


FROM THE PASTOR

Nearly 20 youth and adults are readying for the summer mission trip into the foothills of the Appalachians at the beautiful Camp Burnamwood. This Sunday during worship, we'll pray a blessing for all youth and adults traveling, for the families and mission we'll be joining, and for the entire church's ever-deepening lives in the grace of God, growing discipleship in Christ, and active sharing of each gift in the Spirit.

Thank you for your incredible, generous prayerful support!

We have been on a wild journey through Revelation, God revealing a way of true endurance and faith overcoming in the midst of a world so often at war with itself. This Sunday, we explore Revelation 21:1-7, a powerful vision and comforting promise of the newness of life Jesus continues to bring into the world.

There comes a time when the cup of endurance runs over, and people are no longer willing to be plunged into the abyss of despair. --- Martin Luther King Jr

May a life in worship of God always give you a heart renewed in the promise of the Spirit, a mind more relieved of anxieties and buoyed with new possibilities, and abundant grace beneath your feet to follow Jesus in every area of your life & on this lifelong mission trip of following Him into the world.

Let us worship God!
 Grace and courage,
 Ryan



With Deepest Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to Lynn Lowe, Walt's wife, and all Walt's family and friends following his passing on July 4, 2024.

A service will be held this Wednesday July 10th at 3pm at Ziemer East Chapel; 800 S. Hebron, Ave, Evansville.

Burial to follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. Friends may visit from 1:30-3pm on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Thank you for all the prayer and support you live out in faith.

You can read more about Walt's life and faith at: <https://www.courierpress.com/obituaries/psbn0872002>



Presbyterian Women
 2024 Birthday Offering will be received this Sunday, July 14th.



On Monday, July 15, we will begin work on our front sidewalk. Please use only the Gallery doors or the Kitchen doors to enter the building. The process of replacing the sidewalk should take several weeks.



Eastminster Staff

Ryan Bradney - Pastor

Mike Cantrell - Sexton

Donna Cooke - Parish Nurse

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Starfish School Supply List

Items Still Needed

- 20 - earbuds for Chromebook use
- 10 - earphones for Chromebook used
- 6 - graphing paper (packaged)
- 5 - water bottles
- 9 - 2 inch binders
- 480 - #2 Pencils (prefer Ticonderoga; sharpened/
Unsharpened)
- 5 - pencil boxes
- 25 - pencil pouches
- 8 - colored pencils (prefer Crayola) 12 pack
- 24 - colored pencils (prefer Crayola) 24 pack
- 12 - washable markers (pack)
- 9 - highlighters
- 28 - regular scissors (sharp tipped, 7")
- 90 - glue sticks
- 20 - erasers (large pink)
- 20 - rulers
- 60 - index cards(3x5 100 pack)
- 10 - subject dividers (at least 5 dividers in a set)
- 75 - composition notebooks (most schools asking for 4-5
per student.)
- 38 - wide ruled notepaper (loose leaf - at least 100 sheets to
a pack)
- 25 - spiral notebooks (wide rule; yellow, blue, green, red)
- 30 - tissues (Kleenex boxes preferred)
- 60 - disinfectant canisters (Clorox)
- 25 - zip lock gallon bags

There are specialty items that are on some students' lists, however, those will be supplied via donation. Kindergarten through twelfth grade will be supplied. We will not supply backpacks or books or school clothing. When the registrations are received in the office, a volunteer will call on the number listed on the form to answer questions and explain the distribution process. Some EVSC schools have set up their own supply systems to cover student lists; some have not. Supply distribution day will be on Backpack Dedication Sunday (August 4). If there are any leftover supplies, they will be distributed to area school systems for students. If you have any questions, contact the church office at 812-476-3355. Please place your donations in one of the baskets located throughout the church. As always, Starfish thanks you for your support!



We have all the crayons, blunt tipped scissors, post-its, folders and calculators that we need! Thank you again for your generosity.



Life Beyond Adulthood

How to make the last chapter of your life the best chapter of all.

Pioneer Sunday School Class - Room 101

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Sundays - July 14, 21, & 28

Ron Ross, teacher

July 13: Culture VS Scripture – How American culture views aging compared to what the Bible says.

July 21: Harvesting Life – How can we awaken dormant corners of the brain? How can we recall knowledge, remember events, and access the storehouse of wisdom we've learned? How to invest our wisdom, faith, and values into the hearts and minds of our children and grandchildren.

July 28: The Last Best Chapter – How to deal with the weakening of body, mind, and spirit. The last and greatest challenge of life.

BRING YOUR BIBLE: It says a lot about aging.



Thank you to Marian LaChance for going above and beyond in her EPC duties. On Saturday, a passerby noticed that there were a lot of nails thrown in the west parking lot and informed us immediately of the situation. As always, Marian was right here to take care of the problem. Thanks again Marian!

Please pray for the following individuals:

Jane Williams, Ann Meyers, Barbara Moran, Betty Sue Foster, Tatum Turpin, Sandra Hess, Beth Bailey, Sharon Glover, Keith Adcock, Maria Keller, Dan Keenan, Dorothy Cantrell.

If you have a prayer request or wish to be removed from the list, please contact the church office.



Casablanca

Friday, June 12, 6:00 pm

CASABLANCA is a 1942 movie that has been listed as one of the greatest films ever made. On first viewing, it is a love story of a doomed romance, with actors who outdid themselves in their roles. However, CASABLANCA achieved a significance in history

that has only rarely been matched in its influence, its popularity, and its relevance to today also. It deals with duty, resistance, and self-sacrifice. "Who is my brother?"

The 1930s had produced a widespread longing for isolationism from a world that was changing for the worst. "Europe's problems aren't ours, why should we care", "we need to take care of our own", "stay out of it", and "they can work it out for themselves" were common sentiments in a depression ridden society.

Indeed, Nazi sympathies in the U.S. were not uncommon. Even one very celebrated hero had declared that Germany "needed" Hitler and his policies, and made several trips to Germany to meet with Nazi leaders, even receiving a medal. Discussions and arguments about individual rights vs. the collective good, and eugenics were common. The U.S. government had sent arms and money to Europe but had made no official participation.

Even the attack on Pearl Harbor, debate continued as to whether we should respond (even after a declaration of war) or remove our presence from the Pacific.

Rick is an American in Morocco, a territory of France, running "Rick's Café Americaine". He is a neutral. Authorized travel documents for refugees to neutral countries are traded for various favors in the club. And much of France is under the Vichy government (French Nazi collaborators), which makes Morocco part of Vichy France. The presence of the German military is strong in Morocco, and even though not officially in control, all decisions in life are made with the approval of the German military that oversees the Vichy government police.

Rick's character seems to establish that it's not his concern. He is there to run his club for money. "I stick my neck out for no one," is what he tells his patrons. And then, SHE walks in. And the backstory unfolds. Now, it becomes personal. What do I owe to anyone else? Is this my responsibility? What am I willing to do for someone else?

The movie became one of the turning points of American thinking. Obviously, Pearl Harbor had much to do with it, shaking the mistaken idea that two oceans could keep the country uninvolved.

The film is relevant to this day. What does our national conscience say about us? Do we have an obligation to others? The film addresses these questions in a compelling and moving story. Who IS my brother?

Volunteer Opportunities Available

The Christian Education Committee is needing volunteers for the following:

Help with Children's Sunday School

Help with Children's Worship

Help with Children's Sermon

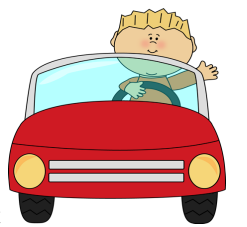
These are great ways to step out in faith and get to know our children. If you would be interested or have questions, please call the church office or see Lindsey Miller, Annie Fulkerson, Patti Garcia, or Janet Zeiher.

Church Bus Drivers Needed!



We are currently in need of 1 or 2 people to drive the church bus. No experience necessary, we will train! Many times the church would like to host events outside of the city but due to a lack of drivers these events never come to fruition. Please contact the office if you are interested.

We have several members and friends who would like to attend worship but no longer drive. If you would be willing to give a ride to one of our at-home folks, please contact the church office. The office will contact you with the person that best fits your driving path.



If you need a ride, please contact the office so we can put you on the list to be picked up.



Please remember to keep our Mission Team in your prayers as they head off to Burnamwood on Sunday, July 14 - Thursday, July 18. Pray for safety, discernment, their work type and its load. The folks of Ervine Kentucky are still recovering from past major flooding and need a variety of gifts and talents to get back on their feet. What a blessing to be a blessing!