

ANNOUNCEMENTS

History Book Group, 10:30 Thursday, Every Other Month

At our next meeting, September 22 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 029, we will talk about *Benjamin Franklin: An American Life* by Walter Isaacson, an applauded biography that demonstrates even remarkable greatness does not mean being flawless. For more information, contact Carlin Scanlan (ccscanlan@swbell.net) or Don Lewis(donlewis610@gmail.com).

Wednesday Book Club

The next meeting of the Wednesday Book Club is September 28, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom. We will be reading *A Woman of No Importance* by Sonia Purnell. This is the untold story of the American spy, Virginia Hall, who worked for the British intelligence and helped win WWII. If you want to be added to the invite list, please contact Julia Abreu at julia@abreu.net.

Join Your First Pres Friends at Hands on Kirkwood!

The annual Hands-On Kirkwood (HOK) Mission Blitz will be October 1, 2022, starting at 9:00 a.m. Churches, local organizations, and individuals work together to connect to various projects and community needs. The HOK leadership team secures projects, enlists project leaders, promotes the event, and registers volunteers. Any individual, family or group of friends can sign-up to serve. Sign up using this link: www.handsonkirkwood.org

Give Online

Have you tried giving online? You can do 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 to our giving portal. If you have any questions, please reach out to accounting@kirkwoodpres.org.





FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF
KIRKWOOD

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

September 18, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mission: We are called to be a welcoming and supportive community whose inspiring worship of God encourages everyone to deepen their faith and to respond to the needs of the world with the compassion of Christ.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

_____ *All who are able, please stand. _____

Chiming of the Hour

We encourage you to quiet your minds and hearts for worship at this time.

Welcome and Announcements

Sign the Friendship Register at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor.

Organ Prelude

"Solemn Melody"

Henry Walford Davies

WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Leader: Bring us in this hour, O God, to silence,

People: That we may hear your voice,

Leader: In those calling from the edge.

People: Move us from comfort and security,

Leader: To stand with them in speechless solidarity;

People: Write your love on our bodies,

Leader: That our living, and not just our lips,

All: May sing your freedom song!

*Processional Hymn

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Hymn #307

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, you call us to bear your fruit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control – but we recognize that we are not as fruitful as we could be. Forgive us when we fail to tend the fruit of the Spirit, and water them with prayer. Forgive us when we quench the warmth of love, which enables such fruit to ripen. Forgive us those times when fear causes us to resist your pruning. Forgive us when, set in our ways, we block your growth in in our lives. May our following Jesus, bring your joy and loving kindness to fruit in us...

*Silent Confessions

***Assurance of God's Grace**

***Congregational Response (Unison)** "The Doxology" Hymn #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Recognition and Celebration For 50-Year Members

Leader: On this day we thank you, O God, for our church.

People: We praise you for all the joy we have known in this Community,

Leader: And for all those siblings in faith, who have traveled, and are traveling,

People: And will travel with us on this journey of discipleship and blessing.

Leader: Today we give thanks for those who measure this journey in decades,

People: And we pray our fellow travelers and ourselves, who together make up this community of your people.

Leader: Continue to make this church a place of comfort, challenge and faithfulness for all who share its life.

All: For you are our God, and we your faithful people!

Members who joined in 1970:

Sharon Brandenberger
Judith Farrow
Anne Hizar
Melissa Wulff

Members who joined in 1971:

Beverly Broeder
Cindy Burquin
David Endres
Daniel Geeting
Susan Geeting
Patty McBride

Members who joined in 1972:

Carol Bickel
John Bickel
Bob Edmunds
Phyllis Foster
Cindy Pratt
Bob Schneider

***The Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Malachi 3.8-12; Pew Bible, O.T., pg.550
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "God Is Our Refuge" Allen Pote

*God is our refuge and strength, a present help in time of trouble.
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
through the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.
Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.
He is in the midst of His people, in all the earth
He is the Word; we are His hands; He will lead us.
He is the air, we are His song,
we will celebrate His presence all the day long.*

Scripture Reading John 2.1-11; Pew Bible, O.T., pg.86
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *A Land Of Delight* The Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** "We Give Thee But Thine Own" Hymn #708

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Moment For Stewardship - 2023 Appeal

Offertory Sentences

Offertory Anthem

"Consecration"

text: Frances Havergal

music: John Ness Beck

*Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.
Take my voice, and let it sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every power as Thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it Thine. It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.
Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.*

Prayer of Dedication

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

*Closing Hymn

"As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought"

Hymn #712

*Benediction

Choral Response

"Orison No. 1"

Harold Friedell

*Day by day, dear Lord, of Thee three things I pray:
to see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly,
follow Thee more nearly. Day by day.*

Organ Postlude

"God of Grace"

Paul Manz

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Dr. Bill Smutz, *Interim Senior Pastor*
Rev. Linda Maconochie, *Interim Associate Pastor*

Music Ministry:

Chancel Choir, Avi Mazzeo, *accompanist*
Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries*

Ushers:

John Becker, Jim Hershfelt, Lila Hershfelt,
Jason Mitchell, Kristy Mitchell, Melissa Wulff
Art McDonnell and Larry Erwin, *Usher Captains*

Livestream Host:

Keith Klamer

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Congratulations to Our Members of 50+ Years!

Current Members Who Joined Before 1970 (as of 31 August 2022):

Sally Bakula	Al Hinton	Fran Madson	Evalyn Rogers
Deborah Barmeier	Susan Hinton	Jim Madson	Gwen Rogers
John Becker	Lynn Ireland	Richard Marsh	Fred Ruegg
Denise Becker	Bob Jarrett	Paul McNeely	Christine Salazar
Tom Becker	Marty Kelly	Al Moore	Marian Senger
Mamie Bosso	Judy Klutho	Michael Morris	Marian Solari
Ann Bronson	Mike Knipshield	Grettie Muckler	Donna Stonerook
Lois Creamer	Dick Koch	Phil Peterson	Roger Stream
Dean Danzer	Phyllis Koch	Harriet Polster	Pat Tice
Jinny Danzer	Carol Layton	Philip Polster	Mary Anne Wallace
Sarah Darr	June Leaver	Dorothy Reinecke	Rebecca Weimer
Ern Dunning	Buck Leyhe	Alan Ritter	Sylvia Weisheit
George Durnell	Jeanne Leyhe	Marcia Ritter	Bob Wells
Edie Hale	Annie Littlepage	Judy Roberts	Pat Wilson
Jon Hale	Sterling Littlepage		

LIVE and IN PERSON! CHRISTOPHER SAXTON

Our Christian Concerns classes begin this Sunday, September 18 at 9 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Our favorite History Teacher from Ladue High School will open this year's class season with a 4-week series about Harry S Truman. The class will also be transmitted on Zoom for those at home. We hope to see you there! For the Zoom link or other questions, please contact Ann Miller at ann.willie@hotmail.com.

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Women's Bible Study

Join us once a month on the third Wednesday of the month for Bible study. We meet at church at 7:15 p.m.

This year we will be using the Presbyterian Women Bible study, *Celebrating the Sabbath-Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight*. Study booklets can be purchased for \$10 at the September meeting.

Our first meeting will be Wednesday *September 21, 2022*, at 7:15p.m. at church. We will meet in the Gathering Space. For more information please contact Kristy Mitchell at kjam727@yahoo.com

Save the Date for Con Spirito Progressive Organ Recital!

Save the date for Sunday, September 25th at 2:00 p.m.!

Kirkwood United Methodist, First Presbyterian, Kirkwood Baptist, Webster Groves Christian, and Webster Hills United Methodist churches will each host a 20-minute organ recital with travel time built in between each location. Join us for a fun afternoon of music as we make our way "down the avenue!" The full schedule is below, and a reception will follow the final performance.

2:00 – 2:20 Kirkwood United Methodist Church
201 West Adams Avenue

2:50 – 3:10 First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood
100 E. Adams Avenue

3:30 – 3:50 Kirkwood Baptist Church
211 N. Woodlawn Avenue

4:15 – 4:35 Webster Groves Christian Church
1320 W. Lockwood Avenue

4:50 – 5:10 Webster Hills United Methodist Church
698 W. Lockwood Avenue

This concert is free and we invite you to join us for a portion or all of the event! See you there!