

North Cross Spirit

... telling the news of North Cross Church

May 31st, 2010

...coming up in Worship...

*This Sunday we are in
for a special treat:*

Godpleasers

Godpleasers is a 60-voice ecumenical youth choir from Arkansas and will present the message in music. This group of youth is spending a week in Kansas City doing hands-on mission work and singing three concerts. We are fortunate to have them sing for us at both 8:30 and 11:00 on Sunday morning.

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: "Visible to God" Glenn Corwin

Good News: Room 206

Lesson: "Where the Risen Christ Meets Us"
Jim Funk

Friendship: Room 202

Lesson: "Visible to God" Marcia Browning

Inquirer's: Fellowship Hall

Lesson: "Poolside with John the Baptist"
Ron Watson

FaithWorks: Room 207

Lesson: "The Attitude of Commitment"
Debbie Grosko

Pathfinders: Room 200

Lesson: "Methodist Beliefs: We Believe
in the Church" Bev Whitaker

Contemporary Conversations: Lounge

Lesson: "Moving Through Time" Russ Creason



BUILDING on our PAST while CHARTING our FUTURE

In our Library/Communication Center, located in our building's north wall, a stained glass window dates back to January, 1957. Design work was provided to the Kansas City Glass Company, which then created the window.

In the upper right hand panel is the Angel of Justice and Judgment with the Divine Balances, depicting God's righteous governance over His people.

At the left of the angel, the classic symbol of the Holy Spirit, a descending dove, is shown. In the lower two panels of the left side of the whole window, a figure stands below the above-described symbols with arms uplifted in an attitude of rapt devotion as the human person contemplated the majesty and the might of the ultimate forces in human life and history.

A Look at Our Cornerstone

Were YOU present at the laying of the cornerstone on that Sunday morning in 1987? Do YOU remember its contents? Words and dates are engraved on it: significant construction dates mark the growth of both our facility and our congregation:

North Cross Methodist Church

Organized A.D. 1950

A.D. 1953

A.D. 1957

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

North Cross children need YOU

Your help is needed to support our children and youth ministries. We especially need children's Summer Sunday school teachers and Vacation Bible school leaders and assistants.

If we are committed to seeing our young families grow in numbers and spirit, then we need to step forward and support their children and youth with our time and service.

Please stop by the sign-up table in the Narthex to see where your talents and gifts can best be utilized. If you still have questions or concerns about where you fit into all of this, feel free to talk to Vickie Linch. There are places for everyone, and everyone has a place in helping North Cross grow and make disciples.

Volunteers needed

There is a need for volunteers to help at the Clay County Back to School Fair at the Shoal Creek Community Church (the old Pleasant Valley Church building), 6816 S. Church Road, Pleasant Valley, MO 64068.

Set-up will take place on August 4th from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m., and the Fair will be held on August 5th from 9 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Please call Hanni at 630.0037 if you are available to help.



UMW Sunday - June 13, 2010

North Cross United Methodist Women have always offered ribbons for sale during UMW Sunday, and they will be available at both services on June 13th. The colorful ribbons are \$1.00 and some for a little more for that extra special person. This is a nice way to tell someone in our church that they are appreciated, and the money helps mission work within the United Methodist Women's Network.

Don't forget to hug the person when you pin the ribbon on! You can never have enough hugs or ribbons.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 15th - 19th

**Tuesday thru Friday evenings
6:10 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.**

Dinner served at 5:55 p.m.

**Saturday morning
9 a.m. until 11 a.m.
Program at 11:30 a.m.**

We are still in need of volunteers to assist in various areas. Please contact the church office at 452.2939 or Stephanie Gray if you can help.

We are also collecting aluminum pie tins and old CDs/DVDs for our crafts and any space-themed items for decorations.



Thank you, Choir and 4 One Band

For the beautiful music on Sunday mornings,
for your dedication in attending rehearsals,
for inspiring us to lift our hearts,
minds and voices in singing praises
to our Lord,
Choir and 4 One Band, we thank you!

Coming This Week...

Thursday, June 3rd

6:00 a.m. Tai Chi
9:00 a.m. UMW Sewing & Quilting
11:30 a.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. 60th Anniversary Mtg.

Friday, June 4th

Annual Conference

Saturday, June 5th

Annual Conference

7:00 p.m. Over 55 Dance

Sunday, June 6th

Annual Conference

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

Monday, June 7th

Annual Conference

8:00 a.m. Camp Shakespeare
11:00 a.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. Outreach Committee
7:00 p.m. Job Club
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, June 8th

8:00 a.m. Camp Shakespeare
9:00 a.m. TOPS
10:00 a.m. Paint for Fun
10:30 a.m. O.P. Bridge
4:30 p.m. Landscape Committee
6:30 p.m. Called Trustee Meeting
6:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge
7:00 p.m. DAR
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Board
7:00 p.m. Wood Carvers

Wednesday, June 9th

8:00 a.m. Golf
8:00 a.m. Camp Shakespeare
11:00 a.m. Grandparent Support
1:00 p.m. Symphony Guild Board
6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
6:30 p.m. VBS Training
7:00 p.m. VBS Work Night

Thursday, June 10th

6:00 a.m. Tai Chi
8:00 a.m. Camp Shakespeare
11:30 a.m. Tai Chi
1:30 p.m. Wesleyan UMW Circle
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

Home of Jeneva Myers to be one of seven featured on The Gardens of Briarcliff Tour

On Saturday, June 5th, 2010, from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., seven beautiful gardens in the Briarcliff area will be featured on a tour. One of the homes featured will be the home of Jeneva Myers, North Cross member.

Tickets for the tour are \$12 each and are on sale at L & L Home Goods & Gifts in Briarcliff Village. Tickets may also be purchased at all of the seven gardens on tour day.

For photos of the gardens and a list of vendors, artists and sponsors, call 816.529.6319, or go to www.briarcliffcommunityalliance.org and click on "Garden Tour." All seven of the gardens are within a 30-mile radius!

Job Hunter's Tip of the Week

Follow up...Follow up...Follow up. After you send out a resume or fill out an application, follow up. Don't harass your potential employer, but let them know that you are very interested in the position and that you want to move to the next step. Be diligent about this. Don't let a position slip through the cracks because you did not follow up. You want to keep following up until you hear one of three responses from the employer..."we haven't decided, but keep checking...we've hired someone else...or...come in and let's talk."

If you have already had an interview, try sending a thank-you card in the mail just after the interview. A handwritten note is usually better than a thank-you e-mail. Send the card very shortly after the interview. I have seen cases where people send a thank-you card, but waited too long, and the employer hired someone else in the meantime.

Job Club meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in Room 202. Feel free to e-mail slindsay48@yahoo.com, call Steve @ 816.682.4304 or call the church office if you have any questions or job leads for the Job Club. As always, keep the job leads coming in. They are always welcome!

Odds and Ends from Pastor Neal...

Did you know that our Landscaping Committee has been hard at work in a renewed effort to develop a Landscape Master Plan? This work falls under the Trustees' umbrella and is chaired by Sandra Aust. A sub-committee has met several times with a landscape architect. The Master Plan will soon be ready for review by the full Landscape Committee and the Trustees. I think you will be impressed with the result. While it may take years to implement, at least we will have a clear direction. I expect this to be a wonderful use for memorials and other special donations over time.

Did you know that two of our outside air conditioning units were stolen last week? These units cool the sanctuary, so we will have to replace them, at least temporarily. Our insurance will cover most of the expense. Our new geothermal system looks even better since almost all the outside equipment will be underground and will not have high copper content, which makes stealing the traditional units such a tempting target.

I also want to let you know that it now seems likely that we need to replace the foundation base under the cross tower. The steel inside the cross tower will still be reused in reconstruction as planned. However, setting it on a new foundation may allow us to put a cross and flame on top, instead of the existing cross. Since this was not an option earlier, we will soon display artist concepts and ask for congregational input. Watch for more information.

One more thing... the Trustees are also working on replacing many of our old, hard chairs in Fellowship Hall and some other rooms. This is being made possible by the use of Super Sale funds and other special donations.

North Cross is moving forward.

In Christ,



Person to person:

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **Hospitalized: (As of Friday, May 28th)** Donna Lewis, Frank Cutitta, Candy O'Donnell, Patsy Ranes - NKC

✝ We offer our sympathy to J. B. Albertson and family in the death of his wife, Marjorie, a charter member of North Cross, on May 27th, 2010.

- The next Game Night at North Cross will be held on Saturday, June 12th, at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We play cards, bingo, or we'll play your favorite game if you bring it to share. Bring a snack or a 2-liter bottle soft drink to share with the group. All are welcome to attend - this is a good night of fun for the whole family.

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