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FROM THE PASTOR

If you weren't here, by now you've probably heard about Brookelle Stewart's concert Saturday night in the sanctuary. If you weren't here, then you truly missed it! With her God-given talent, Brookelle shined with absolutely incredible singing and heartfelt soul, all in praise and glory to God! Her band accompanying her was excellent, and the blessing of the concert will continue to be shared and ripple out in wonderful ways. "I wish I would have invited friends" was echoed by so many there.



Adding blessing that Brookelle shared moving musical offerings in worship Sunday too! So thankful Alanna Keenan brought forward the Christianity and the Arts opportunity of Brookelle joining for a concert and worship, and for all her leadership with the weekend.

Great thanks to Mary Fulkerson and Beth Bailey for putting together a lovely reception to celebrate Brookelle. We look forward to when Brookelle can return here for a concert, and to future Christianity and the Arts opportunities with continued remarkable and inspiring artistic expressions of faith.

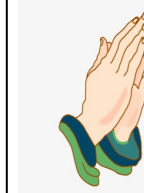
May all of us continue to be the invitation, the welcome, and the partners in the kingdom of God that Jesus strengthens and shapes people to be. Blessing to share in the journey with you! Looking forward to many blessings this month including celebrating our newest members (nearly 20 in the last year) with a meal after service on Sunday October 22. May we all be blessed to share and receive good invitations of God this week!

Joy and courage, Ryan

WELCOME New Members

On Sunday, October 22, immediately after worship we will have a New Member (bring your favorite dish) Pitch In Meal. Everyone is encouraged to come, bring your favorite dish, maybe the recipe if you would like to share and meet all of the new members who have joined since January. Please use the sign up sheet that is located in the Gallery to RSVP. We are really looking forward to this meal and hope you are too!

Please pray for our youth as they make a trip back to Burnamwood in Irvine Kentucky.



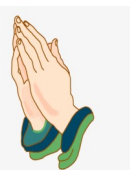
As you may remember, last summer members of the EPC congregation, including many youth, went on a mission trip to Camp Burnamwood in the Appalachian region of Kentucky. While we were there we were lucky to have stayed in the lodge

located on the campgrounds. While we were there we developed a relationship with the caretaker of the campgrounds, who clearly has no shortage of things to do. He graciously invited the youth group to stay at the campground if we ever had the desire, which was perfect because we were planning a fall retreat.

From October 13th-15th, the youth group will be doing both. We will be taking a mini trip to Camp Burnamwood in order to further our spiritual development while continuing to cultivate the exciting relationship our congregation formed with people of Irvine.

Please pray for the following individuals:

Jane Williams, Walt Lowe, Ann Meyers, Gary & Peggy Pennington, Lydia, Bekah, Dave & Barbara Moran, Mike Naas, Betty Sue Foster, Tatum Turpin, Sandra Hess, Linda Coleman, Chris, Kenny and the people of Ukraine.



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Congratulations North Green Brigade!

The North Green Brigade marching band from North High School made school, EVSC, and ISSMA History this past weekend when they attended the 2023 Bands of America Chattanooga TN Regional Championship. Throughout the day they competed with 18 other bands from Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina in preliminary competition to make the finals where they started fresh to compete against 11 other bands for the Championship title. In preliminary competition the NGB received awards for Best Visual Performance and placed 2nd in Class 2A. For the first time in school history the NGB advanced to finals competition where they received awards for Best Visual Performance, Outstanding General Effect and 1st Place in overall competition, being named the Chattanooga Regional Champion. This makes them the first school in the EVSC to claim the title, the first ISSMA Class B band in Indiana to claim the title, and only the 14th band in Indiana to win a Bands of America Regional Championship.

The youth members involved with the NGB include Jacob Irmscher, Chloe Webb, and Sydney Webb. Jacob is a freshman and first year member; he plays saxophone and is also a sideline conductor. Chloe is a senior and a six year member; she plays flute. Sydney is a Freshman and a two year member; she plays the clarinet. All three members have worked hard to perfect their performance with approximately 300 of practice so far. They are about halfway through their season which ends on October 28 at ISSMA State Finals at Lucas Oil Stadium.

Our congregation has another more chance to see them perform locally by going to ISSMA Regional Competition held at Central High School on October 7.



Congratulations Central Band!

Congratulations to Central High School Band who will be going to State finals. Our own Karly LaChance is a band member and will be attending!

Starfish Ministry

October items are:
 Adult/children's hats
 Adult/children's gloves or mittens
 Scarves
 Chapstick
 Hand warmers (located at the dollar tree)



As of September 22, a total of 4 families have received Eastminster food bags to help with food insufficiency in our community. Your donated items are greatly appreciated by the Starfish Team. This service would not be possible without YOUR support!

If you have questions or would like to serve on the Starfish Ministry Team please see; Beth Bailey, Donna Cooke, Mary Fulkerson or Diane VanCleave.



The next Community Group will meet on Friday, October 20, at 6:30PM. We will meet at the Rooster's Den located in Newburgh. The sign up sheet is located in the Gallery. Everyone is invited to come and learn about ways we can grow in

faith and in our church. We hope you will sign up!



EPW Cheeseball Fundraiser

Orders for cheeseballs will be taken following church service on Sunday, October 8. This is a fundraiser for Eastminster Presbyterian Women. The cost for cheeseballs are \$12 each. Payment is required at the time of ordering. Cheeseballs are a welcoming gift at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

it's almost time for our Halloween Carnival!



Who-o-o is invited? All children of the church, toddlers through 5th grade. Children through kindergarten age are required to have an adult with them for the carnival.



When and where is the Halloween Carnival?

It is on Sunday, October 29, immediately following 10:30 worship in the fellowship hall of the church.

What is the charge ?

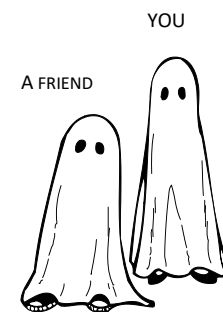
Each child is asked to bring one bag of wrapped candy to be hidden in the haystacks.

What about costumes?

Costumes are optional. There isn't a right or wrong. Children (and adults) may wear costumes if they would like.

May I bring a friend?

Yes! Each child is encouraged to bring a friend to the carnival. Try to think of a friend without a church home. Invite them and their family to come to church on Sunday!



DONATIONS OF UNOPENED CANDY ARE NEEDED! IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A BAG...OR TWO, PLEASE BRING TO THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY OR DROP IT BY THE OFFICE.

Ladies' Night Out



Join us on Tuesday, October 10, at 6:15 PM at the Hornet's Nest for a wonderful time of food, fun and fellowship. Please contact Karla Horrell or the church office to sign up!



Join Small Groups for a night at University of Southern Indiana for their Madrigal Feaste. This performance showcases the USI Chamber Choir, while including faculty, students, and food service participants wearing period costumes, and singing old English and Irish Madrigals, folk songs and holiday selections. This is a reenactment of a 15th century royal feast and the entertainment abounds.

Group tickets will go on sale on October 16th and pricing will be publicized at that time. Last year a single ticket cost was \$42 each but a group of 10 or more were priced at \$34 each. I won't have ticket cost till making the reservation but hopefully we will qualify for the group rate. Keep in mind this includes a meal.

We could take the church bus, if desired. Please call the church office to turn in a reservation for Friday, December 1st and state whether you want to ride the bus. Doors open at 6:30 with the Feaste beginning at 7 p.m. If taking the bus, I plan on leaving the EPC parking lot at 6 p.m.

I need your reservation by Sunday, October 15, 2023.

Karla Horrell at 812-476-5641