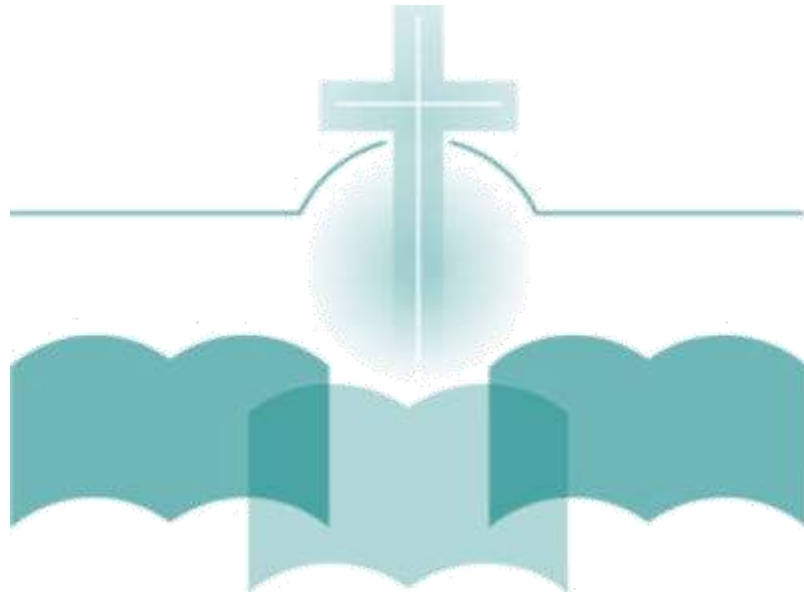


Idlewild Presbyterian Church



Christian Formation for All Ages FALL 2018

Rally Day Kick-Off and Adult Ministry Fair

Sunday, August 19

9:40 a.m. All gather in the Sanctuary for music and fun.

10:00 Children and Youth to Sunday School Rooms and Adults to
T.K. Young Room for an Adult Ministry Fair.

Join us and invite your friends!

August 19 – December 30, 2018

ADULT MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

All Sunday School classes welcome newcomers and visitors, as well as familiar faces! Classes are 9:40–10:40 a.m. Many classes have a contact person. For more information, contact Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation, rlamar@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681 ext. 46. See pages 7–9 for information on nursery, children and youth classes.

Report from the PC(USA) General Assembly

SEPT 30, T.K. Young Room

Leader: The Rev. Anne H.K. Apple, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Evangelism and Commissioner from the Presbytery of the Mid-South to the 2018 PC(USA) General Assembly in St. Louis.

DEC 23: Waffle Sunday, T.K. Young Room

Everyone is Invited!

The Young Adults will host all classes in the T.K. Young Room for Waffle Sunday. There will be plenty of waffles with a variety of toppings and Christmas fun!

Young Adult Sunday School

Pastor Steve's Office, Sanctuary Bldg.

Coffee at 9:40, with discussion to follow.

The Young Adult Sunday school class is open to all young adults. This semester, our topic is, *PC(USA) 101: What Does it Mean to Be Presbyterian?* We will discuss everything from the Bible, to history, theology, worship, and denominational structure and governance. In December, we will transition into the Advent season with a shift in focus to an Advent devotional study. No prep work required.

Contact Elizabeth H. Doolin, Director of Young Adult Ministry, at edoolin@idlewildchurch.org for more information.

Christian Parenting of Young Children: Nurturing the Soul of Your Family

T.K. Young Room, Sanctuary Bldg.

The theme for Christian Parenting this fall is *Faith Like a Child*. During these months the class will explore what faith of children looks like and how we, as adults, can develop our own faith in these ways.

AUG 26—SEPT 2: *Faith Like a Child: Worshipping with Children*. Leader: The Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation.

SEPT 9: *In the Know*: Children's Ministry parents meeting. Leader: Caitlin C. Bomar, Director of Children's Ministry.

SEPT 16–23: *Faith Like a Child: Finding God in Children's Literature*.

Leader: Stephanie Rodda, member and retired elementary school librarian.

SEPT 30: *Report on the General Assembly*

Leader: The Rev. Anne H.K. Apple, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Evangelism and Commissioner from the Presbytery of the Mid-South to the 2018 PC(USA) General Assembly in St. Louis.

OCT 7: *Faith Like a Child: Finding God in Children's Literature*.

Leader: Stephanie Rodda, member and retired elementary school librarian.

OCT 14: NaCoMe Weekend: Meet with Young Adult class.

OCT 21–28: *Faith Like a Child: The Lord's Prayer*

Leader: The Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation.

NOV 4–18: *Faith Like a Child: Building Resilience*

NOV 4–11: The Rev. Margaret Burnett, Associate Pastor and Executive Director of the Child and Family Enrichment Center at Idlewild.

NOV 18: Presentation of data from research project with the University of Memphis on *Resilience*.

Leader: Angela Hamblen Kelly and the Center for Good Grief.

NOV 25: Thanksgiving: No Class

DEC 2–16: *Faith Like a Child: Advent Wonder*

Leader: The Rev. Anne H.K. Apple, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Evangelism.

DEC 23: Waffle Breakfast for All Ages, T.K. Young Room.

20/20 Class

28 S. Evergreen, 2nd Floor

The 20/20 Class is an intergenerational discussion class that focuses on questions of faith and belief in the history of the Church. We try to connect issues of the past with present day issues and concerns. Leaders: Scott Moore and John Boughter. This year's focus is on religion in the United States. Topic include:

- Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt
- Is America a Christian Nation?
- Five Ways that Americans have Changed God
- Religious Conflicts in American History

Covenanters Class

Church Parlor

SEPT 2–DEC 16: *Feasting on the Word*

Feasting on the Word materials engage adults in a deeper exploration of biblical texts. Christian faith is enhanced when the Scriptures, read and proclaimed in worship, are reinforced and expanded on what a person has been considering in their educational time. Education and worship can be mutually supportive in helping God's word in Scripture come alive in the Sunday morning experience. Leader: Charles Key.

Faith and Function Class and Timothy Class

Harlan Room, Sanctuary Bldg.

For the coming 2018–19 program year, during the Jones Building renovations, the Faith and Function and Timothy classes are meeting together in the Harlan Room. The groups share a common interest in exploring how our authoritative texts and our individual and corporate faith journeys speak to us today. Each week, a scholar of the scriptures visits and takes the group down a path of examining the context in which the text was written as well as the context in which we read in our own times.

AUG 19: Rally Day and the Adult Ministry Fair Room.

AUG 26–SEPT 16: *Vulnerability and Community*

Leader: Dr. Kendra Hotz, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, Rhodes College.

SEPT 23–30: *Two Notes from Romans*

Leader: Dr. Mitzi Minor, The Mary Magdalene Professor of New Testament, Memphis Theological Seminary.

OCT 7 –14: *A Biblical View of Justice*

Leader: Dr. Peter Gathje, Professor of Christian Ethics, Memphis Theological Seminary.

OCT 21–NOV 11: *Sleuthing the Bible*

Leader: Dr. Steve McKenzie, Professor of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, Rhodes College.

NOV 18–25: *Uncharted Territory: New Insights in Ancient Texts*

Leader: Ashley Lamar, M.Div. in 2005 from Columbia Seminary, currently teaches at Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal School.

DEC 2–16: *The Witness of Luke to Christ*

The class will examine how some of the key themes sounded in the beginning (Christmas) chapters are worked out in the rest of the gospel.

Leader: Dr. Jim McClanahan, retired pastor (ordained in 1980 by the Presbytery of the Mid-South) and former professor of religious studies, with a concentration in New Testament and church history.

DEC 23-30: No class

Stephen Class

The Session Room

(just to the right of the sanctuary chancel)

Kurt Vonnegut: *I believe that reading and writing are the most nourishing forms of meditation anyone has so far found.*

Eudora Welty: *My continuing passion is to part a curtain, that invisible veil of indifference that falls between us and that blinds us to each other's presence, each other's wonder, each other's human plight.*

Everyone who likes to read is encouraged to join us. We choose what we read, and class members facilitate discussions. We discover that, in reading, our veils of ignorance are breached, and we find common ground with fellow travelers in this world.

We pace our reading based on the difficulty of the book and the desire of the class for time for reflection. There are no prerequisites except for a love of reading and a willingness to discover what others find in a book read in common.

Contacts: Jim Cole, jpcoletn@bellsouth.net, and Bob Llewellyn, rrllewellyn@comcast.net.

AUG 19: Rally Day, and the Adult Ministry Fair.

AUG 26–SEPT 2: "The Sunset Limited," a play by Cormac McCarthy. Facilitated by Phil Taylor.

SEPT 9–30: *Stoner* by John Williams. Facilitated by Leslie Hanna.

OCT 7– 28: Graham Greene's *The End of the Affair*. Facilitated by Phil Taylor.

NOV 4 –25: Leo Tolstoy's *Stories and Legends*, a collection. Facilitated by Jim Cole.

DEC 2 –30: Dava Sobel's *A More Perfect Heaven, How Copernicus Revolutionized the Cosmos*.

DEC 23: Topic TBA. Facilitated by Bob Llewellyn and Jim Cole.

Praying with Scripture: The Practice of Lectio Divina

Samaritan Counseling Center, 35 S. Auburndale, 38104

This meditative group has been active for several years now and is eager to expand and welcome new members or drop-ins. Using the Scripture that is preached upon that day, we read aloud, meditate in silence, and then share our reflections about how God is moving in our lives. We find that our concerns, relationships, hopes and aspirations naturally intertwine with this weekly mediation and sharing of the Scripture. We have realized that by listening “with the ear of our hearts,” we can more easily feel the rhythm of God’s presence in our daily lives. If you enjoyed being part of a weekly group of Lectio during past Lenten seasons, or have never tried it but are intrigued by the opportunity to slow your pace of prayer and listen more intently for God’s call to you in Scripture, come and join us! Leaders: Mary McIntosh, church elder, and willing class members.

IDLEWILD CHOIR

Choir Room, 2nd Floor, Sanctuary Bldg.

The Choir sings weekly during the 11:00 service and for other special services and concerts. Weekly rehearsals are Wednesdays, 7:00–9:00 p.m. in the Choir Room (Sanctuary Bldg., 2nd Floor). Members also attend one section rehearsal each month. To discuss choir membership, please contact Barry Oliver, Director of Music Ministry, at boliver@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext. 12.

WEEKDAY STUDIES AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Idlewild Book Club

Meets 4th Thursdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Church Parlor

In November the 3rd Thursday; no meeting in December.

Book for September: Hampton Sides’ *In the Kingdom of Ice: The Grand and Terrible Polar Voyage of the USS Jeannette*. Contact: Joyce Webber, brucewebber@earthlink.net or 901-412-8475.

The Gifts of Imperfect Parenting: Support Group for Mothers of Young Children

Partnership of CAFE and Children’s Ministry

Meets Thursdays, SEPT 6—NOV 15, bi-weekly, 5:15-6:45 p.m., 28 S, Evergreen at CAFE.

Are you a mother of young children looking for an opportunity to refuel and connect with other mothers? Using Dr. Brene Brown’s book, *The Gifts of Imperfect Parenting*, Alison Berger, Andi Hill, and Margaret Burnett will facilitate group discussion around the idea that we can love and nurture our children only as much as we are

able to love and care for ourselves. This book provides a practical and hopeful program for raising children who know that they are worthy of love, belonging, and joy.

Childcare includes dinner and kid’s yoga with Stephanie Congo.

RSVP: Christine Driskill at Christine.driskill@gmail.com.

(For childcare, provide child’s name, age, and food allergies.)

Men’s Breakfast, Fellowship, Bible Study and Prayer

Tuesdays, 9:00–10:00 a.m., T. K. Young Room

Facilitated by Ted Mealor.

Study: N.T. Wright’s *Mark: 20 Studies for Individuals and Groups*. Please make reservations with Brenda Harris at the Church Office, 726-4681 or brenda@idlewildchurch.org. Breakfast is \$8. *Please come as your schedule allows.*

If you are interested, have questions, or need transportation, contact Ted Mealor at 683-4764 or wt.mealor@aol.com.

Wednesday Morning Studies

9:30–11:00 a.m.

Harlan Room

SEPT 12–OCT 3: *Men Who Made America*

The “Great Man Theory of History” is often debunked, but a look at America’s past makes it clear that certain individuals have played a transformative role in the political, economic, and cultural story of America.

The list includes notable Founding Fathers who never became president, industrial and financial titans who converted the U.S. from an agrarian backwater into a rich and powerful nation, and a few Jewish immigrants, pariahs in mainstream culture, whose movie studios shaped that culture in the formative years of Hollywood.

We will explore the personal attributes, the achievements, and the legacy of these “great men.”

Leader: Dr. Lucie Bridgforth, retired after teaching 25 years at Northwest Community College in Senatobia.

OCT 10–24: *The Tumultuous Transition*

On New Year’s Day 1945, a seriously ill President Franklin Delano Roosevelt had roughly one hundred days left to live. The European Theater was about to turn decisively in the Allied Army’s favor, while the Russian Army was pounding away at the retreating Wehrmacht in the East. American Marines and GIs were successful in their push to retake the Philippines and eventually the Japanese mainland. On April 12, FDR dies and Vice President Harry S. Truman assumes the presidency with basically no preparation and understanding. These three sessions will cover the ending of one

administration and the beginning of the other along with the transformative decisions both men made. Leader: Jody Hopkins. A class outline will be provided prior to the first session. Recommended reading: *The Last 100 Days: FDR at War and at Peace* by David Woolner.

Potsdam: The Ending of World War II and the Remaking of Europe by Michael Neiberg.

OCT 31–NOV 28: Four Sessions on the Dramas of John Millington Synge. The class will begin with *Riders to the Sea* and, if time permits, proceed to another of his plays. Leader: Pat Kelly. (*No class on Nov. 21.*)

DEC 5–12: Francis Fukuyama's *The End of History and the Last Man* will be reviewed. Audience participation with interactive polling will be a prominent feature. Leader: Ferrell Varner.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

SEPT 20–NOV 8

**10:00–11:00 a.m. at Trezevant Manor Gallery,
177 N. Highland St.**

How Holy Writ was Written

Do you know how we got the Bible as we have it? Why do Protestant Bibles omit some books which are in Roman Catholic Bibles? How is the Hebrew Bible different from our Old Testament? Do we actually need four gospels? Why are there so many translations? Why are the Dead Sea Scrolls important? What are the Gnostic gospels? Peter Gomes has said, "If we are going to attempt to understand the Bible 'as it is,' we are going to have to make the effort to understand how it came to be 'as it is.'" If you are interested in questions like these, plan to join the Thursday morning Bible study this fall.

BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible). Leader: Mary Edith Walker. For additional information contact Mary Edith at msmewalker@bellsouth.net. To register contact Brenda Harris, brenda@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext. 35.

Koine Greek Class

One weekday afternoon, usually Thursday, 4:30–5:30 p.m.

This is an adult weekday class for the study of the New Testament in the original Greek. This group was formed by the late Dr. Milton P. Brown, a retired professor from the Department of Religion at Rhodes College. Those interested in the class, or in undertaking a beginner's course in Koine Greek, may contact Ernest Kelly for information at 901-568-8462 or horselovers@aol.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Study circles and fellowship are for women of all ages. All Presbyterian women are invited to join a circle for friendship and spiritual growth. Throughout the year, six circles meet for Bible study and service. They reach out to one another as well as new members, collect and distribute money for outreach, serve the needs of those who can't attend church, and pray for our church and the world. For more information, contact Barbara Denley at denleys@bellsouth.net or 901-490-9288.

Rally Day Information Table

Sunday, August 19

9:40–10:40 a.m. and 12:00–12:30 p.m.

T.K. Young Room

A Gathering for All Women

Sunday, August 19, 4:00 p.m.

at the home of Andi Hill, 438 Princeton Wood Cove, 38117.

All women are invited. Special guests will be the newest church members. This is an opportunity to welcome them into the life of the church and introduce them to some ways Presbyterian Women serve in the church, our city, and the world.

Horizons Bible Study and Fall Workshop at Pinecrest

Saturday, August 25, Registration 9:00 a.m.

Program 9:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Lunch is \$15.00.

Pinecrest Conference and Retreat Center Chapel, 21430 Hwy 57, Moscow, TN 38057 (901-878-1247). All women are invited.

The Horizons Bible Study Conference provides an opportunity for Bible moderators and leaders to examine the 2018–2019 PW Horizons Bible Study, *God's Promises: I Am With You*, by the Rev. Amy Poling Sutherlun. Speaker will be the Rev. Missy Rose, First Presbyterian Church, Kennett, MO.

Fall Gathering and Luncheon

All Are Welcome!

Tuesday, SEPT 18, 11:00 a.m.

T.K. Young Room

Ms. Carol Coletta, president and CEO of the nonprofit Memphis River Parks Partnership will present the concept that will develop, manage, and program six miles of riverfront and five park districts along the Mississippi River: *A New Future for the Memphis Riverfront*

PW Circles Meet Oct 2 to May 7

Various times and locations

Most circles meet the first Tuesday of each month. The Trezevant Circle meets the first Thursday. For more details or monthly meeting locations, please contact Barbara Denley, 901-490-9288 or denleys@bellsouth.net.

MARY MAGDALENE: 1st Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Parlor. Working women, come and bring your lunch if you are able.

Teresa Caldwell, Leader; Cathy Ward, Bible Moderator.

ABIGAIL: Meets for lunch in a member's home. Lee Anne Roehm, Leader; Mace Coday, Co-leader; Debbie Pittman, Bible Moderator.

LYDIA-RUTH: Meets at 10:30 a.m. in a member's home. Susan Taylor, Leader; Barbara Terhune, Co-leader; Mary Edith Walker, Bible Moderator.

REBEKAH: Meets at 10:00 a.m. in a member's home. Mary Lou McCaa, Leader; Marilyn Donnelly, Co-leader; Patricia Suttle, Bible Moderator.

TREZEVANT: Meets at 10:30 a.m., first Thursday of the month. Sarah Brandon, Leader; Catherine Berger, Co-leader; Barbara Denley, Bible Moderator.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S HOPE CIRCLE

(a Pop-Up Circle)

Are you eager to discuss important issues with other women? Then consider joining Hope Circle, a group of Presbyterian Women who plan to meet for 4 weeks in October for small-group conversations on influential topics.

Tuesday, OCT 2, 9, 16, & 30 (no meeting OCT 23)

4:30–5:30 p.m., Church Parlor

William S. Craddock Jr. will lead sessions four Tuesdays centered around his book: *Restreaming: Thriving in the Currents of Retirement and Daily Life*.

Book may be bought or ordered at Novel Laurelwood.

Katie Cole, Leader; Stephanie Rodda, Co-Leader.

For details, contact Katie Cole at katielxs@aol.com.

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMMING

There is a lot going on in Young Adult Ministry and many ways to get involved. If you would like to receive young adult ministry email updates each week, please contact Elizabeth H. Doolin, Director of Young Adult Ministry, edoolin@idlewildchurch.org

Please see bulletins, newsletters and the Young Adult Facebook group for event times and more information.

Young Adult Fellowship Events

Young Adults gather together for fellowship and food every third Sunday of the month. We will meet in the T.K. Young Room following the 11:00 worship service and decide where to go for lunch. We gather for evening fellowship events throughout the semester as well.

If you would like more information about Young Adult activities, please contact Elizabeth H. Doolin.

AUG 19: 3rd Sunday Lunch, 12:00 p.m.

AUG 24: YA Kick-Off Party, 7:00 p.m., Home of Keith and Katie Cole, 1464 Goodbar Ave, 38104.

SEPT 16: 3rd Sunday Lunch, 12:00 p.m.

OCT 21: 3rd Sunday Lunch, 12:00 p.m.

OCT 25: Theology on Tap, 7:00 p.m.: Fall Fellowship Edition at Pyro's Pizza on Union. Join the young adults for a discussion on current events and how our faith informs our understanding of them.

NOV 18: 3rd Sunday Lunch, 12:00 p.m.

DEC 15: Christmas Party, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Russ and Cheryl Westlake, 1746 Harbert.

Young Adult Bible Study

SEPT 5: 6:30 p.m., at the home of Elizabeth H. Doolin, 3703 Johnwood Dr. 38122

OCT 3: 6:30 p.m. TBD

NOV 7: 6:30 p.m. TBD

DEC 5: 6:30 p.m. TBD

Young Adult Men's Dinners

The Young Adult Men group gathers for dinner on the second Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

SEPT 13: 6:30 p.m. Next Door Crosstown

OCT 11: 6:30 p.m. Kwik Chek

NOV 8: 6:30 p.m. Hattie B's Chicken

DEC 13: 6:30 p.m. HopDoddy Burger Bar on Cooper

Young Adult Women Dine-0-1

The Young Adult Women group gathers for dinner on the second Tuesday of the month (except November) at 6:30 p.m.

SEPT 18: 6:30 p.m. Molly's La Casita

OCT 16: 6:30 p.m. TBD

DEC 18: 6:30 p.m. TBD

Young Adult Women Retreat

NOVEMBER 2–4

at Pickwick Lake

For more information, contact Elizabeth H. Doolin at edoolin@idlewildchurch.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

6TH–12TH GRADE

Youth fellowship is composed of two groups: QUEST (grades 6–8) and BASIC (grades 9–12). For information contact either Frank Kelly, Director of Youth Ministry, 726-4681 ext. 13 or fkelly@idlewildchurch.org, or Dara Bigger, Asst. Director of Youth Ministry, 726-4681 ext. 45 or dbigger@idlewildchurch.org.

Sunday Morning Classes

Classes are 9:40–10:40 a.m. A lectionary-based Presbyterian Church (USA) curriculum is used.

QUEST (Questioning, Understanding, Exploring, Sharing/Serving Together)

BASIC (Brothers And Sisters In Christ)

Both groups meet on Sunday mornings at the CAFE house, 28 S Evergreen, 1st Floor.

Sunday Evenings

Youth groups share dinner, games, worship, discussion and fellowship. Details about Sunday programs and other events are sent to youth and parents each week.

QUEST 6:00–7:30 [T.K. Young Room]

BASIC 6:00–7:30 [T.K. Young Room]

Senior High Breakfast

BASIC youth meet each Tuesday morning at Panera Bread (4530 Poplar). Frank is there from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Youth provide their own transportation. No breakfasts during holidays.

Youth Ministry Special Events

OCT 21: BASIC Mission Night: 6:00–7:30 p.m., T.K. Young Room

NOV 18: Soup To Go Sale, 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., T.K. Young Room

DEC 2: BASIC Christmas Party, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

DEC 9: QUEST Christmas Party, 6:00–7:30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

(5TH GRADE AND UNDER)

The children's ministry at Idlewild is abounding with opportunities for children fifth grade and under to be nurtured in their faith. From monthly fellowship gatherings, weekly Sunday School classes, and deepened involvement in worship services, to special events like Bible and Communion Workshops, intergenerational events at church and off-site retreats...there is no shortage of ways for you and your children to plug-in to the wonderful ways God is working at Idlewild. For more information about children's programs please contact Director of Children's Ministry, Caitlin C. Bomar at cbomar@idlewildchurch.org or 540-471-4825.

Sunday Morning Classes

Classes begin August 26, 9:40–10:40 a.m. The nursery as well as all children's ministry classrooms are in the Sanctuary Building while the Jones Building is under construction.

Nursery: Two-Year-Olds and Under

The nursery is located in the Conference Room (1st Floor next to the Parlor)

Childcare: Toni Christopher

Rotating Youth: Merrill Ford, Lilly Linkous, Georgia Bruno, and Amy Lopez

Two-Year-Old Class

Nursery, Conference Room

Sunday School Teachers: Sam and Melanie Stewart.

Explore Bible stories using Cokesbury's *Deep Blue* curriculum, and enjoy time for active play.

Music for Children

Begins AUG 26, 9:40–10:00 a.m.

(first 20 min. of Sunday School hour)

PK/JK class meets in the Former Library. Donia Wade, Music Leader.

SK–2nd Grade class meets in the Strock Room. Ginger Hopkins, Music Leader.

Dates for singing in the 11:00 worship service:

Sunday, October 21

Christmas Eve, December 24, 3:00 p.m.

3rd–5th Grade class meets in the Choir Room. Barry Oliver, Music Leader.

Every Sunday morning August–May musical activities are part of the children’s music hour. Singing and other musical experiences are designed to equip children to better participate in worship. The experiences are age-appropriate and involve such activities as learning songs by rote, exploring the hymnal, preparing special music to be sung during worship, and playing musical instruments such as handbells and Orff instruments.

In addition, choirs of older children are sometimes formed to help lead worship. This choir will rehearse at times other than Sunday morning and include more in-depth experiences of musical leadership through singing anthems from the choir loft and processing with the adult choir.

PK/JK Class

(Former Library, 2nd Floor)

Teachers: Ali Hill

Ruth Garrett (fall semester only)

Shepherds: Cristi Mosteller, Lynn Brown Rowe and Emily Chateau.

Using Cokesbury’s *Deep Blue* curriculum, children build relationships and grow in God through exploring Bible stories, making crafts and enjoying free play.

SK, 1st, and 2nd Grade Class

Strock Room, 2nd Floor

Teachers: Laurel Dolan and Catherine Berger

Shepherds: Pat Neely and Lane Faughnan

Using Cokesbury’s *Deep Blue* curriculum, children have adventures, hear exciting Bible stories, and learn about living as disciples of Jesus.

3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Class

Christian Formation Suite

(begins with music in the Choir Room)

Teachers: Amy Sharp, Molly Sharp, and Jenny Robertson

Shepherds: Will Gibbons, Jr. and Crystal Gilreath

Using a curriculum called *Bible-In-Life*, children will expand on their foundation of faith through real-life application of Scripture that challenges them to think about how they fit into the world.

Children’s Sunday Worship

Idlewild welcomes children of all ages to participate in the worship services held here. Children’s worship packets can be found at all entrances to the church Sanctuary. For parents with children ages two years of age and under who would like to be child-free during worship, nursery care is provided from 8:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. every Sunday.

Where to Go During 11:00 Worship

Infants, toddlers and two-year-olds may stay in worship or go to the nursery.

PK and JK children (pre-kindergarten and junior kindergarten; typically three- four year olds) may stay through the entirety of worship, or stay through the *Time with the Younger Church* and then attend Children’s Church Continued (C3) for the remainder of the worship service. (Continue reading for more details on C3.)

Children in SK (senior kindergarten; typically 5 year olds and older) are asked to stay for the entirety of the worship service, (as opposed to going to C3). We are excited to grow alongside these children as they adjust to “big church!”

Children’s Church Continued (C3)

PK and JK Children only

Teacher: Emily Chateau

Rotating volunteers: Molly Logan, Lindsey William, Ali and Casey Hill, Meghan and Ben Clark; Substitute: Ryal Mitchell; rotating youth volunteers: Sophie Faughnan, Amy Lopez, Leigh Bruno, and Sadie Bridgforth.

Children’s Church Continued is offered in the former Library for children in PK and JK following the Time with the Younger Church which takes place during the 11:00 worship service. Parents should escort their children from the Sanctuary to the hallway outside of the T.K. Young Room, sign them in with C3 teachers, and pick them up in the library immediately following the service.

Children in SK (senior kindergarten) and above are welcome to come up front for the Time with the Younger Church, but stay in the Sanctuary for the entirety of the worship service.

Children’s Leadership in Worship

As a church that strives to have an intergenerational approach to ministry, we believe that children’s participation in worship is vital to the health of our congregation and helps tremendously in the way of giving children a sense of purpose and belonging. If your child would like to participate in worship in any of the following ways, please contact Caitlin.

First Sunday Bulletin Greeters: Children in SK through 5th grade are given the opportunity every first Sunday of the month to help pass out bulletins by the entrances to the Sanctuary.

Third Sunday Ushering: Children in 3rd through 5th grade are invited to serve as ushers in the 11 a.m. service every third Sunday, while children in SK–5th grade are invited to serve as ushers in the 8:30 a.m. service every third Sunday.

Lord's Prayer: Children who have memorized the Lord's Prayer have the opportunity to sign up to lead the congregation in the Lord's Prayer to close the Time with the Younger Church.

Children's Ministry Fellowship

Fellowship gatherings are held for both JK and under families, and SK–5th grade families regularly in the homes of various church members. There is no agenda for these gatherings other than to enjoy each other's company and grow in community through the challenge and joy of raising children. Be on the lookout for monthly invitations! If you'd like to host, contact Caitlin.

Fellowship for Young Families: (JK and Under)

SEPT 22: Pool Party hosted by Leigh-Taylor White and Malcolm Futhey at 805 S. Perkins Rd, 38117, 2:00–5:00 p.m.

NOV 17: Hosted by Katie and Scott McLeod at 507 Kinsman Rd, 38120, 5:00–6:30 p.m.

Fellowship for SK-5th Grade Families

SEPT 30: Pool Party hosted by Jake and Frances Lawhead at 1592 Central Ave, 38104, 2:00–5:00 p.m.

NOV 17: Hosted by Jenna and Jeremy Sykes at 487 Wolf View Cove, Cordova 38018, 4:30–7:00 p.m.

Children's Ministry Special Events

To sign up for the following events, please contact Caitlin C. Bomar, Director of Children's Ministry, at cbomar@idlewildchurch.org or 540-471-4825.

AUG 26: Created by God Informational for parents of 5th and 6th graders, 9:40–10:40 a.m. in the Chapel.

AUG 26: Intro to Worship workshop for SK children and parents, 12:30–1:45 p.m., T.K. Young Room.

SEPT 3: MIFA CommUNITY Day

SEPT 9: *In the Know* Sunday School class for Parents, 9:40–10:40 a.m., T.K. Young Room.

SEPT 16: Youth Training, 12:15–1:30 p.m., Christian Formation Suite (21M).

SEPT 23: Fall Potluck, 12:15–1:30 p.m., T.K. Young Room and Garth.

OCT 12-14: NaCoMe All-Church Camp.

OCT 27: MIFA Family Service Day, 9:30–noon.

OCT 29: Trunk or Treat, 6:00–8:00 p.m., T.K. Young Room and Parking Lot.

DEC 2: Advent Party, 9:40–10:40 a.m., Children's classrooms.

DEC 9: Christmas Eve rehearsal for those with speaking roles, 9:40–10:40 a.m., Sanctuary.

DEC 16: Christmas Eve rehearsal for those with speaking roles, 12:15–1:15 p.m. T.K. Young Room then Sanctuary.

DEC 20: MIFA Holiday Family Service Day, 9:30–noon.

DEC 21: Final Christmas Eve rehearsal (speaking and non-speaking roles), 10:30–12:30 p.m., Sanctuary.

DEC 23: Waffle Sunday for all ages, 9:40-10:40 am. T.K. Young Room.

DEC 24: Christmas Eve Child-Led Service, 3:00–4:00 p.m.

DEC 27: MIFA Holiday Family Service Day, 9:30 a.m.–noon.

NURTURE MINISTRY UNIT

Re:Creation and Creative Play, Joyful Fellowship and Evangelism, and Health and Wholeness are the three areas that create the framework and capture the expansive range of the Nurture Ministry Unit.

Sports Ministries, NaCoMe, and the Pottery Studio are programs in Re:Creation and Creative Play. Potlucks, Baptismal Buddies, welcoming visitors, greeters, new member welcoming, and hosting visiting groups are programs in Joyful Fellowship and Evangelism. Health and Wholeness includes programs of congregational care, such as blood drives, and small group ChristCare ministries. Each area also hosts special events throughout the year.

For additional information contact Anne Apple, anne@idlewildchurch.org, or 726-4681 ext.18. Jacob Pierce, Interim Director of Athletics, jpierce@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681, ext.25 and Shari Gross, Interim Director of Recreation and Fellowship, sgross@idlewildchurch.org or 901-371-7840.

Re:Creation & Creative Play

Idlewild Pottery Studio: Belltower Artisans in the Highland Strip, 549 Highland. Saturday mornings 9:00 a.m.–Noon. Idlewild members can participate in an ongoing, pay as you are able program. You may bring a guest three times at no cost, and \$10 for subsequent visits. Check in with the volunteer pottery leader, Amanda Kohr, amanda.kohr@hilton.com.

Athletic Ministry

Love kids? Love sports? There is always a need for coaches. If you can help coach a kid's team, contact Jacob Pierce, jpierce@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681 ext. 25.

AUG 21: Soccer practice starts.

SEPT 9: Soccer games begin.

SEPT 10-OCT 26: Basketball registration.

SEPT 16.-NOV 4: Mini-Strikers Soccer program at the Kroc Center for 4 and 5 year olds, every Saturday. Clinic style practice at 9:00 a.m. on the first two meetings and games on the last 5-6 meetings at 9:30 a.m.

Joyful Fellowship & Evangelism

contact Shari Gross, sgross@idlewildchurch.org or 901-371-7840.

SEPT 9: Idlewild sponsored Outflix movie at Ridgeway Four immediately following 11:00 worship. Those riding the bus, please board by 12:45 p.m. Movie starts at 1:30 p.m. To reserve a seat on the bus, contact Shari Gross at sgross@idlewildchurch.org.

SEPT 23: Potluck following 11:00 worship, T.K. Young Room.

SEPT 29: Mid South Pride Festival 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at Tom Lee Park and Parade 1:00.-2:00 p.m. Idlewild will have a tent for the day of the festival and gather to march in the parade with other Presbyterian churches. We encourage everyone to wear their Idlewild t-shirts to share our welcome throughout the community.

OCT 12-14: NaCoMe Church Camp for all ages at the NaCoMe Camp and Conference Center in Pleasantville TN. Enjoy play, shared meals, worship and a great time of fellowship with church family and friends. Registration is open now and ends September 25.

OCT 29: Trunk or Treat, 6-7:30 p.m. Join Idlewild families and neighbors for a fun evening in the parking lot. Trunks will be decorated, there will be games, candy, face painting, and more. If you would like to volunteer to help, donate candy, or decorate your trunk, please contact Shari Gross at sgross@idlewildchurch.org or Katie McLeod at kmcleod901@gmail.com.

DEC 1: St. Jude Marathon and Support Station, time and place TBA. Come support all the runners for the St Jude Marathon. Cheering them along helps them throughout the route. Watch bulletins for more info.

Health and Wholeness

SEPT 30: Blood Drive, 8:00 -11:00 a.m. (Bloodmobile will be parked in the parking lot.) Donating blood is safe, it's simple, and it saves lives. Idlewild hosts two blood drives each year. Sign up in advance to give by emailing Julie Markham at julie.a.markham@gmail.com.

DEC 2: Service of Wholeness, 4:00 p.m. This service of song, prayer, and sharing is a time to prepare for the Advent season. Testimonies are given by individuals from the Idlewild family. If you are interested in sharing or helping to plan this service, please contact Anne Apple, anne@idlewildchurch.org.

Small Group ChristCare Ministries

Each group shares a common interest in community (5-12 people) who support each other by praying and studying together. Some groups are open for enrollment at the beginning of each semester, others are drop-in groups. Each group has a contact person, or contact Anne H.K. Apple, anne@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681 ext. 18.

Men in Mid-Life

Two biweekly groups meet on Wednesday evenings. Open enrollment at the beginning of each academic semester.

Group 1: 1st & 3rd week at Cheffie's, 483 High Point Terrace, 6:30-7:30 pm. Leader: Mike Bruno, MichaelgBruno@gmail.com or 901-590-7177.

Group 2: 2nd & 4th week at Panera Bread, 4530 Poplar, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Leader: Steve Haynes, haynes@rhodes.edu.

Mothers of Teenagers: Monthly meetings in members' homes. Time and theme to be announced. Contact: Anne Bradley Thomas, ab29thomas@yahoo.com.

Spiritual Formation: Meets bimonthly on Mondays, 6:30 p.m. in a member's home. Study to be decided. Contact: Leslie Goodwin, leslieagoodwin@comcast.net.

Gay-Straight Fellowship: Meets monthly, typically the 4th Sunday. Contact: Chad Braddock, chadbraddock@gmail.com. Some events are being planned in conjunction with Memphis Area Gay Youth (MAGY).

AUG 26: OUTFLIX preview and discussion. OUTFLIX is September 7-13 at the Ridgeway Four Theater.

SEPT 29: PRIDE festival is moving to Tom Lee Park on the river and we will have a booth. Will start filming stories of LGBTQIA experiences with the church.

OCT 28: Social lunch out; plan MAGY outreach and involvement at our Trunk or Treat event.

NOV 25: Celebrating Thanksgiving with MAGY. Details TBA. Discussing personal Thanksgiving traditions and the importance in our lives.

DEC 9: Christmas party with the Faith and Function Sunday School Class.

JAN 2019: Plans are to present our film of GLBTQA interviews from the Pride Festival of people's experiences with the church.

Theology and the Arts

Meets the second Thursday of each month, September to May, in members' homes to discuss "art" seen the previous month. This may include theater, music, art, movies, etc. The group decides what to see/attend the next month, either together or individually.

Coordinators: Jane Roberts, spidey2160@icloud.com, and Debbie Williams, dwilliams@collier.com.

Wednesday Women's ChristCare Group

Meets weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

On the 1st-3rd Wednesdays, the group meets in the church parlor. 4th Wednesdays are fellowship dinners in members' homes.

A fall retreat is planned for Saturday, Sept. 15. This group typically studies a different book each semester. Open for new members at the beginning of each semester. Contact Jenni Brooks, jenni.l.brooks@gmail.com, if you are interested in joining.

All Eat-Out Dinner Groups

Would you like to start a dinner group? Gather a group of folks and set up a time for table fellowship. If you are interested in starting a new group, please contact Shari Gross, sgross@idlewildchurch.org. The following groups currently meet:

First Friday Group, 6:30 p.m. Dine-Out. Contact: Carol Good, 726-4681.

Third Friday Group, meets September–May, 6:30 p.m. Contact: Ann Fain, 334-4810

Watch the bulletins and This Week at Idlewild for new offerings coming soon.

Christian Formation Vision Statement

Christian Formation is being children of God and becoming the people of God by supporting a lifelong journey of transformation:

- Through **Play**—sharing God's creation in recreation
- Through **Word**—engaging Scripture, discerning its meaning for today, offering space for questions and doubt
- Through **Mission**—nurturing and sustaining a responsiveness to God and to one another.

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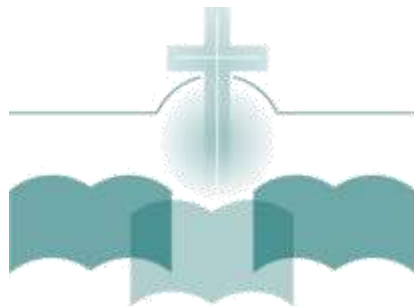


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