



Open Doors UMC of Blue Eye

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June 2016 Newsletter

Pastor's Column

Summer is quickly approaching. It is a time of year when we change the pace in the church. We take a break from some of the programs. The Bible Study is the one I am involved with the most. We take a summer break and come back in September to start anew. The Noon Luncheon will not be until September, but eating at Blue Eye Burger at 11:30 on Wednesdays with cards at church is for whoever can come. Summer is a laid back atmosphere but we will have special events like a bonfire night, trying to get a group to go to the Stained Glass Theatre in Ozark and our 2nd annual boating trip to the Floating Cafe on Indian Point Road. All in all it should be a fun summer.

During this time we also celebrate Pentecost. What does Pentecost mean? It is the time the church celebrates its birth as the Spirit of God descended on the apostles to empower them with what they would need to present the gospel of Jesus Christ. If it had not been for the Holy Spirit the church would never have become what it is today. The church is that place where you can come and join with other Christians to worship and praise our God together. Together is an important part of who we are. Together we have power from the Spirit to help, pray, speak and witness to our faith. You can be a Christian but the real power and Spirit of your being comes through the relationship called The Church!!

Our task as the church is to help others know and believe in Jesus Christ. And to help each other live responsible lives in the name of Jesus. We are accountable to one another to be there in times of need and to help each other's Spirit grow in faith.

The church is the place to be, not just on Sunday mornings but at those events, programs or experiences that help your spirit grow. The church is not perfect but it is a loving, caring, responsible institution of God. See you in Church!!

Pastor Jack

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Scriptures for the Month of June

Sunday, June 5: 1 Kings 17:17-24; Psalm 30; Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

Sunday, June 12: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15; Psalm 32; Galatians 2:15-21 Luke 7:36-8:3

Sunday, June 19: Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:19-28; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

Sunday, June 26: Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:19-28; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

The only thing better
than a good friend is
a good friend with
a bag of M & M's

New Members

Kathryn James is a new member here at Open Doors UMC. She has been coming here for a while now but if you don't know her, please be sure and say hi to her and make her welcome. WELCOME KATHRYN JAMES!!



We have been very blessed this month because we have another couple who just joined our church. Please welcome Dave & Jane Thomas. Be sure and say hi to this sweet couple as well. And you don't want to miss our next potluck because hopefully there will be more wonderful bread pudding!!

WELCOME DAVE & JANE THOMAS!!



Stained Glass Theatre

The Stained Glass Theatre in Ozark Missouri will be having a play called "The Angel of Bochim" from June 2 to July 2. Also one called "The Praying Man" from July 21 to August 27. We would like to get a group together to see one of these plays. Deloris Bryant has been to this theatre so if you have any questions or would like to go to a show please let her or the office know and we will see about all going together.



Pastor's Summer Schedule

My plans for the summer are to be here all of June. In July, Peg and I will travel to Wisconsin Dells for a family get together. We will be gone July 17 (after worship) until July 25th.

In August we will be gone Aug. 18-31. First, I will do a wedding for a grand niece in Kansas City, then travel to Minnesota to spend time with Mindy, Joe & Alex. Mindy is expecting the new baby on July 28. At the moment this is my plan for travel.

Kitchen

The kitchen in the lower fellowship hall is just about done. Thanks to Dave Gilliam and J.D. Settles we have a beautiful new kitchen, newly designed to provide more working space as we have our potlucks, dinners and special events. The kitchen was made possible by all the hard work at our garage sales. If you have not been downstairs for a while you need to take a look—The new kitchen, new hot water heater, new breaker panels for both the 110 & 220 boxes, plus the bathrooms were redone earlier. We have a great facility to work out of for ministry to the Blue Eye Area!



ALWAYS BELIEVE
something wonderful is
going to happen,
Even with all the
ups and downs,
never take a day
for granted.
Cherish the little thing
and hug the ones you
Love



Summer Schedule of Events

We have a new fire pit out behind the parsonage that we need to use!! Being gone in July and Aug. kind of limits the time of events so here goes my idea. Let's try to use the fire pit on Wednesday nights June 22 and Aug. 3 at 6:30 for a cook out of hot dogs with the trimmings. We can sit around the campfire and sing songs, tell stories, and watch the beautiful sunsets. You would need to bring either chips, salads or desserts plus your own chair. Drinks, hot dogs, buns and condiments will be provided. Let's have fun with our new fire pit!!

Our 4th Annual Summer Sizzler BBQ will be planned for the first part of September as a way to celebrate the end of summer, school starting and the beginning of fall programming. The weather is not as hot or humid then, so we should be good to go for an outdoor event. Stay tuned to time and date. Have a great summer!

Welcome Center/Office Complex

It was a year ago we dedicated the new addition to the Glory of God our Father. Time goes by so quickly and we have been using it to God's Glory but there is more we can do to bring new people to know the Lord. Be thinking of new ways to use our facility plus now with the new kitchen on the lower level we have even more opportunities to serve the Lord.

We do want to take this opportunity to thank you for providing the new offices. This past year it has been so nice to work out of the new office space. Being upstairs is much brighter, bigger and more effective space to use. **THANK YOU SO MUCH—**
Pastor Jack Smith &
Debra Tompkins!!

GREETERS

June 5: Helen Feuz
Peg Smith

June 12: Pat Bangert

June 19: Barbara Curbow

June 26: Jan Hensiek

Church Finances

Every year about this time, just before summer, I try to give an idea of the financial situation of our church. It is so good not to have to say things in worship about finances. Thank you so much for your commitment to our church.

As of 5/22/16 the finances look like this:

Bal 1/1/16	\$7,945.03	
Income 1/1/16-5/22/16	<u>\$33,739.25</u>	
	\$41,684.28	
Expenses 1/1/216-5/22/16	<u>\$31,022.00</u>	
	\$10,662.28	
Garage Sale to Savings	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	
Bal. 5/22/16	\$8,662.28	General Budget
Savings Balance	\$3,655.07	
Building Mortgage Payment Fund	\$4,053.00	

Payments are \$538.57 monthly so we have 7 payments until that fund will run out. (Feb. 2017).

WELCOME CENTER HOSTS

June 5: Bob & Debbie
Lyon

June 12: Helen Feuz
Barbara Curbow

June 19: Debra Tompkins

June 26: Jack & Neva
Mielke



This newsletter is published monthly. If you have an article for publication please get it to the pastor before the last week of the month. Also if you have an address of someone who you think would like to receive this newsletter please leave that information in the church office.

We have a Facebook page, please go to our page and "like" us. You can post suggestions, pictures or anything you would like. It is also a great way to find out what is going on and see the pictures of events already taken place.

May

July

June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Office Hours 9-5	2 Office Hours 9-5	3	4 Prayer Breakfast 8:15
5 Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 COMMUNION	6 Office Hours 9-5	7 Movie Night 7:00 "Gracecard"	8 Office Hours 9-5 Choir Party 6:00 at Mary Little's	9 Office Hours 9-5 Trustee Meeting 10:00	10	11
12 Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30	13 Office Hours 9-5	14	15 Office Hours 9-5	16 Office Hours 9-5 Movie Night 7:00 "Love's Unending Legacy"	17	18
19 Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 Blue Sunday Happy Father's Day	20 Office Hours 9-5	21	22 Office Hours 9-5 Cook Out 6:30	23 Office Hours 9-5	24	25
26 Welcome Center 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 Potluck 11:45 Church Council	27 Office Hours 9-5	28	29 Office Hours 9-5 Choir 6:30	30 Office Hours 9-5		

Happy
Birthday

June 2016

Happy
Anniversary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Gerald Curbow Lori Johnson	3	4
5	6	7	8 Sharlee Gunther Mike Jones	9 Leamon & Jo Roberson	10	11 Clair & Beverly Gunther
12	13 Chris Nelson Gary & Luz Gunther	14 Mona Fennema	15 Ben & Lori Johnson	16	17	18
19 Happy Father's Day!	20	21	22 Jo Roberson	23 Deuane & Betty Frazier	24 Bill Mitchell	25
26	27	28 Gerald & Barbara Curbow	29	30		