



August 2011

Presbyterian Proclamation

Using John 4:7-15 as a primary text for our series, we will explore how the human nature is most powerful when it takes its lessons from God's natural water works. Is there a cooler way to think in the month of August???

Going With the Flow:

August 7th: Pressure and Springs

August 14th: Gravity and Puddles

August 21st: Rocks and Flow

August 28th: Trash and Tributaries



Thanks to Our
Sunday School
Teachers!



The strength of a Sunday School program is one of the greatest indicators of church growth that is both numerical and spiritual. Are you a fall and winter Christian educator in our congregation or have you worked with us over the summer? Join us on Sunday August 21st as we express our gratitude for all your work and inspiration. Our recognition of teachers will happen at the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services.

A Promise for Life



The Christian Education Committee is so excited about our coming year of Sunday School! We begin September 4th....Register on August 28th.

Faith: Living by God's Promises

Here are just a few of the promises that your children will learn about!

New birth in old circumstances....tricksters can become leaders...enemies can be important friends...giving leaves us feeling like we have received...

This year we are filling each Sunday with wonderful incentives to help your family prioritize Sunday School. We know that a commitment to childhood Sunday School can make all the difference for an adult's faith.

Register to ride the Sunday School Bus!

Come to kick off Sunday on August 28th. Learn about Dedication Depot, Bible Bucks, and the weekly power of bringing a friend and a bible.

Middle School and High School youth will kick off with a new theme and classes as well. Check our website or church bulletin to learn more after August 15th.

Summer Christian Education... Baptisms and Boliva

Have You Been Baptized?

Did you know that The Presbyterian Church honors all baptisms from other denominations? There is no need to be re-baptized! However....for those of you who have not been baptized . In celebration of our Summer Sunday School commitment to fresh water for God's world, we are setting aside a Sunday, August 21st at 8:30 and 10:30 to allow children, adults and families to receive the sacrament of baptism as a group. This can be much more comfortable than receiving sacrament by oneself.



...That All May be Well in Bolivia

Join us on August 28th at 8:30 and 10:30 to welcome Bolivian Missionaries, Randall and Dee Swan of the King City Presbyterian Church. In their practiced ministry, they are preparing to install their fourth water purification system. During the Sunday School hour, they will be available to answer questions and provide testimony on their work providing fresh water to God's world.

FINANCIAL FACTS

Did you know that our church has budget of approximately \$220,000.00 a year? That budget relies upon pledges and regular giving to promise our programs and staff to the community. This requires between \$18,000 and \$20,000 a month. Currently we have 45 pledging units and almost as many givers who provide regular giving without a pledge. The Session and I are always available to answer any questions about the church finances. We always appreciate the way that you continue to remember the church in your accounting. Small and large gifts, from a cheerful heart continue to allow us to respond to God's call upon our congregation's life. Stewardship season begins in October 2011. Look for more financial details in upcoming newsletters!



Surfs Up!

The Youth Group is ready for another school year, and ready for a fresh start! Our theme this year is based on a major motion picture called "Soul Surfer". This is the true story of Bethany Hamilton, a surfer who was attacked by a shark and lost her arm. Her spirituality and desire to overcome her injury will serve as an inspiration and guideline throughout our discussions. We are confident that you don't have to be near an ocean to be a Soul Surfer! Our kickoff event will be August 21st- A Triathlon at Incred-A-Bowl.

“Chemistry with First Presbyterian” -Sign ups 8/14, 8/21, 8/28					
<u>What Group</u>	<u>Who Leads</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Style of group</u>	<u>Extras</u>
<u>Single Mom’s Group</u>	Stacy Schrader	1-2 times per month	Church building	Reflective, supportive, & problem solving orientation	Child care if reserved.
<u>Dining Out</u>	Doug & Debbie Doherty	Once a month	Start @ Church then head to different restaurants in KC Metro area.	Fun, fellowship, & greater connection to church members	Church van
<u>Book Club</u>	Rev. King	1-2 times per month	Church building	Focus on a book & the way it informs our individual lives & faith.	Child care if reserved
<u>Crafting for Mission</u>	Kathie Pinneo	Once a month	Church building	Skill development while improving other’s quality of life as well.	Child care if reserved
<u>Empty Nesters</u>	Tracy Bueker & Jane Manchester	1-2 times per month	Church building	Reflective & anticipatory as participants think about moving from one stage of life to another	
<u>Dave Ramsey Class</u>	Heather Bueker & David Platt	Weekly	Church fellowship hall	Financial management	\$100.00 fee

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 1:00 Christian Ed. Subcomm.	3	4	5	6
7 8:30 Early Worship 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Choir Practice	8	9	10 7:00 Session 7:00 Trustee	11	12	13
14 8:30 Early Worship 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Choir Practice Small Group Sign up	15	16	17 6:00 Deacons	18 6:30 Christian Education	19	20 9:00-11:00 Teacher Training
21 8:30 Early Worship 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Choir Practice Small Group Sign up	22 Scouts	23	24	25	26	27
28 8:30 Early Worship 9:20 Sunday School Kickoff 10:30 Worship 11:45 Choir Practice 6:00 MS/HS Youth Small Group Sign up	29 Scouts	30	31			

Birthdays

2nd Brad Crane
 4th Faye Wilson
 5th Dianna Cox
 5th Bryer Russell
 6th Katie Short
 7th Fern Whitney
 8th Dean Brown
 10th Earl Keast
 12th Annie Peace
 Bowyer
 14th Stacy Casidy
 15th Evelyn Gabbert
 16th Amy Peace
 16th Lisa Bratton
 20th Diana Clearwater
 21th Galen Critchfield
 23rd Jason Young
 24th Trisha Stevenson
 24th Sydney Booe
 25th Doug Doherty
 25th Kim Matney
 26th Rochelle Folks
 27th Cole Wallace
 27th Sydnee Foster
 28th Elizabeth Suso
 28th Madison Maccom
 31st Tim Watson

Anniversaries

9th Tom & Shirley McCourt
 11th Bob & Paula Weir
 12th John & Heather Bueker
 13th Dave & Tracy Bueker
 14th John & Lynda Diediker
 17th Earl & Connie Keast
 27th Tim & Penny Watson
 27th David & Doris Ware
 28th John & Lisa Farley