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Articles for the July Newsletter are due by Sunday, June 19th

Scott's Thoughts

What I consider to be one of my favorite aspects of a good worship service is the presence of playfulness. Don't get me wrong, I love well-written liturgy that captures a sense of awe and imagination. I love creativity as a mode for expressing our faith together. I love good hymns and music that reflect the message of the scripture and sermon (even if the tunes are not familiar). But what I really love is playfulness that reminds us that we are not just a bunch of stiff, robotic entities programmed to sit still for an hour until it is time to eat lunch.

Yes! Even someone as obsessive as I am about details and making sure they are executed in a manner that will assure a very meaningful worship experience finds playfulness to be an important part of our worship together. That's why what quickly made its way near the top of the list of my favorite worship moments each week is the moment when the kids unroll their rug for Sacred Space.

You may often find it distracting. You may consider it to be an unnecessary waste of time when the rug could already be set up before worship begins. You may be wondering how it could be done more efficiently and less disruptive. You may be wondering if there is someone else besides the pastor who will volunteer to take on the task of rolling the rug and putting it away after Sacred Space. ☺

When the kids enthusiastically get their hands on the rug, ready to unroll it even before I have managed to get it facing the proper direction, I can't help but think that we have a lot to learn from their excitement. As they unroll it with a swiftness that makes us anxious about them tumbling backwards and hitting their head on the floor, I can't help but wish a blast of their energy would sweep through the rest of the sanctuary and fill all of us.

Every loud sound a child makes in worship...every time a kid wanders up and down the aisles...every unrolling of the Sacred Space rug...is a reminder to me that worship should be just as playful as it is contemplative...just as energizing as it is calming...just as chaotic as it is orderly. May we all recognize the presence of God in every moment we share in worship together.

Shalom,

Scott

...an inclusive, caring, community of God's people, sharing the love of Jesus Christ through worship, mutual support, and community service.

**Income & Expense (Budget vs. Actual)
January through May 2017**

	<u>Jan - May 17</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income		
01 Income	27,276.30	47,535.81
02 Special Offerings	1,150.00	
03 Savings		
Total Income	48,426.30	47,535.81
Expense		
04 Benevolence	3,144.17	4,325.00
05 Buildings & Grounds	8,370.46	7,308.31
06 Administrative	854.16	1,041.62
07 Worship	10.97	104.19
08 Mission & Outreach	214.28	62.50
09 Christian Education	26.48	166.69
10 Youth Ministry	0.00	41.69
11 Fellowship	150.49	41.69
12 Member Care	0.00	41.65
14 Pastor	25,608.80	24,028.36
15 Other Employees	9,488.06	10,381.72
16 Payroll Liabilities	691.42	0.00
17 Session	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	48,503.53	47,543.42
NET INCOME	-77.23	-7.61

Savings Account Balances

Income	<u>Jan 09 - May 17</u>
03 Savings	
Mission Fund	695.00
Music Fund	1,000.00
Memorial Fund Income	3,498.32
Helping Hand Income	108.40
General Fund Income	2,464.38
Building Fund Income	14,141.37
Total Savings	24,697.47

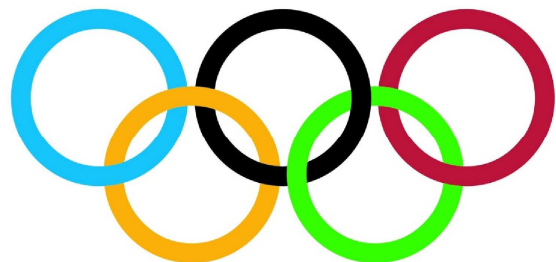
Per Capita Update: \$661.00

Community Suppers

MPC will be hosting a community supper this Summer. We will have hot dogs, with fixing, sides, and drinks. Please join us Wednesdays, June 21, July 19, and August 23 at 6:00 p.m. for food, fun, and fellowship! These events are being sponsored by the Congregational Care Committee.

THE OLYMPICS ARE COMING TO MPC!

Please join us on July 9th after worship, for the 2nd Annual MPC Olympic Games. We will also have a potluck lunch, so be sure to bring your appetite.



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| 1- Colleen Frazier | 26- Audrey King |
| 11- Jane NduNgu | 26- Dave Steele |
| 12- Sam Foy | 30- Clarissa Keller |
| 21- David Frazier | 30- Nicholas Kowal |
| 25- Jim Valentine | |



**Where: Meadowthorpe Presbyterian Church
356 Hillsboro Ave, Lexington KY 40511**

When: June 5th - June 9th

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Kindergarten through Fifth Grade kids are welcome!
Enjoy all the Hero-tastic things of VBS!**

◆ **MUSIC**

◆ **PUPPETS**

◆ **DINNER**

◆ **STORIES**

◆ **CRAFTS**

◆ **OUTSIDE REC TIME**

**Parents there will be a special performance, reward ceremony,
and celebration dinner the last night too!**

**Call (859) 255-1273 to pre register your children today,
or simply register the day of!**



June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>JUNE USHERS</u> Sally McGuire John Everly TBD TBD		<u>WORSHIP LEADERS</u> 4 Nora Warman 11 Suzanne Leibee 18 Callie Paddock 25 Carolyn McKeehan		1 4:45 p.m. Serve Dinner at the Hope Center	2	3
4 <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Pentecost Sunday</div> 11:00 a.m. Worship	5 2:00 p.m. Monday Circle <div style="background-color: #ff8c00; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">VBS 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.</div>	6 4:00 p.m. Exercise Group <div style="background-color: #ff8c00; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">VBS 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.</div>	7 <div style="background-color: #ff8c00; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">VBS 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.</div>	8 <div style="background-color: #ff8c00; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">VBS 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.</div>	9 <div style="background-color: #ff8c00; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">VBS 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.</div>	10
11 <div style="background-color: #00b0f0; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Gary on Vacation</div> 11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. THAT Circle	12 2:00 p.m. Monday Circle 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Leatherworkers 6:00 p.m. Justice Ministry Celebration	13 4:00 p.m. Exercise Group	14	15 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting	16	17
18 11:00 a.m. Worship	19 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Leatherworkers	20 4:00 p.m. Exercise Group	21 6:00 p.m. Community Supper	22 6:30 p.m. BUILD Board Meeting at Shiloh Baptist	23	24
25 11:00 a.m. Worship	26 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Leatherworkers	27 4:00 p.m. Exercise Group	28	29	30	