

Serving God in Ministry



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MAY 2017

Bridal Shower

There will be a Bridal Shower for Mandi Phillips on May 7th at 4:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite recipe to share with Mandi. If you are looking for a gift idea Mandi and Jeremy Phillips are registered at Walmart. Come help celebrate this wonderful occasion.



Bike Fair

 Saturday, May 6 is the Kid's Bike Fair at the Church from 9 am – 12 noon. There will be bicycle safety checks, seat and chain adjustments, face painting, door prizes, new bicycle drawings, and even a free lunch. Bring your kids, grandkid's, or a neighbor's kids to this fun, free event.

Sunday School

It is that time of year when we are beginning to wrap up the Sunday school classes. The last day for Sunday school will be May 21st. The classes will start back up again in the fall. Sunday, May 21st will also be Youth Sunday and Graduation Recognition.



Summer Morning Worship Service Time Change to 9:30 am in June



Starting on June 4, our morning worship time will change to 9:30 am for the summer. Summer is a great time to enjoy vacations, the lake, the parks, and to make up excuses as to why we can't make it to church! While this is easy to do, I would encourage you to not only come to church this summer as often as you can, but invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and anyone who you feel could use the love of God in their life. Yes, 9:30 am is early, but I promise that God will get up early to be there—will you? We will resume our normal service time in the fall once school starts back up again.

Sunday Evening Contemporary Worship Service at 6:00 pm

If 9:30 am is too early for you, if you have other plans on Sunday morning, or if you prefer a contemporary style of worship, we will continue our Sunday evening contemporary worship service at 6:00 pm throughout the summer. The message will be the same as the morning service, but the songs will be different. This service meets in the fellowship hall.



VBS

VBS will take place on June 17th from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. All children going into grades Kindergarten thru 6th grade are

welcome to attend. Many helping hands are needed to prepare for VBS. Please consider donating your time. We will also be asking for donations of different items for the day of VBS starting May 7th. Please contact Paula Richard if you have any questions.



Graduation recognition



Our church would like to recognize those that are graduating from 8th grade, High School, College, etc. If you know of anyone in our church family please contact the office with the information so they can be recognized on May 21st.



CASH OFFERINGS

Please make sure all cash offerings are placed in an envelope with the giver's name. That way the offering can be recorded properly on the Record of Giving sheets. Envelopes are located in the pews and also on the table in the Narthex.

Graduation Reception

Esther George is graduating from Eldon High School with honors and plans to attend Drury University in Springfield, MO in the fall.

Please join us for a cake and punch reception at the church in the fellowship hall to celebrate on May 21st immediately following the morning worship service.



Thank You

Thanks for the prayers, cards, calls in Lewis's passing. Thanks to the UMW for the wonderful lunch. Also a special thanks to Pastor Steve for his kindness and support during this time.

The Lewis Croy Family



Men's Breakfast



The men's fellowship & devotion breakfast will continue to meet on the first and third Saturday of every month from 8:00 – 9:00 am at the Mustang Grill throughout the summer. Our next May date is on the 20th. This is a time when we can get together as Christian men to eat, and to encourage each other in our faith. This is an informal group for MEN of all ages and no RSVP is required, just show up hungry.

Baby Grace on May 10th

Baby Grace is our church's newest outreach ministry to young mothers. Baby Grace will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. The next program will be on May 10th. There are a number of ways to get involved and help with this new ministry: be a mentor to a young mother; donate diapers, wipes, or baby clothes; make a snack for the moms or the kids; help watch little ones in the nursery while the mothers are participating in our program, or just attend the program to be a positive, caring influence during the program. Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex or contact Willard Haley for more information.



Baby Grace Donations

We are accepting baby clothes for children 1 day – 5 years old. These can be new or used (only used clothes in very good condition please). Also, diapers of all sizes. Donations should be put in the baby play pen in the Narthex.

Online Giving


Online giving is an easy way to make sure your donations to our church and outreach ministries continue on Sundays that you are not able to attend church. To give electronically, simply click on the QR code on the back of the Sunday morning bulletin or go to the church website www.eldonumc.org and click on online giving.



Public Harp Performance

The public is invited to attend an "Elegant Harp Concert" presented by Maria Duhova Trevor on Sunday, May 7, 2:00 p.m. at the Lake Ozark Christian Church, 1560 Bagnell Dam Blvd., Lake Ozark. Maria is the principal harpist for both the Missouri Symphony Orchestra and the Springfield Symphony. Her guest soloist will be 14 year old Caitlin Chisham, winner of several awards for her operatic voice. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and may be purchased at the door the day of the event. For more information call the Lake Arts Council office at 573-964-6366.






Just for KIDS

God's Creation

In the spring we see God's creation coming alive again!
 Fill in the blanks below with the names of things that God created. Use the Scripture references to help if needed.

<u>G</u> _ _ _ _ _	where vegetables grow <i>(Deuteronomy 11:10)</i>	
<u>O</u> _ _	a tree to rest under <i>(1 Kings 13:14)</i>	
<u>D</u> _ _ _	when Mary went to the tomb <i>(Matthew 28:1)</i>	
<u>S</u> _ _ _ _	lights in the night sky <i>(Genesis 1:16)</i>	
<u>C</u> _ _ _ _	provided clothing for John the Baptist <i>(Matthew 3:4)</i>	
<u>R</u> _ _ _ _	flowing water <i>(Matthew 3:6)</i>	
<u>E</u> _ _ _	name of a garden <i>(Genesis 2:8)</i>	
<u>A</u> _ _ _	the first man <i>(Genesis 2:20b)</i>	
<u>T</u> _ _ _ _ _	sound made by lightning <i>(Exodus 19:16)</i>	
<u>I</u> _ _ _ _ _	hopping, flying, crawling creatures <i>(Leviticus 11:20)</i>	
<u>Q</u> _ _	a "wise" bird <i>(Psalm 102:6)</i>	
<u>N</u> _ _ _ _	begins at sunset <i>(Genesis 28:11)</i>	

Answers: garden; oak; dawn; stars; camel; river; Eden; Adam; thunder; insects; owl; night.

May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 12:30 pm UMW	4 National Day of Prayer	5	6 9am-Noon Bike Fair
7 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 4:00 pm Bridal Shower for Mandi Phillips 6:00 pm Contemporary	8 9:00 am Food Pantry	9	10 6:30 pm Baby Grace	11	12	13
14 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	15 2:00 pm Lee House	16	17 6:30 pm Church Council meeting	18	19	20 8:00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast 10:00 am DAR
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