

A Voice in the Pines



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Special piano/organ concert coming Aug. 12



By Susan Morrow

When was the last time you went to a concert featuring four top-notch pianists and organists playing a potpourri of exciting music?

At 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12, in the Kirk sanctuary, Ruth Clemens, Martha Smither, Fran Stroud and Donna Toney will present a program intended to delight you.

They will play variety of music for piano and organ from Bach (both J.S. and P.D.Q.) to Sousa's *The Stars and Stripes Forever* with bumble bees, twinkling stars, along with French and Spanish settings in between.

Cuatro Claviers is a group of four talented

Cuatro Claviers performing Aug. 12 at the Kirk are (from left) Martha Smither, Ruth Clemmons, Donna Toney and Fran Stroud. (Randy Toney photo)

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When we meet

Sunday worship service
begins at 10 a.m.



Saturday informal service
5 p.m. in Hoffius Hall



Sunday children's class
10 a.m. in the Journey Room

Wednesday Summer Book Club
9 a.m. in Library



For more meeting times see
www.kirkinthepines.org/calendar



Help others by throwing seeds God gives us

The final paragraph of Anne Tyler's novel, *Saint Maybe*, has this wonderful line: "People change other people's lives every day of the year."

I suppose some people believe this to be a bit of an exaggeration, but I believe it to be true. I also believe over time our attempts to do good make profound differences in the lives of those around us.

During our trip to France last month, our itinerary took us by the small French village of Lisieux. As we drove by, our tour guide pointed out that this was the home of Saint Therese and the church there is, to this day, the second most popular Roman Catholic pilgrimage site in France, behind Lourdes.

I came home and did a little reading about St. Therese of Lisieux.

She became a Carmelite nun at age 15 but died tragically young of tuberculosis in 1897 at age 24. She was canonized in 1925.

St Therese has had a profound impact on the lives of many through her autobiographical book, *L'histoire d'une ame* – in English, *The Story of a Soul*. It is still in print and popular today.

Known for her simplicity and practicality, St. Therese believed every act is sacred if done mindfully. Even the slightest and smallest actions can be holy moments if done with faith. She called this the "little way."

The Pastor's Corner Bill Bailey



"I just throw the good seeds that God gives me, then let things take their course – I give myself to others without being concerned about results."

You and I are not likely to win a Nobel Prize, or write a bestseller, or cure a disease.

For most of us, this coming week will present smaller opportunities to change another's life.

Perhaps we might say a kind word or make a phone call. Perhaps we might give someone a ride or feed a neighbor's cat. Small acts of kindness that demonstrate great faithfulness.

Jesus reminds us all, "Whoever is faithful in a little, will be faithful in much."

The Christian life is lived out, not always in great causes, but in small acts of charity and faithfulness.

Four steller musicians to entertain at the Kirk

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musicians: Ruth Clemens (organ and piano), Martha Smither (piano), Fran Stroud (piano), and Donna Toney (piano) who will present an afternoon keyboard soiree to delight with tantalizing trills and glitzy glissandos.

Ruth Clemens is organist at Christ of the Hills Methodist Church. Ruth's educational background is in organ and piano. Originating from Peoria, Ill., she moved to Hot Springs Village 21 years ago.

She has accompanied many Hot Springs Village musical groups, including Cedar Mountain Singers, Village Strings and PEO Singers.

When not on the organ bench, Ruth enjoys playing tennis and growing plants but definitely not cleaning house. Ruth and her husband Don have four children between them; scattered from Illinois to California.

Martha Smither has maintained her classical piano skills along with a business career in accounting,



finance and economics. Her business background includes being a vice president and controller with Greyhound Lines in Dallas.

She was a member of professional accounting societies and many community organizations enriching Texas arts education.

Martha's community work continued in Hot Springs Village where she is involved with Hot Springs Village Community Foundation, Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village Symphony Guild and Arkansas Learning Through the Arts (ALTTA). She is a founding member of ALTTA, an organization that brings cultural arts experiences

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Safety concerns addressed throughout Kirk

Loss of Members

We are sad to report the loss of the following valued church members:

- John Dykstra passed away June 3, 2018. A memorial service was June 23. Interment in the Kirk's Memorial Garden will take place later.
- Bob White passed away on May 31, 2018, in Ennis, Mont. A celebration of his life will be held around the date of his birth in August.
- The Pogemiller family had interment services June 16 for Judy Pogemiller in the Kirk's Memorial Garden.
- The Stanley family had interment services for Bill Stanley on July 7, 2018, in the Kirk's Memorial Garden.

Church Statistics

Families Units – 224

Individual Members – 331.

Creating a safe environment at the Kirk

In the last few months, the Grounds, Memorial, Building and Worship Committees and a special select committee have been working with the Session to take positive steps to make and keep the Kirk a safer place to worship and serve.

Parking lot resurfacing has been done with an increased percentage of sand in the mix to make the surface less slick. Signs have been posted in the parking lots to alert individuals to the fact that during rain and heavy dew the surface can be slick.

Some trees on the north side of the Kirk were leaning toward the building, representing a potential problem.

The Clerk's Corner Jerral Johnson



Their roots have been extending under the sidewalk, causing an uneven surface, creating potentially unsafe walking. These trees are being removed and the sidewalk repaired.

Black mold was found on the lower portion of the wall between the machinery room and the kitchen. The mold has been removed.

During the Sunday Morning worship, before the minister and choir enter the sanctuary, the door by the offices is being locked. So are the Hoffius Hall doors. All church doors have panic bars allowing easy exit but prevent entry if the door is locked. At the Saturday Evening Worship Service, all doors but those to Hoffius Hall are locked.

More video cameras have been installed so the office staff will know when someone enters or leaves the building.

We owe a word of thanks to those committees and special committees that worked hard to solve some of the safety issues around the Kirk. We thank them for come up with good, workable solutions.

Four pianist/organists to perform at the Kirk

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to more than 5,000 Arkansas students.

Fran Stroud claims to be “piano bench buddies” with Ruth Clemens.

She and Ruth have given numerous piano and organ duet concerts in Hot Springs Village. Fran is the accompanist at Village United Methodist Church and choral director of the Hot Springs Village choral group “Voices Rising.”

Her education hails from the University of Texas. She lived in

Texas before moving 12 years ago to the Village. Fran's motto is: “Good things that go ‘round, come ‘round.”

Donna Toney, organist/pianist at the Kirk, is also a member of the Hot Springs Music Festival Board, HS/HSV Symphony Guild Board and Arkansas Learning Through the Arts (ALTTA).

With a Master's degree in Piano Performance from LSU and a career of piano teaching, Donna has achieved numerous career awards in recognition of outstanding performance in teaching.

Besides playing piano, you may find her working with textiles and papers to make into little works of art under the logo Velma's Girl.

The Aug. 12 concert is free with goodwill donations accepted for the benefit of Kirk Mission Projects in our community.

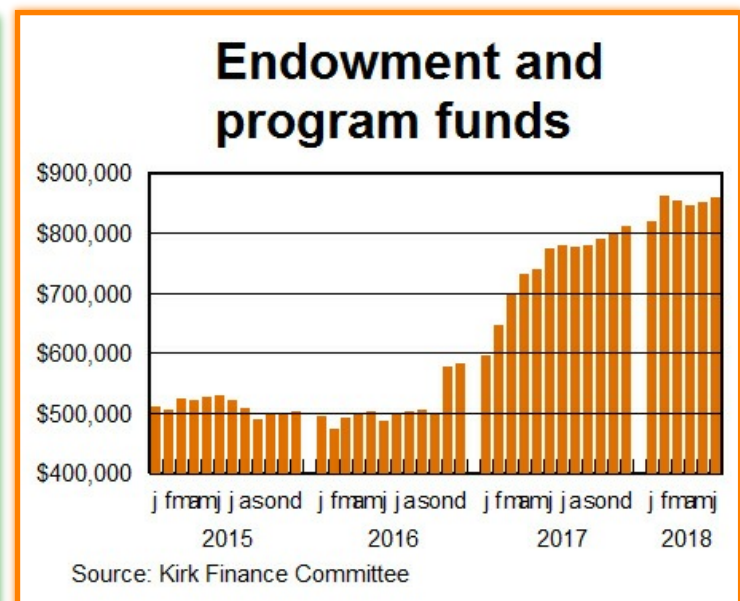
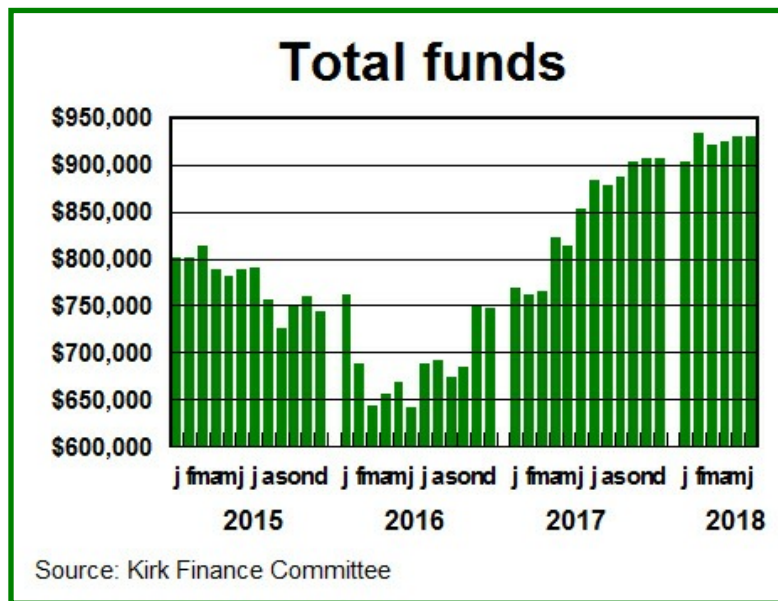
There will be a reception following the concert. Everyone is invited. Don't miss this delightful event. We are reserving a place just for you!

Susan Morrow is a member of the Kirk Communication

Kirk in the Pines Financial Report

Year to date as of June 30, 2018

	Month		Year to date	
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
General Fund:				
Receipts	\$ 36,311	\$ 26,351	\$ 217,864	\$ 219,148
Disbursements	\$ 36,311	\$ 27,291	\$ 217,864	\$ 172,055
Building Fund:				
Receipts	\$ 4,543	\$ 3,000	\$ 27,258	\$ 31,229
Disbursements	\$ 4,543	\$ 11,419	\$ 27,258	\$ 51,436
Total all funds:				
Receipts	\$ 40,854	\$ 29,351	\$ 245,122	\$ 250,377
Disbursements	\$ 40,854	\$ 38,710	\$ 245,122	\$ 223,491
Checking and Money Market Funds Balance				\$ 69,059
Special funds:				
Memorial fund				\$ 44,722
Luke 12:48 fund				\$ 116,536
Programs fund				\$ 88,848
Endowment fund				\$ 610,635
Total special funds				\$ 860,791



\$631 for Mission

Thank you for generously supporting our Mission Dollar campaign by placing your single dollar bills in the offering plate. A total of **\$631** was collected in June.

If you wish to give more than a dollar, please use the envelopes in the pew racks.

We are always grateful for your generous gifts and prayers.

Thinking of you...

Each Saturday and Sunday the Congregational Care Committee will be asking Kirk members to sign a beautiful card to be mailed to a church member who has not been able to attend services due to illness or disability.

Please add your signature to these cards and join the congregation in wishing others well.

Thank you.



Pat Hightower holds flowers while chatting with Keith Brown at her goodbye reception. In the foreground are Pat Franklin and Judy Corwin.

Thanks, Pat

Kirk says goodbye to a gifted musician, friend

The Kirk Choir, with Music Director Randy Toney, gathered June 24 in Hoffius Hall to host a farewell reception for long-time friend and associate, Pat Hightower, who is moving to Senatobia, Miss.,

to be near her daughter, Heidi, and do “grandmimi stuff.”

On the opposite page, a group of well-wishers are shown with Pat before she thanked all for the festivities and the blessings the Kirk

had given her and her late husband, Tom.

The send-off reception was marked with flowers, a beautiful “We’ll miss you, Pat” cake, cards, gifts and prayers for one of Hot Springs Village’s favorite residents.

Photos by Dennis Zymboly



Seated with Pat Hightower (center) are Becky and Howard Baldwin. Standing are Jessica Bunge, Nick Bunge, Gerald Allen, Lucy Allen, James Bunge, Sally Fink, Jean Fisher, Darrell Fisher, Keith Brown, Tom Fink and Dave Hamilton, and (back row) Bill Wiard and Della and Jim Reimers.



Kirk will have a Cancer Walk team this year

By Vicki Rosenquist

For the first time, Kirk in the Pines will be participating in the Village Walk for Cancer Research. This is the 17th year the Walk has been in the Village, but the first year the Kirk has been invited to participate as a church group.

The Walk will begin at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Balboa Pavilion. The Fellowship Committee invites you to join and represent our church in this worthy cause. You can walk as much or as little of the five miles as you want.

All proceeds from the Walk stay in Arkansas to help the “Seeds of



Science “ program at Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute at UAMS.

You can join the team by either filling out a registration form at the church, or by going online to sign up.

Early registration is \$30. After Sept. 1, the fee is \$35. You don’t have to walk to be on the team. You can register and then come out and support the walkers!

We’re hoping to have a large group of people to represent our church and show our support for cancer research.

Sign-up begins July 21 and 22 before and after church services.

We hope you will sign up and join us on Sept. 29. Let’s have some fun and fellowship while helping support cancer research.

Vicki Rosenquist is Moderator of the Fellowship Committee.

Bagpipe courses play well for Kirk’s Kirkin’

By Judy Carroll

Kirk in the Pines will celebrate its Scottish heritage at the Kirkin’ o’ the Tartans on Sept. 16. And what would a Scottish celebration be without bagpipes?

Fortunately for the Kirk and other Presbyterian churches in the region, Lyon College in Batesville has a department dedicated to Scottish heritage designed to teach, preserve and celebrate the Scottish arts and tradition. High on their list of priorities is performing at Kirkin’ o’ the Tartans ceremonies.

Jimmy Bell (photo), pipe major and director of the department since August of 2003, has led the procession of pipers and banner carriers since the Kirk’s first ceremony 15 years ago. In fact, the Kirk’s first Kirkin’ was also his first.

“I had played at many other ceremonies in other churches, but this was the first of that type,” said Jimmy, who has been playing bagpipes since he was a lad in New Jersey.

Both his parents played the bagpipes, and his mother was also a Highland dancer. His maternal grandmother was a concert violinist, and his maternal grandfather was a fiddler. In the second grade Jimmy took up the violin, but he said the only instrument he plays now is the bagpipes.

He pursued a career in hospital administration but continued to perform in and judge competitions all over the country. While he was at Lyon College judging a competition, he was asked if he’d be interested in the Scottish Heritage director position.

“It was great turning my hobby into my livelihood.”

When he came to Lyon, the college had a bagpipe minor, but that has been expanded to a music major with a concentration in bagpipes. The Scottish heritage

program, which is one of the few of its kind in this country, draws students from all over the United States.

The Lyon College Pipe Band includes students, faculty and staff, as well as volunteer musicians from Batesville and surrounding communities. Under Pipe Major Bell’s direction, the band performs at official college functions, in community parades, regularly performs in venues around the state and competes

at festivals and games throughout the country and abroad.

There will be eight pipers and several drummers performing Sept. 16 at the Kirk playing *Scotland the Brave*, among other marches, and will accompany the choir in the anthem *Amazing Grace*.

Judy Carroll is former Moderator of the Communication Committee.





Kirk members enjoyed barbecue and baseball at the annual summer picnic at the Balboa Pavilion.

Summer picnic was major-league home run

This year's picnic had a baseball theme. Moderator Vicki Rosenquist, along with her Fellowship Committee, planned a lovely evening at Balboa Pavilion for members and guests.

The weather cooperated and provided a relatively cool evening for the large crowd.

Many baseball teams were represented with the colorful shirts and hats.

Rick Federick was the emcee for the program following the traditional barbecue picnic.

He invited choir members to come forward and help lead in several patriotic songs ending with *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*.

During a baseball trivia game, Rick introduced a special guest Jimmy Chailikis. Jimmy, who lives in the Village, was a batboy for the Chicago Cubs in his youth.

He told some interesting stories about his days with the Cubs and fielded questions from the crowd. Everyone appreciated his recollections and the humor in his presentation.

***Story and photos by Jamie Federick,
a member of the Communication Committee.***



Villager Jimmy Chailikis was a batboy for the Chicago Cubs.



David and Vicki Rosenquist and Rick Federick, the picnic program committee, were properly attired in baseball shirts.



Serving the delicious barbecue food and drink were Vicki Rosenquist, Marcia Bauer, Carol Clark and Barbara Worthley



Gloria Pickett loves travel and is ready to help

By Barbara Worthley

“I’ve never been anywhere I didn’t enjoy.”

These words were spoken by the Kirk’s newest member, Gloria Pickett, who has traveled the globe extensively.

While she mostly toured European countries, she thoroughly enjoyed an African safari with “wide-open spaces and wild animals all around.”

Switzerland is probably her favorite country where she enjoyed the scenery “standing on the edge of a cliff.” She is currently combining two of her interests as a freelance travel writer and photographer.

A native of Georgia, Gloria has lived in Monroe, La., where she was active in the First Presbyterian Church, serving as a deacon, elder and chair of various committees.

Gloria’s eyes light up when she speaks of being director of the church’s children choir many years. She also spearheaded the selection, purchase and installation of the church’s \$500,000 pipe organ.

Professionally, Gloria was vice president for a leading manufacturer of ladies’ couture clothing. She customized the company’s training practices to help regional sales representatives accommodate their customers’ preferences.

Prior to that, she developed specialized training programs for other well-known companies.

Personally, Gloria is the mother of three grown children, grandmother of six and the great-grandmother of five. Her daughter, Rebecca, lives in Hot Springs and is a professional cellist with her own string quartet, which has performed at the Kirk.

Her son lives in Montgomery, Ala., and her other daughter lives in Marietta, Ga.

Gloria and her husband, Wilfred, moved to Hot Springs Village in 2006. He passed away in 2012.

Time to join PW Circle

By Carol Sue Williams

Summer is speeding along for most of us and it will soon be time for our PW year to begin. If you are not in a Circle and want to be, please contact me at bilcarwill@att.net or 922-6182.

We are working on the handbook and hope to have it finished soon.

All Kirk women are in PW. It may be you’re not active in a Circle. We would really like more women involved, so please give it some consideration.

Carol Sue Williams is Moderator of PW.



Gloria Pickett is the Kirk’s newest member. *(Robert Sonnen photo)*

New member

The mountains drew them to the Village and Gloria’s PEO sisters, Carol Sue Williams and Kellie Wolf, drew her to the Kirk.

Leader, trainer, organizer, communicator, writer, musician (she has a beautiful singing voice) are some of the words that describe this busy lady!

Gloria begins each day with a time of quiet prayer and meditation involving reading and doing some writing. When asked what she would like to become involved in at the Kirk, she replied “wherever there is a need.”

Other words of wisdom from our newest Kirk member: “You are as happy as you choose to be,” and last but not least: “LIFE IS GOOD.”

Barbara Worthley is a member of the Communication Committee.

Capable computer hands shape early service

By Jan Holtberg

Have you ever wondered where Michael Erickson, the tall, good-looking young man, who sang in the back row of the choir, disappeared to? Well, he is still among us, working diligently, “behind the scenes.”

Michael moved to Hot Springs Village in 2012 after living his entire life in Bettendorf, Iowa, one of the Quad Cities on the Mississippi River.

A graduate of the Bettendorf school system, he was a percussion player in the high-school band. He then attended Scott County Community College, where he fine-tuned his computer skills.

Michael began singing as a young adult in the Bettendorf Presbyterian Church choir. He was inspired by a male vocalist who sang a solo in a Lenten service. He said to himself, “I can do that.”

He joined the Kirk shortly after moving to the Village and enjoyed singing with our choir for four years.

Five years ago, Rick Federick approached Michael and asked if he would consider putting his computer skills to work for the Kirk. Michael accepted the opportunity and began creating PowerPoint presentations of the order of service for the Saturday night service.

The order of service is emailed to him each week. Every Friday he prepares approximately 12 slides which include scripture locations, the sermon title, and lyrics to all hymns. He has created approximately 260 PowerPoint presentations, to date, and is still computing.

In 2016, Michael was offered a job at the Mount Carmel Community at the Balboa Gate. He works full-time, including every weekend, which precludes Saturday (or Wednesday) choir practice and Sunday worship service.

If his schedule changes, he said he will be back singing in the choir in a heartbeat. This explains his disappearance. Mystery solved.

Do you have medical skills?

The Kirk Safety Ministry is updating the list of medical professionals within our membership.

If you are a medical professional and willing to be listed as a resource, please contact Sharon Gardner at puffchop38@yahoo.com or call her at 612 803-4421.

Thank you in advance!



Michael Erickson uses his computer skills to help the Kirk. (Jan Haltberg photo)

Behind the scenes



Michael’s job at Mt. Carmel entails serving meals to the residents in the dining room and helping with food preparation, dishes, and sanitation. He says the best part of his job is getting to know the residents.

When not working for Mount Carmel or the Kirk, Michael likes to swim and jog. He is even contemplating writing a science-fiction novel.

We are fortunate to have this personable young man giving freely of his time in service to the Kirk “behind the scenes.”

Jan Holtberg is a member of the Communications Committee.

Fall Arkansas Train trip

Join Kirk in the Pines

Thursday, October 25, 2018

for A Day Trip!



INCLUDED:

- Deluxe Motorcoach roundtrip from Hot Springs Village
- Travel via train one way from Van Buren to Winslow and enjoy a savory box lunch of a turkey croissant sandwich, potato salad, a cookie with tea, soda or water.
- After we arrive in Winslow, AR we will board the motorcoach and depart for Mt. Magazine where we will indulge in a grand buffet dinner overlooking the Quachita Mountains!
- A Vacation Valet Escort will assure smooth travels.

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Other conditions and restrictions may also apply.

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Kirk has gone extra mile for Pat Hightower

My dear Kirk family:

All of you have supported me, taken care of me and loved me for 23 years. God has blessed me with your friendship through the good times and the sad. I have loved being a part of the Kirk and will miss all of you.

Special thanks to the choir for the reception after church on June 24! I felt so special. I've read all your cards several times.

So many of you have "gone the extra mile" for me and there isn't space to name all of you, but I must acknowledge Clark and Jean (Mowry) for their extra care. Please take care of Randy and Donna. They're so special to me.

I pray God's richest blessings for all.

Love,

Pat Hightower



The Mail Corner

Lois Dykstra thanks all the Kirk saints

To all the Kirk Saints!

I want to thank you for all the love and concern while John was ill. Thank you for all the cards and food received.

God bless you.

Lois Dykstra

Lightning sends golfers from sand to safety

By Jim Hess

The Kirk Sunday Golf Group played Isabella Golf Course on July 8. All golfers were enjoying the day when the lightening hit very close to the ground. We chose shelter, and left the course.

Lady Winners of our Games of Skill were Jamie Federick – Closest to Pin – and Joyce Hayek – Long Putt at 21 feet, four inches.

Men Closest to Pin was Ed Russell and Long Putt at four feet, three inches went to Gary Rector.

I was awarded the Wolf Traveling Trophy for hitting five sand bunkers.

Dinner was attended by 27 members of our group in The Saint Restaurant at Isabella.

Our next outing will be Aug 12. Sign up information will be e-mailed

to all members. Save the day on your calendar.

If you are new to our Kirk, or looking for a friendly golf game, and would like to join our Kirk Golf Group, we welcome you. We are a group of



single couple levels holes, and golfers of all skill playing either 9 or 18 your choice.

We play our Village courses the second Sunday of each month. Dinner follows golf at one of our Village restaurants, April through October. If you would like additional information, please call me at 922-2326, or email jimobhess@suddenlink.net

Jim Hess is chief shepherd of the Kirk Golf Group.



Right person + right time = miracle

How do you define "a miracle?"

The story is told of a man stranded on the roof of his house during a flood, praying for a miracle. People in a helicopter, a motor boat and a canoe came by but he waved them off, saying, "I have prayed and God will bring me a miracle."

The flood waters rose and he drowned.

At the pearly gates he complained about the failed miracle.

God's responded, "I sent you a helicopter, a motor boat and a canoe. What were you expecting?"

Many of us were glued to TVs, radios and newspapers from June 23 through July 11 as Tai Navy Seals and experts from eight other countries were able to find, care for and ultimately rescue 12 soccer players and their coach.

They had been "on a birthday adventure" when trapped three miles inside a flooded Thailand cave. People all over the world, in multiple languages prayed, in their hearts and minds, to the God of their belief.



**Carnegie
Corner**
By Lowell Gardner

One of those diving experts, very familiar with the variety of hazards faced in cave diving, was quoted as saying this successful rescue was, in his words, "a miracle."

Is God still at work miraculously?

In the New Testament, when medical science was in its infancy, Jesus and some of his empowered followers worked miracles. How was that different?

God places the right person where the need exists. His Son was faithful and the work got done.

Caring, inquisitive people study, learn and books are written. Caring, committed people learn and apply. Our Kirk library is full of miracles waiting to happen. Are you available for a miracle?



At Notre Dame Cathedral are (from left) Bill Bailey, Ron Lovitt, Ruth Richards, Sharon Swan, Elijah Bailey, Marilyn Miller, Jean Fisher, Arnie Holtberg, Hannah Bailey, Brianne Harper, Sharon Collar, Kitty Reddin, Cliff Redin, Carol Sue Williams, Anne Bailey, James Harper, Pat Moon, Taryn Bailey, June Moore, Debra Cordell, Shirley Siska, Jan Holtberg, Priscilla Hayek and Tom Hayek.

Story of France trip, potluck dinner will be served Aug. 15

A picture travelog on the recent trip to France and Switzerland will be presented after a summer potluck dinner beginning at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, in Hoffius Hall.

Sponsored by the Educational Committee, the show will feature Tom Hayek and pictures taken on the trip led by Pastor Bill Bailey and 23 Kirk members, family, friends and guests.

They went to the French Riviera and toured Nice, Monte Carlo, Geneva, Switzerland and many French towns, cities, villages and historic sites.

Bring your favorite French dish to share and join the fully enriching experience of dining, social interaction and learning.



Happy dates



Birthdays

Aug. 1	Earl Mulley	Aug. 8	Judy Stewart	Aug. 25	Betty Powell
Aug. 2	Janna Lyndon	Aug. 10	Frank Leeming	Aug. 27	Tom Fink
	Suzanne New	Aug. 11	Barb Henry		Cynthia Morgan
Aug. 3	Stephenie Hebert	Aug. 13	LuDean Walston	Aug. 28	Jim Hess
	Barbara McAnarney	Aug. 14	Beverly Carpenter		Pat McPheters
Aug. 5	Debbie Brod	Aug. 18	Shirley Freeman-	Aug. 29	Bill Reynolds
Aug. 7	Jean Dillon		Stollsteimer	Aug. 30	Barbara Harris-Chambliss
	Art Volkema	Aug. 23	Carol Clark	Aug. 31	Mary Anne Wood
Aug. 8	Sharon Hogue		Pat Koller		

Anniversaries

Aug. 1	Donna and Randy Toney	36 Years	Aug. 18	Ellen and Harry Marshall	60 Years
Aug. 4	Teresa and Samuel Arant	38 Years	Aug. 19	Nancy and Jim Patton	39 Years
	Beth and Ted Samsel	61 Years	Aug. 23	Marilyn and Jerral Johnson	60 Years
Aug. 6	Eleanor and Donald Elsenheimer	57 Years		Judy and Duane Sonnenburg	58 Years
Aug. 7	Vel and Jack Huebner	54 Years	Aug. 26	Mary Ann and Bill Reynolds	55 Years
Aug. 10	Joyce and Paul Hayek	59 Years	Aug. 30	Emily and Dennis Faulk	59 Years
	Gloria and Hep Hepner	59 Years		Earl and Barbara Mulley	30 Years
Aug. 11	Doris and Carl Simmons	50 Years			



The owner and employees of American Eagle Paving Co. of Mabelvale, Ark., complete repaving the Kirk parking lots. Grounds Moderator Tom Hayek said the \$17,000 project added sand to the asphalt content to reduce slipperiness when the parking lots are wet. (Joyce Leeming photo)

Large shepherd group enjoys eating out

By Jim Hess

Shepherd Group 5 is a dinner group. We meet once a month at various restaurants in Hot Springs Village. During summer months, we visit restaurants in Hot Springs. Attendance is 25 to 35 diners each month.

If we had a mission statement, it would be “an evening of fellowship with a



From the flock

Reports about our Shepherd Groups

group of caring Christians enjoying one another while drawn together through the Kirk's Shepherd Group program.”

During our meeting we thank our host couple for selecting the restaurant. We share information on birthdays and anniversaries, discuss member needs and sign get-well cards, if needed.

We address new business as it arises. We always offer a prayer before dinner.

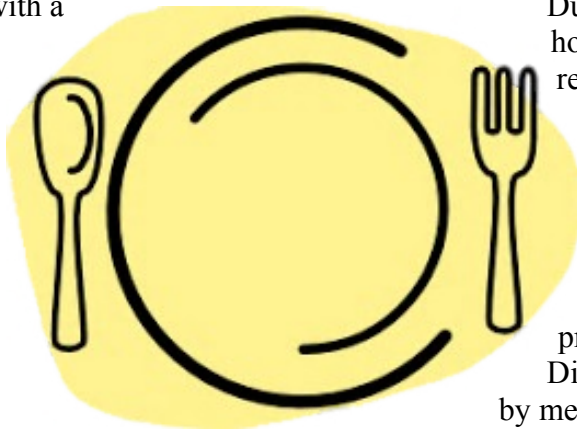
Dinner restaurants are selected by members who volunteered to host

at our first meeting of each year. Hosts are responsible for contacting their restaurant of choice, setting a date and advising the number who will be attending.

We enjoy a different dining experience each month.

Our Shepherd Group is large. It including 54 active, six communications-only and six out-of-town members. Restaurant selections are limited due to our large size. Therefore hosts are limited in their restaurant selections. We still have wonderful dining experiences.

Jim Hess is a co-leader of Shepherd Group 5, along with Bev Bongard, Ed Russell and Rosemary Claveau.



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