

From The Clerk of Session

As you all know we have been in discussion with Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church regarding a merger of the two churches. Just to update everyone, we held a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, September 19, 2010. At this meeting after discussing the merger questionnaire and opinions expressed, the congregation voted to discontinue the merger talks and plans. A letter was sent to Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church and the committee was dissolved.

I attended a seminar put on by the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Committee of Presbytery at College Avenue Presbyterian Church and they would like all of the Presbyterian Churches in the Presbytery to form a committee to work with those of the other churches. In case of a local disaster such as a tornado or flood, they could work together with each church doing what they can do best. One can maybe provide a place to stay, one prepare food, but each church responsible for one thing, not one church responsible for everything. There are going to be other seminars, each one on a different disaster with plans on how to provide and what help is needed. Below please find the Breakout Instructions for forming the committee. If you might be interested in one of the jobs let me know.

Thanks, Marj Bryant, Clerk of Session

Break Out instructions:

Congregations gather to think of three persons who fit the following personality types and think how to recruit them to the Disaster Response Team:

1. **The Passionate Advocate:** this person is a non-stop commercial for the need to organize the congregation to respond to disaster. This person is so well know for their commitment to disaster response and spreading the news about the need for response that when they enter the room someone will inevitably say: O no, now we have to talk about disaster response.
2. **The Communicator:** this person is good at taking minutes and sending out notices. They will remind everyone in the group what was decided in the last meeting and will faithfully communicate to everyone on the Team when the next meeting is and what people's commitments have been.
3. **The Nag:** this person doesn't mind reminding people of the commitments they have made and will gently help them 'get on with it.

These three people are the key to a successful committee. They will organize, communicate and get things done. No one person can do all three jobs. Indeed, be sure to get three separate people.

To start the Prayer Chain for someone in need of prayers call Mary Cordes at 618-465-1760 or 462-0677 ext 2835 or Marj Bryant at 618-466-5421 or 466-6005.

Next Elm Leaf Deadline
Friday, November 19, 2010

ESPC Web Site
<http://espcalton.tripod.com>
<http://espc.weebly.com>

LITURGISTS

October 17 - Michael Stolze
24 - Debbie Wallace
31 - Chance Shewmake
November 7 - Ginny Thatcher
14 - Debbie Wallace
21 - Ginny Thatcher
28 - Chance Shewmake

USHERS

Please volunteer to usher.
Sign up sheet in the sanctuary.

COMMUNION SERVERS

November 7 - Richard Sisk, Chr.,
Nancy Bailey, Lyndal Colburn,
Sandy Krug, Ann McLaughlin
Debbie Wallace (set up & serve)

ATTENDANCE

7/11-74, 7/18-31, 7/25-53, 8/1-36, 8/8-51,
8/15-39, 8/22-37, 8/29-, 9/5-33, 9/12-44
9/19 - 48, 9/26 - 37, 10/3 - 37, 10/10 -22

BAPTISM

Lucy Bess Manker
Daughter of Justin and Amy Manker
Granddaughter of Kathy Steinmann
Baptized Sunday, August 8, 2010
By Rev. George Humbert

SYMPATHY

To the family of
Florence Earnhardt
Who died August 6 at Eldercare Nursing Home

THANK YOU

Please convey our thanks to everyone at your church that helped with our 2010 Baby Bottle Campaign. We are thanking God for you, our supporters, who have responded in gifts reaching almost \$65,000.00! We continually pray that God will bless you for your generosity. The total amount contributed by your church was \$292.00. Thank you for doing your part to protect and promote life and build a better community.
Arms of Love

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

3.....Jeremy Shewmake
 Aaron Gunning
4.....Charles Tague
6.....Jenny Wyatt
7.....Sue Stone
9.....Jeff Auston
10.....Sara Lichtsinn
 Michael Stolze
11.....Lynne Phelps
24.....Carole Springgate
27.....Mike Paddock
29.....Mark Darr
 Jeannette Greene

NOVEMBER

3.....Amanda Phelps
5.....Brent Phelps
6.....Greg Lister
7.....Esther Bott
11.....Norma Waggoner
12.....Debbie Wallace
23.....Virginia Thatcher
 Shaun Wallace
30.....Louise Norman

If I have missed your birthday, I'm truly sorry. I hope it was a good one. Please, let me know when it was.
Marj Bryant

CRISIS FOOD CENTER REPORT

ESPC sent over 1500 items to the Crisis Food Center since reported in our last newsletter. We have received several letters from the CFC thanking us for our donations. The holidays are coming extra food will be needed as well as money for turkeys and hams. They can use our help.

DEACONS REPORT

The Deacons are asking you to continue using your green Deacon Fund envelopes as well as the Love Fund envelopes (found in with your pledge envelopes) as often as you can. There is a lot of people asking for help. **Don't forget they are still collecting empty ink-jet cartridges with printer heads,.**

The Deacons gave \$75.00 for the Hurricane Relief trip in October.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The committee is planning a Pastor Appreciation Luncheon on October 17, 2010.

They are going to check into an AARP Refresher Driving Course.

Blood Pressures taken one Sunday a Month.

Gave \$75.00 for the Hurricane Volunteer Trip to New Orleans

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

World Communion Sunday, October 3, 2010 was served with breads from around the world a coffee hour followed using the left over breads.

Rayford Raby filled in for Cherilyn on October 10, 2010.

Tracy Bodenbach will be asked to check the sound system and instruct those that are interested in how to operate it.

COOKBOOK COMMITTEE

The committee has the recipes all typed, pictures for the book chosen and mailed for printing. The cost is \$10.00 per book.

They should be available for pick up near Thanksgiving. If you haven't ordered yours yet call the office. Payment can also be made at this time. They will make nice Christmas gifts.

SESSION INFORMATION

The Session met several times since the last Elm Leaf. The Session approved the following:

1. The Least Coin offering to go to the Crisis Food Center, amount collected through August.
2. Use of C. E. Building by the Girl Scouts.
3. Marj Bryant as commissioner to Presbytery on September 2 at the Affton Church
4. To share the Merger report with the congregation on September 19, 2010
5. Baptism of Terri Jo Farrar, the Sisk's granddaughter on October 31, 2010 and a Special Session meeting that day to meet with the parents.
6. Use of Building for a retirement party and painting classes and voting.
7. Youth fishing trip together with an all church gathering.
8. To use our 25% of the Peacemaking offering to go towards the youth fishing trip.
9. The church pay for all Elders and Deacons that take the Elder & Deacon training at the John Calvin Presbyterian Church on Saturday, November 6. .8:30 am - 2:45 pm

From The Office:

If anyone would like to write an article for the quote "Pastor's Page" please let Marj Bryant know. It could be on your committee and what they are doing. It could be on what ever is in your heart.

To avoid conflicts in the use of the church buildings, ALL USE OF THE BUILDINGS must be made through the church office and then taken to Session if required.

If you have any keys to the Church or CE Building please come by the office or sign the key sign up sheet after worship. We are trying to find out where all the keys are and why they are out.

Don't forget the office hours are different on Thursdays. They are 1:00 - 5:00 pm.

Marj Bryant

UPCOMING EVENTS.

Pastor Appreciation Luncheon,
Sunday, October 17 following worship
It will be a potluck with the Outreach
Committee furnishing the meat..

Lap Sing for 1 to 3 year olds and their parents
from 9:45 am to 10:00 am in the Nursery
and led by Cherilyn
Only a few more Sundays in October.

Flu Shots are being given by the VNA
On Tuesdays and Thursdays
from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm in the CE Building

ESPC Hanging of the Greens
Sunday, November 21, 2010

Fall Pig Roast
Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church
Friday, October 22, 2010 4:00 to 7:00 pm
Carryouts Available
Adults \$8.00 Children (10 & under) \$5.00
Menu: Pulled-Pork on a Bun, Baked Beans,
Coleslaw, Dessert & Beverage

College Avenue Presbyterian Church presents
Steve Davis, a.k.a. Elvis
In concert for a John Gremli Benefit
Fundraiser Sunday, October 17,
2:00 pm.-doors open at 1:30 pm Tickets -
\$10.00 maybe purchased at the church or at the
door. More info call 465-8861

College Presbyterian Church Women are
inviting the women of ESPC to a Fall Gathering,
November 3, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Ticket - \$10.00
Dinner catered by Chef Bob
Program - Alton Youth Symphony
See Marj Bryant for tickets.

Chili and Soup Supper
Friday, November 5, 2010 11 am - 7 pm
First Presbyterian Church of Brighton

Godfrey First United Methodist Church
Saturday, October 23, 2010 7-10 pm
Dale Arnold Memorial Concert
Love offering proceeds to
Benefit Prayer Garden

Friday, October 29 - Family Spaghetti Dinner
Adults \$8.00 Kids 6-12 - \$ 4.00 Under 6 free
Spaghetti & Sauce (with or without meat),
Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Beverage
4:00 - 7:00 pm

Carondelet History Tour Wednesday,
November 3, 2010
8:30 am - 3:00 pm \$47.00 per person,
includes transportation, lunch, admissions and
gratuities. Sponsored by the History Team of the
Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy. Leaves from
First Presbyterian Church 100 E Adams,
Kirkwood, MO To make reservations call Carol
Conner at 314-821-5955 Visit - Carondelet-
Markham Memorial Presbyterian Church,
Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse and
Carondelet Historical Society

A Message from Mound Ridge to our
friends in the Pew....

First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood
will be hosting a 60th Anniversary Dinner
Fundraiser to benefit Mound Ridge on
Friday, October 22nd, 2010.
Cost is \$30.00 per person and
\$240 per Table of Eight.

Hospitality hour begins at 6:00 pm.

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Mound Ridge will be hosting a Quilt
Retreat on October 29th-31st, 2010.
The cost is \$150 for overnight and meals
and instruction. If you are local and would
like to attend but do not wish to stay- we
have a commuter price of \$75.

Mound Ridge will be hosting its Sixth Annual Women's Advent Retreat December 3rd-5th, 2010. The theme this year will be "Mary's Song" .. Reverend Julie March will be leading this retreat. The cost is \$35 per person.

If any questions about the Mound Ridge events, please email Heather at moundridge@glpby.org with any questions or call the camp office at 573-265-3098. All forms can be found on the Mound Ridge website: www.moundridge@glpby.org

Over 55 Ministry (no age restrictions)
Wednesday, November 17, 2010 - Coffee Concert at the Sheldon "Elsie Parker and the Poor People of Paris" Excellent seats on the main floor. We will leave CAPC at 8:30 am to get to the Sheldon in time to enjoy a complimentary breakfast of coffee and pastries. The concert starts at 10am After the concert we will go to the Macaroni Grill for lunch on your own. The cost is \$27.00 which includes concert, breakfast and bus. Lunch, as noted is "Dutch treat" The Macaroni Grill has an extensive menu and can accommodate us

Friday December 17, 2010 - St. Louis Symphony "A Holiday Celebration" Great seats, main level, center section, close to the front. Leave CAPC at 12:30 pm and will return immediately following the concert. No meals included in this trip Cost \$48.00 includes concert ticket and bus.

You are cordially invited to the 2010 Memorial Service for Domestic Violence Victims and their families. Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 5:30 p. m Alton Memorial Hospital's Healing Garden. (cafeteria A/B meeting rooms if bad weather) Refreshments provided.

Chili Supper - Saturday, October 30, 2010
5:30 - 7:00 pm St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Chili, Cheese, Crackers, Beverage and Pie
Donation \$6.00 Children 6 and under \$3.00
Sponsored by Guild of Grace
Episcopal Parish of Alton

Angels Explained By Children

I only know the names of two angels, Hark and Harold. Gregory - age 5

Everybody's got it all wrong. Angels don't wear halos anymore. I forgot why, but scientists are working on it. Olive -age 9

It's not easy to become an angel! First, you die.. Then you go to Heaven, and then there's still the flight training to go through. And then you got to agree to wear those angel clothes.
Matthew - age 9

Angels work for God and watch over kids when God has to do something else.
Mitchell - age 7

My guardian angel helps me with math, but he's not much good for science.
Henry - age 8

Angels live in cloud houses made by God and his son, who's a very good carpenter.
Jared - age 8

When an angel gets mad, he takes a deep breath and counts to ten. And when he lets out his breath again, somewhere there's a tornado.
Reagan - age 10

Angels don't eat, but they drink milk from Holy Cows!!! Jack -age 6

All angels are girls because they gotta wear dresses and boys didn't go for it.
Antonio - age 9

Elm Leaf Prayer Concerns - Fall 2010

"Members"

Esther & Bill Bott
Nellie Smithee
Lois Mitchell
Dorothy Waggoner
Bob & Doris Watkins
Mike Paddock

"In The Nursing Home"

Pat Gross.....Willow Rose
Clarabel Park.....Royal Oak Care Ctr.
Jean Freer.....Eunice Smith Nsg Home
Willanette Ball.....Eunice Smith Nsg. Home
Al Kaltenbaeck.....Fountain View Manor
Dan Earnhardt.....Eldercare Nsg. Home
Sonia Hetge.....Jerseyville Manor

Relatives and Friends of ESPC

Dorothy Crabtree Louise Norman's sister
Carol Jo & Don Domesick.....Carole Springgate
The Reynolds family.....Cherilyn Trusty's Family
Kathy Shewmake.....Zada and Chance's daughter
Kim Stiebel.....daughter-in-law of Joyce Schrupf Goethe
Winifred Orris
Mary Calendar.....Katy Jarman's mother, Chance Shewmake's sister
Tim Murphy.....friends of John Kennedy
Mary Haugh.....friend of Mary Cordes
Mike Linley.....Sue Bryant
George Slifka.....brother-in-law of Katy & Dan Jarman
Vivian Kunz & Nancy Teague.....Chance & Zada Shewmake
Harold Peters
Bill Weed & his Aunt Gladys
Grady Watkins
Dean Williamson
Mary Brown
Barbara Wedding
Andy Torrez
John Gremli
Bill Oertle
Trish Stolze & Terry Heigert..... The Stolzes
Sid & Joanne Ellerston.....JoAnn Phelps's son's in-laws
Joan Sheppard..... John Kennedy
Dale Bailey..... Nancy's husband
John Slusser.....friend of Erin Oxford
Shirley Stiegemeier
The families of Barbara Olson, Betty Bishop, Veron Harbour and Steven Beilsmith
In Service: Steven Roger (Kuwait), Brandon Medlock (Afghanistan)

***If you know of anyone that can be taken off of the prayer list,
please call the church office and let us know.***

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2010

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17 9am Sunday School 10am Prayer 10:15 Worship Pastor Appreciation Luncheon	18 6:30 Deacons meet 8 pm AA/AL Anon	19 6:30 pm B & P Women meet 7 pm Outreach Committee meets	20 7 pm Boy Scout T-7	21 6:30 pm Girl Scouts meet 7 pm Choir practice	22 8 pm AA church basement	23
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