offering supports the peacemaking efforts of the church at every governing body level and provides an opportunity to witness to God’s gift of peace in the world. Gifts given are divided in the following manner: 25% retained by congregations for support of their own peacemaking ministry, 25% used to support presbytery and synod peacemaking efforts, and 50% forwarded to the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program of the Presbyterian Mission Agency so that it can continue to provide assistance and resources for congregations and other bodies of the PC(USA). The peacemaking offering will be collected **Sunday, October 4**.

Joys & Concerns

This Week’s Birthdays:

Sept 14 Bob Flory
Sept 15 Blake Larson
Sept 17 Katie Campbell
Sept 18 Max Schindler
Sept 19 Erik Larson

Health & Personal Concerns:

Dave Johnson
Bob Flory
Hal Sellers
Dick Pape
Keith Scott
Bob Snow, Heather Telfer’s father
Michael Taylor, brother of Ron Taylor
Jimmy, brother of Cecilia Wu
Abigail, daughter of Joan Reynolds’ nephew
Sallie Yaskin, sister of Ann Gisch

This Week’s Anniversaries:

Sept 13 Jon & Merissa Larson

Special Concerns:

Tom & Karen Mirabella and family, serving in the mission field in Japan
Chris Sadler, grandson of Jack Downing, providing humanitarian relief in Turkey
Church of Central Africa Presbyterian - Zambia



*Flowers today are given in celebration of
Jon & Merissa Larson’s anniversary and Blake Larson’s birthday.*



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

Proverbs 1:20-33
Psalm 19
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38

Proverbs 31:10-31
Psalm 1
James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a
Mark 9:30-37

Nursery: Nursery care is available for newborns through age 2.

Women's Book Club: Join us on **Monday, September 14** at 7:30 pm in the Conference Room. The book is *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins. Ann Gisch is the hostess. We are looking for readers to join us!

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Everyone is invited to join WEBS in the conference room at 7:30 pm beginning this **Wednesday, September 16**. One of the books under consideration for study is *Zealot, the Life And Times of Jesus of Nazareth* by Reza Aslan. Bring your ideas and join the group!

Women's Bible Study: The Thursday Bible Study will meet **Thursday, September 17** at 10:30 am in the Parlor. The study will be Lesson 1 in *Come to the Waters* by Judy Record Fletcher. In this study, we consider the waters throughout the Bible from the waters of chaos in Genesis to the River of Life in the last chapter of Revelation, where chaos is no more. If you need a book, contact Ann Gisch. *Please note the Monday Bible Study will merge into the Thursday Bible Study.*

The next **Brunch with a Bunch** will be held on **Sunday, October 4** at El Paso Mexican Restaurant (6804 Commerce St, Springfield) beginning at 12:30 pm. Please RSVP to John and Sandy Webster at john.webster1@cox.net. November's brunch will be held at Eleni's Greek Taverna on **Sunday, November 8**. Watch for coupons that may arrive in the mail between now and then! More details to come from Jean and Bob Hemm who are coordinating the event.

Advent Devotionals: We are currently working on a special Advent Devotional created especially for and by the Kirkwood congregation. **Please consider volunteering to write one or more devotions for our booklet.** We need 27 of them! Identify an Advent scripture or other work that has meaning to you with relevance to expectant waiting, write a paragraph about what the scripture means to you, and a short sentence or two prayer – that's it! Please contact Martha Schoonmaker to volunteer via email (home@schoonmaker.org) or phone (703-451-0808) with questions or for more information. She can also help identify scripture if needed. The deadline is **October 16**.

Sunday School Teachers: *If you are interested in volunteering to teach, please utilize the sign-up board in the Narthex. We really need your help!*

Pre-Worship: Adult Sunday School - **Martha Schoonmaker**, Senior High Sunday School - **Joe Yancey**

During Worship: Lambs - **Carin Hickey**; Doves - **Lynn Gearhart**; Lions - **Merissa Larson**

Resource Coordinator: **Jon Larson**

Calling all Acolytes! If you are in first grade or higher, and are interested in helping out in worship by serving as an acolyte, please contact Kathy Lewis at otterturk@aol.com or (703) 888-3050 to get on the schedule. Training is provided.

ECHO Clothing Drive: Starting this month, please help ECHO prepare for the fall needs of needy families in our area by bringing in donations of your gently used fall and winter clothing in addition to the always needed items

People: The full moon declares your constant watchfulness;

Leader: Over barnyard and schoolyard, courtyard and backyard, the early morning mist rises—speaking of your steadfast faithfulness.

All: The heavens declare your glory, O God. In silence and in song, may we forever listen for your voice.

GATHERING PRAYER

God of love and mercy, awaken us to the ever-new abundance that is ours through your Word, and enable us to be faithful disciples of Jesus who is the Christ, your beloved One and our Savior. May we never cease to praise you for the wonder of your redeeming love and the gift of everlasting life. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

473 BH

(PLEASE SIT)

WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD

CALL TO CONFESSION

Beloved in Christ, let us speak the truth before God, and declare those things we have said and done that have separated us from God and our neighbor that we might experience the fullness of God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us confess our sin...

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (A UNISON PRAYER)

Merciful God, the simplest word, easy to say and quickly forgotten, can leave a legacy of pain, or a long-lingering joy. Yet as we fill the air with our words, we are often oblivious or simply dismissive of their impact, of the lives changed, for better or worse, by our careless chatter. May we take responsibility for what we say and for what we leave unsaid. Forgive us, gracious and creative Word of God. Teach us the wisdom of careful speech, the power of blessing, the healing of forgiving, the gift of truth-telling; and, give us the courage to speak out, to do our part in filling the world with words of life. Amen.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

~adapted from Psalm 19:7-8

Leader: Brothers and sisters, the law of the Lord is perfect, and it revives the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure and make wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes. With open eyes, joyous hearts, and eager souls let us hear the good news.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

(PLEASE STAND)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me (vs 1) insert

Glory to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

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 through 6th grade are dismissed to Sunday School)

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

Offertory in G L.V. Beethoven/Gerald P. Christians

(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 LESSON

James 3:1-12

p. 1055

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN

I Danced in the Morning

302 BH

(PLEASE SIT)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 8:27-38

p. 875

SERMON

Getting Your Theological Lights Punched Out

ANTHEM

God of Mercy, God of Grace

Jerry F. Davidson

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of Godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

602 GH

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

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POSTLUDE

We Have Met to Worship

Mark Hayes

BH—Blue Hymnal GH—Green Hymnal

Rev. Lees will be in the Narthex after worship to greet you.
We welcome you to join us for a time of refreshments and fellowship.