

THE CONNECT

Rev. Terry Epling – Interim Pastor

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Pentecost

After Christmas and Easter there is probably not a more significant Christian holy day than Pentecost. It is the day we remember as the birthday of the Church.

In Biblical terms, Pentecost was a Jewish festival following Passover. It was a pilgrimage festival, meaning Jews were expected to go to the temple in Jerusalem to observe it. The night before he died, Jesus and the disciples were observing the Jewish Passover festival. It is now 50 days later and a lot has happened. In that time, Jesus rose from the dead, appeared to disciples, and ascended into heaven. Now the disciples are gathered again in the upper room.

For us, Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit with wind and tongues of fire as the disciples gathered. When the Spirit fell the disciples were moved from the closed doors of the upper room to the city streets where they enthusiastically proclaimed the good news of Jesus Christ to amazed crowds. The era of the church began that day.

It has been a long journey since then, but today the church is still called to leave the confines of its buildings and take to the streets to share the Gospel. Worship and the gathering of the church are very important, but that is only part of being a disciple. We come together to worship and thank God, to celebrate the sacraments, to learn and grow in our faith. But if we fail to share that faith with others outside our walls something vital is lost. We should not expect the world to come to us.

A concern of sharing the gospel is pointed out in this story. Often our differences of language, culture, race, and socio-economic status makes communication difficult. On Pentecost the Holy Spirit empowered the disciples to overcome those barriers, to speak the language of the people.

When we worry that our testimony will not be heard by others we can rely on the Holy Spirit to give meaning to our words. Our ministry is to step out and speak up and joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Rev. Terry Epling

Events Happening at DPC

- May 28 Memorial Day –
Building Closed**
- June 2 PW Spring Brunch**
- June 18 VBS**
- June 23 DCS Summer
Camp at Lake
Williamson**
- July 14 DPC Charity Golf
Tournament**
- Aug 3 DCS Uprising**
- Aug 8 PW Summer
Brunch**
- Aug 14 Grief Share**

Upcoming Events

DPC 200 Year Anniversary –Event Date To Be Determined

The History Committee is in the early planning stages for our 200th Anniversary Celebration in September 2019. It will be here sooner than you think. This is a very historic and important event for our church. We need plenty of volunteers to assist with the planning. I know DPC has some very gifted people with good ideas. We welcome your input. Please contact me if you would like to help.

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Ladies Luncheon

All Dardenne ladies and friends are invited on Saturday, June 2, 2018 to a program “Reflections – Pause and Praise”. Harpist Amy Camie will perform and Becky Kronauge will give a message of inspiration. The cost of the luncheon will be \$16.00 to be purchased May 6, 13, and 20, in Mission Hall. You may sign up for free child care when you purchase your reservation. The luncheon will be provided by “Touch of Class by Christi” and sponsored by PW Women.

Mary Martha Thrift Store

Have you thought about donating some of your time to a worthwhile cause? Stop just thinking about it; join a group from the church to perform such jobs as being a cashier, sorting and hanging clothes, pricing household items, or emptying the drop-off. Any amount of time you can give is very much appreciated. If you believe this is a way that you can serve, please contact Ceci Magney (ceciatlou@yahoo.com). The serving dates for this session are May 27th – June 2nd

VBS Stage Kids

Calling all VBS Stage Kids! Did you know that you can attend VBS and be on the stage for the opening and the closing each day? If you are interested in serving Jesus and having fun at the same time, join Sue Jorens to learn the music and the movements for VBS. Please attend at least four of the five practices in the CLC on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 PM on: May 16, May 23, May 30, June 6 and June 13. Please give Miss Sue a call (or text) to confirm at 636-755-5331.

DCS Summer Camp – June 23rd-27th

DCS Summer camp is coming! This is the time of year when we see the most new faces. Students come from all over with their friends to have some fun in the sun, and get away from the responsibilities of their schedules for a week. Many of these students have never stepped foot in a church nor heard the name of Jesus proclaimed, and this is our chance to introduce them to a relationship with their king. The cost of camp is \$280 per person and many of these students can't afford the registration fee. We never want to turn away a student for any reason, so we need your help with this! Next week, we will launch a scholarship campaign in which we hope to raise enough money to send 25 students to camp this summer. We'll have all the details for you next week. Until then, please prayerfully consider how God may be leading you to partner with us in this way as we raise up a generation of Kingdom changers.

HOPE Food Pantry for May

- Peanut Butter
- Canned Gravy
- Razors and Shaving Cream for Father's Day

Opportunities to Serve

Nurse and Kidz Junior Still in Need of Volunteers

Kidz Junior is seeking two teachers for the 11:00 a.m. class starting in June for the 3rd and 4th Sunday of the month, and the nursery is still short handed in the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. If interested in volunteering, please contact Carol Hoeman 314-606-4833 or Karen Loechner 636-561-4347 ext. 230 for Kidz Jr. and Mary Fridley at 636-561-3025 or thefridleys@charter.net for the nursery. Thank you for your willingness to serve. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to fill this need.

Todd and Julie Hendry

Todd and Julie Hendry, home-grown missionaries serving our Lord in Brazil, will be coming home with their four children in tow to visit on furlough in the next couple of months. They have been "Helping Brazilians Reach their Own" through Avant Ministries for several years. One of their goals is to purchase land on which to build a church to develop their ministry of bringing non-believers to Christ. Please pray for their timely and safe return to the US and for the means to continue their mission in Brazil. If you would like to be part of their Mission Care Team, please contact Jackie Schumacher at jmschu130@gmail.com.

Christian Service Fund

As a congregation, you have been generous in your support of the Christian Service Fund. This fund is dedicated for tuition assistance to congregation members pursuing degrees in religious studies. Offerings for this fund will be collected on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018. Our goal is to support our Christian Service Students up to \$1,500 a year. The Adult Christian Education Committee asks that you prayerfully consider donating to this fund. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

For more information or to apply for tuition assistance, contact Mary Dobson at m-mdobson@hotmail.com.

Quilts of Valor Needs Your Help

Quilts of Valor for Eastern Missouri is a group of 75+ ladies who make hand-made quilts for American Veterans who have served in combat in any branch of the military. We'll be at DPC October 2nd to quilt. We need several helpers to unload our trailer and bring down tables and chairs on October 1st at 12:00 p.m. We could also use helpers on October 2nd from 2:30-4:00 p.m. to help with the tear-down and clean-up process. This is a great opportunity to give back, and the QOV look to add to the 80 quilts made at DPC the year prior during our Yearly Patriotic Music Programs.

Call Brenda Kenney if you'd like to help. (636) 699-2957

PNC Congregational Update

The Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) continues to work diligently through a very intentional pastor search process. We meet weekly and communicate via email several times a week. Our multi-pronged, nationwide search has produced a significant number of candidates. We have reviewed each and every Pastor Information Form (a resume for preachers), watched countless sermons and have conducted a number of interviews. The standards for DPC's next Senior Pastor are high and great care will be taken to thoroughly evaluate candidates. We appreciate the process may at times appear slow, so it's helpful to remember that Dardenne has been around for 200 years. This season of transition will be brief in comparison. We are on God's timeline, not ours. He has already decided who our next Senior Pastor will be.

As the PNC marches on, we ask the congregation to be patient, prayerful and above all trust that the Lord is in control. The members of the PNC encourage you to contact us with any questions or concerns.

The Pastor Search

Want to know what is happening in the process of finding a Senior Pastor? Speak with a member of the PNC (Pulpit Nominating Committee) to find out.

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| 1. Marty Provin (636) 329-1088 | 6. Stuart Huddleston (636) 795-2390 |
| 2. Larry Trevathan (662) 306-9552 | 7. Julie Chapin (636) 978-4810 |
| 3. Pam Ford (636) 300-1309 | 8. Rachael Wilcox (636) 352-7520 |
| 4. Mike Fridley (636) 561-3178 | 9. Lisa Elles-Borrson (314) 703-7152 |
| 5. Charles Poe (636) 698-226 | 10. Steve Collier (314) 374-2130 |

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

Dardenne Church Student Ministry (DCS)

- 9:30 a.m. Middle and High School - Loft
- 12:15 p.m. Youth Worship Arts Choir - B11

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: Joy Trevathan
joytrevathan1@yahoo.com

Small Groups for Men
Contact: Steve Collier
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Young Adults (Under 30)
Contact: Pat Wilcox
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Middle School and High School

Contact: Becky Kronauge
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Music Ministry

Contact: Stefanie Liesman & Stuart Harrier
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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



Coming This Week

Join in. Make a difference!

.Monday, May 21

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Daughters of the King Circle - Parlor

Tuesday, May 22

- 8:00 p.m. Adult Basketball

Wednesday, May 23

- 6:30 a.m. JAM – Men's Bible Study Cappuccino's/Capp's Restaurant
- 11:30 a.m. JAM – Men's Bible Study Contact Pastor Kasberg
- 5:30 p.m. VBS Stage Kids Practice
- 6:00 p.m. DCS Worship and Small Group – Loft
- 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Thursday, May 24

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

Friday, May 25

Saturday, May 26

- 9:00 a.m. Saturday Quilting Bee



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