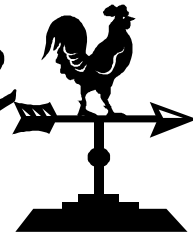


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The Weatherly Spirit...

The Kentucky Challenge

Twenty houses stand in rural Kentucky. They provide “home” for twenty families. The houses are sturdy, comfortable, and safe. They are decent, affordable houses. And we built them.

When Gail Coulter was on staff at Weatherly, she organized the first Kentucky mission trip. We’ve been going and building ever since. The Kentucky mission trip is about more than houses, though. It is about people, the families that occupy the houses. Some of our members who go regularly have developed friendships with the families we have built for. Each year they take time for a visit.

Steven and Charlene Pinke will be traveling to Kentucky later this month to meet the man we will build for this year. We know that he is a 65-year-old single man. He is a cancer survivor. He also survived a terrible car accident in which he suffered a broken neck. We are told that his present house has no inside running water.

Here’s my challenge: help us build our twenty-first home. Construction will begin on June 9. Many travel to Kentucky on Sunday. I always leave early on Monday. Some stay the whole week while others stay part of the week. Some are skilled carpenters. Most are not. There will be a job for everyone.

In addition to building a decent, affordable house, the week in Kentucky is great fun. We work hard, laugh, eat well, and generally enjoy each other’s company. Bring your older children. This is a great family mission experience. I can think of no better way to spend a week of summer. I hope you can join us!

Looking forward to Kentucky,
David

*Worship News
For This Week*

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Power of Family Religion
Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Acts 16:25-34

For good or not, we all teach some kind of “religion” in our homes. It shapes our children, the way we treat each other, and the priorities of our families. Family religion is powerful, as the family of the jailor in Acts learned. Join us this Sunday as the pastor talks about the power of family religion. Watch for new people moving into your neighborhood, and invite them to be your guest in worship.

Religious Autobiographies

Religious Autobiographies continue each Wednesday during Adult Bible Study. The schedule is as follows:

April 16 – Jim Hearn

April 23 – Lisa Malone

May 7 – Jim Norris

May 21 – Carol McGinnis

Graduate Recognition

Sunday

May 18



Please contact the church office with names of any students who will graduate from high school, college, or graduate school this spring.

Senior Adult Luncheon

Thursday, April 17 at 11:30
In the Lighthouse



Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, April 22 at 6:00

At the home of Margo Ridgeway
3200 Masters Drive, Hampton Cove

RSVP to 564-7520 or margoridge@comcast.net.
Light refreshments will be served.

Senior Adults To Backstage Theatre in Gunterville

Thursday, May 8

USO and the American Spirit



Tickets are \$12 and must be purchased by April 27. We will leave the church at 4:30 in the church bus and cars, have dinner at the Top of the River, and go to this musical revue of from the 30's and 40's.

Chapel Choir Dinner Theater

Wednesday, May 14 at 6:00pm

For more information,
see Handy's article on the back page.

Women on Mission would like to thank everyone for their donations to this year's Rummage Sale. The \$2,000 proceeds from the sale will be used to support mission projects throughout the year. Thank you for your generosity!



Happy Birthday!

April 18: Preston Augustus, Keith Garrett; **April 22:** Natalie Brown, Herbert Dixon; **April 23:** Mary Kathryn Lawrence

The Record Speaks

Morning Worship	277
Sunday School Attendance	202
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$13,265.00
This Week's Budget Receipts	\$10,790.00

2008 Church Stewardship

YTD undesignated receipts through Feb. 2008	\$82,134.00
YTD undesignated expenses through Feb. 2008 ..	\$114,936.00
Shortfall.....	\$32,802.00

Prayer Requests

Jody Greer, in the death of his father
Barbara Buckner, in the death of her aunt, Nellie Walker
Charolette Adkins
Eugene Worley
Becky Davenport
Robert Moorman, friend of the Pastor
Anne Livingston
Basye Holland-Shuey, friend of Ellin Jimmerson
Debra Rankin Palmer, mission trip to Guatemala
R.C. Darden
Jeanne Greer
Nick Zuschlag, deployed to the Middle East
Linda Walker, sister of Dorothea Dunham
Jack Nunnally
Ray Gargus
Carolyn Hodges, sister-in-law of Bonnie Garrett
Patricia Kennedy's stepmother and father
Exie Woods, mother of Rachel Jordan
Tom Ibarra
Linda Schmidt's niece & husband, Emily & Jeff Callaway
Elaine McKenzie
Bob Nore's mother
Russell Cliburn, cousin of Keith Putnam
Beverly Garrett
Our members and friends serving in the military

The Church in Service

DEACON ON CALL: Val Moore

Next Week: Keith Noren

TELLERS: Ray Baldwin & Larry Thomas

SOUND TECHNICIAN: Tommy Hunt

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Susan & Anna Cox

ACOLYTES: Joie Tucker & Jeanne Su

NURSERY: Steven & Charlene Pinke

Sharecroppers: New Format

Thursday, April 17

9:00-Noon and/or 6:00-9:00 PM

Childcare is provided for the am session.

Join us for a great time of fellowship while we catch up on those scrapbook projects! Bring your photos, mementoes, and supplies. We can all benefit from the sharing of tools and creative ideas. (Light snacks will be served.)

PASSPORTkids!

April 27 Deadline Approaches

PASSPORTkids! Children's Camp

3rd-6th Graders

July 12-15, 2008

Crossville, TN

Remember to turn in your \$75 deposit to the church office by Sunday, April 27.

Beach Party Vacation Bible School

June 2-6, 2008

9:00 a.m. - Noon

Be on the lookout for the volunteer sign-up bulletin board and website registration!



Thank You, WHBC

On behalf of everyone at HAP, thank you for the continuing support. This week we had over 125 families seeking assistance with rent, utilities and food. The needs are overwhelming. As you know, our goals are to offer not only financial assistance but spiritual and emotional help with God's blessings. Thank you for all you do.

God bless.

Gayla Kidd

Youth at WHBC

Phillip Yancey talks about his days of unbelief in Christianity and disdain for the church in his book *Rumours of Another World*:

"...I have since experienced God's grace and mercy, even to one who sought to discredit faith. That agnostic phase did...give me sympathy for those who want to believe yet find no unshakeable proof of the supernatural. Today, I get letters from doubters, skeptical of the church, asking for such ironclad proof. I have to tell them there is none.

You need eyes to see and ears to hear, Jesus said to those who doubted him. It takes the mystery of faith, always, to believe, for God has no apparent interest in compelling belief. (If he had, the resurrected Jesus would have appeared to Herod and Pilate, not to his disciples.)"

Jesus could have appeared to the people who didn't believe He was the Messiah or to the chief priests who conspired to have him arrested and crucified. He could have said, "Whatcha think of me NOW? Instead, He appeared to those who believed in Him before he died.

The Flat Earth Society still exists today and they believe that the earth is flat. In 1968, the first 3 men to see the earth as a whole sphere (Apollo 8 crew) brought a photograph of the earth from the moon to the president of the Flat Earth Society. After seeing the photograph, the president said, "We never said it wasn't a circle."

Some people believe that the lunar landings never occurred, but were created on a sound stage in Arizona. Charlie Duke walked on the moon in 1972 and when asked about his experience being a hoax, he said, "We've been to the moon nine times. I mean, why did we fake it nine times IF we faked it?"

People will doubt no matter how much evidence is presented. Gene Cernan, moon walker, sums it up, "Truth needs no defense. Nobody, nobody can ever take those footsteps I made on the surface of the moon away from me."

Personal experience cannot be denied and no one can take it away. Use YOUR eyes and YOUR ears to discover Christ for yourself.

Upcoming Events

- **Youth Covenant Group (D.E.E.P), Sunday, April 20 at 6:20.**
- **Summit Retreat – April 25-27. FINAL payment due by APRIL 19.**
- **Youth Banquet – Saturday, May 17 at 6 p.m.**
- **Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 18.**
- **Ocoee Rafting Trip – Saturday, June 7. Cost is \$35. \$10 deposit DUE BY May 18!!**
- **Camping Trip – June 30-July 3.**

Dean

Handy's Happenings



Getting the word out...

The big news in my life so far in 2008 has been the planning for the Chapel Choir Summer Tour. Youth and their sponsors will travel Tuesday, June 17 to St. Louis, MO for a singing tour. All our music is lively and is designed to offer Christian encouragement. We will sing at a huge assisted living facility, Bethesda Orchard, which is owned by the Lutheran church. We will also sing at the Wednesday night service at Sherwood Baptist Church in Webster Groves. This church had over 200 in regular attendance a few years ago. On Easter Sunday they had 41, their highest attendance in over a year. The pastor there was thrilled when I contacted him about giving a concert built around Christian encouragement. Among our other activities, we will tour the Arch and the Museum of Westward Expansion at the foot of the Arch, then board a riverboat for lunch. We will see Grant's Farm and the famous Clydesdale horses, then have dinner and visit Union Station, a St. Louis landmark. One of the highlights of the trip will be our tour of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. The walls and domed ceilings of this church are covered in mosaics telling the life and ministry of Christ. Much of it is adorned with gold. The choir is preparing a couple of unaccompanied pieces so we can sing in that sacred space and enjoy the superb acoustics.

Like anything special, this trip involves cost. To defray this cost, there will be a Dinner Theater presenting much of our church talent. The date is Wednesday, May 14. It will take the place of our usual Wednesday night events and will begin at 6:00. Our Italian dinner will be served in three courses, with the musical in three acts while you enjoy your meal. Tickets are \$10.00 each (a family special is available!) and all of it will be profit for the trip. Some of you may be so "overwhelmed" with the evening that you may wish to make additional donations; these will be received as well.

Please circle May 14 on your calendar and purchase your Dinner Theater tickets ASAP.

Blessings to you all,

Handy

Yarn for Prayer Shawls!

If you would like to participate in this meaningful ministry but are not able to knit, please consider a contribution of yarn. One of our knitters can turn your donation into a beautiful prayer shawl to be given to someone in a time of crisis, illness, or celebration. Four skeins of yarn (regular or baby) are needed for one shawl. Choose any colors you like! If you have any questions, please contact Jana Williams, Pat Williamson, Linda Worley or other knitters you may know. Donations may be dropped off at the church office or placed in Jana's office. All gifts are greatly appreciated!

The Weatherlane is published in the church office. **Deadline for articles is noon Friday** before the Tuesday printing date. You may submit an article to the church office in person or by email to pat@weatherly.org. We reserve the right to edit.

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