

Chronicles



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Upcoming Events

4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29: Worship Service

4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25: Choir Rehearsal

4/17: CLASP FUNd-Raiser at Carraba's

4/21: Comcast Cares Day

4/29: COF Birthday Party

5/10: Session Meeting (6:45pm)

Birthdays

Alan Jaeger - 4/1

Joanna Bailey - 4/8

Justin Brown - 4/28

William Lindsay - 4/29

Kyle Brown - 5/5

Kelly Stull - 5/5

Jessica Brown - 5/12

Jim Berry - 5/15

From the Pastor's Desk by Rev. Sharon Carter

Hello!

For those of you I haven't talked to recently, I'd like to wish you a Happy Easter! Lent for me was a special time, partly because I got to use my art skills to supplement the Lenten Bible study, and because the participation was enthusiastic and engaged. If you missed it I hope to use more creative exercises in our studies and gatherings to come. But now that Lent is behind us and we have celebrated the resurrection through Easter, I am ready to look ahead to what God has in store for us.

Easter was a lovely day with some new faces, some old friends and a good group of children! We had a SonRise service, a delicious breakfast, an Easter-egg hunt and our regular Easter service. Even though it was a little chilly we enjoyed being together to celebrate the good news of our resurrected Lord, Jesus Christ! At the worship services we heard about the women going to the tomb only to find Jesus was gone—that he had gone ahead to Galilee—and that they were to follow. And I asked the question: what would COF look like if it were resurrected and following Jesus to Galilee?

We continue to think about the future of our building and property. I am putting together a discernment team to help think through how we will be best served in the short and long term through the various options we have - everything from staying put and putting some money into what we have, to make it more useable for us and for people who might need a meeting space; to selling the building and finding a new space to worship in and do ministry out of. To be honest, I thought several months ago that I knew what I thought would be best; but as time has gone forward, I am not so sure. That is why the discernment process is important - we need to talk it out, to pray and to hear from objective voices which direction we might go in. If you are interested in being a part of the discernment team, please let me know as soon as possible. This will not be a long process of many meetings, but will probably be one to three longer meetings; because whatever we discern that God is calling us to do, I would like to begin putting a plan together by mid-summer.

One piece of news you may not have heard is that we, along with SPARK, have been chosen to be one of the sites for Comcast Cares Day, a day in which Comcast employees give of their time to do projects for non-profit organizations. We were nominated by Sam Gaston, Comcast employee and brother of SPARK parent Mollie Corson. I am very excited that we have this opportunity to strengthen our relationship with SPARK and get some projects done around the building and property! The date for Comcast Cares day is April 21, 8:30- 2:30 with lunch included. Anyone who wants to help out is welcome!

I so enjoy being the minister of Community of Faith Presbyterian church, and I am honored by the support you all give to the ministry of this church. I look forward to seeing where this year and the years to come will take us!

Peace, Rev. Sharon

Mission at Work by Jack Kleier

Here is a bit of trivia for you. The first action of the First General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in this country in 1787 at Philadelphia was to send missionaries to the frontier. Mission work has always been important to the Presbyterian Church. The Presbyterian Church has been very instrumental in establishing schools of higher education. Today there are 66 Church related colleges.

There are more Korean Presbyterians than there are in The Presbyterian Church (USA). This is due to the work of Presbyterian Missionaries to Korea that began in 1884. Korean Churches are the fastest growing churches in the Presbyterian Church (USA) in this country. The Koreans showed their appreciation a few years ago by donating \$100,000 two years in a row for the Pres. Church (USA) to build a chapel at the Louisville headquarters Building.

Mission has always been an important part of our Church. Presbyterians have been sent as missionaries to the four corners of the world. They have also been important to the Church to reach areas of our country to bring God's word to people. A young, successful minister from New York came to Buckhorn, KY and started a church and school, then a college back in the early 1900s. Harvey Murdock's work continues today as the Buckhorn Children's Center and the Log Cathedral Church.

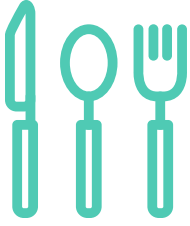
The Church still has Missionaries at work throughout the world but not nearly as many as we once did. Giving is down and the Church in this modern age is losing members. The work is still there to do, and the need is greater than ever. Those of us who remain must pick up as much of the cost as we can. COF does a good job of supporting Mission, but we can't let our guard down. Remember that Mission is an important part of the ministry of the Church, and get in the habit of supporting it with your mission giving.

There is a great opportunity just outside our doors awaiting us. God calls us to heal the sick and preach the word. We can be a part of that commission by going into our neighborhoods and helping those that have strayed from God's word to find their way back. It is up to each of us to invite the unchurched in, to help the fallen away find their way back.. God calls us to be in Mission, can we do any less than answer that call?

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Nancy Ziegler, Betty Murphy, Shirley Weigel, Ruth and Jack Roeber, The McDermott family, Johanna Willis, Nita Kleier, Inky Hall, David Weitzel, Joanna Bailey, Jean Jennings' family, Mary Lee Harrison, Emille Walden, Deborah Grover, Kelly Montana, Margaret Meyer, Lynda Jaeger, Sandi Brown

CLASP FUNd-raiser



On **Tuesday, April 17**, Carrabba's restaurant at the Crestview Hills Town Center will sponsor a FUNd-raiser on behalf of CLASP. For every person who brings a CLASP coupon to the restaurant that day, Carrabba's will donate 20% of the purchase price to CLASP. Coupons are available in the narthex, on the Community of Faith website <http://www.cofnky.org>, and the Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/cofnky>).

Happy Birthday, COF!



Join the us for Community of Faith's birthday celebration following the worship service on **Sunday, April 29**. Chicken and cake will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

Comcast Cares Day



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Mark your calendars and come to COF on **Saturday, April 21, from 8:30am to 2:30pm** to be a part of Comcast Cares Day! Approximately 40 or 50 people from COF, SPARK, and Comcast, Inc., will descend on the church for a day of cleaning, painting, and various maintenance activities. Comcast will pay for sandwiches for lunch. We need volunteers to bring side dishes and desserts, and to help set up to serve the lunch for the hungry work crews. There will be something for everyone, of all ages, and physical capabilities to do. We will do repairs, cleaning, and painting inside, and weeding, trimming, and planting outside. We have a list of things that we will make available, but we need for you to sign up immediately, so that we can make plans for teams and for lunch. Also, make sure that you sign the release form that Comcast requires (available in the Narthex). Come, and be part of a fun and successful facelift for our church.