# Messenger October 2018

#### Mission Statement

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

Greg Davis, Pastor



Greetings one and all,

**Play Ball!** The two words spoken just before a baseball game. It is a call to begin the game; to throw the first pitch; to get the action started. By now you know that I am a baseball fan and October baseball is the culmination of the year and leads to the World Series. Fans get excited. Players play harder (and get paid more). And often people come out of the "woodwork" if their local

team goes deep in the playoffs.

Can church be much different? We have our time leading up to the World Series that we call Lent and Easter for Christians is the World Series. Easter is victory and this pastor gets very excited at Easter. A disturbing part of this analogy is that sometimes the fans stay away because of indifference. So this month in honor of baseball, I have chosen to go a different direction comparing baseball to faith:

- 1. Walt Whitman referred to baseball as "glorious." God is truly glorious and worthy of praise.
- 2. Baseball is about coming home. The whole point of the game is to finish where you begin home plate – and once you are home you are finally safe. In the beginning, God created, He made the heavens the earth, and the seas, and everything in it including me (one of our children's songs that we sing). God made us and always provides a safe home for us.
- 3. Forgive me for this one. Believers feed on God's Word and the sacrament of Holy Communion. Believers rise to sing the hymns and present our offerings. The game involves the rules, the concessions, and we rise for excitement created within the game.
- 4. The church honors the great saints who have led the faith, such as John Wesley and Billy Graham. The game honors the saints such as Lou Gehrig, Babe Ruth, Jackie Robinson etc. The game has even had its sinners: Pete Rose, Shoeless Joe Jackson, and all those who have taken performance enhancing drugs.
- 5. The church has denominations we align ourselves with, and we divide ourselves as Catholic or Protestant. Baseball has teams we align ourselves with and the teams are divided as National or American League.
- 6. Baseball has its cathedrals ballparks, awesome, hallowed grounds, the immediate playing area the "diamond" - and its Temple in Jerusalem, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, New York - with all its relics!
- 7. Until 2016, baseball had its Suffering Servant, the Chicago Cubs, the "Cubbies," a team annually "like a sheep led to the slaughter" (and crucial to the game is the play called the "sacrifice"). But "Cub fans love the Cubs, with the years of struggle, the wait (ask John Weaver), no questions asked. This quality is called faith."
- 8. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive this game as a little child will never enter it (Mark 10:15). Baseball always brings out the child in you, and draws you back to your childhood. And it is a tie that binds the generations – introduce a child to the game – introduce a child to Jesus.
- 9. Almost done, but want to have 10, so this is just added so that there are 10.
- 10. Finally, baseball abounds in hope (Romans 15:13): If your team loses this year, you shout "Next year!" Hope springs eternal for the true fan. May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him.

In Christ, Pastor Greg

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### **McJohnston Chapel Bells**



As most of you know there is a system in the bell tower of McJohnston Chapel that plays bell music, a carillon. The system was donated by the Burress (Kent Burress) family in memory of their parents/grandparents in the 1950's. As technology has changed over the years they have been updated, again by the Burress family. This Spring they were hit by lightning and needed fixed or replaced. After much discussion the Administrative council voted to replace the system with the most current technology. The Burress family and others stepped up to donate the money needed and a new system was ordered and installed.

Fast forward to Mid July. There is a website called Nextdoor. You join it and register for your neighborhood. It's a place to keep in touch with what is happening in your neighborhood, lost pets, garage sales, break in's, etc. On July 22 a Neighbor in

Windermere Farm's subdivision posted the following message and a dialog started which is printed below. It's nice to know that McCutchanville Community Church is having an impact on our surrounding community. Keith

Sharon Fuller Windemere Farms "I would like to say what a welcoming sound the Chapel Bells are. I am so happy to be hearing them again." Nancy Guse Windemere Farms. "I agree, it's such a beautiful sound! " Anna Glenn, Havenwood Meadows. "I also miss them, grew up in town were you always heard the beautiful sounds of the neighborhood "St. Joe and St Anthony". Wynter Deckman , McCutchanville Park·"Me too. Hope they keep going." Kathy Kinnett , Eagle Crossing North-"I agree" Cathie Miller, Windemere Farms-"I agree, it is such beautiful, uplifting music!" Susan Richards, Oak Hill "Which church is doing this? Bethlehem on Oak Hill used to play a beautiful carillon but I haven't heard it in a very long time." Sharon Fuller Windemere Farms "I believe it is coming from the Chapel on Kansas Rd" Nicole Taylor, Ashmore/Edin/Broad/Fox· "I hear them from what I thought was the old mccutchanville church but maybe there's others?" Wynter Deckman, McCutchanville Park "It's the old Mccutchanville chapel. I know for sure its 9am, 1pm and 6pm. Not sure of other times."

Keith Kinney North Side." It's so nice to hear that everyone likes the Chimes. I'm a member of McCutchanville Community Church and they are in the bell tower of our chapel at the corner of Kansas and Erskine Lane. They were first installed in the 1950's and have been upgraded several times. This Spring they were hit by lightning which destroyed the system. After long discussion we decided to replace the old with new. In this politically correct world we now live in, we were afraid they might not be appreciated by our neighbors. So thank you for making it known that the community likes to hear them. I live over on Baumgart Road and I can hear them from my home and enjoy them too.."

Sharon Fuller, Windemere Farms. "I love to sit on our patio and read, and reflect when the weather permits. We moved to Evansville from Az. In 2016 and the bells(chimes) was one of the first things we heard. It has such a calming effect. Again thank you for updating the bells and playing them again." Wynter Deckman , McCutchanville Park· "Oh wow... I wondered why we didn't hear them for awhile. I live off of SE Browning road and love to sit outside and hear them and sing along with the older hymns. My only complaint is play them more often"

	Att.	Building Fund	General Fund	Internet Giving	Habitat	Mission (UMCOR)	Food Pantry	Memorial Craig	Haiti	Total Checking
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September 2	97	\$\$1,285.00	\$1,411.00	\$100.00	\$25.00		\$25.00		\$175.00	\$2,996.00
September 9	69	\$950.00	\$1,825.30	\$180.00				\$40.00		\$2,995.00
September 16	72	\$310.00	\$2,343.00	\$300.00						\$2,953.00
September 23	69	\$390.00	\$819.00	\$100.00		\$176.00				\$1,485.00
September 30	73	\$760.00	\$2,184.00	\$100.00		\$385.00				\$3,429.00



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Amanda Kline Lisa Dawes Debbie Kinney Daniel Hayes Richard Dixon Will Yoder Stella Hettenbach Derek Tapp Megan Yoder Paul Gene Swope Cherissa Williams Marla Gross Debby Talbert Judy Moll Jonathon Abner



Genesis 2:24: "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh." [Gen. 2:24]

Anniversary Celebrations

Eddie & Judy Moll

Thank You!

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**Prayer Requests:** Lanny Taylor, Jim Smith. Gary Sprinkle, Stella Hettenbach, Victor Doty, Kathlene Carter, Amy Dubber, Victor Doty, Joy Roettger, David and Sara Dixon, Ruth Postal, Marie Pickett, Our Haitian children: Daphnica Noel and Richecarde Charitable Louissant, MCCutchanville Firefighters, The homeless population, God's Kids, the kick off for Pioneer Club.

Do you have a prayer request you would like listed in the **Messenger?** Please contact the church office. Thank each and every one of you for your prayers, visits, and gifts! I can't express to you how much your love and support has meant to me while I was in the hospital, Hamilton Point, and now as I am recuperating at home. ~Gary Sprinkle

#### Dear Friends of MCC,

Thank you so much for the thoughtfulness that you have shown us as you welcomed us to the community. We appreciate your message on the marquee along with your constant prayers. We are lucky to have you as neighbors. Please know that your meal in early August was also a true blessing. I look forward to our continued work together. ~Your McCutchanville Mustang Family

#### From Hearts for Haiti

Thank you for your support for our Haiti projects. (The newsletter is posted on the bulletin board.)

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Charge Conference

Be sure to check out our website! Mccutchanvillecc.org

**Jonah Fish Fry** Our annual Charge Conference will be October 14th at 9:45 am (between **October** Small Group and Worship. Please plan to attend. McCutchanville Eat Community Bishop Julius Trimble will be in the More Southwest District Tuesday, October 30, Fish! 2018 to present information on the Church Commission on a Way Forward. All clergy All are expected to attend with church leadership and interested individuals. **Proceeds** There will be time for fellowship, worship, will go to and discussion. Please mark your calendars now, and plan to attend. PLUS **Hush Puppies.** Hurricane **Potato Salad**, **Florence** Victims. **Baked Beans. Cole slaw, Dessert** \$10.00 for adult and Drink ! Our food trailer will again be traveling to The Fall Festival \$5.00 for children Hot dogs, October 1-6. 10 and under! Please call Martha if you are applesauce and unable to work the shift for which chips will be vou volunteered. . available as Carry Outs are available CARK a children's menu. The all Church Work Day is scheduled for October 20th. If you Don't forget to pick up items for your have an hour or two to Christmas Child Shoe Box. Many items are help spruce our on sale now that can be used to make a child building and grounds verv up for happy! the Filled shoe boxes will be collected in coming winter, please come mid November. ready to help. Work starts MIVIM at 8:00 am but you can come and go as you are able. Lunch is provided! **Rescue Mission's 96th Annual** Gobbler Gathering! Pick up for Evansville: November 5-7. Methodist Mountain Mission has created a Newsletter that is now MCC and God's Kids will available on their website. The second be collecting Cranberry Sauce for the Rescue newsletter is now available and has Mission's Gobbler Gathering during several interesting articles. Mountain Mission is celebrating 75 years this October. year! The newsletter is on our website We indicated we will donate 100 cans of cranberry Sauce (Standard 14 oz cans) ! Mccutchanvillecc.org under the Outreach tab or you may find it at this Please donate cans of cranberry sauce this link: MMM E-Messenger



# GOD'S KIDS reporting .....

## Happy October!! Boo!

We want to wish a very Happy Birthday to our October birthday children: Colton (13) Harper (15), JoJo (16), Hannah (21), Kayden (27)! Happy Birthday!



Each month God's Kids will be taking a field trip. In September we traveled to T.J.'s Apple Orchard. We always have a wonderful time on the field trips and we saw how apple cider is made and even got to



taste some! In October the Fire Station is coming to God's Kids! We are excited that a fire truck will be here -so close we can touch it!!

We also will be headed to Goebel's Pumpkin Patch in October! Just maybe we will get to bring home a pumpkin have our parents help us make a



Jack-O-Lantern!





Our real exciting news is that God's Kids is having a Family Fun Night on October 12th! The evening will be so much fun and there are many items to bid on in the auction. Miss Terri and the entire staff have been busy planning a great evening for our families and friends.

Halloween is this month and we will be having our Fall Parties and a parade while we are in costume. The church members are always welcome to come and watch our parade!



**God's Kids and MCC** have joined together to support the Rescue Mission this year. The God's Kids families and MCC have committed to donate 100 cans of cranberry sauce to be used for the Rescue Mission's Gobbler Gathering.

We help others! In God's Kids we learn the importance of sharing.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 Set up for Fall Festival	October 1 Fall Festival Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30- 8:00 pm Gym Reserved 5:30-7:00	October 2 Fall Festival 10:00 Greg & Teresa with God's Kids	October 3 Fall Festival 6:30 Choir 6:00-7:30 pm Gym reserved	October 4 Fall Festival 6:30 pm fellowship Hall Reserved 3:00-8:00 Gym	October 5 Fall Festival God's Kids Closed	October 6 Fall Festival Gym reserved 10:00am-noon
7 Communion Sunday	8 Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30- 8:00 pm Staff Parish Meeting 6:30 pm God's Kids Closed	9 10:00 Greg & Teresa with God's Kids God's Kids Closed	10 3:30 pm Girl Scout Room 206 6:00-7:30 pm Gym reserved 6:30 Choir	11 6:00 pm Trustee Meeting 6:30 pm fellowship Hall Reserved 3:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	12 God's Kid's Family Fun Night	13 Gym reserved 10:00am-noon
14 11:30 Charge Conference Fellowship Hall reserved 4:00-5:30 GS Gym reserved 2:30-4:30 GS	15 Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30- 8:00 pm 6:00pm Room 203 Girl Scouts Gym Reserved 5:30-7:00	16 10:00 Greg & Teresa with God's Kids	17 6:00-7:30 pm Gym reserved 6:30 Choir 3:30-5:00 Girl Scout Meeting Room 203	186:00 pm Ad/ Finance Meeting 6:30 pm fellowship Hall Reserved 3:00-8:00 Gym	19 3:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	20 UMM Work Day Gym reserved 10:00am-noon
21	22 Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30- 8:00 pm 6:00 Room 203 Girl Scouts 5:30-7:00	23 10:00 Greg & Teresa with God's Kids 1:00 pm UMW Conference Room 2:30-5:00 Girl Scouts Gym	24 6:30 Choir Room 203 GS 3:30-5:30 6:00-7:30 pm Gym reserved	25 6:30 pm fellowship Hall Reserved 3:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	26 3:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	27 Fish Fry 4:00- 8:00 Gym reserved 10:00am-noon
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