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Education Opportunities Sundays at 9:00

There will be no Sunday School at
9:00 a.m. for children during August.

Kerygma - Library (Carol Hough)

Searchers - Fellowship Hall



VBS: Fiesta!!

A big "thank you" goes out to all that made VBS 2006 possible. During the second year running, collaboration with Good Shepherd and Broadway Presbyterian Churches, South Park youths enjoyed a fun-filled week of activities and bonding during June 19-23. The theme this year was of course, "Fiesta"! Children representing South Park included:

Elena Muhs, Dietrich Muhs, Sam Foster, Atticus Garrison, Brady Moeller, Hanna Gordon, Annabelle Gordon, Annika Hong, Ethan Hong, Isaac Thompson, Henry Thompson, Gage Wheatley, and Devin Wagener.

Adult and youth volunteers included: Brenda & Joel Thompson, Sue Foster, Sue Gordon, Angel & Chris Hong, Julie Hook, Kathy Davis, Alison Davis, and Taryn Johnson.

A wonderful time of sharing time together, learning the Word of God and singing His praise was had by all! We're certainly looking forward to next year's VBS festivities!

CE Committee

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TOUCHPOINTS



I recently discovered a little book called *The Presbyterian Handbook*, filled with useful information on all sorts of church matters both serious and humorous. One item, listed under the heading **Church Stuff**, is called "What to Bring to a Church Potluck." Since potlucks are among our favorite activities, I thought I'd share with you a summary of the contents.

Potlucks consist of three main courses, commonly referred to as "dishes."

- The Salad** "Potluck salads are quite different from actual salads. In preparation for making a potluck salad, ask yourself three questions: 1) Is this dish mostly meat-free? 2) Can this dish be served with a spoon or salad tongs? 3) Can it be served chilled? If the answer is 'yes' to any of these questions, consider the dish a potluck-eligible salad".
- The Casserole** "A three-layered dish, typically." In order to make each casserole as culturally relevant as possible, regional guidelines are given for the starch (pasta, rice, grits, tofu, etc.), meat (ground beef, crawdad, pulled pork, etc.), and cereal (corn flakes for every region except the west coast – tofu flakes). "Note: The starch and meat may be mixed with a cream-based soup. The cereal must always be placed on the top of the casserole."
- The Dessert** "The most highly valued dish at a potluck, this can be the simplest and most fun to make. There are two key ingredients: 1) flour, 2) fudge." No more need be said here. The final counsel is this: "Any combination of flavored gelatin, shredded carrots, mini-marshmallows, and canned pears is an acceptable 'utility' dish, should you be unable to prepare one from the above categories."

We certainly do enjoy our actual potlucks here at South Park; we're blessed with great cooks. The truth is that all of our life together as a people of God is a "potluck" – a mixture of flavors and ingredients that feed our souls, enliven our spirits, and keep us going in our daily lives. As we continue to move into the future, may we all enter into the joyful mix of the symbolic salads, casseroles and desserts that characterize our life together as a congregation. It's often the surprises and unique combinations of ingredients that make life the most rewarding.

Pastor Casey

Touchpoints Publication Schedule

Next Touchpoints will be mailed on **Thursday, August 31**. The deadline for articles to be submitted is **Sunday, August 20**.

Church Services Schedule (see enclosed August calendar for all events)

Church Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:00-3:30

Sunday, August 6

Parish Nurse	<u>Communion</u>
9:00 Church School for Adults	Ed. Center
10:00 Worship Service	Sanctuary
2:00 Celebration of Life Service for Dan Davis' sister, Bunny Davis Condry, who passed away in April. Reception to follow in Dining Room.	

Sunday, August 13

9:00 Church School for Adults	Ed. Center
10:00 Worship Service	Sanctuary

Sunday, August 20

Churches United Food Pantry	
Parish Nurse	
9:00 Church School for Adults	
10:00 Worship Service	Sanctuary
Touchpoints articles due	

Sunday, August 27

Recycling	
9:00 Church School for Adults	Ed. Center
10:00 Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:30 All Church Potluck - Musical Event	

Points of Interest

Covenant to Care - We will be meeting on **Thurs., Aug. 3 at 7 p.m. at Lori Kieffer-Garrison's home**. We continue to discuss N. T. Wright's book, The Final Word. Please bring along your Bibles. **On Fri., Aug. 18**, we will meet for our End of Summer Picnic at Deryl & Betty Miller's. Please gather at 6:00 p.m. and we will eat at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass. For further information, you can also contact the Millers'.

Book Club - For our Aug. 5th meeting we will be viewing and discussing the video "Memoirs of a Geisha". The meeting will be held in South Park Church Library at 9:30 a.m. Please feel welcome to join us. If you have any questions, please call Dorothy Meyer, 793-1323.

Learn About Churches United - The Rev. Dr. Ronald C. Quay, Executive Director of Churches United of the Quad Cities, will be our guest in worship on Sun., Aug. 13. Worshippers will hear of some of Churches United's current ministries as Dr. Quay shares the Gospel message with us that morning. Please join in welcoming Dr. Quay in Pastor Casey's study-leave absence.

All Church Potluck-Musical Event - Don't miss the fun! Get on our Musical Carousel on Sun., Aug. 27 at 5:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share. Coffee, tea, milk and table service will be provided. Alvin and The Chipmunks will be our special guests. Karaoke - you can sound like your favorite performer. Learn how to play a handbell!

Church Events Calendar

Week of July 30 - August 5

Mon., July 31
7:00 MEC and all Sessions from Broadway, Good Shepherd and South Park in South Park Dining Room

Tues., Aug. 1
6:30 Fellowship
7:00 Outreach

Wed., Aug. 2
6:30 Church in Society

Thurs., Aug. 3
7:00 Covenant to Care

Sat., Aug. 5
9:30 Book Club in Library

Week of August 6 - August 12

Mon., Aug. 7
3:30 Stewardship
7:00 C.E.

Tues., Aug. 8
7:30 Finance

Thurs., Aug. 10
6-8 p.m. Church Rummage Sale Special Showing for church members
7:00 PP&E

Fri., Aug. 11
8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Church Rummage Sale

Sat., Aug. 12
8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Church Rummage Sale

Week of August 13 - August 19

Mon., Aug. 14
4:00 WEM
7:00 Personnel
7:00 Worship/Music

Wed., Aug. 16
5:00 Meal Site

Fri., Aug. 18
6:00 Covenant to Care Summer Picnic at Deryl and Betty Miller's. Eat at 6:30. Bring a dish to pass.

Week of August 20 - August 26

Mon., Aug. 21
6:30 Session

Tues., Aug. 22
12:00 V.I.P.

Thurs., Aug. 24
7:00 Deacons

Week of August 27 - September 2

Mon., Aug. 28
1:30 PW Coordinating Team

July Data

Sunday Attendance:

	Jul 2	Jul 9	Jul 16	Jul 23
10:00 Service	114	125	191	86

Income:

Jul 2	\$ 7,190.25
Jul 9	\$ 6,776.50
Jul 16	\$ 4,339.08
Jul 23	\$ 1,332.00
July Food Pantry	\$ 119.00



Welcome to New Members:

Steve Vance 2415 28th St. Rock Island, IL 61201 (309)269-5852	CeCe Castro 2415 28th St. Rock Island, IL 61201 (309)631-5899
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Address Change/Correction:

Mike & Barb Miller 121 Montelluna Dr. North Venice, FL 34275	Betty Stevenson St. Anthony's Care Center Room 317 Rock Island, IL 61201
Bruce & "Pete" McCart 1790 Dakota Ave. Waverly, IA 50677 (309)781-5324	

Meal Site - Thank you to the Deacons who provided food and helped serve at the Meal Site on Wed., July 19. There will be a sign up sheet in the Parlor in August if you would like to help provide food for the August 16 Meal Site.



*Our Sympathies
and Prayers to...*

*...Jim Fisher and his family upon the recent death of his brother, **Ralph Fisher.***

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Energy Bars

Do “energy bars” really give you energy? Sure, but only because they contain calories and calories fuel the body. Energy bars (also called nutrition or sports bars) vary in how much pro-

tein, fat, and carbohydrates they contain, as well as in the vitamins and minerals they add. They may be advertised as “low-carb”, “high-carb”, “low-glycemic-index”, or “high-protein”. A few advertise organic ingredients or provide extra herbs and omega-3 fats.

The bars won’t make you more energetic, stronger, or faster. They are no better than other foods for exercise performance. Nor do they improve brain functioning or do any of the other things that may be implied by the bar’s name or promoters. In fact some are just souped-up candy bars, loaded with sugar and contain extra calories. Some can be good occasional snacks.

Not all bars are created equal - read the nutrition information and ingredients. Look for whole grains-rolled oats, nuts, peanut butter or fruit near the top of the ingredient list.

Choose bars with more fiber, typically from 2 to 5 grams.

Calories usually range from 170 to 300. Lower calorie bars may simply be smaller. Some bars may have as many calories as a small meal.

Look for low saturated fat. Most bars have 2 to 4 grams, some have up to 6 to 8 grams.

High-protein bars do not build muscle - and most people don’t need extra protein. Bars with 10 grams of protein or less are fine.

Don’t judge a bar by how many vitamins and minerals it has. You are better off with a basic multivitamin/mineral pill that provides 100% of the Daily Values for essential nutrients.

Joanne Stice, Parish Nurse

Family of Faith

Charles Barnhart met Doug Ganyo at the RIFAC and became a member of South Park Church at Doug’s invitation. That was at least five years ago. Charles is retired from the Arsenal where he was a computer specialist. He transferred here in 1973 when Joliet Arsenal closed and retired from Rock Island Arsenal in 1988.

Charles did extensive traveling in his life. He took several trips to South America. On one trip he cruised from Rio to the city of Manaus on the Amazon River, down the Amazon and then back to Rio by way of the Pacific. About five years ago he went to Australia and cruised around Tasmania, which is south of Australia. Charles then continued up the East Coast of Australia and by the Barrier Reef. This reef is the largest living thing in the world. Traveling by it took several days and they swam in the waters above the reef. When he traveled to New Zealand he rented a car and drove around the island. It was driving on the right side of the road, but only once did Charles almost collide with an oncoming vehicle. When in the South Pacific he even went to the islands James Mitchner wrote about in his book, Tales of the South Pacific, the Vanuatu Islands. Charles said he always traveled on small ships and enjoyed many exotic, beautiful places.

The Deacon Board is where Charles is presently serving at South Park Church. He holds down a pew every Sunday for worship and especially liked the Bill Kramer Memorial Band service in July.

His legs have slowed Charles down in the last few years, so he sticks pretty close to home. As long as the White Sox keep winging he has entertainment enough by watching and listening to their games. *Fellowship*

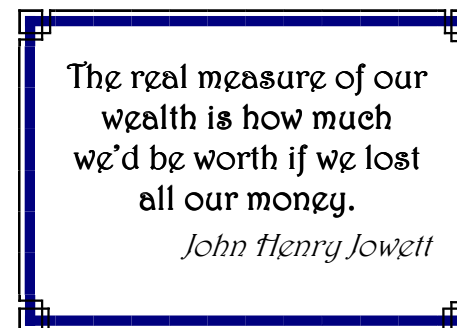
V.I.P. - will meet on Tuesday, at noon, August 22, for their monthly potluck in the Church Dining Room. Everyone is invited to gather for good food, fellowship and love. Dr. Jacob Rayapati will share his slide presentation of “Christ in the Art of India”. Dr. Rayapati has spent a career “speaking in tongues”. He taught himself Cherokee, a little Lakota, Hawaiian, and can sing ‘Amazing Grace’ in Cherokee. He grew up in southern India, and is a newcomer to Moline. Being fascinated by English he ended up becoming a professor of English. He is not your typical native of the Asian subcontinent. For one thing, he is a Lutheran. He has a very impressive lineup of academic degrees.

The host committee will be Lester & Dorothy Lind, Eleanor Schenebricker, and Barbara Weber. Kay Pierceson will give devotions. LaNeve Birkel will be our MC. Please bring a dish to share, your own table service and a friend! Beverages are provided.

Anyone that is unable to attend the potluck is welcome for the program at 12:45/1:00. Come, see and hear Dr. Rayapati’s program.

VIP/Jan Fitzpatrick

P.S. Mark your calendar for our “Field Trip” to Niabi Zoo, Sep. 19. More information next month.



ALL CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE



sponsored by Session
Proceeds for
the General Budget
Fitzpatricks' & Huntleys'
(team leaders)

August 10, Thursday evening, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
(Special Showing for Members)

August 11, Friday 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

August 12, Saturday 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Lunch Counter/Bake Sale
(will be at same times as hours above)

How You and Your Family Can Help:

- ☺ **Drop off rummage sale items starting Fri., Aug. 4**
NO rummage accepted after 3 p.m. on Wed., Aug. 9
NO furniture or heavy items

Pick up service available, call:

Del & Sallie Huntley 786-1205 or
Jack & Jan Fitzpatrick 794-0834

- ☺ **Sign up on sheets in the Parlor through Sun., Aug. 6:**

Unpack & Sort

Tues.	Aug. 8	12-7 p.m.
Wed.	Aug. 9	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Thur.	Aug. 10	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Sale Days

Fri.	Aug. 11	8:30-6:00 p.m.
Sat.	Aug. 12	8:30 a.m.-12 noon

Cleanup

Sat.	Aug. 12	Noon til ???
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- ☺ **Donate baked goods and/or money for lunch supplies.**

If any questions, please contact Fitzpatricks or Huntleys.

Getting Ready for the Fall - September is coming all too soon, bringing with it the start-up of many of our usual activities. Here are some items of note:

- ♦ Worship will continue at 10:00 a.m. through September.
- ♦ The Lord's Supper will be observed on September 10, rather than September 3.
- ♦ Genesis Sunday is September 10, when church school for children resumes at 9:00 a.m. There will be a luncheon and ice cream social following worship.
- ♦ Chancel choir practice begins Wed., Aug. 30, singing in worship on Sep. 10. New members are always welcome.
- ♦ The Food Pantry continues to need our generous contributions, even in summer.

Mr. Music, Please! - Remember that old show? In response to your enthusiastic reception of much of the musical variety in our summer worship experiences, the Mr. and Ms. Music (the worship committee and staff) are planning to introduce more lively music. Beginning in August, Kenn and Tyson, with choir back-up, will be sharing some new hymns and responses. You are invited to sing along in praise of our awesome and wonderful God. Note also our plans for a fun musical evening for one and all, to be held on Sunday evening, August 27 (see "All Church Potluck", pg. 2).

Wills, Endowments and Memorials - Cameras have been installed near the front of the sanctuary on both the north and the south sides. Monitors are now installed in the choir loft - these enable the choir members and the organist to finally see what is happening in the service. PP&E used money that was left for the sound system together with some money from the (unrestricted) Betty Wolowski Fund, with WEM and Session's approval.

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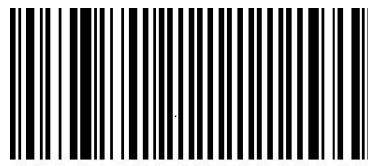
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Thank You

Thank You - to the family of LaVon Erickson and to Jim & Helen Peak.

Your donations of household and personal items are appreciated so very much for our church sale. The General Fund has been blessed with \$1,100 from your generosity. A special thank you to Del & Sallie Huntley, Mary Jo Wagner, Lyle Lemkau and Sue Roberts. Also to everyone for your support.

Duane, Jack & Jan

With Thanks - How can I find the words to thank you. Since my immediate family have all moved south, I've felt alone. No more. Wonderful people are my church family. My knee surgery was a success and I thank you all for I am blessed. Special thanks to Huntleys and Sales.

Beverly Linn

Christian Care - Thank you for your generous monetary donation to Christian Care. This gift will enable us to continue to feed, clothe and shelter all who are in need. We do appreciate your long standing commitment to our organization.

In Christ, The Staff and Directors at
Christian Care

*The family of Dan and Kathy Davis
will be holding a service
recognizing the life of Dan's sister,
Bunny Davis Condry.
It will be held at
2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 6,
at South Park Presbyterian Church.
A reception will follow in
the church Dining Room.*



You're Invited

*Open House 90th Birthday Celebration
for
Helen Sedrel
August 5, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Friendship Manor Activity Center
(Hosted by Helen's family)*



*50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration
for
Gary & Joyce Hendren
August 6, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Highland Park Bowl
(Gifts omitted)*



*Open House 90th Birthday Celebration
for
Elnora Benson
August 12, 11:30-2:00 p.m.
2926 27th St., Rock Island
(Hosted by Art & Linda Milton)*

Churches United - Thank you for your recent contribution of \$497.35 which will support all the programs of Churches United. We are excited to announce that Churches United has closed on a building to be used for Winnie's Place, which is a shelter for homeless women, with or without children, to help them gain the skills and emotional growth necessary for successful independence. If your group is interested in adopting a room or helping with renovations, please give our office a call, 786-6494. Thank you again for your continued support of Churches United.

Melanie Jones, Financial Manager