



The Journal

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A MONTH OF CELEBRATING

We are now in the season of Easter. What a time to CELEBRATE! The Lord is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed! So we will celebrate the life of Christ among us in April. We will begin by having Rev. Robbie Griggs, Associate Pastor of Evangelism and Discipleship, Central Presbyterian Church in Clayton, MO; preach on April 6 while Susan and I spend a few days in Sacramento, CA, for a niece's wedding. Then on April 13 we will celebrate the burning of our mortgage with one worship service at 10am with District Superintendent, David Norbury, preaching. We will also have a potluck meal after the service and want everyone to stay and enjoy the fellowship.

The following Sunday, April 20, is Dogwood/Azalea Festival. We will again fly our kites during Sunday School hour and host the Quilt Show in our Family Life Center.

Then on April 27 the UMYF will help us in worship by sharing their experiences from WOW and Explosion. We will look forward to sharing with them in both worship services.

So come and celebrate with us every Sunday in April. You will be glad you did!

God Bless you on your journey of faith.

Roger

If you couldn't bring your commitment card on Commitment Sunday, you can always bring or send it to the church office.

We will have Holy Communion during both worship services on Sunday, March 30 instead of April 6.

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APRIL GREETERS

(8:30) Worship

April 6 - Glenn & Rebecca Nix

April 13 - Bobby Hearnnes

April 20 - John & Pam Barrett

April 27 - Tripp Logan

(10:45) Worship

April 6 - Mac & Anita McInnis

April 13 - Marty & Pam Williams

April 20 - Taylor & Julie Burke

April 27 - Jane Jackson

COMMUNION AT THE MANOR

We will serve Holy Communion at the Manor on Tuesday, April 1, 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and share in the service.

BURNING OUR MORTGAGE

Sunday, April 13 is the date set to celebrate the burning of our mortgage. It will be a great day of celebration. Our District Superintendent, David Norbury will preach. We will have only one worship service that day at 10:00 a.m. and Sunday school will be at 9:00 a.m. A potluck dinner will follow worship. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend.

MEN'S BREAKFASTS BEGIN APRIL 12

Men of the church you are invited to come and bring friends to our FIRST Men's Prayer and Fellowship Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 12, 8am, in the Family Life Center. It will be a light breakfast with coffee and juice. Anita McInnis will furnish some tasty sweet rolls/breads. We will finish no later than 8am. Come and bring friends. (RNJ)

UMYF IN APRIL

UMYF will meet on April 6 and work with Monica Goodin on the worship service for April 27 when they will report on WOW and Explosion and help lead the worship. All youth are welcome and can help. If we need another time for preparation, a meeting will be called.

Thanks to all who provided the Holy Week breakfasts and devotions. All were excellent! (RNJ)

CHURCH CAMPS FOR SUMMER 2008

The schedule for our summer Church Camps is now available in the Church Office. There are camps for students as young as third grade and as close as Blue Mountain Camp near Fredricktown. Costs vary by length and type of camp. Our church helps pay for the cost of the camp.

Gifts to our camping fund are always accepted in the church office. They help with summer camps, mission trips for students, confirmation camp, WOW and other youth events that are held out of town. (RNJ)

THE BABY PET

Have you noticed the BABY PET at the front of the Sanctuary? The note with it says, "Handle it with care and feed it green stuff (\$250) and it will grow into a full sized PET". A PET is a Personal Energy Transportation vehicle. It is a gift of mobility for those who have lost the use of their legs. used by persons whose feet and legs make it impossible to use a tricycle. It is a hand-cranked, three-wheeled, sturdily built wheelchair with a hauling capacity.

The Missouri Annual Conference of the United Methodist church is inviting each church to bring the gift of mobility to a special offering when we meet in June. We will be receiving an offering here during the month of May.

The PET was invented by a Missouri United Methodist, Earl Miner, in 1994. Distribution began in 1995 and is now used in over 60 countries. It is a wonderful product that enables persons to be mobile and earn a living when their situation had seemed hopeless.

THANK YOU!!!

Dear UMW Ladies,

Roy & I and our girls thank you for the lovely meal. It was a comfort to see old friends and schoolmates at the time we were going thru. You do a great service for friends and your church. One can never pay in gratitude, one can only pay in kind somewhere else in life.

Thank you,
Roy & Ann Stocking

Dear Rev. Jespersen & Church family,

Thank you so much for the care packages that you send. It is so exciting to receive and see all of the wonderful things that you pick out for us, and it is also so kind of you to think about us as we cannot be with everyone every Sunday. I always look forward to seeing everyone when I come home and this makes it even more special! Thanks again!!

Love,
Angie Starr

Dear Church family and choir,

I apologize for the lateness of this note, but I do appreciate the beautiful Christmas greenery, the prayers, the cards, the phone calls and all of the will wishes during my surgery. By the way, I haven't been without my prayer shawl since I entered the hospital.

Kevin Miller

To all involved in the Prayer Shawl Ministry,

What a wonderful gift is a prayer shawl, so warm, so comforting, so encouraging and so special because it is made by loving, prayerful hands—a gift from the heart.

Thank you for your gift of caring. My prayer is that your Ministry will be heaped with blessings and that each of you will realize you are being used by God in a very powerful way!

Lovingly,
Mary Norbury

United Methodist Church,

Thank you for your kind expression of sympathy during our time of loss.

Sincerely,
The Shelby Family (Jeff, Lisa, Chris & Lexi)

QUILT SHOW

The 40th Annual Dogwood/Azalea Festival activities once again include the “Quilt Show” held in our Family Life Center. The show will run Thursday, April 17 through Sunday, April 20. Anyone can participate by entering their favorite quilts or quilted items. For more information call Annette Robertson (683-4917) or the church office (683-6188).

ANNUAL KITE FLYING

The church's Annual Kite Flying will be held on Sunday, April 20, 9:00—10:30 a.m. on our church grounds. Juice & donuts will be provided. Just bring your family, a kite & lawn chairs.

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**Scripture (from the lectionary) and Sermon Titles for February
(Titles subject to change daily) (Worship at 8:30 & 10:45pm; Sunday
School 9:30am)**

Sunday, April 6, **“Rev. Robbie Griggs, Preaching”**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41, Psalm 116, 1 Peter 1:17-23, Luke 24:13-35

Sunday, April 13, Worship at 10am, Sunday School at 9am

**A Great Celebration as we BURN our mortgage
District Superintendent David Norbury will preach
Psalm 23, Acts 2:42-47, I Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10**

Potluck Dinner at about 11:30am

Sunday, April 20, **“As Much of God as We Can Ever Hope to See”**

Psalm 31:1-16, Acts 7:55-60, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14

Sunday, April 27, **“No One Is an Island”**

UMYF will help lead the service.

Psalm 66:8-20, Acts 17:22-31, 1 Peter 3:13-22, John 14:15-21

GET READY FOR A REVIVAL

Begin praying now for a REVIVAL in Charleston. Pastors from the Charleston Ministerial Alliance are working with GO TELL Ministries to sponsor a community, county and area revival on Sept. 28-Oct. 1, 2008. Pastor Rick Gage is the evangelist and his crusade style is much like a Billy Graham Crusade but he specializes in small town and rural ministries. There will be some preliminary meetings in April to learn more about the Crusade. Let's be ready to invite persons to a living and loving relationship with Jesus Christ and to grow in our own relationship to the one we call Savior and Lord. (RNJ)

You are cordially invited to attend the Wedding Celebration

Of

Kimberly Susan Price

And

Matthew Elgin Branum

Saturday, April 12, 2008

At 1:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Charleston, Missouri

Reception immediately following at the Mississippi County Historical Home

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 - Marilyn Miller
2 - Marion Waggener, Mark French & Emma Hurley
3 - Sue Simmons
5 - Linda Banta
6 - Sallyanne Naile & Thomas Keener
7 - Joe Handy Moore & Robert Jackson
8 - Nichole Thurmond
11 - Bob Bone
12 - Beth Choate & Liz Austin
15 - Stottsie Burnett
17 - Elizabeth Malugen & Emily Malugen
18 - Chris Boren
19 - Paul Keener
20 - Ronald Dodson
21 - Alana Coon, Dave Brewer, Josh Moxley & Tony Giltz
22 - Molly Morrow & Jennifer Scott
23 - Don McDowell
25 - Carter Fenton & Abigail Michael
26 - Gil Giltz
27 - Cameron Goodman & Lucy Malugen
28 - Bryan Thurston, Nina Marshall, Randy French, Reggie Young & Kelly Howard
29 - Delaney Stack, Sarah Ponder, Stephanie Moore & Wendell Choate
30 - Lillian Michael

SCHEDULE FOR APRIL

NURSERY:

April 6 - Samantha Stack
April 13 - Madeline Burke
April 20 - Natalie Brewer
April 27 - Jettie Kate Brink

ACOLYTES:

(8:30) April 6 - Anthony Klunk
April 13 - Natalie Brewer
April 20 - Delaney Stack
April 27 - Jane Ellen Brink
(10:45) April 6 & 13 - Catie Austin
April 20 - Emily & Caitlyn Tinsley
April 27—Maggie McNeary & Caitlyn Tinsley

COMMUNION SERVERS: (March 30)

(8:30) Carletta Samons, Laura Moore & Sallyanne Naile
(10:45) Don & Eleanor Moxley & Phyllis Halliday

HEAD USER: Bart Stallings