

Psalm of the Day
Psalm 105:1-11

- ¹O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.
²Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.
³Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
⁴Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.
⁵Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
⁶O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.
⁷He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.
⁸He is mindful of his covenant forever, of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,
⁹the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac,
¹⁰which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
¹¹saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance." Praise the Lord!

Household Prayer: Morning

Holy One, I awake into the sense of your presence with me. From time to time today, remind me that each day my life touches another as the seed falls to the earth. May each word and deed find rich soil sowing kindness, goodness, and love. Give me a generous heart and compassionate spirit that Christ whose mysterious presence lies within may bear fruit with abundance. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Holy one, the daylight soon melts away and as twilight draws near I praise your name for being present among all those I have encountered in work and play, in interruptions and tasks. Help me to meditate on your unexpected blessings and in the acts of kindness found in both friends and strangers. Grant now the I might rest in the knowledge that you will remain watchful over dreams and hopes that emerge in the coming of a new day. Amen.



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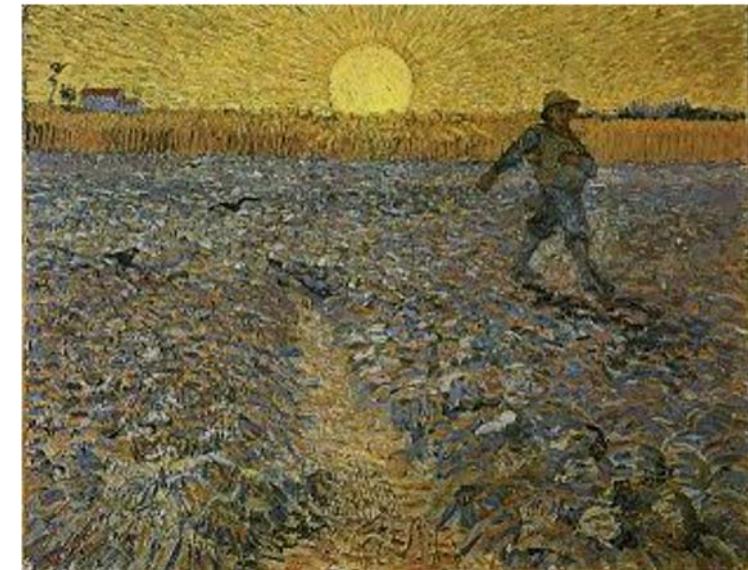
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The Sower, Vincent van Gogh, 1888

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

Kirkwood's Mission Statement

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SILENT REFLECTION

“Parables aren’t illustrations that make things easier; they make things harder by requiring the exercise of our imaginations, which if we aren’t careful becomes the exercise of our faith.”

~ Eugene Peterson

WE GATHER TOGETHER

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

PRELUDE *All the Way My Savior Leads Me* Todd Kendall/Robert Lowry

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 105:1-11, 45b p. 523

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

WORDS OF WELCOME Sandy Webster

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
People: **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

INTROIT *My Lord What a Morning*
Bob Gisch, bass Afr-Amer Spiritual/arr. H. Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP Sandy Webster
~adapted from Psalm 105:1-4

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: O give thanks to the Lord, call on God’s name,
make known God’s deeds among the peoples.
People: **Sing to God, sing praises to the Lord;
tell of all God’s wonderful works.**
Leader: Glory in God’s holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
People: **We will seek the Lord’s strength and presence continually.**
ALL: **O give thanks to the Lord and call on God’s name,
make known God’s deeds among the peoples.**

Please remember to "Bring a Can of Food to Church for ECHO" each Sunday for our Springfield and Burke neighbors who need help feeding their families!

Joys & Concerns

This Week’s Birthdays:

Aug 3 Lily Larson
Aug 4 Lois Smith

Special Concerns:

Dustin & Sherri Ellington and family, mission workers in Zambia
Ensign Will Campbell, deployed to the Persian Gulf onboard USS Thunderbolt

Health & Personal Concerns:

Bob Flory
Bob Hemm
Dick Pape
Joan Reynolds
Dani Schwalb
Lee & Linda Knutson
Deanna Johnson’s father
Abigail, daughter of Joan Reynolds’ nephew
James and Bryce, friends of Anne Myers
Dick Glymph, father of Amy Jennette
Hez Spinner, brother-in-law of Clydette Lobred
Jerrold Ross, brother of Joe Ross

This Week at Kirkwood

Sunday, July 30, 2017

10:00 AM Worship Service (S)
11:00 AM Special Session Meeting (CO)
1:30 PM Washington Mission Church (S)
2:30 PM Washington Mission Church (FH)
3:00 PM Carpe Diem Choir (CO)
4:00 PM Carpe Diem Choir (S)
7:00 PM Hot Lanes Band Practice (S)

Monday, July 31, 2017

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

7:00 PM WEBS Movie Night (Taylor Home)
8:30 PM Discussion Group AA (SB)

Thursday, August 3, 2017

6:45 PM Ladies Night Out AA (SB)

Friday, August 4, 2017

6:30 PM NA (SB)

Saturday, August 5, 2017

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



Flowers this morning are given Keith & Beverly Harding in memory of our daughter.

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

Genesis 29:15-28
Psalm 105:1-11, 45b (or) Psalm 128
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 17:1-7, 15
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

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

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.

Calling All Musicians! Do you have a talent to share? Do you play an instrument or sing? Are you part of a musical performing group? If so, please share your own or your group's talents during one of the Summer Worship Services. During the summer months, our regular performing groups will be taking a well-earned break and we would love to have you help us with music. If you can help, or have a friend to recommend, please contact our music director Christopher Smith by calling (202) 704-7303 or emailing music.director@kirkwoodpres.com.

Movie Night: The next WEBS movie night will be this **Wednesday, August 2** at 7:00pm at Ron & Yvonne Taylor's house. We plan to watch *The Joy Luck Club* while we enjoy dumplings and noodles. All are welcome! For more information, please contact Yvonne at 703-643-2594.

Summer Soiree: Did you know there are presidential appointees, nuclear engineers, and FBI agents who are among the worshipers at Kirkwood? Would you like to have more time to visit? Please join us for a relaxing evening of fellowship and a casual dinner at the Larson home, 5785 Ladues End Court, Fairfax, on **Saturday, August 5** at 6:30 pm. This is open to all adults, singles, couples, members of Kirkwood, and their guests. It will be a pot luck and we would ask you to sign up, for planning purposes, on the signup sheet by the fellowship table. We will be having chicken and salmon on the grill, and drinks will be provided.

Two Baseball Nights Out: We are planning outings to both the Washington Nationals and the Potomac Nationals baseball games. The Washington Nationals game will be on **Saturday, August 12** at 7:05 pm against the San Francisco Giants. We need 12 people to sign up to get the group discount. The Potomac Nationals game will be on **Saturday, August 19** at 6:35 pm. against the Winstom-Salem Dash. Please sign up in the commons area or see Doug Amon by Sunday, July 30.

Kirkwood Fantasy Football League: Kirkwood Fantasy Football League (KFFL) enters its 14th year of fellowship and it is time to register a team in the Kirkwood Fantasy Football League 2017 season. Our draft will be **Friday, August 25 and Saturday, August 26** at 7:30 pm in the Kirkwood Conference Room. Mission is an important component of the KFFL. We continue to provide contributions to Fisher House in memory of Jeff Ghen. Last season we donated \$100 to Fisher House from dues and donations. Please fill out a sign up sheet which can be found in the commons area and join the fun.

ECHO Needs: Currently, ECHO's greatest needs are for 2# bags of rice or dried beans, boxed pasta, 6 oz. tomato paste, 8 oz. tomato sauce, shaving cream, deodorant, plastic bandages, toilet tissue as well as over-the-counter cold and pain medicines. ECHO's Housewares Department is always trying to fill requests for large pots and pans, and queen sized bedding, but there is now also a need for toasters and irons that are in good working order. The Clothing Department is hoping for donations of size 6 diapers and children's sneakers in larger sizes (13-6).

GATHERING PRAYER

Eternal God, You spoke and creation sprang forth in abundance. Let us give voice in praise that we may bear good fruit in every season and be satisfied by your goodness, for you, O God are the source of all growth and your grace abounds forever. Amen.

HYMN *O God in Whom All Life Begins* 308 GTG

WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD

CALL TO CONFESSION ~adapted from Psalm 105:8

Beloved in Christ, God never forgets God's promises; God's covenant endures in each new generation. We are free to speak the truth about our lives because God's faithfulness embraces us as we examine our hearts. Let us pray...

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (RESPONSIVE)

Leader: O Lord, save us from hardness of heart,
where your word cannot take root.
**People: O Lord, save us from shallowness of mind,
where your word withers away.**
Leader: O Lord, save us from the deceitfulness of riches,
where your word is choked by everyday cares.
**People: But Lord, grant that our hearts may be fertile soil,
where your word flourishes and yields a bountiful harvest.**
Leader: Open our ears and eyes to your abundant grace and plant your
loving kindness in every act of compassion and generosity we offer.
**People: That our lives may seed the world with Christ's mercy
and bless the world with good words and deeds. Amen.**

(moment of silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~adapted from Romans 8:31-39

Leader: Sisters and brothers, if God is for us, who is against us? Nothing we have done,
nothing we will ever do, is enough to separate us from the love of God made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

(PLEASE STAND)

