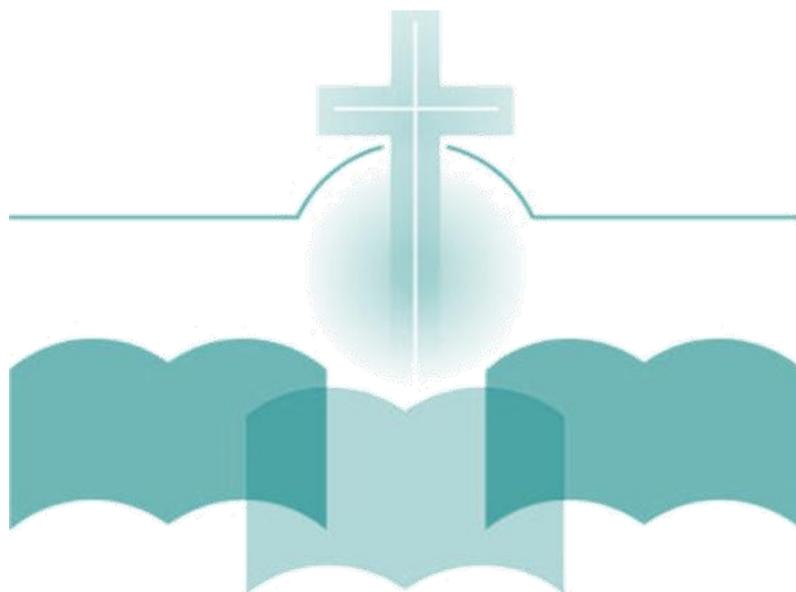


Idlewild Presbyterian Church



Christian Formation for All Ages FALL 2017

Rally Day Kick-Off and Adult Ministry Fair **Sunday, August 20**

9:40 a.m. All gather in the Sanctuary for music and fun.

10:00 Children and Youth to Sunday School Room and
Adults to T.K. Young Room for an Adult Ministry Fair.

Join us and invite your friends!

August 20 – December 31, 2017

ADULT MINISTRY

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

All Sunday School classes welcome newcomers and visitors, as well as familiar faces! Classes are 9:40–10:40 a.m. Many classes have a contact person. For more information, contact Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation, rlamar@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681 ext. 46.

Young Adult Class

Front Porch of the CAFE, 28 S. Evergreen Porch

Childcare available

Begins August 27

The Young Adult Sunday school is open to all young adults. This fall, we will examine different ways that we might practice our faith. Using Scripture, history, and our own experiences, we'll explore such topics as honoring the body, hospitality, saying yes and saying no, and forgiveness. Come anytime between 9:40 and 10:00 for coffee and donuts and our discussion begins at 10. We hope to see you there! Contact Sarah Wolf (swolf@idlewildchurch.org) for more information.

Christian Parenting of Young Children: Nurturing the Soul of Your Family

T.K. Young Room Stage

Childcare available

Faithful parents understand the importance of their own relationship with God and desire to create a home conducive to shaping the hearts and minds of children in a vibrant faith and love toward God and others. Join other parents/guardians/partners of young children, birth to early elementary, to explore moving through parenthood.

AUG 20: Rally Day Adult Ministry Fair

AUG 27: *Exploring the Text*. Exodus 1:8–2:10

Led by Steve Montgomery

SEPT 3: *Ministry in Cuba*

Come learn about the ministry of Idlewild's sister church in Cuba. The Rev. Infante will discuss the joys and challenges of his church's ministry and where he sees God at work in his congregation.

Led by the Rev. Alison Infante, Pastor of the Juan G. Hall Presbyterian Church in Cardenas, Cuba

SEPT 10: *Be in the Know Parents Meeting*, T.K. Young Room.

Led by Caitlin C. Bomar

SEPT 17: *Immigration and Multiculturalism*

Immigration and multiculturalism--the law is changing, and so is society. The class will discuss recent changes in law and public opinion as well as ways to address these issues with young children.

Led by Jeremy Sykes, Attorney-Immigration Law

SEPT 24–OCT 8: *Nurturing Your Marriage*.

Marriage is a covenant that, at its best, serves as a way to help people become more the people God calls them to be, but sustaining a marriage takes time, energy, and attention. These three weeks are an opportunity to focus on the joys and challenges of this important relationship.

Led by Jim and Anne H.K. Apple.

OCT 15: **NO CLASS (NaCoMe All Church Camp)**

OCT 22: *Living the Faith: Service Ideas for Children and Families*.

With the hectic pace of family life, it can feel overwhelming to know how to engage in regular service opportunities with your children. Some ideas for service opportunities appropriate for children will be shared.

Led by the Rev. Sara Dorrien-Christians, Outreach Coordinator

OCT 29: *What's the Difference? Understanding Christian Denominations*.

On Reformation Sunday, Dr. Montgomery will help us understand how we came to have so many different Christian denominations and what the differences in beliefs and practices are.

Led by Pastor Steve Montgomery

NOV 5: *A Great Cloud of Witnesses*.

On All Saints Sunday, we remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Come and remember the saints from your own life who have shaped you and consider who those saints are for your children as they grow in faith.

Led by Steve Montgomery

NOV 12–26: *Parables: Thinking Beyond Allegory*

Why did Jesus use parables as a method of teaching? And why are they so difficult to understand? Over these three weeks, the class will explore the multi-faceted nature of Jesus' parables and the power that they hold when we allow them to be more than allegories.

Led by the Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation

NOV 12: *The Parable of the Wedding Banquet:*

Matthew 22:1–14

NOV 19: *The Parable of the Servants:*

Luke 12:32–48

NOV 26: *The Parable of a Father and Two Sons:*

Luke 15: 1–3

DEC 3–10: *Unplug the Christmas Machine*.

Along with the joy of the season, come the annual questions of "How can I reduce the stress of preparing for Christmas?" "How can I make our celebration more spiritual and less materialistic?" and "How can I teach my children that Christmas means more than just presents?" Over two weeks the class will use Jo Robinson's book *Unplug the Christmas Machine:*

A Complete Guide to Putting Joy and Love Back into the Season to discuss faithful and enriching approaches to the Christmas season.

Led by Anne Bradley Thomas

DEC 17: Waffle Breakfast For All Ages, T.K. Young Room

20/20 Class

28 S. Evergreen, 2nd Floor

This interactive class takes issues and questions in church history and relates them to modern day issues. All are welcome to join us any time.

The Medieval Church Between St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas.

Subjects include the ideas of Augustine and Aquinas, the Benedictines and other monastic sects, the purges of Heretics across Europe, the Crusades and Black Death, Popes (the Good, the Bad and the Ugly), Women in the Medieval Church, the role of pilgrimage, relics and daily rituals for Christians.

Led by Scott Moore, John Boughter, and Dan Dunaway

Covenanters Class

Church Parlor

SEPT 3–DEC 17: *Feasting on the Word*

Feasting on the Word materials engage adults in a deeper exploration of biblical texts. Christian faith is enhanced when the Scriptures, read and proclaimed in worship, are reinforced and expanded on what a person has been considering in their educational time. Education and worship can be mutually supportive in helping God's word in Scripture come alive in the Sunday morning experience.

Led by: Charles Key and Ben Bledsoe

Faith and Function Class and Timothy Class

Harlan Room, Sanctuary Bldg.

Does it really matter what these writing of millennia ago say or mean in this mixed up world of today? For the coming 2017–2018 Program Year, with the temporary dislocations during the Jones Building renovations, the Faith & Function and the Timothy Classes will be meeting together in the Harlan Room. We share a common interest in exploring how our authoritative texts and our individual and corporate faith journeys speak to us today. Each week, a scholar of the Scriptures visits with us and takes us down a path of examining the context in which the text was written as well as the context in which we read in our own times.

AUG 27: Margaret Burnett, Associate Pastor and Executive Director for Children and Family Enrichment (CAFE)

Rebuild, Raise, Repair and Restore

Using Isaiah 58:12, we will explore how the new Children and Family Enrichment is seeing, interrupting, and healing adverse childhood experiences so that Idlewild may be part of rebuilding the broken places of our city, raising health in the foundations of the community, repairing the injuries that lead to violence, disease, addiction and poverty, and restoring families, dignity, and hope.

SEPT 3: The Rev. Dr. Steve Haynes, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at Rhodes College and Theologian in Residence, Idlewild Presbyterian Church

Scripture, Addiction and the Church—The Sequel

Steve will lead us on a follow-up to his excellent series from the Spring as we take another hard look at addiction, for both individuals and the Church—and how we must learn how to deal with our own as well as institutional addiction—in its variety of forms.

SEPT 10–24: The Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation

Parables: Thinking Beyond Allegory

Why did Jesus use parables as a method of teaching? And why are they so difficult to understand? Over these three weeks, the class will explore the multi-faceted nature of Jesus' parables and the power that they hold when we allow them to be more than allegories.

SEPT 10: The Parable of the Wedding Banquet: Matthew 22:1–14

SEPT 17: The Parable of the Servants, Luke 12:32–48

SEPT 24: The Parable of a Father and Two Sons: Luke 15: 1–3, 11–32

OCT 1–15: Dr. Steven Parrish, Professor of Old Testament at MTS.

Exodus

The second book of the Pentateuch is clearly the defining story of God's people—on which much of the rest of the Scriptures hang—in the promise and message of Jesus as well as those of the Hebrew judges, kings and prophets. Dr. Parrish will certainly help us gain a greater understanding of the centrality and power of this critical story in our faith tradition.

OCT 22–29: Dr. Peter R. Gathje, Professor of Christian Ethics at Memphis Theological Seminary

The Social Gospel

While we are familiar with the “least of these” message in the Judgment of the Nations in Matthew 25: 31-46, much more of Jesus' lessons commanded us to treat others in justice and in mercy. Dr. Gathje will help us to explore and internalize those lessons.

NOV 5–26: Dr. Jim McClanahan, retired pastor (ordained in 1980 by the Presbytery of the Mid-South) and former professor of religious studies, with a concentration in New Testament and Church History.

The Bible and the Future—the Most Comprehensive Scripture Texts of Christian Hope, and Why They Matter

What is the totality of Christian hope? How does Jesus fulfill the promises of the Old Testament? What is the meaning of Jesus' preaching “the kingdom of God”?

Why does the apostle Paul speak of "the whole creation groaning" for a time yet to come? What are the implications of Jesus' resurrection for us and the "restoration of all things"? These are some of the questions and topics this class will consider.

DEC 3–10: The Rev. Dr. Kendra Hotz, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at Rhodes.

Avoiding the Topic

Some passages of the Bible have been misused so often to hurt and drive away those we love that we spend most of our energy on correcting abuses. Once we've set aside misinterpretations, though, sometimes we are tempted to set aside the troubling passages as well. We'll spend two weeks thinking positively about what these passages have to say to us now.

DEC 3: Ezekiel 16:44-52

DEC 10: Romans 1:18-2:4

Stephen Class

Session Room

The object we call a book is not the real book, but its potential, like a musical score or seed. It exists fully only in the act of being read; and its real home is inside the head of the reader, where the symphony resounds, the seed germinates. A book is a heart that only beats in the chest of another. (From Rebecca Solnit, "Flight," in *THE FARAWAY NEARBY*.)

Everyone who likes to read is encouraged to join us. We choose what we read, and class members facilitate discussions. We read together because we find that, like a symphony concert or the cultivation of a seed, reading often requires a collective effort to ensure that the book beats truly in our own living.

We pace our reading based on the difficulty of the book and the desire of the class for time for reflection. There are no prerequisites except for a love of reading and a willingness to discover what others find in a book read in common.

Contacts: Jim Cole, jpcoln@bellsouth.net, and Bob Llewellyn, rrllewellyn@comcast.net.

AUG 27–SEPT 17: Marilynne Robinson, *LILA*

Facilitated by Bob Llewellyn

SEPT 24–OCT 15: Geraldine Brooks, *MARCH*

Facilitated by Susan Callison

OCT 22–NOV 26: John Steinbeck, *THE GRAPES OF WRATH*

Facilitated by Stephanie Rodda

DEC 3–17: Short story and video selections from *Listening for God*

Facilitated by all class members.

DEC 24: To be announced

DEC 31: Daniel Mendelsohn, *A Father's Final Odyssey*,

in memory of Jim Eikner

Facilitated by Jim Cole and Bob Llewellyn

Praying with Scripture: The Practice of Lectio Divina

Samaritan Counseling Center, 35 S Auburndale St., 38104

This meditative group has been active for several years now and is eager to expand and welcome new members or drop-ins. Using the Scripture that is preached upon that day, we read aloud, meditate in silence, and then share our reflections about how God is moving in our lives. We find that our concerns, relationships, hopes and aspirations naturally intertwine with this weekly meditation and sharing of the Scripture. We have realized that by listening "with the ear of our hearts," we can more easily feel the rhythm of God's presence in our daily lives. If you enjoyed being part of a weekly group of Lectio during past Lenten seasons, or have never tried it but are intrigued by the opportunity to slow your pace of prayer and listen more intently for God's call to you in Scripture, come and join us!

Leaders: Mary McIntosh, church elder, and willing class members

DEC 17: Waffle Sunday, T.K. Young Room

Everyone is Invited!

The Young Adults will host all classes in the T.K. Young Room for Waffle Sunday. There will be plenty of waffles with a variety of toppings and Christmas fun!

SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING OPPORTUNITIES

Common Table

Idlewild's vision states that we are a place where "all voices are heard." The Common Table was formed in response to that vision. It is designed to be a safe place to be heard and an opportunity to practice listening with others. Topics come from the congregation and all are welcome to join the conversation, so that we may really be a church where "justice speaks loudly and peace is our aspiration."

Death Matters

SEPT 24, OCT 1, & OCT 8

4:00–6:00 p.m., Harlan Room

Childcare available.

Death is a complicated and often-avoided topic in our culture. Over these three weeks, we will learn about and discuss issues such as a theological understanding of death, assisted suicide, and preparing well for our own deaths. Please RSVP to Brenda Harris, brenda@idlewildchurch.org.

WEEKDAY STUDIES AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Natural Spirituality

2nd Monday, 1:00–2:00 p.m.

Church Parlor

This women's discussion group explores ways to get in touch with one's spirituality through dreams and other less traditional means. Contact: Beth Simpson, bethsimpson36@gmail.com.

Support Group for Mothers of Young Children-

Time and Day TBD

Beginning this October at the Children and Family Enrichment Center (CAFE), 28 S. Evergreen Street

The hope for this time is that it will offer a therapeutic pause to mothers in the midst of the busyness of raising little ones.

Expectant mothers are more than welcome!

Childcare provided.

Wednesday Morning Studies

9:30–11:00 a.m.

Harlan Room

SEPT 13–20: *The Reformation and Its Legacies*

On All Hallows' Eve exactly 500 years ago, Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to a German church and ignited the Protestant Reformation. Christianity has never been the same. Why is this 1517 challenge to the established Roman church regarded as the starting point of the Reformation? Why did it begin in Germany? How did it gain traction, then splinter? What are its legacies for Christians today? These are just some of the questions that this two-week class will examine. Sign up and do some reading on the Reformation. Form or refine your opinions. Ferrell Varner will lead this presentation and with his polling software will be asking for your opinions and testing your knowledge.

Recommended reading: *The Reformation: A Very Short Introduction* by Peter Marshall, Oxford University Press, 2009.

Led by Ferrell Varner and Jim Cole

SEPT 27–OCT 18: Faulkner's *As I Lay Dying*

Southern literature doesn't get any more Gothic than this 1930 classic novel. Faulkner wrote it in an astonishing six weeks while working the nightshift at the power plant in Oxford, Mississippi. Filled with foreboding and black backwoods humor, the novel follows a straight chronology – unusual for Faulkner – as multiple narrators tell the story. They are all members of the Bundren family as they travel perilously through flood and fire with the coffin and corpse of Addie Bundren. Their purpose is to fulfill Addie's abiding wish to be buried 30 miles from home in Jefferson, county seat of Faulkner's mythical Yoknapatawpha County.

Led by Jim Cole

(No Class on OCT 25)

NOV 1–15: *Famous Historical Trials from Joan of Arc to Nuremberg.*

Famous historical trials will be discussed, primarily the main Nuremberg trial. Particular focus will be on the effort of Justice Jackson to use the trial as a forum to make the waging of aggressive war itself an international crime. Reading, *Nuremberg Diary* by G.M. Gilbert, an American psychologist would be appreciated, but not required. Gilbert lived among the defendants throughout the trial and wrote a day to day account of his experiences and conversations. Session one, we will discuss the heresy trial of Joan of Arc, followed by two trials that were important in defining personal freedoms. John Hampton (*England, 1638*) and John Peter Zenger (*Colonial New York, 1735*).

Led by Ernest Kelly

NOV 29–DEC 13: *Telling Your Story: Ideas for Sharing your Family or Personal History with Future Generations.*

High on the Bucket List of many seniors is the desire to share the story of their lives and the lessons they've learned. This class can provide the push you need to get started. We will read from memoirs by some of today's best writers...discuss topics for essays that you can compile into a collection...and explore the wide variety of options for sharing your collection of stories and photographs, from self-published books to digital scrapbooks, blogs and family websites.

Led by Idlewild member Dolores Bell, a writer and editor, who has assisted others in telling their stories.

Koine Greek Class

One weekday afternoon, usually Thursday, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

This is an adult weekday class for the study of the New Testament in the original Greek. This group was formed by Dr. Milton P. Brown, a retired professor from the Department of Religion at Rhodes College. Those interested in the class, or in undertaking a beginner's course in Koine Greek, may contact Ernest Kelly for information at 901-568-8462 or horselovers@aol.com.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

SEPT 14–OCT 26

In the Beginning: A study of the first eleven chapters of Genesis with the descendants of the people who wrote it.

10:00–11:00 a.m., at Trezevant Gallery, 177 N. Highland St.

These chapters include such familiar stories as creation, the first sin, the flood, and the tower of Babel. God is shown here as a God of both justice and mercy, One who gives and forgives, who suffers along with the creation. We hope to include some members of Temple Israel in this study.

BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible).

Led by Mary Edith Walker

SEPT 14: 1:1–2:3 Creation

SEPT 21: 2:5–24 Another account of Creation

SEPT 28: 3:1–24 The First Sin

OCT 5: 4:1–24; 6:1–8 Sin Continues to Multiply

OCT 12: 4:25–5:32 A Listing of Generations

OCT 19: 6:11–9:17 The Flood; The Rainbow Covenant

OCT 26: 9:1–11:9 Curse of Canaan; Table of Nations; Tower of Babel

For additional information contact Mary Edith Walker, msmewalker@bellsouth.net

To register contact Brenda Harris, brenda@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext. 35.

IDLEWILD CHOIR

The Choir sings weekly during the 11:00 service and other special services and concerts. Weekly rehearsals are Wednesdays, 7:00–9:00 p.m. in the Choir Room (Sanctuary Bldg., 2nd Floor). Members also attend one section rehearsal each month. To discuss choir membership please contact Barry Oliver, Director of Music Ministry, at boliver@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext. 12.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Study circles and fellowship are for women of all ages. All Presbyterian women are invited to join a circle for friendship and spiritual growth. Throughout the year, four circles meet for Bible study and service. They reach out to one another as well as new members, collect and distribute money for outreach, serve the needs of those who can't attend church, and pray for our church and the world. For more information, contact Teresa Caldwell, 901-830-4650 or teresa-caldwell@hotmail.com.

Rally Day Information Table: T.K. Young Room

Sunday, AUG 20

9:40–10:40 a.m. and 12:00–12:30 p.m.

Horizons Bible Study and Fall Workshop at

Pinecrest

Saturday, AUG 26, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Pinecrest Conference and Retreat Center Chapel, 21430 Hwy 57, Moscow, TN 38057, (901-878-1247).

Cost of lunch : \$15.00.

The Horizons Bible Study Conference provides an opportunity for Bible moderators and leaders to examine the 2017–2018 PW Horizons Bible Study, *Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews* by Rev. Melissa Bane Sevier. Hebrews is both long and complex. Those qualities make it an exciting and interesting book to study. Individual PWs from churches in the Presbytery will set out on a journey of hearts and minds, a journey to expand and deepen our understanding. Study will be led by the Reverend Lucy Waechter Webb, Pastor of Evergreen Presbyterian Church.

Meet and Greet

Sunday, AUG 27, 4:00 p.m. at the home of Susan Taylor, 4816 Whitehall CV, 38117

All women are invited. Our special guests will be the newest members of Idlewild. This is an opportunity to welcome them into the life of the church and introduce them to some ways Presbyterian Women serve in the church, our city, and the world.

Fall Gathering and Luncheon

Tuesday, SEPT 19, 11:00 a.m.

T.K. Young Room

The Reverend Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation, will give an overview of the fall study: *Cloud of Witnesses...* by Melissa Bane Sevier. In nine lessons, the author invites you to explore major themes found in Hebrews, relate these themes to other parts of our faith tradition, and tie them together with the overarching motif of community. We pray that the study of community in Hebrews will help you strengthen your own community.

Melissa Bane Sevier is a teaching elder in the PCUSA, who, after more than 23 years as a pastor, chose in 2015 to leave the pastorate and focus on her longtime ministry of writing and photography.

PW Circles Meet Oct 3 to May 1

Various times and locations

Most circles meet the first Tuesday of each month. The Trezevant Circle meets the first Thursday. For more details or monthly meeting locations, please contact Teresa Caldwell, 901-830-4650 or teresa-caldwell@hotmail.com for meeting locations or any other information.

NEW CIRCLE: 1st Tuesday beginning OCT 3 at 11:00 a.m. in the Parlor. Please come and join the study of Hebrews from the Horizons Bible Study as well as enjoy the fellowship of other women. Working women, come and bring your lunch, if you are able.

ABIGAIL: Meets for lunch in a member's home. Shari Tucker, Leader; Mace Coday, Co-leader; Debbie Pittman, Bible Moderator.

LYDIA RUTH: Meets at 10:30 a.m. in a member's home. Barbara Denley, Leader; Barbara Terhune, Co-leader; Mary Edith Walker, Bible Moderator.

REBEKAH: Meets at 10:00 a.m. in a member's home. Mary Lou McCaa, Leader; Regina Benson, Co-leader; Patricia Suttle, Bible Moderator.

TREZEVANT: Meets at 10:30 a.m., first Thursday of the month. Beth Simpson, Leader; Catherine Berger, Co-leader; Barbara Denley, Bible Moderator.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S HOPE CIRCLE (Pop Up Circle)

Tuesday, OCT 3, 10, 17, 24

4:30-5:30 p.m., Session Room

Living in The Now

Katie Cole, Leader; Stephanie Rodda, Co-leader.

Are you eager to discuss important issues with other women?

Then consider joining Hope Circle, a group of Presbyterian Women who plan to meet for 4 weeks in October for small-group conversations on influential topics. Moderated by Katie Cole, each session will include a guest who has devoted much time and experience to the topic under discussion. For details, contact Katie Cole at katielxs@aol.com.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

There is always a lot going on in young adult ministry at Idlewild and many ways to get involved. If you would like to be on the email list to receive young adult ministry updates each week, please contact Sarah Wolf, swolf@idlewildchurch.org, to be placed on the email list!

Young Adult Fellowship Events

The Young Adults have a fellowship event every month. If you would like more information about Young Adult activities, please contact Sarah Wolf (swolf@idlewildchurch.org). In addition to our monthly gatherings, we go out to lunch every 3rd Sunday after the 11:00 service.

AUG 18: Young Adult Programming Kick-Off at the home of Jim and Anne Apple, 1731 Galloway, 38112.

SEPT 19: Railgarten

OCT 21: Mississippi Riverkings Game

NOV 18: Memphis Escape Rooms

DEC 5: Trivia at Brookhaven Pub and Grill

Young Presbyterian Women (YPW)

YPW meets monthly for Bible Study on various topics at different members' homes. The group also meets for dinner throughout the fall. Contact Kristen Murphy, kirstendmurphy@gmail.com or Sarah Wolf, swolf@idlewildchurch.org for more information!

YPW Bible Study Hosts

SEPT 13: Rebecca Hinds

OCT 12: Kelli Conrad

NOV 3-5: YPW Retreat, Pickwick Lake

DEC 19: Whitney Getman

YPW Dine-0-1

SEPT 28: Levitt Shell Concert

OCT 25: Fuel Cafe

NOV 20 : Sekisui Midtown

DEC 7: Ornament Exchange, Kristen Murphy's home

Young Adult Men's Dinners

The young adult men gather for dinner on the second Thursday of every month.

SEPT 14: LBOE Burgers

OCT 12: Lost Pizza Co

NOV 9: Slider Inn

DEC 14: Central BBQ (on Central)

YOUTH MINISTRY

(6TH-12TH GRADE)

Youth fellowship is composed of two groups: **QUEST** (Questioning, Understanding, Exploring, Sharing/Serving Together)—grades 6-8 and **BASIC** (Brothers and Sisters in Christ)—grades 9-12. For information contact either Frank Kelly, Director of Youth Ministry, 726-4681 ext. 13 or fkelly@idlewildchurch.org, or Dara Bigger, Asst. Director of Youth Ministry, 726-4681 ext. 45 or dbigger@idlewildchurch.org.

Sunday Morning Classes

Classes are 9:40-10:40 a.m.

A lectionary-based Presbyterian Church (USA) curriculum is used. **QUEST** and **BASIC** meet at **28 S. Evergreen, 1st Floor**.

Sunday Evenings

Youth groups share dinner, games, worship, discussion and fellowship. Details about Sunday programs and other events are sent to youth and parents each week.

QUEST 6:00-7:30 [T.K. Young Room]

BASIC 6:00-7:30 [T.K. Young Room]

See below for AUG 20 Kickoff information.

Senior High Prayer Breakfast

BASIC youth meet each Tuesday morning at Panera Bread (4530 Poplar). Frank is there from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Youth provide their own transportation. No breakfasts during holidays.

Youth Ministry Special Events

AUG 20: Youth Ministry Kickoff

QUEST (grades 6-8) and **BASIC** (grade 9-12) youth will head to Sky Zone. Youth need to be at Idlewild by 3:30 p.m. with us returning to Idlewild by 6:30 p.m.

What to Bring:

- \$15 per person to cover the cost of the event and extra if youth want to buy snacks

- Waiver filled out for each youth (will be sent out via email). Please contact Frank or Dara to be added to the email group.

With all Youth Ministry events, if any family needs assistance with fees, please see Dara Bigger or Frank Kelly. Youth Ministry has funds set aside for this very need.

AUG 27: Parents of 6th and 7th graders' Informational Session on *Created by God: Exploring God's Gift of Sexuality*, 6:00–7:30 p.m. at CAFÉ, 28 S Evergreen Street

SEPT 15: *Created by God: Exploring God's Gift of Sexuality* for 6th and 7th graders and their parents, to address the topic of God's good gift of sexuality in a safe, shame-free environment, from 5:30–8:30 p.m. in the Harlan Room. RSVP to Caitlin C. Bomar, cbomar@idlewildchurch.org by SEPT 1.

OCT 22: BASIC Mission Night, T.K. Young Room

The whole church is invited to a dinner to hear about the BASIC Mission Trip to Navajo Nation in Summer 2017.

Dinner 5:45-6:30 p.m.

Program 6:30-7:30 p.m.

NOV 19: Soup To Go Sale

DEC 3: BASIC Christmas Party

DEC 10: QUEST Christmas Party

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

(5TH GRADE AND UNDER)

The nursery as well as all children's ministry classrooms are in the Sanctuary Building for the '17-'18 school year, as opposed to the Jones Building where they have been located in past years. For more information about children's programs please contact Director of Children's Ministry, Caitlin C. Bomar at cbomar@idlewildchurch.org or 540-471-4825.

Sunday Morning Classes

Classes are 9:40-10:40 a.m.

Nursery: Infants, Toddlers & Two-Year-Olds

(The Nursery is located in the former Conference Room, 1st Floor next to Parlor)

Childcare provided by: Marshall Johnson and Toni Christopher

Two-Year-Old Class

(Nursery, Former Conference Room, 1st Floor)

Led by: Sam and Melanie Stewart

Explore Bible stories using Cokesbury's *Deep Blue* curriculum, and enjoy time for active play.

Children's Music: Making a Joyful Noise

Begins AUG 27, 9:40-10:00 a.m.

PK/JK class meets in the Former Library. Donia Wade, Music Leader.

SK–2nd Grade class meets in the Strock Room. Mary Jane Claassen, Music Leader.

3rd–5th Grade class meets in the Choir Room. Ginger Hopkins, Music Leader.

Singing will begin on August 27 for the PK/JK and SK–2nd grade class. The 3rd–5th grade class will be led through a curriculum that will broaden their musical experience of worship. Children

in grades 3–5 who are interested in being a part of a children's choir will have the opportunity to meet at a scheduled weekday time as arranged by Barry Oliver, Director of Music Ministries.

PK/JK Class

(Former Library, 2nd Floor)

Teachers: Carol Fields and Nancy Wilson

Shepherds: Lindsey Henson and Mary Alice Taylor

Using Cokesbury's *Deep Blue* curriculum, PK and JK children explore the world through Bible stories, play, and joyful noise as they experience sights, sounds, tastes, smells and textures.

SK, 1st, and 2nd Grade Class

Strock Room, 2nd Floor

Teachers: Laurie Barbee and Judy Johnson

Shepherds: Mary Muscari and Cristi Mosteller

Using Cokesbury's *Deep Blue* curriculum, senior kindergartners, 1st graders, and 2nd graders have adventures, hear exciting Bible stories, and learn how to live as disciples of Jesus.

3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Class

Christian Formation Suite, begins with music in the Choir Room

Teachers: Dana Brandon and Amy Sharp

Shepherd: Ray Brandon

Using a curriculum by Sparkhouse called *re:form*, 3rd-5th graders are encouraged to grow in their faith through exploring the questions they actually wonder about the Bible, creed, disciples, Jesus, and other beliefs. At Idlewild, we believe that questions are just as important as answers when it comes to a growing relationship with Christ.

Children's Sunday Worship

Idlewild welcomes children of all ages and encourages them to participate in our entire worship service. Children's worship packets can be found at all entrances to the church Sanctuary.

8:30 Worship: Nursery care is provided in the former Conference Room for infants, toddlers, and two year olds beginning at 8:15 a.m. every Sunday morning. Older children may stay in worship.

11:00 Worship: Please see below for information on offerings for children per age group:

Infants, toddlers and two-year-olds may stay in worship or go to the nursery.

PK and JK children (typically three and four year olds) may stay through the entirety of worship, or stay through the *Time with the Younger Church* and then attend Children's Church Continued (C3) for the remainder of the worship service. (See below for more details on C3.)

SK and 1st grade children: On Rally Day, August 20, the congregation is welcoming this age group of children to stay for the entirety of the worship service, (as opposed to going to C3). We are excited to grow alongside these children as they adjust to “big church!”

Third Sunday Ushering: Children in grades 3–5 are invited to sign up to help usher every third Sunday. If your child is interested in helping usher, please contact Caitlin C. Bomar.

Children’s Church Continued (C3)

PK and JK Children only

Led by Dannon Eubanks and youth volunteer, Amy

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Children’s Church Continued is offered in the former Library for children in PK and JK following the *Time with the Younger Church* that takes place during the 11:00 worship service. Parents should escort their children to the hallway outside of the Sanctuary by the T.K. Young Room, sign them in with C3 helpers, and pick them up and sign them out immediately following the service. *We need one adult volunteer every Sunday. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Caitlin.* Children in SK (senior kindergarten) and above are welcome to come up front for the *Time with the Younger Church*, but are asked to stay in the Sanctuary for the entirety of the worship service.

Children’s Ministry Fellowship Events

A fellowship opportunity for young families (families with at least one child who is JK- 4yrs old or younger) is held the last weekend of every month in the homes of different families. There is no agenda other than to enjoy an evening in good company amidst the busyness of raising little ones. If you would like to host, please contact Caitlin C. Bomar. Additionally, a fellowship opportunity for families SK–5th grade children is also held monthly. Again, there is no agenda other than to build community with one another amidst the busyness of raising children. If you would like to host, please contact Caitlin C. Bomar.

AUG 26: Back-to-School Pool Party for Families of children 5th grade and under. Hosted by Kim and Judy Johnson at 768 Charles Place, 38122 from 2–5 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish to share.

SEPT 22: Fellowship for Families of SK–5th graders hosted by: Kathryn and Jim Gilliland’s at 69 St. Albans Fairway, 38111 from 5:30–7:30 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

SEPT 24: Fall Potluck following 11 o’clock worship service

SEPT 30: Monthly Fellowship for Young Families hosted by: Meghan and Ben Clark at 134 Grove Park Circle, 38117 from 5:00–6:30 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

OCT 21: Fellowship for Families of SK–5th graders hosted by: John Feild’s at 1291 E Winchester Blvd, Collierville 38017 from 4:00–7:00 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

OCT 28: Monthly Fellowship for Young Families hosted by: Whitney and Kevin Getman at 5665 Redding Rd, 38120 from 5:00–6:30 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

NOV 18: Monthly Fellowship for Young Families hosted by: Lauren and Tyler Cannon at 440 Goodwyn St, 38111 from 5:00–6:30 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

DEC 9: Fellowship for Families of SK–5th graders at Kim and Judy Johnson’s, 177 Kimbrough Drive, Atoka TN 38004, from 2:00–5:00 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

DEC 30: Monthly Fellowship for Young Families hosted by: Collin and Sam Buckner at 1574 Harbert Ave, 38104 from 5:00–6:30 p.m. Please RSVP and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Children’s Ministry Special Events

To sign up for the following events, please contact Caitlin C. Bomar, Director of Children’s Ministry, at cbomar@idlewildchurch.org or 540.471.4825.

SEPT 10: *In the Know* Sunday School Class for Parents from 9:40–10:40 a.m., T.K. Young Room.

OCT 1: Communion Workshop for SK and 1st graders and parents, Strock Room (First Sunday Lunch), 12:15–2:00 p.m.

OCT 13–15: NaCoMe All Church Camp

OCT 30: Trunk or Treat, Dinner 5:00–6:00 p.m., T.K. Young Room. Activities in parking lot 5:30–7:30 p.m.

NOV 5: Movie Night, 4:00 p.m. and Children’s Activities, T.K. Young Room

NOV 19: Sunday School Teachers Bread-Making at Dana Brandon’s house from 3–5 p.m. at 481 W Racquet Club Place, 38117

DEC 3: Advent Sunday School Party from 9:40–10:40 a.m.

DEC 17: Waffle Sunday from 9:40–10:40 a.m. for all ages in the T.K. Young Room

DEC 24: Family Christmas Eve Service at 11 a.m.

NURTURE MINISTRY UNIT

Creative Play and Recreation, Joyful Fellowship and Evangelism, and Health and Wholeness make up the Nurture Ministry Unit. Sports Ministry and Special Events fall under Creative Play and Recreation. Potlucks, hosting visiting groups and special events fall under Joyful Fellowship. NaCoMe and Baptismal Buddies fall under Baptismal Nurture and welcoming visitors and new members fall under Evangelism. Health and Wholeness captures congregational care opportunities, special events and small group ministries.

For additional information contact Anne Apple, anne@idlewildchurch.org, 726-4681 ext. 18, Jacob Pierce, Interim Director of Athletics, jpierce@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext. 25 and Shari Gross, Interim Director of Recreation and Fellowship, sgross@idlewildchurch.org or 901-371-7840.

Creative Play & Recreation

Love kids? Love sports? There is always a need for coaches. If you can help coach a kid's team, contact Jacob Pierce, jpierce@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext. 25.

AUG 21: Soccer practice starts

SEPT 9: Soccer games begin

SEPT 16–NOV 4: Mini Strikers Soccer program at the Kroc Center for 4 and 5 year olds, every Saturday. Clinic style practice at 9:00 a.m. on the first two meetings and games on the last 5–6 meetings at 9:30 a.m.

Open Studio Pottery at the Highland Strip in November. For more information contact Shari Gross, sgross@idlewildchurch.org

Joyful Fellowship & Evangelism contact Shari Gross, sgross@idlewildchurch.org or 901-371-7840

SEPT 10: Idlewild sponsored Outflix movie at Ridgeway Four immediately following 11:00 worship. Lunch available. Those riding the bus, please board by 12:45 p.m. Movie starts at 1:30 p.m. To reserve a seat on the bus, contact Shari Gross, sgross@idlewildchurch.org.

SEPT 24: Potluck/Pic-Nic following 11:00 worship, T.K. Young Room.

SEPT 30: Mid South Pride Festival 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. at Robert Church Park and Parade 1:00–2:00 p.m. on Beale Street.

Idlewild will have a tent for the day of the festival and gather at the east end of Beale Street to march in the parade with other Presbyterian Churches. We encourage everyone to wear their Idlewild t-shirts to share our welcome throughout the community.

OCT 13–15: NaCoMe Church Camp for all ages at the NaCoMe Camp and Conference Center in Pleasantville TN. Play, shared meals, worship and a great time of fellowship with church family and friends. Registration begins **AUG 20** and ends **SEPT 25**.

OCT 30: Trunk or Treat, Dinner 5:00–6:00 p.m., T.K. Young Room. Activities in parking lot 5:30–7:30 p.m.

NOV 5: Movie Night, 4:00 p.m. and Children's Activities, T.K. Young Room

DEC 2: St. Jude Marathon and Support Station, time and place TBA.

DEC 17: Waffle Sunday, 9:40–10:40 a.m., T.K. Young Room
**See Sunday school listing.

Health and Wholeness

OCT 1: Blood Drive, 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. (Bloodmobile will be parked on Evergreen Street.)

DEC 3: Service of Wholeness, 4:00 p.m.

SMALL GROUP CHRISTCARE MINISTRIES

Each group shares a common interest in community (5–12 people) who support each other by praying and studying together. Some groups are open for enrollment at the beginning of each semester, others are drop-in groups. Each group has a contact person, or you may contact Anne H.K. Apple, anne@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681 ext. 18.

Issues of Addiction: Meets monthly, 1st Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Whether you have wrestled with issues of addiction yourself, or have a family member or friend who has struggled, this group supports people whose lives have been touched by addiction. Contact: EJ Baird, misliz917@mac.com or (901) 299-6716.

NEW! Idlewild Mothers 4th Thursday Breakfast Club

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month, 8:30–10:30 a.m. at a rotating breakfast/coffee spot. This groups welcomes mothers late 20s to mid-40s who are seeking to grow in faith and to connect with other women in the church.

First meeting is Thursday, **AUG 24** at Einstein Bros Bagel, 4653 Poplar Ave, 38117.

Contact Mary Jane Claassen, mjclaa@yahoo.com.

Wednesday Night Women's Group: Wednesdays 6:15–7:30 p.m.

Meets 1st–3rd Wednesdays for study; 4th Wednesday as a potluck social in a member's home. Study varies per semester. (Open enrollment at the beginning of each academic semester.) Contact: Jenni Brooks at jbrooks@idlewildchurch.org.

Men in Mid-Life

Two biweekly groups meet on Wednesday evenings. Open enrollment at the beginning of each academic semester.

Group 1: 1st & 3rd week Leader: Mike Bruno, MichaelgBruno@gmail.com or 901-590-7177. Session Room. Time TBD.

Group 2: 2nd & 4th week at Panera Bread, 4530 Poplar, 6:00–7:30 p.m. Leader: Steve Haynes, haynes@rhodes.edu.

Mothers of Teenagers: Monthly meetings in members' homes. Time and theme to be announced. Contact: Anne Bradley Thomas, ab29thomas@yahoo.com.

Spiritual Formation: Meets bimonthly on Mondays, 6:30 p.m. in a member's home. Study to be decided. Contact: Leslie Goodwin, leslieagoodwin@comcast.net.

Gay-Straight Fellowship: Meets monthly, 4th Sunday in a member's home, and serves at MTAM the 4th Thursday. Contact: Martin Donaldson, drmartyd@yahoo.com.

Theology and the Arts:

Meets monthly, the second Tuesday, September to May. We meet in members' homes to discuss the "art" we saw the previous month. This may include theater, music, art, movies, etc. We decide at the meeting what we will attend the next month. We do attend events as a group as well as going individually.

Jane Roberts, spidey2160@icloud.com and Debbie Williams, dwilliams@collier.com will be the coordinators for this September to May season.

MORE OFFERINGS BEING DEVELOPED, WATCH THE BULLETIN AND THIS WEEK AT IDLEWILD (TW@I).

ALL EAT-OUT DINNER GROUPS

Would you like to start a dinner group? Gather a group of folks and set up a time for table fellowship. The following groups currently meet:

First Friday Group, 6:30 p.m. Dine Out Group. Contact Carol Good, 726-4681.

Third Friday Group, Meets September–May, 6:30 p.m. Contact Ann Fain, 334-4810.

Young Adults, 2nd Saturday, 6:30 p.m.–Dine in and Dine out. Contact Jenni Brooks, 726-4681

Christian Formation Vision Statement

Christian Formation is being children of God and becoming the people of God by supporting a lifelong journey of transformation:

- Through Play – sharing God's creation in recreation
- Through Word – engaging Scripture, discerning its meaning for today, offering space for questions and doubt
- Through Mission – nurturing and sustaining a responsiveness to God and to one another.

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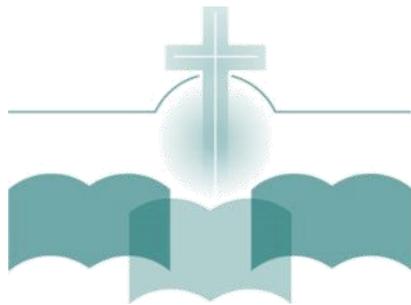
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