

Pitt Pres

ACTIVITY GUIDE

January & February 2012

The Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg, Kansas | 520 N. Pine St. | 620-231-2920 | www.pittpres.org

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

JOYFUL NOISE NURSERY

Joyful Noise Nursery is open to all children 3 years and under during the following times:

- **Sundays:** 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
At 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings, these children participate in Nursery Chapel in Hagman Chapel.
- **Wednesdays** during the school year:
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Contact: *Lori LasKares*, 620-231-2920, laskares@yahoo.com

KIDS FOLLOWING JESUS

Sundays, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

- January 8-22: The Widow's Offering
- January 29- February 19: Jesus Heals: The Paralyzed Man

Kids Following Jesus (KFJ) is a program to offer Christian education (Sunday school) for kids ages 4 through 5th grade in the rotation model. Participants have a chance to experience one story in three or four

different workshops. These may include storytelling, games, cooking, arts and crafts, theater, science, etc. Contact: *Anna Noonoo*, 620-704-3472, altshome@yahoo.com.

BRIDGES TO WORSHIP

Sundays during Worship

Bridges to Worship (B2W) is designed to help young worshipers learn about worship, in preparation to join the adults in the worship when they "cross the bridge" at the end of 2nd grade. It is an option for those parents who want their children to learn about worship for a little while. The children are dismissed for B2W following the Children's Message in worship. Contact: *Julie Bernhardt*, 620-687-3993, bbernhardt1@cox.net.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS are always welcome and appreciated in all areas of our Children and Youth Ministries!

Sunday Mornings

- 8:45 a.m. - Nursery Opens
- 9 a.m. - Choir Practice
- 9 a.m. - KFJ (Sunday School)
- 9 a.m. - Adult Sunday School
- 9:15 a.m. - Nursery Chapel
- 10 a.m. - Worship
- Coffee Fellowship following worship

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sermon Texts and Special Events

- Jan. 8: Genesis 1:1-5; Mark 1:4-11; Psalm 29
- Jan. 15: 1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139
- Jan. 22: Jonah 3:1-5; Psalm 62: 5-12
- Jan. 29: Deut 18:15-20; Psalm 111
- Feb. 5: Isa 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, Barnabas Sunday & Communion Sunday
- Feb. 12: Chuck and Camille Olcese preaching
- Feb. 19: Campaign for Spiritual Growth, Week 1
- Feb. 26: Campaign for Spiritual Growth, Week 2

YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

The High School Youth Group gathers on the 2nd and 4th Sundays after worship. Contact: *Lori Atkinson*, 417-684-5750, latkinson12@cox.net.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

The Middle School Youth Group meets every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 7:30 p.m. Contact: *Julie Bernhardt*, 620-687-3993, bbernhardt1@cox.net.

JUNIOR YOUTH FOR CHRIST

Junior Youth for Christ (JYC) is for kids in 4th and 5th grades. They will make treats on Jan. 12, host Coffee Fellowship on Jan. 15, and gather on Feb. 5. Contact: *Julie Bernhardt*, 620-687-3993, bbernhardt1@cox.net.

CHICKEN & NOODLE FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

This Spring, our Middle & High School Youth Groups will be taking a trip to Tulsa to participate in Acquire the Fire Youth Rally! This is sure to be a great event for our youth to grow as young Christians!

The Youth Group will be hosting a homemade chicken and noodle fundraiser dinner at the Annual Meeting in the Leffler Life Center on Sunday, January 29 immediately following worship. A free-will offering will be collected. Please come support our Youth Group and help them get to Tulsa on March 16 and 17!

Contact: *Julie Bernhardt*, 620-687-3993, bbernhardt1@cox.net.

WELCOME TO PITT PRES!

If you are new to Pitt Pres we want to welcome you! With so much to offer we want to do all we can to help you make new friends and find that special place where you can grow in your faith and use your gifts as we all serve Christ.

From newborns to our most experienced adults, Pitt Pres offers opportunities for worship, spiritual growth, fellowship, serving and missions.

This is just a sampling of what Pitt Pres has to offer. We invite you to visit our website, www.pittpres.org, and join us on Facebook, www.facebook.com/pittpres.

Wednesday Nights

5:45 p.m. - Meal

6:30 p.m. - Christian Education

6:45 p.m. - Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Nursery available from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTION

Gathering at 5:45 p.m. each Wednesday during the school year, this is a church-wide event intended to offer fellowship, Bible studies and other gatherings in small groups. Connection starts with a meal in the Leffler Life Center. *Contact: Debra Bevins, 620-231-2920, secdeb@sbcglobal.net.*

ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

Starting Wednesday, January 11, Pastor K.O. will be leading a 5-week study on "Prayer: Beyond Guilt to Freedom" from 6:30-7:30 p.m. upstairs in the Golden Rule Room. The class will be held Jan. 11, 18, Feb. 1, 8, and 15. All are welcome. *Contact: K.O. Noonoo 620-404-0182, pastorko@sbcglobal.net.*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

An adult Sunday School class is held on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. upstairs in the Golden Rule Room. *Contact: K.O. Noonoo 620-404-0182, pastorko@sbcglobal.net.*

SPECIAL EVENTS

Equipping the Saints II

Jan. 21, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

This is for all church officers, Elders (not just Session members), and Deacons. Current officers are highly encouraged to attend or to look for someone else to go in their place. The Event is at 1st and Calvary Presbyterian in Springfield, MO. For more details follow this link and check out pages 4 and 5: www.jcpresbytery.com/uploads/8/9/4/3/8943859/jcpnoticesdec.23.pdf

How to Study the Bible

Workshop Jan. 28, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Held in the Upper Room, this fun event will help anyone who want to learn how to read the Bible for understanding and transformation. It's a new year. If you are thinking about reading your Bible more or

GOOD SAMARITAN SATURDAYS

Feb. 4, 9 a.m. - noon. Gather at the church at 9 a.m. for devotion and directions.

On the first Saturday of each month, from 9 a.m. to noon, we enter our community to serve in hands-on practical ways. Our projects have included yard work, cleaning out gutters, changing light bulbs for members and friends, pick up recycling, Habitat for Humanity building work, etc. Ideas come from the congregation. *Contact: Jeff Murphy, 620-704-5890, jwm877@hotmail.com.*

MEET OUR PASTORAL PRESBYTER

The Rev. Susan Rosenbaum, the Pastoral Presbyter of John Calvin Presbytery, will come and visit us at Connection on Feb. 25. She hopes to both bring us greeting as well as engage in conversation about our church and Presbytery.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

Small Groups meet at various locations, times and dates. For information about current Small Group options, please reach *Chuck Olcese, colcese@pittstate.edu, 231-6149.*

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Deborah Circle gathers on the first Monday of each month for Bible study, prayer and mutual support. Currently, they are studying Confessing the Beatitudes. A truly worthwhile study. *Contact: Darlene McLaren, 620-231-0991, dmclaren1@cox.net*

perhaps leading a small group, this is for you. Lunch provided. *RSVP to Chuck Olcese, colcese@pittstate.edu, 231-6149.*

Campaign for Spiritual Growth Feb. 19 - Mar. 25

Based on *Acts of the Apostles*, a book in the New Testament, this six weeks church-wide event is designed help us study how the early church functioned in their worship and witness. Devotions are being written by church members. Bible study lessons have been designed for small group discussions. Worship services will be themed around weekly study topics. It all begins on Feb. 19 at Worship.

Ash Wednesday Service

Feb. 22, 6:30 p.m.

The event will start with a meal at 5:45 p.m. At 6:30 p.m., the service will be held in the

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1: Communion Sunday

January 7: Good Samaritan Saturday

January 8: KFJ resumes

January 11: Connection resumes; Potluck

January 12: JYC Treat Making

January 15: JYC host Coffee Fellowship

January 16: Youth Group Noodle Making

January 18: Middle School Youth host

Connection meal

January 18-21: Picture days for new directory

January 28: How to Study the Bible Workshop

January 29: Youth Group Chicken & Noodle

Fundraiser

January 29: Annual Meeting

February 4: Good Samaritan Saturday

February 5: Communion; Barnabas Sunday

February 5: JYC Meeting

February 19-April 8: Campaign for Spiritual Growth

February 22: Ash Wednesday Service

February 24-25: Becoming a Love & Logic Parent

February 25: Visit with Pastoral Presbyter

February 26: First Sunday of Lent

ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 29

Immediately following worship

Hagman Chapel. There will be communion and imposition of ashes. This will mark the beginning of Lent. For more information about Lent:

<http://gamc.pcusa.org/ministries/worship/worship-resources-lent/>

Becoming a Love and Logic Parent Feb. 24, 5:30 - 9 p.m. and Feb. 25, 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Facilitated by Pastor K.O. Noonoo, this fun event will seek to equip parents with practical tools that will help them raise responsible kids without raising their own blood pressure. Event will be held in the Upper Room. Child care is provided. Sponsored by Pittsburgh Presbyterian and Mother to Mother ministries, this event is a free gift to the community. To preregister, please call Debra at 231-2920. Space is limited.