

The Messenger

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Mission Statement

McCutchanville Community Church's mission is to connect our community with God's power and hope through the love of Christ.



In the busy and complicated world that we live, when our hands have hold of some type of device such as a cell phone, tablet, book reader, laptop, etc. most of the time, we miss out on people contact. Charlie Brown's Simplistic Philosophy can be a guide to help us navigate life through our relationships.

Following are some thoughts on ways we can be reminded of how we survived, learned, grew, and enjoyed the daily grind that we all face.

- 1) Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.** Think about it. What challenges have you faced recently that required another human being to assist you? "When Moses' hands grew tired ... Aaron and Hur held his hands up" (Exodus 17:12).
- 2) Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.** There are times when we close ourselves to new truth. Who in your life would you point to and say — "I learned from them?" "Now when He (Jesus) saw the crowds He went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to Him, and He began to teach them" (Matthew 5:1,2).
- 3) Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special.** It is easy to grow bitter and withdrawn if we do not have people around us that appreciate what we do. Sometimes we just need affirmation. We all do. The writer of Hebrews penned these words, "Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. Obey them so that their work will be a joy not a burden" (Hebrews 13:17).
- 4) Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.** We need to be careful about becoming hermits, especially during the doldrums of winter. Who could you call right now, without hesitation, and know you would be well received regardless of the situation? "Some friends play at friendship but a true friend sticks closer than one's nearest kin." (Proverbs 18:24)
- 5) Think of two bad habits that you would like to leave behind, and who can hold you accountable?** Some time back, I read *Journey to Excellence* by Ken Johnson He challenges his readers to not be "stuck on stupid." One who keeps doing the same thing over and over again and expects different results. "The person of integrity walks securely, but the one on the crooked path will be found out." (Proverbs 10:9)

And, so, as Charlie Brown would say, "The people who make a difference in your life are simply the ones who care the most."

In Christ,
Pastor Greg



Don't forget this Sunday, February 5, is
SOUPER BOWL OF CARING.

- Bring extra can goods for the Local Food Pantry
- Wear your favorite Sweatshirt-just for fun!
- Bring a soup or dessert to share after the morning service



Mardi Grras, which is French for “Fat Tuesday,” is the last day of a season called “Carnival.” The Carnival season is characterized by merrymaking, feasting, and dancing. Mardi Gras is the culmination of festivities and features parades, masquerades, and, unfortunately, often drunkenness and shameless debauchery. Carnival is typically celebrated in Catholic countries of southern Europe and Latin America.

The excess of Carnival may not seem to have much in common with the austerity of [Lent](#), but the two seasons are inseparable. The day after Fat Tuesday is [Ash Wednesday](#); therefore, the end of Carnival is followed immediately by the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time of fasting and penance in preparation for Easter. Carnival, then, can rightly be seen as the indulgence before the fast. It is one last “binge” before having to give something up for 40 days.

Our last ‘BINGE’ eating will be the Pancake Dinner that will be hosted by the Trailblazers of the Pioneer Club on February 28th from 4:00-6:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall! Come and enjoy Carbs before Lent begins on March 1, 2017!



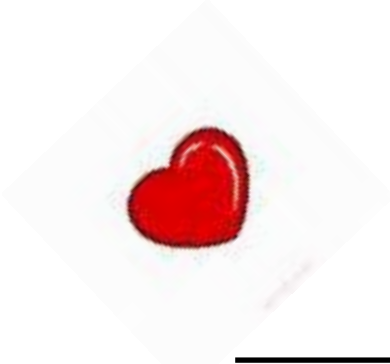


Happy Birthday

Victor Doty	9
Keith Kinney	12
Kathy Ellerbrook	15
Olivia Burress	19
Peggy Davidson	22
Jarmon Perkins	23
Addison Russell	27

There are no February Anniversaries to celebrate!!

Save your medicine bottles to donate to UMW. They must be amber colored and have the lids on them. Please — take the labels off. These can be used at homeless clinics and are also sent around the world. You may collect them over the winter and you will be notified when to bring them to church for our local UMW to get them to the right place. Any questions ask Josette Higgins or Kathy Ellerbrook.,



Church Mice

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The Bulletin Board

Fat Tuesday



The Pioneer Club Trailblazers (5th, 6th, 7th, & 8th graders) will be hosting a **FAT TUESDAY**

Pancake dinner! The class is taught by our very own Pastor Greg! The group will be serving up pancakes and other treats from around 4:00-6:30 p.m. Fat Tuesday is February 28th—an evening to pack in carbs before Lent begins on March 1!

Mark your calendars for this fun and



BREAKFAST

2017 Lenten Breakfast Schedule for the United Methodist Churches of Evansville. All Breakfasts will begin at 7:15 a.m.

March 4	St James West
March 11	Aldersgate
March 18	Centenary
March 25	Central
April 1	Fairlawn
April 8	Old North



February:

Jane and Jerry Bennett
Victory and Barb Doty

March

Jenny and Lanny Taylor
Betty and Frank Gentry

April:

Elvin and Joan Reed
Larry and Cherissa
Willaims

March 1, 2016
6:30 P.M.
Ash
Wednesday
Service at
MCC



*Remember man
that you are
dust and into
dust you shall
return.*



January's Attendance and Giving

	Attendance	Building Fund	General Fund	Mission & Pioneer Club	GYM Rental	Total Giving
January 1	65	\$625.00	\$6,872.00	\$10.00	\$40.00	\$7,597.00
January 8	68	\$458.00	\$2384.00	\$193.00		\$2577.00
January 15	72	\$364.00	\$1332.00	\$75.00	\$363.00	\$2134.00
January 22	68	\$90.00	\$1348.00		\$40.00	\$1488.00
January 29	57	\$40.300	\$1400.00	\$141.69	\$325.00	\$1906.69
Internet Giving			\$4810.80		\$930.00	\$5740.80



GOD'S KIDS reporting.....

Happy New Year! January is almost over, God's Kids are back in school planning and doing fun and interesting projects. One project you can't miss is they are already for Valentine's Day with many heart decorations.

Places to go and things to do

On Tuesday, January 24 they will visit cMoe for a fun trip to the Children's Museum. Lots of interesting things to do and see (my grandsons loved the Lego area). There are a lot of hands-on things to do and they will really enjoy this field trip.

On Tuesday, Feb. 7 the Evansville Association for the Blind will come and have early vision screening. This is not only educational but more important, a check on each child's vision. Then we have Dental Awareness month in February. The focus will be on healthy teeth. God's Kids are learning about health issues at an early age.

Valentine's Day Celebrations:

On Tuesday, February 14th each class will have a valentine party.

Parent-Teacher Conference:

This is the time of year in which God's Kids are having parent-teacher conferences and also enrollment for the summer and fall program. Director Terri is expecting a full enrollment with a waiting list.

Focusing on...

Pre-K students are working on academic skills to prepare them for Kindergarten in the fall. Mainly they are focusing on what to do and how to act in the School Cafeteria. Up to now, they could take time in eating, talking, etc. Come fall, there will be a time schedule.

Happy Birthday To:

On January 7th Max celebrated his birthday, followed by Davis on January 19th and Nola and Cameron on January 26th.

Coming up in February, Henry will have his BIG day on the 11th followed by Hannah on the 13th.

Addy will celebrate her birthday on February 15th, with Kennedy on the 24th and Jack on the 27th. A BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE ABOVE.

SAVING COINS In February God's Kids will participate in HOP-N-ING program to support the Evansville Rehabilitation Center. This is a service project that the kids do as well as learn about disabilities and how to understand people who have them. Church members have an opportunity to help with the fun fund-raiser by becoming a sponsor and give a donation. More about this project later – just save your coins. Last year God's Kids raised \$588.00 – that's a lot of hopping!

PROFILE OF THE MONTH: Priscilla Schmitt

My name is Priscilla Schmitt and this is my first year at God's Kids Preschool. I teach the 3 year olds and absolutely love it! Teaching preschool is such a rewarding job.

I have been married to my wonderful husband Jason for 11 years. We have 3 amazing children. Jaxon is our oldest and he is 8 years old. He is in 2nd grade at Scott School. Paisley is 5 years old and in kindergarten,. Jake is our youngest and is 2 years old. He is in Ms. Ashley's class here at God's Kids. WE have a dog named Chip.

In my spare time I enjoy camping with my family. Watching Jaxon play baseball, and going to Paisley's cheer competitions.



February



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 6:30 Room 203 Reserved	31 10:00 Pastor Greg with God's Kids 6:00-7:00 Gym Reserved 7:30-8:30 Gym Reserved	February 1 Women's Bible Study 9:30 am 5:30-7:00 gym reserved 7:00-8:00 gym reserved	2 4:00-5:30 gym reserved 6:00-7:00 Gym reserved	3	4 11:00-1:00 Gym Reserved 1:00-3:00 gym reserved
5  www.souperbowl.org -Wear your favorite sweatshirt -Bring donations for the Food Pantry -Have a bowl of soup -Fellowship	6 6:30 Staff Parish 6:00—Gym reserved 6:30 Room 203 Reserved	7 10:00 Pastor Greg with God's Kids 6:00—7:30 pm Pioneer Club	8 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 5:30 -8:00 Gym Reserved	9 12:30 God's Kids Advisory Board 6:00-7:00pm Trustee Meeting 6:00-8:30 gym reserved	10	11 Gym Reserved 11:00-1:00 12:00-10:00pm Connection Church in Fellowship Hall 2-3 Gym reserved
12	13 6:30 Room 203 Reserved 6:00-7:00 Gym Reserved	14 10:00 Pastor Greg with God's Kids 6:00—7:30 pm Pioneer Club Valentine Day 	15 6:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:00—8:00 Gym Reserved	16 6:00-7:30pm-Gym Reserved 6:00-7:00 pm Ad Council	17	18 Gym Reserved 11:00-1:00 gym reserved Gym reserved 2-3
19	20 10:30-11:00 Hop-N- Ing Preschool 6:30 Room 203 Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved	21 10:00 Pastor Greg with God's Kids 1:00-3:00 UMW 6:00-7:30 Pioneer Club 6:00-8:30 Gym Reserved	22 9:30 am Women's Bible Study Resumes 5:30 —8:00 Gym Reserved	23 6:00-7:00 Gym Reserved	24 Rehearsal for Wedding	25 11:30-1:30 Unity Class in Fellowship Hall Gym Reserved 11:00-1:00 Gym reserved 2-3
26	27 6:30 Room 203 Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved	28 10:00 Pastor Greg with God's Kids 1: 00—UMW Fat Tuesday— Pancake dinner 4:30- 6:00 pm 6:00-7:30 Pioneer Club	March 1 9:30 am Women's Bible Study Lent Begins Lent 6:00 —8:00Gym Reserved	2	3	4 Lent Breakfast St James 7:15 Gym Reserved 11:00-3:00
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