



The Messenger



Westside Christian Church

June 25, 2017

Parsons, KS

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620-421-3533

Future Events

June 25 Prayer Meeting
4:00

June 27-29 North American Christian Convention in KC

July 4-Office closed for Independence Day

July 9-Elder's Meeting
1:30

July 9-14 Junior High 2 camp at Hidden Haven

July 16-20 Junior 2 camp at Hidden Haven

July 23 Prayer Meeting
4:00

July 23-28 High School camp at Hidden Haven

July 30 Fifth Sunday Sing here at Westside

August 4-5 Clothing Exchange

August 13 Elder's Meeting
1:30

Leadership at

Westside

Ministers

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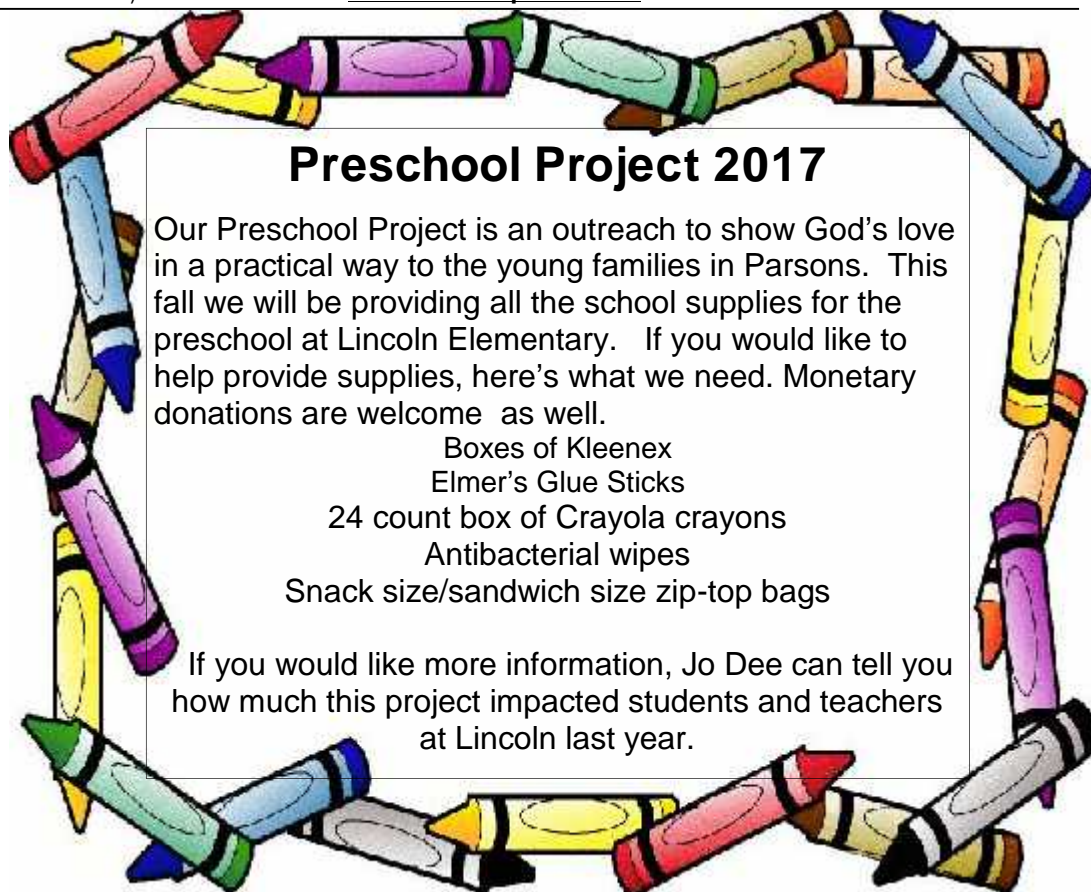
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Preschool Project 2017

Our Preschool Project is an outreach to show God's love in a practical way to the young families in Parsons. This fall we will be providing all the school supplies for the preschool at Lincoln Elementary. If you would like to help provide supplies, here's what we need. Monetary donations are welcome as well.

Boxes of Kleenex

Elmer's Glue Sticks

24 count box of Crayola crayons

Antibacterial wipes

Snack size/sandwich size zip-top bags

If you would like more information, Jo Dee can tell you how much this project impacted students and teachers at Lincoln last year.

Doug's Desk

Faith is what sets Christianity apart from any other religion. You might say what really sets Christianity apart is Jesus and His resurrection. I couldn't say you were wrong, but this is what I mean by the faith issue. Other religions say you have to do stuff for their god. You are to give money, make sacrifice, purify oneself with water, come and worship, sing, pray, spin the prayer wheel, burn the incense, do something to win their favor. Whereas, in Christianity, you don't have to win the favor of God Almighty, he already favors you. God favors you so much that he sent his son to pay the price and fulfill all the legal obligations and give you more than salvation. He gives gifts, His Spirit, wonderful promises and eternal "IN" as part of the family of God. All this only comes, not from working, doing or thinking good thoughts or actions, but only through FAITH in Jesus.

Faith depends upon its object. Jeremiah talked about the uselessness of the idols made by craftsmen, they can't talk, walk, they are empty and manmade. Because of this, these idols were worthless and will vanish, Jer. 10:8-11. If the object of faith is powerless, the faith placed in that object is no good either. If the faith is placed in an angel, or a bright light, or a vision, that faith has the same value. If it isn't placed in the Almighty God, faith has no Almighty power. If faith is placed in man who had visions, who did great stuff, but he himself had no power over sin or death, I am speaking of Mohamad here. Faith in him, his visions, or his teachings, are just as powerless.

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But if our faith is placed in a man who overcame sin and overcame death, Jesus, then our faith has real power and meaning. Our faith depends upon the object of that faith and our object of faith is Jesus Christ and his Father, God Almighty.

Furthermore, how much faith you have depends on how well you know the object of your faith. The better you know God's word, the better you get to know God himself through Jesus and prayer, the stronger your faith will become. If you know little about God and his son or his word, you will have little faith.

Faith is also an action word. Without some sort of action behind the confession of faith it is of no use. We can all talk and talk and talk, but until we back it up with action, the confession of faith we make, is worthless. If I say I have faith in the parachute but don't jump, I am just saying words not backed by action. But as soon as I do something that proves my faith in that parachute, like jump out of the plane, then my words of faith have value.

It is impossible to please God without faith, and it follows with activity, (see Heb. 11:6; Jms 2:26). So faith, without some sort of action following it, is pointless and unhelpful. So faith is what sets us apart from other religions, but to be clear, it is not just the thought of faith or mental assent, but it is placing our full trust in one who has overcome and who has the authority, (Mt. 28:18). Truly, there is a reward for those who put their faith in God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Doug

Prayer Concerns

Health Issues

- JDuane Ewert
- JLoretta Ball
- JRocky Read
- JNell Ball
- JDennis King
- Janelle Houk
- JJane Rea
- JTonya Atherton
- JIsaiah Wade
- JBob Brandenburg
- JBev Huffman
- JUrcer Mac
- JGene Robinson
- JMatthew and Darren
- JDale Owen
- JKip Fentress

- JRachel Velasquez
- JColleen's daughter, Audrey
- JMike May

Missions:

- JScott Springer
- JHidden Haven
- JFarrans
- JCookson Hills
- JMelinda Velasquez-PBT

Other concerns:

- JPresident Trump
- JNational Leaders
- JState Leaders
- JTroops around the world
- JThe lost in Parsons
- JVictims of terrorism



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CARLY NEWBERRY & JASON O'BRIEN

REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY
AT THEIR WEDDING CELEBRATION

on saturday august 5, 2017

AT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC CHURCH
208 WASHINGTON ST. SAINT PAUL, KS 66771

dinner and dancing to follow at the Parish hall

from your YOUTH MINISTER

I want to thank everybody for making the dessert auction a success last month! We definitely made more than I was expecting. The youth bonfire at my house was also a success! We had 8 kids show up and everybody had a great time.

For July, I am planning to have a lock in at the church. It will be Friday the 28th starting at 4 pm and go until 10 am the next day. Students are expected to bring bedding, including sleeping bags.

Please contact me with any questions at 6207784110.





Chris



Called to Serve-July

| July | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 |
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| Communion Preparation | Randee Baty | Randee Baty | Randee Baty | Randee Baty | Randee Baty |
| Greeters: Front Doors Inside Lobby | Mary Ruth Allen Nola Fisher | Fergusons | Gene Robinson Karen Osgood | Judy Wells Annette Robin- son | Meiers |
| Nursery | Clarinda O'Brien | Randee Baty | Treva Ferguson | Shirley Lunday | Karen Osgood |
| Communion | Chris Ferguson | Thad Osgood | Joe Moyer | Doug Baty | Howard Weidert |
| Ushers | Thad Osgood Kenneth Lunday | Bruce Rea Joe Moyer | Ralph Heady Howard Weidert | Jeff Ferguson Steve Passwater | Thad Osgood Kenneth Lunday |
| Serving the Lord's Supper | Jeff Ferguson Bruce Rea Jason Adams Alan Meier | Jeff O'Brien Patrick O'Brien Joe Hills Chris Ferguson | Thad Osgood Seth Weidert Joel Ferguson Bill Longfellow | Howard Weidert Josh Passwater Ralph Heady Thad Osgood | Steve Paswater Jeff Ferguson Bruce Rea David Baty |
| Benediction | Steve Passwater | Thad Osgood | Joe Moyer | Jeff Ferguson | Doug Baty |
| Shut-Ins | Headys | Joe Moyer | Lundays | Thad Osgood | Doug Baty |
| Nursing Home | | | | Presbyterian Manor 2:30 | |

July 2017

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| | | | Juanita Walker | | | | | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | | |
| 1:30  | Junior High 2 Camp at Hidden Haven | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | | |
| | Junior 2 Camp at Hidden Haven | | | | | | | |
| 23 Prayer Meeting 4 pm | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | | |
|  | High School Camp at Hidden Haven | | | | | | | |
| 30 Fifth Sunday Sing Here at Westside 6:00 | 31 | | | | | | | |
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