



UPCOMING EVENTS

Trunk-or-Treat

Saturday, October 31st, 2009

Our church has promoted this event in the Community Free Press, The Kid's Directory, passed posters out to individuals, Missouri Hotel and Culture Club. We expect about 75 kids. It is going to be a great hit in the neighborhood! We have face painting, games and activities, pumpkin decorating, a light meal, and contests available. We still need volunteers! If you can run a game and pass out candy, decorate the trunk of your car and pass out candy, help the kids with their food, help with sticking faces on pumpkins to decorate, keep watch in the lobby so we have eyes where we need to have them, help people park in the proper area, please volunteer! We would love to have you. Here is some more information for volunteers...

*Set up is @ 9:00 - 11:00 on Saturday morning. We will decorate the lobby and the fellowship hall. We need all the help we can get so it will go fast.

*Tear down starts @ 6:30 when the kids go outside to Trunk-or-Treat.

*If bringing a car to Trunk-or-Treat, please park in front of the awning where the bus parks. We will try to make a circle so the kids have an enclosed and safe environment in which to Trunk-or-Treat.

*There will be a costume contest, and a prize for best trunk.

**Thanks to everyone who has already donated candy, prizes, money and decorations! We couldn't do it without you.

Love in Christ and be safe...

Liz Cook

Coming...
THIS WEEK!

Wednesday, October 28

- 5:30 pm Stewardship Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 29

- 3:00 pm Culture Club

Saturday, October 31

- 5:30 pm Trunk-or-Treat

Sunday, November 1

- 9:30 am Worship
- 10:45 am Sunday School

Monday, November 2

- 9:00 am Men's Fellowship
- 1:00 pm Domino's & More
- 3:00 pm Culture Club

Tuesday, November 3

- 9:00 am Quilters
- 3:00 pm Culture Club

Wednesday, November 4

- 5:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

November 1, 2009*Ruth 1:1-18***"A Committed Life"**

Stewardship Committee
Meeting

October 28th**5:30 pm**

Ozarks Lakes Area Assembly

Saturday, November 7th

Registration: 9:30am

Events begin at 10:00am-3:30pm

At Clinton Christian Church

1201 E. Ohio St., Clinton, MO 64735

Registration Fee

Adult: \$25.00 & Youth: \$10.00

You **MUST** pre-register by October 30

If you would like to attend please call the church office.

More information at:

www.olaccma.org/2009AreaAssembly.htm

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

October CWF Project



CWF is collecting monetary donations for Crosslines this month.

If you have any questions please call the church office.

Congregational Concerns

Kay Walton - Updates at:
www.caringbridge.org/visit/kaywalton

- Debra Gleghorn
- Sue Brown
- Bonnie Montgomery
- Peggy Petterson
- Louise Holman
- Gladys Sloane
- Steve Stewart
- Larry Thomas
- Barbara Presley



*Please keep the office informed of those who need our prayers.
Thank you!*


CWF needs to collect 300 more labels from Best Choice products before December 1st to be able to be reimbursed \$60.00.



Please help!



We extend our sincere sympathies to Gary Morris at the loss of his sister **Margaritte Morris** who passed away. Graveside services was held Wednesday, October 28th at 11:00 am at Bellview Cemetery.



Oops! We missed a birthday.
Please wish Peggy Peterson happy birthday. She had a birthday on October 2nd.




We extend our sincere sympathies to Charles & Mary Pering at the loss of their daughter-in-law **Linda Pering** who passed away. Memorial services will be held Thursday, October 29, 2009, in south Haven Baptist Church in Springfield, MO.

Thank you so much for all the prayers and concern for Larry. We are pretty sure the danger is past for the clots moving.

God is good!

Larry & Lynette Thomas



PASTOR SPEAKS

As a congregation we are taking precautions to prevent the spread of the virus and ask that you too take action in your own daily living. I know that I will be changing my behavior and I will find it a bit difficult at first. At the beginning of the worship service when I ask everyone to greet one another in the name of Christ, I would like just a greeting and no hand shaking or hugs or even "fist bumping". I will not be shaking hands following service. This is not to be rude, rather it is a way I hope to express my concern for everyone in our congregation. There will be more hand sanitizers available throughout the building. And we will monitor how many of our members have become ill with the flu. I want everyone to be present in worship, however, if you have the flu, stay home, get well and know that you are loved. Let us know if we can help as well. We will have packets of information from a variety of sources if you would like to have more information. The following is one such item that will be included.

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Monday, October 26 2009

Beloved, I wish above all things that you may prosper and be in health...3 John 1:2a NRSV

As permitted by their own tradition and teaching, Pastors and congregational leaders can play an important role as we move more fully into flu season. Health officials advise extra precautions with the prospect of both seasonal flu and the H1N1 flu virus (swine flu) upon us.

Pastors and congregational leaders might take the time now to talk with custodial staff, secretarial staff, and governing boards about:

- ordering and stocking extra hygiene supplies, including facial tissues, hand soap, paper towels, alcohol-based hand sanitizers, antibacterial cleaning supplies, and additional waste receptacles with closed lids.
- checking that hand washing facilities, either sinks with soap and water or hand sanitizer dispensers, are adequate and working properly.
- cleaning frequently restrooms, handrails, doorknobs, bathroom sink taps, flush toilet handles, and all surface areas touched by many people.
- removing candy dishes or filling candy dishes with individually wrapped candies.
- contacting local public health officials to obtain local information regarding meeting cancellation, seasonal and H1N1 flu immunization availability, as well as treatment options and locations.
- planning for cancellation of worship, nursery schools, daycare centers, senior centers, or other congregational activities when health officials call for a limitation of public gatherings.
- posting church plan in the event of the need for worship service cancellation and including this information in worship bulletin, church newsletter, church email, and community newspapers.
- setting up phone trees, email alerts, text messages, public television and radio announcements for effective communication about congregational cancellations and/or postponements of events and activities.
- explaining in worship services and congregational events the new plans, precautions, and practices in response to the H1N1 flu virus and seasonal flu in a calm and reassuring manner.
- meeting with child care staff and youth group leaders, including leaders of scouting groups, to review expectations about hygiene and meeting cancellation practices.

Hygiene Practices

- Prevent the spread of germs and protect the vulnerable members of the congregation, especially pregnant women and those with underlying chronic medical conditions, by encouraging the sick to stay home until they have been without fever for twenty-four hours.
- Practice cough and sneeze etiquette. Cover nose and mouth with a facial tissue; cough and sneeze into sleeve; make available boxes of facial tissues on tables, in classrooms, and at Coffee Hour.
 - Throw the facial tissue into a waste receptacle after you use it; ensure that waste receptacles are located throughout the building; empty waste receptacles frequently.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Use soap and water for 15 to 20 seconds to wash hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

Worship Practices

- Follow public health advice on cancellations of public gatherings and avoiding crowds to evaluate whether to cancel worship services.
- Pass the Peace with a simple nod of acknowledgement. Make and maintain eye contact while speaking the words, “the peace of Christ,” without the social ritual of a handshake.
- Suspend use of the common cup and the practice of “intinction” when celebrating communion. Use plastic disposable communion cups or wash glass cups in very hot water over 110-115 degrees with detergent.
- Encourage celebrants to use hand sanitizers before serving communion.
- Wash hands before anointing with oil or the laying on of hands and repeat the practice after the rite is completed.

Visitation Practices

- Check on vulnerable individuals within the community, especially the elderly, infirmed, shut-in, physically and mentally disabled, and those who live alone.
- Follow all hospital infection control protocols. Do not visit hospitals or personal care homes if experiencing symptoms of influenza.

For more information visit <http://www.cdc.gov/H1N1FLU/> or The National Council of Churches Health Task Force www.health-ministries.org. Encourage all people to get immunizations for BOTH the seasonal flu and the H1N1 flu virus (swine flu).

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Sunday School

Nursery: 5
Elementary: 6
Junior/Senior: 4
Faith Builders: 5
Bilshan: 10
Loyal Workers: 17
Builders: 11
General: 24

10/25/2009

General Fund
Contributions:
\$2688.00
Attendance:
169

Serving November 1, 2009

Elders:

Carol Newman
David Frazier

DEACONS:

Bill Fischer – 833-4059

Becky Gardner Bell
Janna Brown
Diana Criger
Carolyn Deeds
Jack Edel
Mary Howard
Nancy Kays
Viki Patterson
Kay Peele
Sandy Peterson
Jacques Sachs
Debbie Strait
Doris Thornton
Ginger Williamson

Junior Deacons:

Sydney Frazier
Ian Frazier

Ushers:

Carolyn Condict
Sharon Martin

Communion Preparation:

John & Mary Bermond
Rhonda Stewart & Patsy Tipton

Fellowship Preparation:

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Rhonda Stewart & Patsy Tipton

Greeters:

Greg & Kay Walton

Ministry Team

John Bermond, Board Chair
Rev. John Andrews, Senior Pastor
Rev. Don Brown, Parish Minister
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