

THE CONNECT

Rev. Dr. Larry Maley – Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Andrew Kasberg – Associate Pastor

Happy Mother's Day!

Luke 1:39-56 recounts the story of two cousins whom the Lord had chosen because of their faithfulness. Elizabeth, wife of Zechariah, was barren and “well along in years.” Mary was young and betrothed to Joseph. Both women were about to become “first-time” mothers.

During Mary’s visit from the angel Gabriel, she learned that she would have a baby and that Elizabeth was in her sixth month. Verse 39 tells us Mary went to Zechariah’s home and greeted Elizabeth. Elizabeth responded by exclaiming, “Blessed are you among women.” She knew that the child Mary carried was the Lord. These were just the words of encouragement and support Mary needed to hear. Elizabeth’s words lessened Mary’s fear of the negative reactions from others. Mary stayed for three months to help and support Elizabeth. We do not know what these mothers-to-be shared during those three months together, but we can imagine. Having been chosen by God to bear sons, Jesus and John, they supported and encouraged one another.

Words of encouragement and support between women are still shared two Friday mornings a month in Watson Hall. These are MOPS meetings, Mothers of Preschoolers. These women share one common experience, raising young children. They come together for fellowship, advice, prayer, and friendship. New mothers are cared for with meals, visits, and words of excitement. Babies are passed around the group to be loved by the women of MOPS. Mentor Moms, those who have grown children, are assigned to the young moms and their experience and words of advice are welcomed. The mothers are reminded that they have been blessed with the task of raising sons and daughters, for each child is part of God’s plan in the mother’s life. While MOPS mothers are not blood relatives as Mary and Elizabeth, they become sisters in Christ. They care for one another as part of Christ’s family.

Support among women at Dardenne is not limited to MOPS. Loving DPC children is shared by many. When walking the halls of DPC you will see “family” in action. Loving and caring for one another of all ages. So for today – Happy Mother’s Day to all women from your DPC children!



Events Happening at DPC

May 14	Sign Up for VBS in Mission Hall!
May 20	Restore St. Charles
May 21	Graduates' Sunday
May 21	Congregational Meeting
June 2	The UPRISING
June 4	Pentecost Sunday
June 7	PW Luncheon and Installation of Officers
June 12	Summer Bible Study with Pastor Maley
June 13	Cancer Companions
June 17	Golf Tournament
June 17	Restore St. Charles
June 19-23	Vacation Bible School
June 24-28	DC Summer Camp
June 25	Patriotic Concert
June 26	Summer Bible Study
July 7	The UPRISING
July 10	Summer Bible Study
July 11	Cancer Companions
July 16	Summer Bible Study
July 24	Summer Bible Study
July 31	Summer Bible Study
Aug. 27	Benefit Jazz Concert
Oct 3	Quilts of Valor Display
Oct 14	Bonfire & Hayride
Oct 29	Reformation Sunday
Nov 26	Eve of Thanks
Dec 3	Christmas Concert

2017 Session Committee Assignments

Church Administrator – Caryl Ernest
 Clerk of Session – Judy Maul
 Christian Education – Adult – Larry Trevathan
 Christian Education – Students – Marty Provin
 Christian Education – Children & Family – Nancy Curry
 Communications – Dan Liebnau, Chris Knauper (non-Elder chair)
 Denominational Affairs – John Akers
 Finance- John Burk, John Gilmore (non-Elder chair)
 Missions – Mary Dobson
 New Members – Lowell Barnes
 Nominating – Rob McCoy
 Personnel – Jeff Woods
 Property-Grounds/Safety, Risk Management
 Rob McCoy, Dave Schlansker (non-Elder chair)
 Stewardship – Karen Cooper
 Worship & Liturgy – Christopher Grimes
 Praise & Worship – Phil Blanton

2017-19 Diaconate Committee Assignments

Moderator – Larry Mundhenk
 Co-Moderator – Roger Durkee
 Secretary – Elyse Schuman
 Staff Advisor- Rev. Dr. Andrew Kasberg

Diaconate Committees:

Congregational Care – Kathy Holtkamp, Jeff Kuehn, Leah Reynolds
 Fellowship – Cris Ziegler, Larry Mundhenk, Elyse Schuman
 Food Pantry – Elyse Schuman
 Helping Hands – Barb Busse, Leah Reynolds, Cindy Pais
 Hospitality – Roger Durkee, Craig Behsman, Bill Young
 Recreation – Mike Fridley, Sue Jorens
 Ushers & Greeters – Pam Ford, Bob Campbell

Session Committees:

Finance – Rodney Moulin, Tommie Monroe
 Missions – Samantha Knauper
 Nominating – Cris Zeigler
 Praise & Worship – Jim Butler, Jr.
 Stewardship – Larry Mundhenk
 Student Ministry – Joy Larkin

Graduate Sunday Registration

May 14 Deadline

Do you know anyone who is celebrating a graduation this year? Dardenne Presbyterian would like to honor graduates at the 11:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, May 21! Please contact Martha, our church secretary (martha.latka@dpc4u.org or 636-561-4347), with information.

Shepherding Ministry Training

Monday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Myers Conference Room

The Shepherding Ministry connects intentionally, encourages spiritually, and builds relationships with those members who are not yet in a small group. If you are willing to spend a few minutes each month to care for and tend to the needs of God's people at Dardenne Presbyterian, please attend this initial training. If you have questions, contact Larry Mundhenk (ssunbear@centurytel.net or 636-272-3171) or Ken Weber (kenw427@gmail.com or 314-541-3016).

Restore St. Charles Workday

Saturday, May 20 at 8:00 a.m. in Mission Hall

Restore St. Charles is a faith-based program that focuses on serving by restoring the community around us. In preparation for the Restore St. Charles Workday, Steve Collier will have a table in Mission Hall to sign up volunteers for Saturday, May 20. If you feel the need to "give back", sign up today and talk to Steve about how you can make a difference. Check out the Restore St. Charles website or Contact Steve at (314)374-2130 or steve_collier_pca@earthlink.net.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, May 21 at 9:10 a.m. in the Sanctuary

The congregation is scheduled to meet, vote, and elect one ruling Elder and one Deacon, review the 2017 salaries of both pastors, and present the 2016 Necrology Report. Ordination and Installation will take place during the 9:30 a.m. Worship.

Presbyterian Women's Luncheon

Wednesday, June 7 at 11:00 a.m. at Whitmoor Country Club

All ladies are invited to attend the music-themed PW Luncheon and Installation of Officers at Whitmoor Country Club, 1100 Whitmoor Drive, St. Charles. Teacher, dramatist, vocalist Cynde Vits of Carmel, Indiana will present the program "Visible Music", a dramatization of the life of hymn writer, Fanny Crosby. Reservations may be made in Mission Hall Sunday, May 21 before and after the 9:30 a.m. worship or by contacting Karen Taylor (636-561-1080) before the deadline of May 28. Reservations are \$18.00.

DPC Charity Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 17, shot gun start at 8 a.m. at 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 visiting the church office, contacting Mark Bass (mdbass85@outlook.com), or by using dpc4u.org/golf.

More Events & Information

Recycling

For some time, Ed and Barb Walter have graciously collected DPC's cardboard, cans, glass, and plastics to recycle. They had their own weekly system established that included adding our recycling to their own and taking some of the better cardboard to Francis Howell Middle School's Tech class. With their move to Texas, DPC has no one or group to handle our recycling. If you think you can help in some way, please contact Myron (myron.lindsey@dpc4u.org).

Vietnam Era Veterans

The Chancel Choir will perform their Patriotic Musical on Sunday, June 25, 2017. This year the Vietnam Era veterans will be honored by the Quilts of Valor Organization and the Dardenne Quilters. To ensure that an adequate number of quilts are available on that day, we need to know the number of Dardenne Presbyterian Church members as well as friends who attend regularly who served in any branch of the United States military between the following dates: August 5, 1964 (Feb. 28, 1961, for veterans who served "in country" before Aug. 4, 1964) to May 7, 1975 and were awarded either the Vietnam Campaign Medal and or the Vietnam Service Medal. Due to the large number of Vietnam veterans, the Quilts of Valor Organization requires that you must have received one of the earlier mentioned awards. Please complete an information sheet found on the table in the Narthex or in the information rack in Mission Hall and deposit it in the basket in either the Narthex or Mission Hall. Please list all awards received. Additional sign-up sheets may be found in the office. Thank you.

Teddy Bear Ministry

Do you know of a child who is having surgery, or is in the hospital, or is ill, or recently lost a close relative like a parent or grandparent? Do you know of someone who is going through a rough time in their lives? If so, then through a gift of a Teddy Bear and the Teddy Bear Ministry, you can show that person just how much God and others care and love them. The Bears can be gifted to anyone by anyone. They are located in a blue tub in the closet across from the mailboxes in the office. When giving the Teddy Bears, please record the date and to whom you are giving the bear on the clip board in the closet. For more information or questions, contact Jan Tilker at 636-561-8967.

Hope Food Pantry

The food items needed for May are canned hams, canned tomatoes, Jell-O, and Rice-A-Roni. Many thanks for your dependable help.

Did You Know

... that an app can share the Gospel? The Jesus Film Project app is a full digital library of more than 200 full-length movies, miniseries, and short films produced to help the world know Jesus better. Everything on the app is free to watch, download, and share with anyone you meet, wherever you meet them. (<http://www.jesusfilm.org/>)

\$48,200 has been contributed through online and text giving. Have you considered giving this way?

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

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

Presbyterians In America: A History

Class taught by Rev. Dr. Larry Maley at DPC, June and July 2017

Many people attending Dardenne Presbyterian Church are unaware of the significant religious and cultural impact that Presbyterians have had upon American history and culture. Throughout our history, Presbyterians have influenced and were influenced by the values, attitudes, beliefs and ideals assumed by Americans. Presbyterian influence played a major role in the spiritual revivals which have shaped our nation. Presbyterian understanding of the mission of Christ's Church in society helped define the relationship between church and state in America and in its Constitution. From its beginnings in America, Presbyterians have engaged in heated debates about theological and Biblical authority, the purity of the Church, qualifications for ministry, the influence of the Church on culture, which side in the Civil War was being obedient to God, and what constitutes a Christian nation. Numerous Presbyterian individuals (*some of whom will surprise you!*) have substantially defined and influenced this nation and its accomplishments. At the same time, for over 300 years Presbyterians have been a divided and quarrelsome lot. Nevertheless, God has used this Presbyterian inheritance to mightily shape our nation and spread Christ's Gospel worldwide. How has it been possible? For six classes on Monday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 am, Rev. Maley will teach the following themes about "**Presbyterians In America**" (*Please note corrected dates!*):

June 12 - "Foundations and Birth of American Presbyterianism"
(Circa 1517-1800)

June 26 - "A Christian America: Awakenings and Reform"
(Circa 1800-1837)

July 10 - "A Divided Church - Divided Nation" (Circa 1837-1868)

July 17 - "Crusading America - Crusading Church" (Circa 1868 - 1920)

July 24 - "War at Home - War Abroad"
(Circa 1920 - 1945)

July 31 - "Disestablishment of Presbyterianism" (Circa 1946 - Present)

Join in and discover your valuable Presbyterian heritage!

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
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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, May 15

6:30 p.m. Daughters of the King
Circle - Parlor

Tuesday, May 16

8:00 p.m. Adult Basketball

Wednesday, May 17

6:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -
Cappuccino's
11:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -
Email Rev. Kasberg
6:00 p.m. High School and Middle
School Tide - Loft
6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 18

9:00 a.m. Quilters - Quilt Room
9:30 a.m. Intercessory Prayer
Gathering - Hearth Room

Friday, May 19

4:00 p.m. Middle & High School
Girls Bible Study - Parlor

Saturday, May 20

8:00 a.m. Restore St. Charles Work
Day - Mission Hall
9:00 a.m. Quilting Bee C-6
9:30 a.m. Patriotic Concert
Rehearsal Sanctuary

First Wednesday of the Month

Hope and Healing Worship

5:00 p.m. Rock Church

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