



Olivet Church News

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"Making the Grace of God Real for People"

A Reminder. . .

Bring your cooked, UN-CUT pies and/or brownies to the church on BBQ day between 8 and 11 am.

Thanks for your help.



BBQ Dates

Saturday, June 20

Morning—turn in tickets and money; get carryout station ready; cut pies; set up tables and chairs under tent.

Families are asked to bring a covered dish by **11:00 a.m.** to share with the BBQ workers.

3:30—7 pm. BBQ time!

7 pm., Clean up time!

Sunday, June 21 ****No Sunday School**

9:00 am—Light, carry-in-breakfast—please bring something to share.

10:00 am., Combined Worship

Tuesday, June 23 6:30 pm. — Put away all BBQ Equipment

52nd Annual Olivet BBQ

If you are reading this OCN on Friday, June 19th or Saturday, June 20th, we're sure you're aware that the BBQ is now here! In addition to the work on Saturday, June 20, there are many jobs to be done to make this a successful event:

1. Turn in your leftover tickets and money on Friday evening, June 19th, from 6-7 pm.
2. Help on Saturday morning with table set up, cutting pies and getting pieces on plates. Help get the carry-out room ready, plus lots more.
3. Bring a food dish for our lunch together on Saturday. We will eat at 11:00 (Donna Martz coordinates this meal).
4. Help clean up after the BBQ so everyone can go home early.
5. Worship with your church family at 10:00 am. on Sunday, June 21. Come at 9:30 and bring a simple breakfast item to share (for ex: rolls, bagels, fruit, coffee cake, etc.)
6. Come to the church on Tuesday, June 23 at 6:30, to finish putting away equipment.

We anticipate a large turn-out for the BBQ. We could possibly need many of you to work other areas in addition to your assigned committees. Please find one of us when you are finished with your shift and we will try to find an area which needs extra help.

We are looking forward to another successful BBQ. Rex and Eileen Sharp 999.7800 (sharpef@centurytel.net)

Matt and Angela Pigg 814.2588

Olivet Health News

This was e-mailed to me by Dennis and we both felt it was well worth sharing with the masses!

Blood Clots/Stroke...

Sometimes the symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke.

Now physicians say a bystander can ask and recognize a stroke by asking 4 simple questions:

S* ask the individual to **SMILE**

T* ask the person to **TALK** and **SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE** (Coherently) i.e. "It is sunny out today."

R* ask him or her to **RAISE BOTH ARMS**

S* ask him or her to **STICK OUT THEIR TONGUE** if the tongue is crooked, if it goes to one side or the other, that is also an indication of a stroke.

If he or she has trouble with **ANY ONE** of these tasks call **911 immediately** and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

Let me share a true story. During a BBQ, a woman stumbled and took a little fall-she assured everyone that she was fine (they had offered to call 911) she said she had just tripped over a brick because of her new shoes.

They got her cleaned up and found her a new plate of food. While she appeared a bit shaken up, Ingrid enjoyed herself the rest of the afternoon.

Ingrid's husband called later telling everyone his wife had been taken to the hospital- (@ 6 p.m. Ingrid passed away) She had suffered a stroke at the BBQ. Had they known how to identify the signs of a stroke Ingrid may have been here today. Some don't die; they sometimes end up in a helpless, hopeless condition instead.

A neurologist says that if he can get a stroke victim within 3 hours he can totally reverse the effects of a stroke. The trick of course is getting the victim medical care immediately! My Dad suffered brain death because he was not treated immediately for his symptoms of a stroke. So please take a few minutes to study the signs and don't be afraid to seek help for a friend or family member you suspect of suffering a stroke.

This will be my last Olivet Health News until sometime in the fall so enjoy the respite from me!

Serving you in Christ,

Karen D Bradley, RNC

BBQ Follow-Up On July 19

There will be a brief BBQ follow-up meeting on Sunday, July 19, following the 11:00 service for all committee chairs. Please email Eileen (sharpef@centurytel.net) or bring to the meeting, a brief summary of your committee's successes and concerns from the 2009 BBQ.

Thanks, Angela and Matt, Rex and Eileen

From the Pastor

Where Heaven and Earth Meet

The book we're reading in the Sanctuary Sunday School class is *Simply Christian, Why Christianity Makes Sense*, by N. T. Wright (Harper San Francisco, 2006). For me the most intriguing thing Wright says in this book is "those in whom the Spirit comes to live are God's new Temple. They are, individually and corporately, places where heaven and earth meet." (p. 129). If God is reaching out to draw individuals and congregations and communities and humanity and all creation into communion with God's self, then it makes sense, doesn't it, that these people and the aspects of their lives in which the Spirit is allowed to dwell become common ground on which earth and heaven meet? We cannot create the meeting place, but we can cooperate with the purpose of God in becoming those meeting places, and with the Spirit, who makes it so.

Maybe that's a way of understanding that old story about young children who were discussing their tour of the sanctuary with their teacher and remembering the wonderful stained glass windows featuring the saints. When the teacher asked the class who the saints are, one precocious little one piped up with "they're the people the light shines through." Saints are the people who have cooperated with the Spirit to allow a good bit of holy light to shine through them. Of course, Wright would say that it's true not just with spiritual giants—we all have potential, perhaps even great potential, for transparency to the light and for being common ground for the meeting heaven and earth.

These thoughts are providing me a way of understanding why I find our Future Story so compelling. I am coming to think of our story as our current, best expression of how we intend to receive, bear and share the light of God, how we intend to cooperate with the Spirit in becoming common ground. That makes wonderful sense of our commitment to a kind of religious education and spiritual mentoring that nurtures aware, mature and committed disciples of Christ, each one actively engaged in her and his portion of Christ's own ministry. By thinking of becoming common ground between earth and heaven, I can see more of the connections between a vibrant worship life and a deep and ongoing commitment to protecting the earth by learning to live sustainably, between a rich fellowship inside this church family and a passion for reaching out to the community beyond ourselves with good news shared in all the ways we find hunger for it.

In late April and again last week Olivet's program committees and board members, Mission Family conveners and staff members have come together to pray, imagine, plan and prioritize our way into living this Future Story. And even while we're planning, we are implementing more and more of our plan and living into our vision.

These are the actions of a people with a sense of call and purpose. One way of understanding our calling, perhaps, is that we are allowing the Spirit to live us in such ways and to such an extent that we become more and more the meeting ground for heaven and earth. May God continue to inspire and bless our efforts. *Dennis*

Congratulations, Praise!

Edie Pigg reports that she went to the children's jazz presentation at Jesse Hall, a section of the Blind Boone Ragtime and Early Jazz Festival designed to teach children about jazz- - the music and instruments. The children from Lee and Grant schools attended. As part of this children's festival, the children are asked to write an essay on one of Blind Boone's favorite sayings. There are three prizes awarded and Praise Tyler received a second place (\$25 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble) for his essay. I was so proud of him I stood up and cheered, loudly. Edie

News Around the Church

June Booknotes



POTPOURRI OF AUTHORS IN ADULT FICTION & NONFICTION

To spice up your summer reading pleasure, here's a variety of recent library additions. Some of the authors may be familiar, or you might try a new "voice". And thanks again for all your donations.

ADULT FICTION

Neta Jackson: fans of the Yaya Prayer Group series, we now have volumes 6 and 7.

Anna Quindlen: Rise and Shine. Two sisters with lives so different, deal with a tragedy in the public media in this contemporary fiction.

Sandra Dallas: Alice's Tulips. A novel of the Civil War era, told through letters.

Michael Phillips: Angels Watch Over Me. Follow a slave girl and a plantation owner's daughter in their new future after the Civil War.

Alexander McCall Smith: If you got hooked by HBO's The Number One Women's Detective series, come read more of both his African and Scottish series.

Ivan Dagg: The Whistling Season. We don't yet have this year's One Read choice, but here's last year's in case you missed a good Montana yarn.

NONFICTION.

Frederick Buechner: The Magnificent Defeat. Discover this critically acclaimed and widely read Christian writer with these short meditations on Old and New Testament stories that will stay with you, and speak to your soul.

Missouri School of the Deaf: "Show Me" Signs. A slender book with clearly defined line pictures to help you learn 150 common sign language signs. Learn something worthwhile this summer!

Music Notes



The end of the year Adult Choir/Early Worship Music Team party will be at the Sharp's home on Wednesday, June 24, at 6:30. We will celebrate our work together and enjoy food and fellowship. The address is 3605 Scottson Way. Email Eileen for directions. Meat and drinks will be provided. Desserts, salads, vegetable dishes and appetizers are needed. Please email Eileen to let her know what type food you would like to bring and how many people in your family will be attending. Eileen

Thank You

Linda Graue and Family thank all of you for your prayers for our mother-in-law, Norma. She has made steady improvement and was moved to Rusk.

The Annual Olivet Cemetery

Association Meeting

will be Friday, June 26 at

5 pm. at Olivet Church in the Library

Dorothy Grant

Out & About Twelve people met at Bob Evans restaurant on May 22 to begin discussing what the Out & About group would like to do this year. We had a lot of great ideas and hopefully we will do them all. Everyone is welcome to participate in these activities when they fit your schedule. There were 17 ideas for trips from as close as the Churchill Memorial to Pella, Iowa, to Bethany, West Virginia and many places here in Missouri. We had 15 ideas for programs and fun things to do here in Columbia along with learning experiences. We also discussed going to plays at Arrow Rock, Stephens College, Columbia Entertainment Company and MU. If you have some ideas and were not able to attend the lunch on May 22 give your ideas to Sally Robinson. Thank you all who turned in the surveys. If you haven't turned yours in you still have time. Watch the OCN for upcoming events to be **Out & About**.



Olivet River Retreat

Friday, July 10—Sunday, July 12

The Olivet River Retreat will begin Friday, July 10. We will be going to OZARK OUTDOORS, just west of Cuba. (Their website is www.Ozarkoutdoors.net or the phone number is 1-800-888-0023).

The first official event will be the supper group meal. All the meals will be provided and eaten buffet style at designated times. Each person will be assigned a meal to help prepare and/or clean up. Sunday breakfast will be the last group meal, but food will be available for those who will be staying later. If you have a preference for a meal assignment, please note this on the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

Campsites, electrical hookup sites for RV's, and rooms have been reserved at OZARK OUTDOORS. You will need to figure your family's rates as listed on the rate sheet. If you are reserving a room, we will let you know how much it will be so you can add it to your rate sheet in order to find your grand total for the weekend. For tent camping, just figure the per person per day rates for camping and food and add it up. RV sites are available at an extra \$12 per night.

For rooms, contact Kim Amiot.

Canoe, kayak and raft trips are available by calling OZARK OUTDOORS (1-800-888-0023). Please check the current rate sheet from OZARK OUTDOORS on the table in Fellowship Hall for these prices. The church provides the float inner tubes. The resort has a pool, volleyball courts and horseshoe pits. Onandaga Cave and State Park is right next to the campground and is a wonderful place to visit. See the OZARK OUTDOORS website for tour rates. The boat races and Wayne's Games are only a few of the great experiences you will have on the retreat. Sunday, July 12 will be the highlight of the retreat as we gather for morning worship and celebrate baptisms in the river.

Reservation AND payment are due by Sunday, June 28 to hold your spot for the weekend. One-half of payment will be reimbursed if you must cancel on short notice, provided sufficient funds are available.

OZARK OUTDOORS charges everything per person per night and that is how we are going to charge for the weekend this year. If you are camping/RV site, you will have camping/RV charges per person per night and food charges per person per day. If you are renting a room or cabin, you will have a room fee (to be figured by us) per person per night and a food fee per person per day. We feel this the fairest and easiest way to figure how much the cost will be for the weekend. (Please see fees attached to packet on the gray table in Fellowship Hall).

Guests: This a great opportunity to get to know your church family better. There will be plenty of children and youth attending, so don't feel you must bring "guests" in order to have fun.

Pets: No Pets, Please .

Suggested Items to Bring: Tent, tarp, hammer, water shoes, floats, toys, life vests for small children, flashlight, batteries, games, cards, sleeping bags, air mattress, bathing suits, towels, goggles, sunscreen, bug spray, quarters for showers and lawn chairs.

Directions: From Columbia, take Hwy. 63 south to Hwy. 50, take 50 east to Hwy 19, take 19 south to I-44, take I-44 east (about 5 miles) to Leasburg (exit 214) take Route H south (about 7 miles) , go over Meramec River then turn Left and YOU ARE at OZARK OUTDOORS!. Please stop at store and check in. Questions? Please contact Kim or Ben Amiot at 443-3549, or Rob or Nancy Foss at 814-0911, 2009 Float Trip Chairs. Complete information, including cost and list of suggested items to bring can be found on the gray table in Fellowship Hall after the BBQ.



Voluntary Action Center Support

Share the Spirit - VAC's Christmas in July

On July 14, 2009, Voluntary Action Center will serve a Christmas in July picnic to local low income families at Missouri United Methodist Church. In addition to being a lot of fun for the families, this event reminds all of us that there are many local families in need throughout the year, not just during the holidays.

You Can Help! Each \$10.00 Donation Will:

- Provide a place at the picnic meal for a low-income person.
- Help VAC continue to assist people in need of emergency food, shelter, prescriptions, employment clothing, transportation and youth enrichment.
- If you wish to support VAC's Christmas in July, there will be a container marked for your donation in Fellowship Hall on June 28.
- **If you would like to learn more about VAC's work in the community, go to www.vacmo.org**

Boone County Council on Aging

Mature Living Festi-

Mark Your Calendars!!

Plan now to attend Columbia's only event celebrating life after 55!



Friday, August 28, 2009 9am — 3pm

Holiday Inn Select Expo Center

2200 I-70 Drive SW

For more information, please call Boone County Council on Aging
at 573.443.1111

Financial Information

May 2009	
Abbreviated Monthly Financial Statement	
<u>Identified Giving</u>	
May 3.....	\$ 8,226.50
May 4	\$ 2,350.00
May 10.....	\$ 3,975.00
May 17.....	\$ 3,356.00
May 18.....	\$ 1,610.00
May 24.....	\$ 3,075.00
May 31.....	\$ 3,377.99
Total.....	\$ 25,970.49
Monthly need	\$ 21,951.92
<u>Building Fund</u>	
Pledges.....	\$ 2,533.00
Bible Baptist	\$ 1,000.00
Crafts.....	\$ 68.25
Gift.....	\$ 100.00
Total.....	\$ 3,701.25
Thank you for your support!	

<u>May 2009 Financial Report</u>	
Revenue/Other Support.....	\$ 24,806.50
Year-To-Date Total	\$ 116,672.69
<u>Expenditures:</u>	
Salaries/Benefits.....	\$ 11,456.58
Payroll Taxes.....	\$ 630.85
General/Administration.....	\$ 7,103.06
Supplies	\$ 120.95
Community Services.....	\$ 1,760.32
Total Expenditures.....	\$ 21,071.76
Year-To-Date.....	\$ 92,422.41
<u>Building Fund Report</u>	
Building Fund Income.....	\$ 3,617.75
Year-To-Date.....	\$ 16,008.55
Thank you for your support!	

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Olivet Church News Basic Information

The Olivet Church News (OCN) is a publication of the Olivet Christian Church, a congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Our newsletter is published twice monthly on Thursdays. Our next OCN will be mailed July 2. Please have your news information to Dee Youngman at deeandlukeyoungman@yahoo.com (as an attachment, if possible) no later than June 25. Thanks.

Sunday Services

(Nursery available during both services)

8:30 am., Early Worship Service

9:30 am., Sunday School for all ages

11:00 am., Morning Worship/Children's Service K-3

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Olivet Youth Groups



LYHF, grades 9-12

CHI-RHO, grades 6-8

YOYO's, grades 2-5

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