

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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SUNDAY, APRIL 21
3:00 PM

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF KIRKWOOD
100 EAST ADAMS AVE.
KIRKWOOD, MISSOURI 63122

Admission is free to the public

Chorus, Orchestra & Soloists Presented by
The Choirs of First Presbyterian Church—Kirkwood, Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church,
& Second Presbyterian Church

Visit the Matthew 25 Table!

Be sure to stop by the Matthew 25 table this morning before and after Church services and Christian concerns classes to learn about some projects for active engagement! Pick up an information sheet for a project that fits your schedule, or sign up for an event that interests you!

Spring Blood Drive

The Deacons are sponsoring a Community Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, April 22, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. It will be conducted in Fellowship Hall at church. Appointments can be made online by visiting RedCrossBlood.org and entering FirstPresKirkwood or calling 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767).

Diapers and Period Supplies Drive

Calling all First Pres members and friends. Starting April 14 - Mother's Day (May 12), we will be collecting diapers and period supplies. These supplies will go to our local partners, the St. Louis Diaper Bank, and KirkCare. Please bring your donations to church, where we will set up a donation cart.

From the Diaper Bank and KirkCare, we thank you for your participation in addressing this ongoing need. "The diapers and period supplies provided by the Diaper Bank provide much needed emotional and financial stress relief for families and individuals; allowing them to focus on living happy, healthy lives." Here is a link to a short video about the program.

<https://youtu.be/27derfPcPVg> For more information, please contact Becky Craig at 12dirtyboots@gmail.com.

[Spring Concerts at First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood](#)

*Learn more about our Con Spirito Concert Series at <http://conspirito.kirkwoodpres.org/>

- April 27** 7:00 p.m. The St Louis Civic Orchestra <http://stlco.org/>
- May 4** 7:00 p.m. The Organ Dedication Anniversary Recital:
10-year gala celebration with Johann Vexo,
French concert organist and champagne reception*
- May 6** 7:00 p.m. The Nebraska Wesleyan University Choir on tour*
- May 19** 3:00 p.m. The Black Tulip Chorale <http://blacktulipchorale.org/>

FAMILY FRIENDLY Trivia
At First Presbyterian Church
Friday, May 3, 6:00-7:30 pm



Come for a fun night of trivia that will be intentionally designed to be fun for the whole family. Questions aimed at both children and adults as well as a couple of more experiential rounds that do not require you to know the full name of Sonic the Hedgehog* to get a point.

Tables of 8 are available (or fewer if you prefer) and the cost is \$5 per person - funds raised will support our high school Work Camp mission trip this summer!

Bring dinner with you - we will provide drinks. There will NOT be things to bid on — this is just meant to be a fun night out with the church family - last year we had players from ages 6 to 86!

Contact Rob Monroe to get signed up - rmonroe@kirkwoodpres.org!

Event hosted at First Presbyterian Church in Kirkwood - 100 East Adams.
Contact Rob to RSVP or for more information - rmonroe@kirkwoodpres.org

*Sonic's full name is Olgivie Maurice Hedgehog

[Housing Hosts Needed!](#)

We are excited to host the Nebraska Wesleyan University Concert Choir May 6, 2024. We are in need of volunteers to house students after their 7:00 pm concert. You take them home, feed them breakfast on Tuesday morning, and return them to church. You can take students in groups of 2 or 4. Please let Bill Stein know if you are able to assist as we extend gracious hospitality to our guests! Email him at bstein@kirkwoodpres.org.

[Christian Concerns Class](#)

Jon Haveman is the executive director of the Executive Director of the National Economic Education Delegation (NEED). Dr. Haveman holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Michigan. Today in the Christian Concerns class he will talk about the current state of healthcare in the United States. Keith Klamer will be here at 9:00 am on April 28th speaking on Intelligent Design: Seeing God Through Science Part I 'The Big Bang.'



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Kindly join us for the
Service of Installation for

The Reverend Gary Noonan
as Senior Pastor and Head of Staff
at First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood

3:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 28th, 2024

100 East Adams Avenue
Kirkwood, MO 63122

Reception to follow.




STL Black History Tours

A STL Black History Tour is planned on May 11th at 9:45 a.m. If interested please send your name, phone number, and email address to paul.loida@bayer.com.

Pentecost Offering

The Presbyterian Church USA annually sponsors four special offerings that support a variety of services and ministries in the US and the world. The Pentecost Offering (April 1-May 19) unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Collection envelopes are available in the Narthex and welcome desk. Online gifts may be made through the First Pres website under the Give tab. For information on this Special Offering, please visit pcusa.org.

Book Clubs

Tuesday Book Club will be reading *The Pursuit Of Happiness: How Classical Writers On Virtue Inspired The Lives Of The Founders And Defined America*, by Jeffrey Rosen. We meet on Tuesdays from 10-11:00 a.m. in the Fireplace Room. Contact: kochkarenp@gmail.com.

History Book Group will meet at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, April 25th at church to talk about *Zealot: the Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth* by Reza Aslan. Questions? Contact Don Lewis at donlewis610@gmail.com or Carlin Scanlan at ccscanlan@swbell.net.

Wednesday Book Club will meet April 24th at 1:30 p.m. on Zoom. We will be discussing *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride, a story about Black and Jewish residents of the Chicken Hill neighborhood of Pottstown, PA. Contact: julia@abreu.net.

White Fragility Book Club On April 23rd at 6:30 p.m. we conclude the book study of White Fragility by Robin Diangelo at 6:30 p.m. at church and with Zoom. We have had a great discussion on this book and invite all to participate! Questions? Contact Jeanne Earley at 314-707-3429.

Budget and Giving Update

We are immensely grateful for your continued generosity and faithful giving to the church, supporting our ministry and mission. As we face the challenge of a recurring budget deficit, we are committed to transparent accountability and will regularly present these which demonstrate the income we have received versus our projected budget, so we can all see our financial progress. As we continue to journey together in faith, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to stewardship and generosity, knowing that every gift, no matter the size, plays a vital role in advancing God's mission through our work here. As we have faced challenges in the past, we face this challenge from a position of strength and will meet it and grow together!



How to Give Online

Give online with a onetime gift or set up reoccurring payments and pay with ACH direct from your checking account, via credit card, or using GooglePay. Go to <https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/kirkwoodpres> and follow the prompts, text GIVE to 314-293-4922, or scan the QR code to go directly our giving portal. Questions? Reach out to accounting@kirkwoodpres.org.



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