

# THE CONNECT

Rev. Dr. Larry Maley – Senior Pastor

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## “JESUS, the LIGHT of the WORLD”

The Chancel Choir, Joyful Voices and King’s Kidz Choir accompanied by a variety of musical instruments will present “Jesus, the Light of the World,” a celebration of carols from around the world on December 3 at 4:30 p.m.

As we are preparing our hearts and homes for the coming of our LORD and SAVIOR, this program will remind us that our Christian brothers and sisters around the world are engaging in many of the same activities. Homes are decorated, manger scenes are lovingly set up, candles are lit, and families gather for elaborate meals before and after attending worship together.

Included in the program will be favorite Christmas music from Spain, France, Germany, Ireland, Africa, Brazil, and the United States. Also, there will be a special appearance by the American Parai Academy and the St. Louis Tamil Christian Fellowship representing Christmas traditions from India.

A traditional ham and hash brown potato casserole dinner, including international desserts, will be served in the CLC following the program. Tickets for the dinner only must be purchased by November 26. No tickets are needed for the program.

Please join us as we celebrate the coming of our LORD and SAVIOR for people of every tribe and nation.

*“The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world”*  
John 1:9

*“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”*  
John 8:12

## Events Happening at DPC

Dec. 1	DC/S Uprising
Dec. 1-3	Weekend to Remember
Dec. 3	“Adopt-A-Child” gifts due
Dec. 3	Chancel & Children’s Choir Christmas Program
Dec. 3	Church-Wide Dinner
Dec. 5	Advent by Candlelight
Dec. 9	Christmas Caroling
Dec. 16	Restore St. Charles
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Worship
Jan. 5	DC/S Uprising
Jan. 10	Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinners Begin
Jan. 16	PW Soup Luncheon
Jan. 20	Adam Lamb Preschool Registration Begins
Jan. 20	Restore St. Charles
Feb. 2-4	DC/S Winter Weekend
Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday Worship
Feb. 17	Restore St. Charles
Mar. 2	World Day of Prayer

## Opportunities to Serve

### Christmas Angel Mission Update

There are only a few ornaments left on the Angel Tree (by now they may be all gone)! If you've been waiting to grab an ornament this may be your last chance!

If you already have your ornament, please remember the following:

1. Please wrap your present and use the ornament as a name tag (this ensures your gift will find the right child).

2. The suggested price range is \$20-\$25 per gift.

3. Presents may be dropped off any time, but the deadline to drop presents off is *noon on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>*, so that the presents can be delivered in time for the kids' Christmas party.

The Angel Tree provides presents to children whose parents are in prison. Your gift shares God's love with a child who desperately needs it. THANK YOU!

### Adopt-A-Child Update

TODAY IS THE DAY! Today the HOPE table is up in Mission Hall between all the services with the names and information needed to adopt a child or children for Christmas. Please feel free to stop by, look over the information, and ask any questions you might have. Our table will be up today and Dec. 3rd, or as long as there are children available to adopt. We will look forward to seeing you there.

### Another Way to Give

Support Dardenne Presbyterian Church this season and all year if you shop at Amazon. By signing up with Amazon Smile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)), and designating Dardenne Presbyterian Church as your charity, part of the money you spend will be donated to DPC's General Fund.

### Weekend to Remember

#### December 1 – 3 at Hyatt Regency by the Arch

Wanna Getaway? Family Life's "Weekend to Remember" ([www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember](http://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember)) returns to St. Louis! It's a chance for married or engaged couples to get away from the distractions of daily life, reconnect, align or realign your marriage to God's plan, or even rekindle your romance. The lives of at least several Dardenne couples have been personally transformed by this ministry. Enter the Group Name "TeamDPC" to apply the discount. Pick up a brochure in Mission Hall or contact Chris and Samantha Knauper for more information ([dpcchris@yahoo.com](mailto:dpcchris@yahoo.com) or 636-614-2461).

#### Chancel Choir & Children's Choirs Christmas program "Jesus, The Light of the World"

##### Sunday, December 3 at 4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

"Jesus, The Light of the World" is a celebration of carols from around the world. This musical celebration will include a special appearance by the Tamil Friends dancers and singers representing Christmas traditions from India. Included in the program will be Christmas music from Spain, France, Germany, Ireland, Africa, Brazil, and the United States. Please join us as we joyously celebrate the coming of our LORD and Savior for people of every tribe and nation.

#### Usher, Greeter, Information Desk Volunteer Training

##### Saturday, December 9 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Christian Life Center

Thinking of becoming a volunteer or currently serving as one? Maybe you just want to learn more about this important ministry. This is your opportunity. The meeting will include:

- Review of the recent surveys returned by current ushers and greeters
- Consider how these positions impact visitors to our church home
- Discuss good security practices during the holiday season
- Introduce new Deacons and lay members who will lead going forward

All are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Pam Ford ([Pford726@gmail.com](mailto:Pford726@gmail.com) or 314-258-0736) or Bob Campbell ([CampbellBob6@gmail.com](mailto:CampbellBob6@gmail.com)).

#### Annual Christmas Caroling

##### Saturday, December 9 gathering at 8:00 a.m. in Watson Hall

Following hot chocolate/coffee and donuts, we will venture out to share the "Joy of Christmas." We will visit local nursing homes and shut-in members of our congregation. **Kids of all ages are very welcome and provide a special ministry to those we visit.** Everyone is encouraged to participate, no matter what you think of your singing ability. What a wonderful way to spread the Spirit of Christmas. Questions, contact Steve Collier (314-374-2130).

#### Endowment Thank You and Awareness Luncheon

##### Sunday, December 10 from noon to 2:00 p.m. in Watson Hall

You are invited to a courtesy luncheon. People who have contributed to the Organ Endowment or other Funds are invited as well as any others who wish to learn how, why, and where our investments are made. Please join us. Sign up in Mission Hall today with Board members, or call Greg Aman (636-240-0882) or Hu Weikart (636-625-2459).

**Book Club: The Christmas Letter**

**Tuesday, December 12 at 1:00 p.m. in the Parlor**

Join Sally and friends for a discussion of **The Christmas Letter** by Debbie Macomber this month. Questions? Call Sally Pflaum (636-265-0939).

**Last Chance!**

Tickets for the dinner after the Chancel Choir & Children's Choirs Christmas program next Sunday will not be available to purchase after today! Please visit the table in Mission Hall.

**DPC Shirts Are In!**

Those of you who ordered DPC red shirts may obtain them by contacting Judy Lowery in Mission Hall between services. If you want to pick them up during the week, call the church office (636-561-4347) and talk with Martha. She will have a list of the shirts and those who purchased them.

**DPC E-Mail Request**

Collecting too much paper clutter at home? Maybe you want to add to your prayers each day and pray for those brothers and sisters in need. The solution is to pick up a copy of "DPC E-Mail Request" form in the narthex or in Mission Hall and fill it out. Your Connect can be e-mailed each week to you before Sunday service, you can get daily updates of those in need of your prayers, and you can also receive Giving Statements all by e-mail. Martha, our church secretary, welcomes the completed forms in her mailbox.

**Thank You From the Quilters**

The DPC Quilters would like to thank everyone who bought a ticket for our Christmas Raffle Quilt. The out pouring of love and support from this church body to all missions is so amazing!! We would like to congratulate the winner this year, Kate Kuehn. We all helped raise \$640 for Operation Back Pack. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

**Pastor Nominating Committee Corner**

Please pray for wisdom as the congregation provides feedback about the qualities that are most important for our next Senior Pastor to have.

*"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."*  
James 1:5

**The Survey**

The survey, "Leadership Competencies," concerns the qualities you feel are most important for our next Senior Pastor to possess. It will be open to complete from November 19 thru December 3.

There are two ways you can take this survey:

1. Use the preferred way by visiting the DPC website. Click on "pastor search" under News Highlights; then "Click here for survey." You can also simply use <http://dpc4u.org/pastor-search>.
2. Receive a paper copy of the survey from members of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) after worship. Completed copies may then be placed in the "Congregation Surveys" boxes in Mission or Watson Halls.

**Opportunities to Serve****Mary Martha**

DPC volunteers are needed to work at the Mary Martha Thrift Shop during Dardenne Presbyterian's week of December 11 through 15. The store is open on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. Any amount of volunteer time that can be given is greatly appreciated. Please contact Ceci Magney (314 603-0128 or [cecistlou@yahoo.com](mailto:cecistlou@yahoo.com)) to volunteer.

**Custodian is Still Needed!**

Dardenne Presbyterian Church is still looking for a custodian for one evening beginning in midafternoon and Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each week. Experience is preferred. Visit the church office for an application. Call the Facility Manager, Myron, with questions (636-236-0392).

**SCRIP Cards**

Did you know that Dardenne Presbyterian Church has the opportunity to receive free money? That's what the SCRIP program does for the children's ministry non-budgeted expenses. When you buy cards for your regular purchases of groceries, clothing, gifts, gas, etc., a percentage goes immediately to DPC. Last year we received approximately \$1000!! FREE!! Please come to the table in Mission Hall before and after the middle service to purchase your cards or to hear more about the program.

**Dinner Volunteers Needed!**

Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve, and clean up for the Christmas Concert dinner. Please sign up at the ticket sales table in Mission Hall today. We need **YOUR** help! Contact Jackie Schumacher ([jilmc51@aol.com](mailto:jilmc51@aol.com)).

**HOPE Food Pantry**

HOPE Pantry's special needs for November are canned gravy, alfredo sauce, facial tissue, and canned chicken. Your help is so appreciated. Thank 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  
 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Grade begins in 11 a.m.  
 Worship then to Myers  
 Conference Room

### Dardenne Church Student

#### Ministry (DC/S)

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  
 caitlin.kasberg@gmail.com

### Small Groups for Women

Contact: Joy Trevathan  
 joytrevathan1@yahoo.com

### 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](http://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, November 27

### Tuesday, November 28

8:00 p.m. Basketball

### Wednesday, November 29

6:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -  
 Cappuccino's/Capp's  
 Restaurant  
 11:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -  
 Email Rev. Kasberg  
 6:00 p.m. DC/S Wednesday Night

### Thursday, November 30

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

### Friday, December 1

7:30 p.m. DC/S Uprising

### Saturday, December 2

8:00 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -  
 Hearth Room  
 9:00 a.m. Quilting Bee - C-4, C-6

### Sunday, December 3

4:30 p.m. Chancel & Children's Choir  
 Christmas Program  
 5:30 p.m. Church-Wide Dinner

### Monday, December 4

### Tuesday, December 5

Noon Myers Circle - Parlor  
 6:00 p.m. Advent by Candlelight

### Wednesday, December 6

6:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -  
 Cappuccino's/Capp's  
 Restaurant  
 9:30 a.m. Salmon Circle - The Egg and  
 I Restaurant on Hwy K  
 11:30 a.m. JAM - Men's Bible Study -  
 Email Rev. Kasberg  
 6:00 p.m. DC/S Wednesday Night

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