WLCC Weekly Newsletter 6.24.22

This Sunday we will celebrate the baptism of Olivia Bickford and remember our own baptisms as we reflect on the baptism of Jesus in Matthew 3: 13-18. It will be a day of celebration. Looking forward to seeing you.

Pastor Kirsty DePree



Dear fellow travelers.

Welcome to the first days of summer!! The days of late filled with clouds and sudden downpours and sunny intervals. The problem is they are moving along at a rapid pace like a whirlwind; hard to distinguish one day from another. Or maybe that's just me. I do try to take time to be alone and be still, because then just maybe I will hear God's voice directing in the right direction.

Reminders: <u>Masking is optional.</u> We recommend wearing a mask. If you are entering the sanctuary, we ask you to practice physical distancing, use good hand hygiene and stay home if you are not feeling well. We will be continuing these practices until the situation changes toward the positive. We thank you for your cooperation.

Calendar for the week of June 24-30

June 25- Chicken BBQ sponsored by the Trustees 5:00-6:30 PM

June 26- Sunday Worship 10 AM

Pot Luck Luncheon after church

June 30- Women's Fellowship 9 AM

Chicken BBQ & Strawberry Shortcake Dinner

We will be having our Drive-Thru Chicken BBQ Dinner on Saturday June 25th from 5pm-6:30pm (or until sold out). The meal will consist of half a BBQ chicken with coleslaw, potato salad, dinner roll & strawberry shortcake.\$15 per meal.

Potluck Luncheon

As you know by now, Kirsty will be leaving us in July to pursue a chaplaincy residency in Michigan. When Kirsty came to us in July of 2020, we knew it was on an interim basis. What we didn't know was how much we would love her and how hard it would be to say goodbye. We would like to honor Kirsty by having a **potluck luncheon** outside in the parking lot after church on **June 26**. Thank you to all who have signed up. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Diane Adam or Nancy Simpson .

Missions

Greetings from your Missions group,

We are gearing up for a busy Summer!

First, we have launched the Strengthen the Church fundraiser which is one of the 5 for 5 collections we do for the UCC.

We will collect your gifts up until this Sunday, June 26.

Thank you so much for being generous!

Second, we will start again to raise funds to help the children at Mount Lebanon elementary school. We will prepare to-go lunches for you to pick up after the service on July 3... A great way to enjoy the summer sunshine with a picnic!! By donations only.

Thank you,

Your missions group (Lorinda, Jackie, Dick, John and Christine)

Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship is meeting at 9 AM on Thursday mornings. This past Thursday morning we continue to clean the Kilton kitchen after some good conversation and visiting. The women have set **July 23** as the date for our Christmas in July event from **8:30 to noon**. Our plan is to hold the event rain or shine. If you are interested in preparing a basket for our basket raffle, please return you finished basket to the church by July 17. If you need a basket, please see Nancy Simpson. Join us for fellowship and all women are welcome.

Little Food Pantry

Thank you to all who have been contributed to the Little Food Pantry. Some items that go quickly are peanut butter, cereal, ramen noodles and coffee, also shelf stable milk. Now that the weather is warming up, we can now put can and jarred food in the pantry. Food can also be put inside the Food Bin in the sanctuary which is taken to the Haven or LISTEN. Please pass the word on about the availability of food in the Little Food Pantry.

WLCC Giving Options

We have instituted several new electronic (credit/debit/ACH) giving options. Note that these are in addition to the conventional giving methods. If you are comfortable with the giving method you currently use there is no need to change. The intent of adding these electronic options is to make giving more convenient, which will hopefully increase our revenue. Note that the church is charged a nominal processing fee with each electronic transaction, so please consider covering that fee if you use an electronic option. The electronic options will allow you to specify where you would like your gift to go (e.g. general fund, memorial gift, missions, etc.). You can access these options by going to the WLCC home webpage (https://westlebcc.org/ and clicking on the "Give" tab along the top, or go directly to the Giving page https://westlebcc.org/give/. If you have any questions or problems please see Aaron in the WLCC office or our co-collectors Christine Kidd or Laurie Tostenson.

Faithfully Nancy Simpson for WLCC