

North Cross Spirit

... telling the news of North Cross Church

June 14th, 2010

It's almost time for the Super Sale!

The North Cross annual Super Sale will be held on Tuesday, June 29th, and Wednesday, June 30th. A schedule of pick-up times, set-up times, and hours of the sale will be found at the bottom of this page.

It's a good time to pass on all those books you've read and won't pick up to read again. You could go through your kitchen cabinets, straighten them out, and pass on the items you no longer use. If your clothes have shrunk and you no longer wear them, put them on a hanger and let Super Sale have them. (If you need hangers, check in the church office during the week.) If your children are grown and no longer play with those Fisher-Price toys, you might consider giving them to the Super Sale.

If you have large items to donate and no way to get them to the church, please call the church office at 816.452.2939, and we will arrange a time to pick them up and get them here for you.

You may bring your baked goods to the pantry in Fellowship Hall on Monday afternoon.

Here's the schedule – Mark your calendar and plan to shop 'til you drop! If sales aren't your thing, you can always come and have a meal.

Sunday, June 27th

2 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Bring your items to the church for the sale. If you have large items that you cannot deliver, please call Tom Schmutz at 816.436.7231 or the church office at 816.452.2939 to arrange a pick-up time.

Monday, June 28th

Drop off items from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Sort items for sale.

Tuesday, June 29th

Sale is open from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Lunch and supper available today.

Wednesday, June 30th

Sale is open from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Lunch and supper available today.

Thursday, August 1st

Please come and help clean up.

...coming up in Worship...
Father's Day

Sermon:
"It's in the Silence"

Check out First Kings 19

Join adults in Sunday study: 9:45 a.m.

You're invited to share in study and fellowship with these classes this Sunday:

Wesleyan Class: Room 215

Lesson: "Sustained Through Encouragement"
Jan Braker

Good News: Room 206

Lesson: "Building on the Rock" Jim Funk

Friendship: Room 202

Lesson: "Sustained Through Encouragement"
Marcia Browning

Inquirer's: Fellowship Hall

Lesson: "What It Means to be a Father"
Class Panel

FaithWorks: Room 207

Lesson: "The Attitude of Hope" Debbie Mason

Pathfinders: Room 200

Lesson: "Some Methodist Perspective"
Faye Moore

Contemporary Conversations: Lounge

Lesson: "Seeing the Face(book) of God"
Jason Ward

Transformed by Christ's love to make disciples and serve others.

Take me out to the ballgame.... on Friday, July 16th



The United Methodist Family Day at the "K" will be Friday, July 16th, and the Royals play the Oakland A's. Tickets are \$10, but the hot dogs, small drink

and peanuts are only \$1.

Join others from North Cross and have a great time. Call the church office at 452.2939 and let us know so we can get our tickets together.

Make your check out to North Cross and write Family Day on the memo line. The game begins at 7:10 p.m., but we will go early for the Outfield Plaza activities and allow time to go through the Royals Hall of Fame (your game ticket gets you admission) if you like. There will be a fireworks show following the game. We will take the church van for those who don't want to drive, so be sure to sign up early if you want to ride in the van.

2nd Annual Nancy Run Jay Walk

The 2nd annual Nancy Run Jay Walk will take place on Saturday, June 26th, 2010. We will start walking/running at 10 a.m. with three laps around Macken Park in North Kansas City. Last year's event raised over \$23,000, and the money was divided equally between three agencies held dear by Nancy Hodge Shy and Jay Jenson.

Nancy taught the Senior High Sunday School class for several years at Avondale UMC, and Jay Jenson was an active member at Avondale for many years.

For more information and to register or donate, please go to the website <http://www.nancyrunjaywalk.com>.

The United Methodist Men recycle aluminum cans. If you wish to recycle, please place your cans in the marked container in Fellowship Hall or in the container on the East side of the back parking lot.

Christmas in July at Crestview

It seems only a few days ago that students were out of school for the year. But we need to help Crestview students prepare for the new school year which starts in August.

Children usually get excited about selecting new things for school - things like cool backpacks or trendy shoes. The parents of some students cannot afford extra things like backpacks, let alone new shoes and socks. Last year most of the Burmese refugee children had only flip-flops to wear. Thanks to North Cross, they were given shoes to wear.

Again this year we will be asking you to donate a backpack, socks, gift certificate from Payless for shoes, or money which will be used for shoes and other needs at the school. Other groups donate school supplies.



The Christmas tree will be up July 4th and will be decorated with appropriate ornaments. Please select one of the ornaments on the tree and return the item to church no later than July 25th. If you choose to give Payless gift certificates or money, PLEASE put them in the offering plate and designate Crestview on your checks. Other items may be put under the Christmas tree.

Thank you for your continued support of the church's neighborhood school, Crestview Elementary. The students will be proud of their new items on the first day of school! *Outreach Committee*

Caregiver Support Meeting

The Shepherd's Center of the Northland will present a Caregiver Support Meeting on Friday, June 18th, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at 4805 NE Antioch Road, Kansas City, MO. The guest speaker will be Lyn Polk from the American Red Cross

There will be new ideas for caregivers on:

- ◆ Eating lighter healthy meals
- ◆ Fun summer exercises
- ◆ Easing up on household chores and routines
- ◆ Travel tips for caregivers
- ◆ Relaxation techniques and hobbies

Please RSVP at 452.4536 or email tuptonscn@kc.rr.com.

Coming This Week...

Thursday, June 17th

6:00 a.m. Tai Chi
8:00 a.m. Camp Shakespeare
9:00 a.m. UMW Sewing/Quilting
10:00 a.m. Mommy & Me
11:30 a.m. Tai Chi
5:55 p.m. VBS Supper
6:15 p.m. VBS

Friday, June 18th

8:00 a.m. Camp Shakespeare

Saturday, June 19th

9-11:15 a.m. VBS
11:30 a.m. VBS Program
3:00 p.m. Piano Recital
7:00 p.m. Over 55 Dance

Sunday, June 20th

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
4:30 p.m. Hand Bell Practice

Monday, June 21st

11:00 a.m. Tai Chi
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, June 22nd

9:00 a.m. TOPS
10:00 a.m. Paint for Fun
10:30 a.m. O.P. Bridge
6:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge
7:00 p.m. Wood Carvers

Wednesday, June 23rd

8:00 a.m. Golf
11:00 a.m. Grandparent Support
6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, June 24th

6:00 a.m. Tai Chi
11:30 a.m. Tai Chi

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

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- Congratulations to Chris Oberholtz, who was voted Best Photographer in the Northland in a recent survey conducted by the *At Home in the Northland* magazine. Chris is the husband of Brooke Spotts Oberholtz and grandson-in-law of Rita McCall.



Congratulations to
Josh Montambeault and Melanie Hurst,
who were united in marriage
on May 29, 2010.

Africa—2011

Dr. Ken Lutgen will be leading a mission study tour to Southern Africa in August of 2011. This 3-week trip will include visits to 3 cities in South Africa, Maputo, Mozambique and Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. The tour will include the Kruger in South Africa and the Chobe in Botswana, wildlife preserves. These game parks are some of the best to view the bird and animal life of Africa.



Dr. and Mrs. Lutgen will host the trip and can be reached by email for questions, and to make your reservation. (klutgenjr@kc.rr.com). While the trip is not until August of 2011, there has been a lot of interest and reservations for booking the trip will be prioritized by the date on which the requests are received.

We're On Our Way

Immediately following the VBS program, seventeen youth and five adults will be on the road to Memphis, Tennessee, Saturday, June 19th. We will be participating in one of five Missouri Conference youth mission trips. We will be stopping and spending the night Saturday in St. Louis, Missouri. Approximately 80 other youth and adults will join us on Sunday in Memphis. Projects will be divided between the different participating youth groups. They range from working a 3-acre community garden, helping in a food bank, and flood relief to an assortment of home and church construction and repairs. Because we are bringing two highly-skilled sponsors, we can be pretty sure we will be assisting in some of the construction and repair work.

In addition to the hard work and service, we will have the opportunity to attend a Redbirds baseball game, visit the Civil Rights Museum, and spend one day at the Memphis Zoo. We will leave Memphis and head back to St. Louis, Friday evening, June 25th. We will arrive back in Kansas City, on Sunday, June 27th. Please keep us all in your prayers that we may be a positive impact on the community of Memphis and that we leave having shared the hospitality of North Cross and the spirit of Christ with all we come in contact. Blessings to this congregation who are consistently and whole heartedly our supporters and encouragers.

BUILDING on our PAST while CHARTING our FUTURE

Designing Our Sanctuary by Sig Kuehn

As an Architect, I have had the opportunity to work on approximately 50 religious buildings and such diverse projects as a meat packing plant to a Synagogue, a helicopter hangar to an entire college campus. But the most satisfying project I was to be afforded was the rare opportunity to design the sanctuary for my own church - North Cross.

From the first time I met with the building committee, I knew this was going to be something special. Under the leadership of Bob Hill as Building Committee Chairman, the other members were given the task to solicit suggestions and comments from members of various activities of the church, i.e. choir, administration, kitchen, nursery, etc. My job was to transform these into a workable design. In effect that meant that the congregation's ideas were responsible for providing the final product. Knowing that this was going to be an exciting journey, I was very sensitive to the project, and consequently I spent more time on the design and construction phases than any other I had done.

There are three things about the sanctuary that are special:

The pew layout. The distance from the pulpit to the furthest pew is ten rows. In our previous sanctuary the distance was 20 rows and had a capacity of half what the present sanctuary holds.

The pleated ceiling. This was done not only for a visual effect but for better acoustics than a flat ceiling.

Stained glass windows. These were designed by Mrs. O'Dell Prather. The North side depicts the birth and ministry of Jesus. The South side depicts the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Anyone entering this sanctuary room should feel a sense of reverence. Hopefully North Cross accomplishes that.

60th Anniversary Celebration — June 27

Person to person:

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **Hospitalized:** Glennetta Miller, NKC

† We offer our sympathy to Dick and Joyce Ranes and family in the death of Dick's mother, Patsy Ranes, on June 12th, 2010.

- My family and I want to thank my wonderful church family for your prayers, cards and phone calls when our granddaughter, Wendy, passed away. God bless you all. *Bets Hammen*
- Thank you to my North Cross Family for all the cards, phone calls and cards, and to the Friendship Class for meals during the illness and death of my mother, Elizabeth Davis. *Margaret Davis*
- Thank you to Panera Bread for the donation of bread for our communion service on Sunday.

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