

THE CONNECT

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RESURRECTION HOPE

This morning you are right where God wants you to be. God has scheduled an appointment with you this Easter morning at Dardenne Presbyterian Church. Some people may ponder, “*Why did I come to church today?*” The answer is: God wants you to hear the incredible message of His love and power manifested through Jesus Christ’s Resurrection.

The event of Jesus’ crucifixion and subsequent empty tomb is a fact that even secular historians admit. History also confirms that within a few months after Jesus’ death people were claiming that Jesus had been raised from the dead and was worthy of worship. A dramatic transformation occurred among a small, timid group of Jesus’ followers who boldly went forth to declare that Jesus was the Risen Son of God. Many of them were martyred on account of their belief in Jesus. Yet, their incredible message eventually changed the entire world.

Actually the Christian Church celebrates Christ’s Resurrection every Sunday. To remind ourselves of the centrality of the death and resurrection of Jesus to our faith, the early Christians switched their weekly meeting day to Sunday rather than Saturday like the Jews. They would gather every Sunday at sunrise because Jesus had risen on a Sunday morning. Today, Christians gather to meet with the Risen Christ.

Christ’s Resurrection was God’s stamp of approval that Jesus’ work to secure our salvation had been accomplished. Jesus died for our sins and now was raised up for our justification (**Romans 4:25**). Without the Resurrection, the Christian faith tumbles down like removing the bottom block out of a Jenga structure (**1 Corinthians 15:13-19**).

Many people spend their lives trying not to talk about death but realizing its inevitability. When you come face to face with the one person in history, Jesus Christ, whom death could not hold, you find hope that death is not life’s final chapter. For the Resurrected Jesus Christ has overcome death.

Alleluia!

To Christ Be the Glory,
Larry Maley

Today’s Offering

This year’s special Easter offering will be divided between “Joy in Haiti” and Rev. Boshoff’s “the Mailbox Club” that provides printed discipleship tracts to children throughout Africa, the Middle East, and southern Europe. Offering envelopes are located in the pews.

Events Happening at DPC

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| Apr. 17 | Building Closed |
| Apr. 22 | Joy in Haiti Fundraiser |
| Apr. 22 | Men’s Gathering with
Third Presbyterian |
| Apr. 23 | Presbyterian Women
Sunday |
| Apr. 30 | Orchestra plays at the
8 and 9:30 a.m. Worship |
| May 1 | Vacation Bible School
Registration Begins |
| May 4 | World Day of Prayer |
| May 7 | Children’s Musical |
| May 7 | New Members Class
Begins |
| May 9 | Cancer Companions |
| May 21 | Graduates’ Sunday –
Orchestra plays at 8
and 9:30 a.m. Worship |
| May 29 | Building Closed |
| June 4 | Pentecost Sunday |
| June 7 | PW Luncheon and
Installation of Officers |
| June 13 | Cancer Companions |
| June 17 | Annual Golf
Tournament |
| June 19-23 | Vacation Bible School |
| June 24-28 | Summer Camp |
| June 25 | Patriotic Concert |
| July 11 | Cancer Companions |

Upcoming Events

Opportunities to Serve



Do You Play an Instrument?

Dardenne's orchestra will play in worship on Sunday, April 30 and Sunday, May 21 at 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. Do you play an instrument and desire to use your gift to glorify the Lord? The orchestra, under the direction of Kathy Fenske, will rehearse in the sanctuary on Thursday, April 20 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday, April 22 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, April 27 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.; and Thursday, May 11 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Please contact Stefanie Liesman at stefanie.liesman@dpc4u.org if you are interested in participating.

Patriotic Singers Needed!

Dardenne's 2017 patriotic concert will be held on Sunday, June 25 at 3:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. Would you like to sing in the patriotic choir? Rehearsals will be held on Saturdays 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, and 6/24. Most rehearsals will be from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Rehearsal time on 5/6 is still to be determined. Please contact Stefanie Liesman at stefanie.liesman@dpc4u.org if you are interested in participating. We need to make sure we have enough music for all who intend to be present at the first rehearsal!

HOPE Food Pantry

Thank you so much for your wonderful and dependable support. The needed items for April are Tuna Helper, corn bread/muffin mix, boxed complete meals, and syrup. All donations are appreciated.

Evening of Joy – Joy of Haiti Fundraiser

Saturday, April 22 at 5:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center

Celebrate an evening of JOY as we share what God is doing in Pastor Brisenault's ministry in Haiti. Dinner, entertainment, testimonies, and Pastor's vision will all be included in this special evening. Opportunities to purchase Haitian-made crafts, coffee, and other unique items will be available. Tickets will be on sale for \$20 (Children age 10 and under - \$5) every Sunday between services leading to the big event. Thank you for your support and prayers. Contact Cindy Keagy at 636-357-0487 with questions.

“Challenging Racism” at Third Presbyterian Church

Saturday, April 22 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

At Dardenne Presbyterian Church, we have been led to facilitate racial healing in the St. Louis area through a missional relationship with Third Presbyterian Church, a predominantly black congregation in Moline Acres. On April 22, men from both congregations will continue our dialogue about this salient issue. At our last gathering we decided we should include male youths in our gathering and fellowship, for youth are the future of Christ's Church and our nation. We are praying for a heightened understanding and emboldened unity that will foster healing within Christ's Body and throughout the St. Louis area. We will car pool from DPC at 8:00 a.m., returning around 3:30 p.m. You can indicate your interest in attending this event by signing up at the table in Mission Hall. Contact Steve Collier with questions at steve_collier_pca@earthlink.net.

Trip to Israel Meeting

Sunday, April 30 about noon in Myers Conference Room

Come with Bible Project students to Israel on May 3 through 17, 2018. The Bible will come alive as we walk where Abraham, David, and Jesus walked. See the Israel brochure available in various places around the church. Those interested will meet to work on specific details and to answer questions on Sunday, April 30. (Thanks to the Session for permitting this publicity although DPC is not responsible for the trip.)

Vacation Bible School

“Maker Fun Factory - Created by God - Built For a Purpose”

Registration begins May 1 through May 28 in the church office

“Maker Fun Factory” will be held June 19 through June 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. each day. Children will travel through six stations each day: Bible Discovery, Game Makers, KidVid Cinema, Snack Factory, Cool Crafts, and Sound Wave Sing with Play Opening and Funshop Finale. Children may be registered who are 4 years old by June 19 through current 5th graders. The cost is \$15 per child. Children's T-shirts and CDs will also be available for purchase. Don't miss this chance for your children to enjoy activities that are packed with hands-on learning that will help them grow in their knowledge and love of God.

More Events & Information

Dardenne Church Summer Camp

June 24 through June 28

Students in 6th-12th grade for the 2016/17 school year, get ready for the best part of summer! DC students are heading to Lake Williamson Conference Center in Carlinville, Illinois. Experience five days of incredible activities including worship services, small groups, team recreation, ropes course, swimming, lake activities, and fun with friends! The cost is \$280 per student. Register now at dpc4u.org/camp. Registration will close on Sunday, June 18. Contact Becky Kronauge (becky.kronauge@dpc4u.org) with questions.

BIBLE STUDIES

Looking to grow deeper in your faith? Sunday Morning Opportunities

9:30 a.m.:

Evidence for Christianity – Christian Apologetics

Finders Class in the Hearth Room

Leader: Allan Washburn

“When Life is Hard” – DVD series by James McDonald

Followers Class Watson Hall Room C-4

Leaders: Diane Ford and Kathy Holtkamp

The Book of Joshua - using the "Understanding the Bible Series" by Cook

Seekers Class in the Myers Conference Room

Leader: Stuart Huddleston

The Gospel of John

Pathfinders Class in Room B-5

Leader: Chuck Poe

Studying Sermon Notes – discusses and studies the current sermon

New Dawn Class in the Parlor

Leaders: Bill Ross and Beth Blome

11:00 a.m.:

The Gospel of Matthew - following LifeWay Series "Explore the Bible"

The Explorers Class meets in the Hearth Room

Leader: Larry Trevathan

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To give online, visit www.dpc4u.org/give.

To give via text, send an amount (ex. "\$10")
to (636) 334-3013.



DPC Charity Golf Tournament

DPC's Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 17 with an 8:00 a.m. shotgun start at the Bear Creek Golf Club. This year's charity event will benefit 3rd Presbyterian's "Flourish" Summer Youth Program and the "Joy in Haiti" Orphanage for young Haitian girls. The entry fee is \$75 per golfer or \$300 for a foursome. We are again offering an "Early Bird Special" discount to \$65 per golfer or \$260 for a foursome if registered by May 30. The deadline for registration is June 10. Register early by calling the church office or by contacting Mark Bass (mdbass85@outlook.com).

New Membership Class

Perhaps you have recently begun attending our worship services or have been a regular visitor for some time and finally decided to be a part of the church family? Maybe you have been a member for years and just want to learn more about what goes on around Dardenne? A good "next step" in becoming more active at Dardenne is attending our next Inquiry Class that begins Sunday May 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Rock Church. This class is more than a membership class. It is designed to tell you more about the rich history of Dardenne Church, what we believe, what it means to be Presbyterian, and how you can get more involved in the life and work of Christ's church on earth. Sessions are held on Sunday mornings during the 9:30 a.m. worship hour for five weeks and meet in the Rock Church. The last class will be held on June 4. We would like you to pre-register by marking your interest on the pew pad or calling the church office. If you have questions, please contact the church office, (636-561-4347 or office.admins@dpc4u.org) or Lowell and Shirley Barnes (636-561-4195 or lowell_barnes@charter.net). We look forward to hearing from you!

Sunday Schedule

Communion

The First Sunday of Each Month

Worship

8:00 a.m. Traditional in Sanctuary
 9:30 a.m. Blended in Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary in Christian Life Center

Nursery

8:00 a.m. Cry room - Room A-2
 9:15 a.m. Ages 0-3 Nursery - Through 11:00 a.m. Worship - Room A-2/A-4

Children's Sunday School

9:30 a.m. Preschool thru Kindergarten in B1-4
 9:30 a.m. Children in Watson Hall 1st through 5th Grade
 11:00 a.m. Preschool thru Kindergarten begin in 11 a.m. Worship then to Room A-5
 11:00 a.m. Kidz Connect 1st - 5th Grade begins in 11 a.m. Worship then to Myers Conference Room

Tide Youth Ministry

9:30 a.m. Middle and High School - Loft
 12:15 pm. Tide Worship Arts - B-11

Adult Bible Studies

9:30 a.m. Pathfinders, Room B-5
 Followers, Room C-4
 Finders, Hearth Room
 Seekers, Myers Conf. Rm
 New Dawn, Parlor
 11:00 a.m. Explorers, Hearth Room

Finding Your Place Through A Small Group

Small Groups for all ages

Contact: Caitlin Kasberg
 caitlin.kasberg@gmail.com

Small Groups for Women

Contact: Mary Ruth Embry
 lmrembry@centurylink.net

Small Groups for Men

Contact: Steve Collier
 steve_collier_pca@earthlink.net

Young Adults (Under 30)

Contact: Pat Wilcox
 bigpat20us@gmail.com

Middle School and High School

Contact: Becky Kronauge
 becky.kronauge@dpc4u.org

Visit our website

www.dpc4u.org

for a complete list and description of Bible studies.

For a more detailed calendar, scan the QR Code below with a QR Code app to view Dardenne Presbyterian Church's online calendar.



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Coming This Week

Join in. Make a difference!

Monday, April 17

Building Closed
 6:30 p.m. Daughters-of-the-King

Tuesday, April 18

8:00 p.m. Adult Basketball

Wednesday, April 19

6:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study - Cappuccino's
 11:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study - email Rev. Kasberg
 5:00 p.m. Joyful Voices - B-11, B-8
 5:30 p.m. King's Kidz Choir - B-11, B-8
 6:00 p.m. High School and Middle School Tide - Loft
 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 p.m. Men's Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 20

9:00 a.m. Quilters - Quilt Room
 9:30 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Gathering - Hearth Room
 7:00 p.m. Financial Peace University - B-8
 7:30 p.m. Instrumental Rehearsal

Friday, April 21

Saturday, April 22

9:00 a.m. Quilting Bee C-6
 9:00 a.m. Men's Gathering - 3rd Presbyterian Church
 9:30 a.m. Instrumental Rehearsal
 5:00 a.m. Joy in Haiti Fundraiser - CLC

Sunday, April 23

2:00 p.m. Children's Spring Musical Rehearsals

First Wednesday of the Month

Hope and Healing Worship
 5:00 p.m. Rock Church

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