



Being the presence of Christ in the world.

"I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!" Luke 12:49

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The Newsletter of Kirkwood Baptist Church
...together in freedom to care and to reconcile in Jesus' name...

211 North Woodlawn Ave
Kirkwood, MO 63122



Sundays at 4:30 pm in room 304

Music: Glen Calvin will be leading an old-fashioned sing-along with guitar, focused primarily on folk songs which deal with love, power, oppression, poverty, etc.

March 20: *Loving Kids through Difficult Change* – Ken and Laurie Copeland (KBC parents)

March 27: *Loving a Gay Son; a mother's perspective* – Dorothy Cunningham (KBCer)

April 3: *Loving a Gay Son; a son's perspective* – David Engle (KBCer)

April 10: *Cyber Bullies and Safe Relationships Online; for parents/grandparents* - Maggie Roach (Girl Scouts)



International Women's Day is

celebrated around the world on March 8th each year. For the past several years the Global Women of Kirkwood Baptist church have joined other Global Women in the United States in this celebration. This year, because of scheduling difficulties, we will celebrate IWD on March 26th and 27th.

The women of Kirkwood Baptist Church invite you to join us for brunch

Saturday, March 26, 2011 at 10:00 am.

Meet Paw Gaw and Cindy Dawson

Learn about the training provided to young women in Myanmar to enable them to lead self sufficient lives.

Please mark this date and plan to be with us.

To make a reservation, please email lporter@kirkwoodbaptist.org, call Peggy Van Asdale at 314-822-4795 or Nell Lockhart at 314-966-0019.

Making Connections

Sunday, March 27th
9:15 am in room 304

All adult Bible study classes are invited to join Cindy Dawson, Global Women Director, to learn more about the work Global Women is doing in Indonesia, Moldova and Burma. Learn about how you can connect with people thousands of miles away.

[Click here](#) to read more about GW Connections.
["Like"](#) Global Women on facebook!



Would you like to have a name tag to wear during church? We want you to, since it will distinguish you as a church member to our new visitors who may need to ask you a question. The first name tag will be provided by KBC, but any replacement tags will be \$6.00. If you are interested, please contact Krista Pyle, our Hospitality Coordinator at 314-965-2349 or kpyle@kirkwoodbaptist.org.

OUR VISION

We will be the presence of Jesus Christ in our community and beyond, through participative worship, open inquiry, loving fellowship, valued diversity, genuine inclusiveness, and servant leadership - encouraging all members to exercise God's gifts and calling as we share the Gospel with the whole world and minister to the whole person.

There is a place for you at Kirkwood Baptist Church



**Pastoral
Kindling** By Greg Lundberg

Lent

Lent is a season during which we can reflect upon our lives and consider how we might deepen our relationship with God. Sunday in worship, we considered two scriptures which reminded us that temptation has always been a force in our world. In Genesis we saw how Adam and Eve struggled with their temptation by the serpent. In Matthew 4 we saw that even Jesus faced temptation by Satan, though he did not yield to it. What can we learn from these scriptures to prepare for temptations we know are coming our way?

I read a short story recently that, for me, put this struggle in a little different light.

"A Native American elder once described his own inner struggles in this manner: 'Inside of me there are two dogs. One of the dogs is mean and evil. The other dog is good. The mean dog fights the good dog all the time.' When asked which dog wins, he reflected for a moment and replied, 'the one I feed the most.' "

~ George Bernard Shaw

This story poses an excellent question. As believers, what habits and/or disciplines do we employ that feed virtue in our lives, while starving any areas of vice? We can't avoid temptation, but when we are tempted we have choices, and as scripture promises, "a way out." (1 Cor. 10:13) Our preparation may determine our response. Here are a few *disciplines* we can use during Lent (and all year long) to build preparedness for whatever life brings our way.

Read scripture deeply – Drink in the words of scripture and deepen your walk with God. I find the Psalms and the Gospels to be especially meaningful during Lent.

Pray the Psalms... When we pray the Psalms (or other scripture) we join with the experiences of those writers. We can often locate ourselves in the pages of the Psalms. Try reading the same Psalm both morning and evening. Reading the Psalm may not change your circumstances, but it may change *the way you look at your circumstances*.

Keep silence... after reading, listen, meditate and reflect on what God would tell us about himself and us. It is easy to talk, but it is even more important to listen.

Intercessory Prayer – We all know of situations near to us that deserve our prayers. We should bring those prayers before God. There are also situations around the world, like the tragedy in Japan that call us to pray.

Read the prayers of others – Sometimes when I am at a loss for words, I turn to those "saints" who have gone before us and read/pray their prayers. The prayers of other believers can be very insightful and enlightening. Here are two resources I find to be most helpful. *The Book of a Thousand Prayers* – Ashwin; *A Guide to Prayer for All God's People* – Job/Shawchuck)

God bless you as you walk with him during this Lenten season.

The Mission Continues

Sunday, March 27th at 1:30 pm

The Theatre Guild of Webster Groves, 517 Theatre Lane

A special matinee performance of **Leading Ladies**, a play by Ken Ludwig

Show your support for wounded and disabled veterans by attending this performance to benefit **The Mission Continues**. The Mission Continues is a nonprofit organization that is fundamentally reshaping the way we welcome veterans home by challenging them to serve again in their communities. For more information contact Pat Bubash at 314-842-5460 or see their website at www.missioncontinues.org.

Begin Your Week with Worship

Sundays at KBC

7:45 am & 10:15 am Deacons
Pre-Service Prayers
8:00 am & 10:30 am Worship Service
9:15 am Bible Study for all ages
4:00 pm Community Gospel Choir
4:00 pm Youth Hand Bells
4:45 pm Youth Choir
4:30 pm Children's Choir
5:45pm Youth Snack Supper
6:15 pm Sunday Night Live

Upcoming Sermons

March 27 *Global Women Speaker*
Paw Gaw
April 3 *God's Heart Cath*
Ephesians 5:8-14
April 10 *Glimpses of Heaven*
Romans 8:6-11

March 20th

Sharing Abraham's Faith
Romans 4:1-5, 13:17

Deacon of the Week

Jon Hickman

Bible Openers

Emily Hartfelder - 8:00 am
Reed Easterling - 10:30 am

Worship Care Team Leader

Amy Easterling

Worship Care Volunteers

Trish Jackson, Bev Bates, Helen Killebrew, Caroline Penberthy
Ray Easterling

Center Your Week

Wednesdays at KBC

4:45 pm Family Dinner
5:45 pm Prayer Meeting
6:00 pm Bible Study
6:00 pm Chancel Ringers, KBC Brass
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Current Studies

Study led by Scott Stearman

**To those Loved and Called:
You've Got Mail!**

Romans 1:7

KBC Family Dinner

\$6/adult, \$2/child, \$16/family of 4+
Reservation/Cancellation Deadline: Noon
on Monday for the following Wednesday.
Late cancellations will be charged.

March 23—Garavelli's

Grilled Chicken Breast, Sweet Potatoes, Broccoli, Lemon Meringue Pie, Sugar Free Apple Pie

March 30—Mateker's

Ham with Pineapple Sauce, Seasoned Green Beans, Mostaccioli, House Salad w/ Italian Dressing, Ice Cream Treats

**Calendar Reminders
for the week of March 13th**

See pg. 2 for regularly scheduled Sunday & Wednesday activities.

Sunday, March 13th

2:00 pm Property & Space Meeting
4:30 pm Lenten Vesper Service

Tuesday, March 15th

10:00 am PrimeTimers

Wednesday, March 16th

9:00 am Friendship International

Thursday, March 17th

10:00 am Global Women Mission Circle
6:30 pm CLC Meeting

Friday, March 18th

Girls on Mission leave for Windermere

Food Pantry Schedule

Friday, March 25th

Food Pickup - Team 2 (Ron Kilkenny, John Mote)

Saturday, March 26th

Food Pantry - Team 3 (Von Hulin, Kathy Bernhard,
Jim Brockman, George Bowling, Jerry & Ned
Rogers, Joe Hamilton, South County Baptist)

Global Women Mission Circle

Thursday, March 17th, 9:30 am, Room 304

Water for Hope

Around the world there are estimated to be 850 million people without access to safe water. We will learn more about this CBF initiative. Won't you join us?



**Fiesta Playhouse
Sunday, May 1st @ 6:00 pm**

Save the date!

Calling All Acts

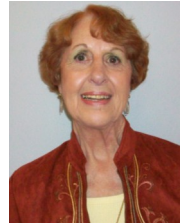
Singers, Dancers, Comedians,
Actors, Magicians, Storytellers,
Professionals and Amateurs.

Start planning now!

In Celebration Birthdays

- 3/20—Bruce Nielsen, Betty Heidbrier, Sarah Pitt Kaplan
- 3/21—Emma Heifner
- 3/22—Nancy Thurman, Paul Ward, Doug Copeland
- 3/24—Corey Stefanic, Rebecca Toth
- 3/28—Brendan Phillips, Blair Rudert
- 3/29—Debra Leuckerath
- 3/30—Joan Fann
- 3/31—Doris Allen
- 4/01—Debbie Howe
- 4/02—Joan Stockberger

WELCOME BACK! Please welcome home former member, Joyce Lemoins who comes by letter from Hamilton Christian Church in Creve Coeur. Her professional career has always been in the non-profit sector, most of which was in Alton, Illinois where she served as Executive Director of the Alton YWCA and later as PR/ Development Director for the Riverbend Head Start and Family Services. Joyce retired from there in 2004. Joyce and her husband of 55 years, who passed away in 2009, have three children and five grandchildren. Last year Joyce welcomed her first great-grandchild, Brayden into this world.



Joyce said it is such a joy to renew old friendships and develop new ones in this very special place, Kirkwood Baptist Church. Joyce in in the Schober Sunday School class.

Please join me in a very special WELCOME to Joyce.

Bob Starkey

Give-up a Teddy Bear for Lent

During March, in conjunction with KBC's Lenten focus on non-violence, the 4th and 5th grade girls are helping Youth in Action of Kirkwood collect Teddy Bears in memory of Christina Taylor Green, a victim of senseless violence. Collection box for NEW bears will be located in the Mission Filled Café.



Easter Lilies



Decorate the Sanctuary for Easter. Dedicate lilies in honor of or in memory of a loved one, if desired. You may then take your Easter Lily home on Easter Sunday. Cost is \$7.50 per plant. Submit form and payment to the church office by April 10th. (Forms available in office.)

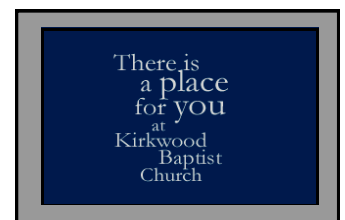
Number of Plants: _____

Given by: _____

In honor / memory of: _____

In Sympathy

Our sympathy to Todd & Caren White on the passing of Todd's mother. Mrs White passed away Sunday, March 13th. Services were held in Texas.



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These are some examples of our Lay lead ministries at KBC.

Bosnian Food Pantry Louise Duke
Counseling Services Linda Bryan

Global Women Nell Lockhart /
Peggy Van Asdale

Friendship Int'l Norma Hawkins
Stephen Ministry Kathryn Rogers

Councils of KBC

Spiritual Growth & Development
Becky Ray

Worship Arts Larry Daniels
Ministry Phil Maxwell

Gift ID & Development
Raunda Ward

Church Leadership Wendy Shaw
Resource Council

Giving Report 3/13/11
Budget Receipts \$ 24,532.38
Budget Receipts YTD \$ 178,509.71
Budget Need YTD \$ 235,173.40

Attendance Report 3/13/11
Bible Study 188
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All items to be included in the Kindler are due no later than the Friday before the issue you need them printed in. Submit all materials to Leigh at the church or via email lporter@kirkwoodbaptist.org

REPORT FROM THE FOLLOW UP TEAM

Much has happened in our church family beginning with the commitment service on Sunday February 27th followed by a well attended celebratory dinner at Missouri Baptist University that evening. As of this printing 180 households have pledged \$1,358,542.00 to our capital campaign. What an exciting two weeks! To add to our excitement, yesterday's First Fruits Sunday gifts totaled \$166,392.39. What faithful giving to begin the reality of our dreams for KBC. If you haven't made your pledge yet, don't fret. The train is rolling but it hasn't left the station just yet.

Rae and Ralph Sneed



Your Follow Up Team members: Joan and Keith Stockberger, Janis Dickerman, Bocky Allison, Anne Serkin, Sarah Pitt Kaplan, and Josh Kaplan

DID YOU KNOW?



Did you know that your offering or Capital Campaign pledge can be sent electronically to KBC? Electronic contributions are processed twice a month and you can choose which time is more convenient for you. All you have to do is fill out an authorization form with your information and I will handle the rest. It's just that easy! Come see me if you have any questions or to pick up a form. You can also find a form on our website at www.kirkwoodbaptist.org/resources/formsdownloads/. If you are looking for information on donations from your IRA, Bill Crouch has put together an info sheet you can also find on the [Capital Campaign](#) page of our website.

~Becky Davidson, Bookkeeper

Specially Called Business Meeting

Sunday, March 27th at 9:15 am

This meeting is for the purpose of voting on the Building Renovation Committee.



Take a few minutes and check out the new KBC videos on [You Tube](#) and pictures on [flickr](#). Enjoy!



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