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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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...together in freedom to care and to reconcile in Jesus' name...

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Connecting and Empowering the Women in Myanmar

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.**

Saturday, March 26th at 10:00 am
Global Women Brunch

Sunday, March 27th

Bible Study with Cindy Dawson
(for all adult classes, immediately following
business meeting)

Worship with Paw Gaw

Naw Paw Gaw is the Secretary of the ZOE Development Center operated by the Yangon Kayin Baptist Women's Association in Yangon, Myanmar (Burma). She is presently in the United States participating in a training program for international Christian leaders.

In her role, Paw Gaw helps with administration of vocational and life skills training for young women. The holistic training provided, equips young women to lead self-sufficient lives. Training includes nurses aide, advanced sewing, fruit preservation and domestic helper.

After earning her Divinity degree from the Institute of Theology, paw Gaw earned a PhD in 1988. Paw Gaw is married to a pastor who has been serving the cyclone Nargis affected area of Myanmar. The couple have been married for thirteen years and have no children of their own.



Specially Called Business Meeting

Sunday, March 27th at 9:15 am in the Sanctuary

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

The Building Renovation Committee members we will be voting on are as follows:

Dean Shaw, Chair	Ellen Condray	Matt Forbis
Tamara Lane	Michelle Mote	Blair Rudert
Todd White		

Jon Browne, consultant Alton Lacy, consultant

Building on the work of the Facilities Assessment Committee, the Building Renovation Committee (BRC) will:

- 1) further assess and prioritize the needs of our facility.
- 2) select and work with professionals to determine the scope and timing of renovations.
- 3) implement, with church approval, those renovations.

The BRC will report their progress to the church on a regular basis. The committee will be disbanded at the completion of the renovation process.

Childcare will be available for infants through younger preschool. Pre-K and up can attend the brief business meeting with their parents.



Sundays at 4:30 pm
room 304

Lenten 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 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)

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
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**Pastoral
Kindling** By Daniel Johnson

KBC is full ...

“KBC is full of it” may not be the best marketing slogan but it is an accurate statement when it comes to adults who support, take an interest, and care for the children and youth of our church. In fact, KBC is so good at this, that it is easy to take for granted how important those little acts of kindness – saying hello to a child by name, thanking them after a choir performance, laughing at their jokes, listening to their stories, helping in worship care, even bending down to talk to them at their level – are to their personal and spiritual development. In the language of the Search Institute, these acts build assets in our children and help make KBC an asset rich congregation.

For a couple of years now, I have talked in different ways about the Search Institute, their 40 Developmental Asset Framework, and how that framework can help shape our ministry to young people and empower every KBCer to be an asset builder. In studies of more than 2.2 million young people, Search has consistently found that the more assets young people have, the less likely they are to engage in a wide range of high-risk behaviors and the more likely they are to thrive; something we certainly want for the children at KBC. So on March 5th, KBC invited Jim Conway, senior trainer from the Search Institute, to lead an all-day training conference for children and youth leaders from KBC, Kirkwood United Methodist and First Presbyterian Kirkwood. Jim followed up that training with a special “parents only” Sunday School class on March 6th.

Feedback from both the training sessions and the Sunday School class were overwhelming positive and here are a few highlights and insights.

- Young people who are connected to a faith community have, on average, 5 more assets than those young people who are not.
- The more assets young people have, the more likely they are to believe that religion and spirituality are important in their lives.
- Churches are one of the last places where young people get to see all generations working together.
- An asset building congregation helps support parents – the most important asset builders - by providing more assets for their children and recognizing the importance of every person’s role building up their children.
- Asset building costs nothing. Asset building is not complicated.
- Asset building is a framework, not a program. It provides a common language and a vision for how congregations can impact and influence young people.
- Is this question asked by all council, committees, and groups when making decisions? “How will this decision impact and affect the children and youth and their experience at KBC?”
- If parents are the most important asset builders in the life of a children then how are our ministries resourcing, supporting, and encouraging them in that role? After all, that could be one of the most important ways to impact our children.

That is just a small sampling of how many of us were challenged. And so I pass this challenge on to you. What is your role? How do you build assets in the young people of KBC and, perhaps, what is one more small thing you can do? Perhaps it’s something like what I witnessed yesterday.

Since it was Spring Break, several youth, including one of our seniors, did some yard work for some KBC members who had made a contribution to our mission trip. While they were working the couple found out that the senior was planning to attend the wife’s alma mater for college. Since the couple travels at least once a year for a football game, they asked for the senior’s email address so they could contact him when they were coming into town to take him out for dinner. A tiny moment. A simple act. But far reaching implications. And KBC is full of them.

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

April 3 *God’s Heart Cath*
Ephesians 5:8-14
April 10 *Glimpses of Heaven*
Romans 8:6-11
April 17 *Betrayal*
Matthew 26:14-28

March 27th

*Connecting and Empowering
the Women in Myanmar*
Global Women Speaker, Paw Gaw

Deacon of the Week

Jack Hill

Bible Openers

Drew & Ryan Clutes - 8:00 am
- 10:30 am

Worship Care Team Leader

Amy Easterling

Worship Care Volunteers

Debbie Howe, Rhonda Pitt, Julie Thomas, Monica Stefanic, Sarah Pitt Kaplan, Glen Calvin, Josh Kaplan

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 God 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 30—Mateker’s

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

April 6—Garavelli’s

Meatloaf with Mushroom Gravy,
Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley,
Pecan Pie, Sugar Free Cherry Pie

**Calendar Reminders
for the week of March 27th**

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

Sunday, March 27th

- 8:45 am Generation to Generation
- 9:15 am Special Called Business Meeting
- 9:30 am Bible Study with Cindy Dawson, room 304
- 4:30 pm Lenten Vesper Service

Tuesday, March 29th

10:00 am **NO** PrimeTimers

Wednesday, March 30th

9:00 am Friendship International

Thursday, March 31st

7:00 pm KBC Book Club

Food Pantry Schedule

Friday, April 1

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

Saturday, April 2

Food Pantry - Team 4 (Jennifer Pirrie, David & Lynette Chrenka, Glen Calvin, Jim Layman, Carol Owens, Tara Hill, Mary Earhart, Southwest Baptist)

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: _____



KBC Book Club

Thursday, March 31, 7:00 pm

Snow Flower and the Secret Fan

by Lisa See

In Celebration Birthdays

- 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
- 4/03—Alice Worrell
- 4/04—Jennifer Spangler
- 4/05—Dorothy Hassler
- 4/06—Keith Swank, Michelle Lange
- 4/08—Loretta Blattner, Glen Calvin, II, Carl Hollis
- 4/09—Glen Calvin, III, Parker Maxwell

Girls on Mission



Donna Watts accompanied 3 girls, Anna Watts, Miranda Tze and Erin Mote to a Girls on Mission event last weekend. The girls went to Windermere to hear about missions work in Missouri and around the world.

In Sympathy

Our sympathy to Ken & Becky Kell upon the passing of Ken's mother. Mrs Kell passed away Saturday, March 19th. The Kell's address: 46 Island Rd, Eldon, MO 65026.

Global Women, Too!

Monday, April 4th at 7:00 pm

Join us for study and fellowship next Monday evening at the Bread Co at the corner of Lindbergh and Watson.

Looking for Employment???

If the unemployment bug has taken a bite out of you then listen up. We are taking a sample of people in the Kirkwood area, without regard to religious denomination, who are interested in forming a group to learn the steps to search, locate and accept new employment. We are not replacing any programs sponsored by the State of Missouri, GoNetwork or any other similar program. We are local, human resource professionals who know how this process works and are eager to help those in need.

Typically, an agenda would be prepared to discuss the topic (s) most needed/requested by the participants. Topics could include riding the unemployment roller-coaster, preparing a resume, interviewing and networking and the intricacies involved with each.

Additionally, financial professionals could be on-hand to discuss steps necessary to keep your head above water while in this process. References to counselors could be made for appropriate issues.

This is not charity, you will have to work. This is not a recruitment agency, you will have to search on your own but we will provide you with the tools and emotional support to do this. Members of our initial group have mentored others searching for new employment and have had success in helping them locate and accept new employment.

I have many years of human resources experiences including recruitment, employment and employment law issues. I understand the complexities of networking, interviewing and "closing the deal" on new employment. I also understand and have endured being unemployed, "downsized" and/or laid off. I firmly believe that a positive mental attitude is something that can be mastered and is absolutely necessary for these troubling times. Those interested in learning more can contact Kirkwoodje@sbcglobal.net.

Jon Hale

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**These are some examples of
our Lay-led 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 3/20/11
Budget Receipts \$ 15,762.88
Budget Receipts YTD \$ 194,272.59
Budget Need YTD \$ 256,552.80

Attendance Report 3/20/11
Bible Study 163
Worship (8:00 -61 / 10:30 - 204) 265

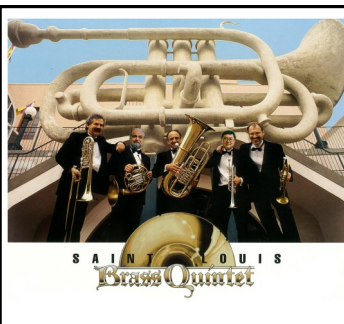
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Hymn Festival

Monday, March 28th, 7:30 pm

You are invited to a Hymn Festi-
val featuring organist Michael
Burkhardt. The festival will be
held at Memorial Presbyterian Church, 201 South
Skinker Blvd., 63105.
Our KBC Older Children's Choir will be singing
in this service of worship.



St. Louis Brass Quintet Concert

Thursday, March 31, 7:00 p.m. at KBC

Allan Dean, Ray Sasaki, trumpet
Thomas Bacon, horn; Mel Jernigan, trombone
Dan Perantoni, tuba

Program: American Brass Band Journal (with KBC brass)
Music from the Renaissance, Jazz,
History of Brass Instruments

Organ Recital

Sunday, April 3rd, 5:00 pm

You're invited to an Evensong Duo Organ Recital Sunday, April 3,
5pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church to be played by our organist,
Tom Pearce, and his wife Emily, organist of First Unitarian Church,
St. Louis. Their half-hour program will feature music of Tomkins,
Carlton, Soler, and Handel. A 5:30 p.m. Evensong Service will follow.
St. Peter's Episcopal is located at Warson and Ladue Roads-one block
East of Lindbergh on Ladue Road. All are welcome for the evening.



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