

The Newsleaf



October 2007

October 6th
Graceland Homecoming



Sunday, Oct.
7th
Family Prayer Service
8:45 am

October 7th
Ordination Service
11:00 am

Breakfast Gatherings
9:15 am
NOTE: 15 minutes earlier

Potluck Dinner
Sunday, Oct. 14th
12 Noon

Women's Meeting
Tuesday, Oct. 9th
7pm at Mindy Cutshall's

Haunted Barn
Week-end
of October 27th
Watch
Bulletin for further info

THE CHIEFS

bring new insight to our congregation . . .



Appropriately dressed in white shirt, tie AND CHIEF'S JERSEY, our Pastor shared new insight found in reading the scriptures. Applying scripture to the "now" in each one of us, especially our "sport fans" we listened. The "chiefs" just happened to be mentioned in each and every scripture read! Chiefs! Scripture Study! You've gotten our attention! We need both! Thanks Bruce for fun in scripture study!



EXERCISE!

ODESSA CONGREGATION SPENDS A WEEK OF STRETCHING!

ON THE BLEACHERS? AT THE GROCERY STORE? WORK?
NEIGHBORHOOD? CLASSROOM? MORNING WALKS? VOLUNTEERING?

As a congregation we took one week in September to reach out to others in our everyday! ONE WEEK! Stretching! REACHING OUT! A specific day we planned to touch and reach out to others in new ways of uplift.

*Amazing what we can do with just a little STRETCHING!
Don't stop now! Stay in shape!*

Junior Church every 3rd Sunday of the month. We do crafts, experiments, play games and learn the Junior way! All kids from Kindergarten through 6th grade. In September we made raisins bounce and made mirrors to prove that God made us in His image. Next month be there or stay with the squares!



Children's Choir will start to have choir practice for 10 minutes every Sunday school class period and will have one 30 minute session before Peacemakers on the 4th Sunday of the month, if this works for everyone. Sunday school teachers?

Jennifer Anthony, leader

Nursery Provided

For Sunday morning worship services
Pre-school & Under
Please volunteer your help to Elizabeth Dyer

Head Sets For Hearing Impaired

Our sound system has been updated making it possible for headsets for those with hearing problems. The church purchased 3 headsets for congregational use. Wonderful to see smiles on the faces as they are able to hear and take part in our services! Thanks to each one's generous giving.

9:15 a.m. Breakfast Gathering ... Preparing

Oct 7th	Myrtle Dillon- SS Worship
Oct 14th	Sarah Watson
Oct 21st	Pam Corn
Oct 28th	Jenny Anthony/Ilene Sheets

Priesthood Call___ Dena Quick shared her testimony with the congregation as she has accepted a call to Priest. We offer our prayers and support as she moves out into new servant ministry.

CHOIR PRACTICE___ Sunday Evenings At 7 p.m.
Come, Join the Choir

Young Adults ___ Meeting 2nd & 4th weekends each month. Young Adults were invited to Brandon Fletcher's this past month for a swimming party. A Young Adult Night at the movies and cookout was also held in September! A good time was had by all. Watch for October activities coming soon. Scott Blair, Leader

WOMEN'S MINISTRY___

Our first Women's meeting was held at Elaine Smith's house. Lou Green will be the assistant Women's director, Stephanie Meierarend will be the Secretary/treasurer. Many tasks for the upcoming year were voted on and/or agreed upon. The Higginsville women joined us and one was heard to remark that *she really enjoyed herself*. Elaine provided a beautifully set table with a great selection of snacks.

We missed you Women who weren't there and hope to see you October 9th at Mindy Cutshall's house. Mindy is enticing us with the promise of more good food. Lorraine Mackey will be there to talk about the Christmas Craft fair.

In November we are looking forward to repeating the great time we had at the "girls only" slumber party last year. Pauline or Sarah will host for us.

In December Mindy Day and Clara Frank are planning a Christmas party for us. Come join the fun.



Christmas Play Practice Starting Soon!

Patty Watson will be contacting
You to share in
The Christmas Play

Leadership Meeting begins our PRAISE WALL It's in the Education Wing Hallway!

Our Pastor led the leaders in setting goals and plans for the new church year! Organizing our calendar of activities is top on our list with greater plans of reaching more people. Everyone sounds excited and enthused for only the best ever 2008! At the close of the discussion leaders each contributed to the Praise Wall and you can too! Check out the new look!



**Family Night —
Campfire — !**
*Uplifted! Strengthened!
Inspired! Encouragement & Hope* to over 30 friends & family! Participation with skits, sculpting, testimony and singing were only a smattering of the

great fellowship shared. So very special! Join us the last Wednesday night of the month for our Family Nights.

Experiment —The Spirit Within Us



Adult Group___ led by Dennis & Kathy Hattey went to Organ Recital, The Dome & Spire Series 2007, in September as a group. Plans for October will include helping with the Haunted Barn with outside activities. Volunteer to Dennis or Kathy ASAP.



Peacemakers Club

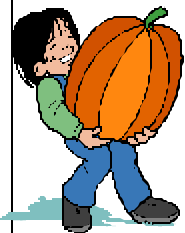
Grades K-6
Sunday Nights at 5:30 pm

PITCHER OFFERING is designated in September for Odessa Band Day. We will be giving water to everyone participating, which will be over 2,000 students and staff. The response has been terrific! The Suitcase Offering continues to go to Outreach International.

We will be selling hot drinks at Heritage Realty at the 4-way stop for Band Day as a fundraiser also.

BUILDING COMMITTEE MAKES RECOMMENDATION—a short business meeting was called to approve recommendation from Building Committee of hiring architectural firm, Peckham & Wright of Columbia, MO, to assist with building conceptual design based on the preliminary drawings previously developed by the building committee.

It was approved to accept recommendation of firm and costs of no more than \$9400 for these services. Upon completion of this Conceptual Design phase the Building Committee will report back to the congregation with recommendations for building plans.



K-6 Fun Day

Saturday, Oct. 20 at the Everhart's farm from 1 to 4 PM.

Come enjoy a corn maze, pumpkin decorating, games and snacks!

Parents are welcome to hang out with us.

HIGH PRIEST/EVANGELIST RETREAT

Apostle Linda Booth- Guest Minister
October 19-20

Heit's Point Lutheran Camp, Lincoln Missouri
Retreat will begin on Friday evening and conclude Saturday afternoon. Spouses are welcome.

MISSION CENTER CONFERENCE

NOV 3, 9 AM - 3 PM, Warrensburg Church
Come and help us celebrate with our
Apostle, Linda Booth
WARRENSBURG YOUTH will serve lunch at noon

Y.O.U. have shared in many ways this past month. In fun and fellowship with a movie night. Youth meetings and giving the Worship Service to the congregation Sunday morning Sept 23rd Service with skits, object lesson of fertility, mini-sermon and testimonies by youth and their leaders! Even with busy fall schedules these youth shared top notch worship for the congregation. Excellent! Plans for the month of October will be one of terrific outreach as the Annual Haunted Barn always brings kids from all over wanting to share in the experience and thrill of the Odessa Halloween fun and fellowship. Great opportunity of sharing with their friends! We always expect the very best from our youth department lead by Jeff and Jenny Kramer! Awesome!

Y. O. U.
(Youth Onward & Upward)
Sundays 5:30 pm

WATCH BULLETIN FOR FURTHER ACTIVITIES!

Youth Council Organized— Airelle Kramer leads out as chairman of this council and has selected 4 other youth to be on the council with her to develop programs and action among youth!

Bible Quest for Jr High And Sr High

Sunday, Oct. 7 at Warrensburg from 5 to 7 PM

Questions from Genesis 1 - 10 and Matthew 1 - 14

There will be a potluck so please bring a side dish and your families to cheer you on.

Peace Colloquy Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Temple Jr. & Sr. High, if you are interested in going to workshops just for you, contact Anita @ 660-238-4944 by Oct. 12th.

October Birthdays



02- Robert Sowerwine
03- Jerri Myers
05- Tim Meierarend
09- Tammy Watson
10- Jennifer Watson
11- Jenny Kramer
12- Drew Kuenzli
13- Betty Hughes
14- Bruce Thompson
16- Thomas Phelps
17- Kathy Ballew
20- John Dyer Jr
23- Larry Green
23- Valerie Kem
23- Sharon Winter
25- Dawn Ramsey
25- Jullianna Sowerwine
26- Cheryl Meierarend
27- Eric Cutshall
27- Kayla Myers



Community of Christ

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday:

9:15 AM Breakfast Gathering
9:45 AM Sunday School Classes
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:30 PM Youth Meeting
Peacemakers Club
7:00 PM Choir Practice

1st Sunday of the Month:

8:45 AM Family Prayer Service
9:30 AM Sunday School Worship
9:45 AM Sunday School Classes

3rd Sunday of the Month:

11:00 AM Junior Church

Wednesday:

7:00 PM Prayer Service

Pastor: Bruce Watson 816-565-2153

Mission Statement -

*"We proclaim Jesus Christ and promote
Communities of Joy, Hope, Love and
Peace"*



Haunted Barn

Week-end of October 27th

At

Elaine Smith's Farm



All Invited

Watch Bulletin for further details
coming soon!