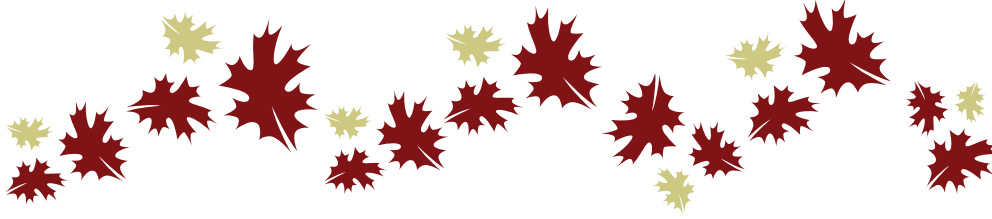




Waukee Christian Church Newsletter

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Church
(Disciples of Christ)

Oct. 2011



SPECIAL MUSICAL GUESTS ETERNITY BOUND LEAD WORSHIP

October 9, 2011

9:00 a.m. Church School for all ages

10:00am Celebration Worship

Eternity Bound is a quartet of Christian men from Iowa who use accapella harmony to bring a unique and powerful sound to their singing.

"Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord." Ephesians 5:19

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Fall Schedule

Sunday School: 9:00am

Worship Serv: 10:00am

We hope to see each of you at both hours.



FALL IS NOW UPON US. ENJOY THE COOLER WEATHER.





UNDER THE STEEPLE

By Pastor Larry Squier

A Story of a Place of Sharing

The people of Parksville had everything imaginable in their community except for a park. So the citizens gathered and concluded they would build a park. The leading question was,

“What should a park contain?”

So they gathered together in a town hall meeting.

One person suggested, “Why, a place to park cars, that’s what a park should be.”



“No, no, no,” said another, “A park should be a place of wide open spaces to play games: volleyball, baseball, softball, and even space to fly a kite!”



“Not at all,” exclaimed another, “A park should be a place for picnics with shade so that baskets can be spread



in the shade of the trees and grills for hot-dogs and hamburgers!”

Soon the meeting hall was full of turmoil as one person tried to speak over another, “Well, if we can’t have open space then why have a park?” Well, if we can’t have shade for picnics why have a park?” Well if we can’t have parking spaces who will come to the park?

Finally the Mayor called for order in the town hall meeting and it was agreed upon to come up with a design that would have places to park, places to play games, places with shade and grills, and even places for play equipment for the children of Parksville.



And so it came to be that at last the people of Parksville had a park.

But then something began to happen. On one particular day a

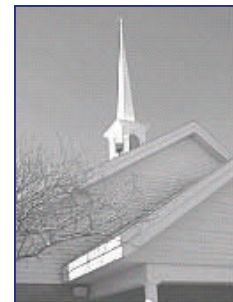
citizen parked at the park parking so that they could go to town to shop. But as they were walking toward town they noticed people having a picnic and thought, “Now that looks like fun.”

Likewise, a person having a picnic noticed someone flying a kite and said, “Now that looks like fun.”



One person playing volleyball noticed the playground for kids and vowed to bring their children next time to play while they played.

And a mother who had walked six blocks to bring her daughter to the playground noticed the parking space and decided she would come more often because she could quickly come and park and spend more time on the equipment. She also gathered information so that her husband could join a group of men who played soft-

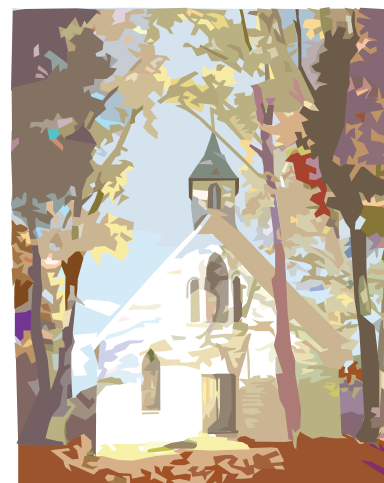


ball in the park. Before long the people of Parksville found new and different ways to share in the park and discovered that their way of using the park was certainly not the only way.



Now, the people of Parksville not only have a park but also a place of community, a place of sharing.

What would happen if we substituted church for park?





Points to Ponder

By Pastor Nancy Thomas

I am a hummer.

If you're around me for any period of time, you know that I hum. People know I'm coming even if they can't see me because they hear me humming. Sometimes I'm not even aware that I'm humming.

The other day in the grocery store as I was putting my items on the check-out counter, the woman ahead of me kept looking at me. She watched as I put out the bar dividing my groceries from hers. I smiled at her. I unloaded my cart and saw her watching me again, and again I smiled at her.

She said, "You must be happy!"

Immediately I realized I had been humming. I told her, "I hum all the time. I guess I am a pretty happy person."

She replied, "You have made me happy."

WOW!

If we could have continued our conversation, I hope that I would have witnessed to her that I am more than "happy." I have JOY in my life, and that joy comes from my faith in God and my relationship with Jesus Christ.

One place where I can really feel that joy and can express it quite openly, is in our worship service. It is a joy to worship our God! For me, the style or format of worship is not what brings me joy. It is being in God's presence with God's people.

Almost without exception, no matter what is going on in my life, once I am in a worship setting, I am filled with joy! When I am stressed out by the busy-ness of my daily tasks and routine, being in worship provides relief. When I'm feeling lonely for my family and old friends who live hundreds of miles away, being in worship reminds me of the loving "family" and new friends I have right here. When I get stuck in the "control mode" for my life, being in worship brings me back to God who is really in control.

Each time I come to the Lord's Table, I know that I am there because of Jesus' love for me and for ALL who gather around his table, here and everywhere. What joy!

Sometimes the joy of the Lord overwhelms me to tears. More often, I express the joy I feel in worship with a smile or



a laugh; but sometimes it comes out in a dance, an "amen!" and even in a "woo hoo!"

And when I'm not in the worship service, I hum. Maybe that's my way of worshipping constantly.

Coupons for Military Families Overseas

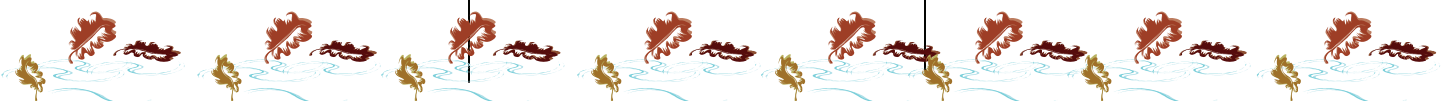
Did you know that overseas military members can use expired coupons up to 6 months past their expiration date at their commissary?

Many families live on one income and lower rank enlisted families are often living in the poverty range.

Join us in collecting coupons to support the troops. We will have a basket on the Outreach table in Fellowship Hall for manufacturers' coupons only (no store or restaurant coupons). Please donate coupons not over 30 days expired, as we will mail the coupons once a month.

We will also have another basket for a coupon exchange. Bring in the coupons you don't want and trade them out for coupons you can use. When expired, these coupons will be added to the military coupons.

Eileen Gralewski, a new member of our Knit Wits group, has brought this new ministry to our attention. Thank you!





Kids Night Out!

FRIDAY NIGHTS

5:30 - 10:30PM

2nd FRIDAY — every month

Pizza ~ Popcorn ~ Drinks ~ Movie

Here's an opportunity to introduce new families to our church, and is also a fundraiser.

ADULTS & KIDS WELCOME

Call Joyce Breckenridge
515-943-1149

Additional Volunteers Needed!

Suggested Minimum Donation

\$10 per child or \$20 per family

**RESERVATIONS
REQUIRED!**



Pastor Relations Committee

Now Serving for Pastor Larry are:

Tom Wilkerson, Gene Sapp,
Shari Burgus, and Gene Stanbrough

Now Serving for Pastor Nancy are:

George Risinger, Jack Carpe, and
Darcey Gruber



Community Meeting

Waukee School Community/Parent Liaison Team invites parents of students, staff members, & community members to a meeting Oct. 6, 7:00pm at Waukee HS. Contact Tammy Getting if you or someone you know is interested in attending ... tgetting@waukee.k12.ia.us, or 987-5163.



C.W.F.

The Christian Women's Fellowship group will meet Oct.5 at 9:00am. All ladies are invited. Some of our ladies joined the Adel Christian women on Sept. 28th for a Salad Luncheon at their church.

Childcare Ministry

Thank you, Joyce Breckinridge and Suzanne Koch, for volunteering in our childcare ministry in September. **More volunteers are needed!** The more volunteers we have, the fewer times any one person has to miss worship services. If you have ever appreciated having a place for our active children to play so you can concentrate on worship, please volunteer for a Sunday or two in the Children's Garden.



Hope Ministries

Hope Ministries seeking reception desk volunteers for their new Christ-centered Emergency Shelter for homeless women and children. If you can volunteer, THANK YOU!

Days & Times currently needed:

½ days...Mon. & Thurs. 8:00am - Noon or
Noon - 4:30pm

Full days... 8:00am - 4:30pm

Condolences:

We offer our deep condolences to the families of loved ones who have recently passed away:

Sharon Sindergard

Chuck Sorenson



Elder Serving Schedule

October:

Kyle Brock

Jan Jensen

November:

Kyle Brock

Laura Helmus

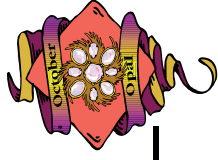
December:

George Risinger


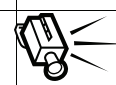






OCTOBER



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 9:00am Sunday Sch. 10:00am Worship Service 4:00 pm Youth Movie Night at Squiers	3 6:00 Just For Kix	4 9:30 Knit Wits 10:00 Tea at 10 5:30 Dance	5 9:00 CWF Meeting	6 5:30 Just For Kix 6:00 Dance 	7	8
9 9:00am Sunday Sch. 10:00am Worship Service Featuring Eternity Bound 2-4:00 CROP WALK 7:00pm BOARD MTG	10 6:00 Just For Kix <i>COLUMBUS DAY</i>	11 9:30 Knit Wits 10:00 Tea at 10 5:30 Dance 7:00 PRC with Nancy	12	13 5:30 Just For Kix 6:00 Dance 7:00 W.D.W.	14 5:30-10:30 --- Kids Night Out <i>WORLD FOOD DAY</i>	15 10:00 Motor-cycle ride 
16 9:00am Sunday Sch. 10:00am Worship Service <i>Pastor Larry gone 16th - thru Oct. 23</i>	17 6:00 Just For Kix 6:30 ELDER'S MTG	18 9:00 Knit Wits 10:00 Tea at 10 5:30 Dance 	19	20 5:30 Just For Kix 6:00 Dance	21	22
23 <i>Pastor Larry gone</i> 9:00am Sunday Sch. 10:00am Worship Service 4:00pm Legacy Pt. Serv.	24 6:00 Just For Kix <i>Christina away til 31st</i>	25 9:30 Knit Wits 10:00 Tea at 10 6:30 Dance (time changed)	26	27 5:30 Just For Kix 6:00 Dance	28	29
30	31 6:00 Just For Kix					

Psalms 106:1 Praise the LORD! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.



W.O.W.

The WOW – Women of Waukee— meeting will be held on Thurs, October 13, 7:00pm at Pat Carpe's house at 340 Denlee Drive in Waukee. For directions call Pat at 987-4879. At this meeting we will be discussing the final plans for the Shops on T Avenue event, have a devotional, and fellowship time. Please feel welcome to attend this meeting and get to know some of the women of the church, as well as enrich your spiritual life.



Anniversaries

- 10/1 Jerry & Lora Pierce
- 10/4 Steven & Jamie Gruber
- 10/4 Josh & Carrie Gruber
- 10/17 Ray & Mary Scheve
- 10/28 Dennis & Roberta Petty



Reagan Matthew is the new son of Matthew and Jodi Cross, born August 26. Marvin and Nancy Cross are Reagan's grandparents. CUTE ☺

Monthly Motorcycle Lunch Ride



Every 3rd Saturday of the month we will leave from church at 10am, ride for awhile before stopping for lunch. Questions, call Wayne Breckenridge at: 515-978-4936.

October Birthdays



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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 10/3 Dolores Betzold | 10/16 McKenna Pierce |
| 10/5 Joni Embree | 10/17 Larry Squier |
| 10/6 Dakota Penniston | 10/17 Ella Pierce |
| 10/7 Max Scheve | 10/18 Lura Knipp |
| 10/8 Mary Ort | 10/19 Stacia Conn |
| 10/8 Joyce Wilson | 10/21 Terry Morris |
| 10/8 Zoe Scheve | 10/22 George Risinger |
| 10/9 Abbey Gonzalez | 10/22 Brian Wilson |
| 10/9 Victoria Brock | 10/22 Brad Person |
| 10/10 Ruth Sindt | 10/23 Joyce Wasson |
| 10/10 Ric MacRae | 10/24 Nancy Squier |
| 10/13 Kristen Baier | 10/24 Cathy Conklin |
| 10/14 Sandi Nichols | 10/28 Kathy McGowan |
| 10/15 Heather Zickefoose | 10/29 Sarah Penniston |

Prayer List

- Men & Women in uniform who are serving our country
 Chuck Sorenson family, Chuck passed away
 Bill Devries , who had heart surgery on 9/26
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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Tonya & Steve Harrington | William T. Lindma |
| Elizabeth Sodawasser | Bruce Kuehl |
| Pat Vestal | Randy Wright |
| Margaret Koeppel | Will Ratcliff |
| Dan Gardiner | Patti Johnson |
| Sharon Sindergard family | Vivian Daugherty |
| Marge Phillips family | Katherine Speer |
| Jody Beaman | Madelyn Mathison |
| Vivian Wilson | Lisa Hiatt |

HIPAA Law

If you are in the hospital, we would like to keep you in our prayers. Please be aware that due to HIPAA law we may not get a call from the hospital informing us that you are there. If you would like to be put on the prayer list or have a pastoral call, please call us at 515-987-4937.



Shops on T Avenue



Shops on T Avenue will be held Sat, Nov. 12. Please bring baked goods, jams, pickles, canned goods, and craft items to sell. We will also be auctioning "themed gift baskets." To make a basket, such as a book-lovers basket, fill a basket with some books (used are great), add packets of cocoa, and a mug and you have a gift basket. The possibilities are endless...maybe you have a gift certificate you haven't used or jewelry you don't wear. Just look around, you don't have to spend a lot of money to make a basket.



We'll also have vendors bringing their wares for sale. Right now we have a person who makes jewelry and one who makes concert yard art. If you know anyone who sells handmade items, we are looking for more vendors. Contact Tammy Hardersen @ 987-5380 or Marlene Risinger @ 987-4789

Movie at Pastor's Home

OCTOBER 2 @ 4:00PM For grades 4-12

Meet at Larry and Nancy Squier's home at:
15716 Tanglewood Drive, Urbandale

Hot dog roast, Popcorn and Movie!! JOIN US!

Cleaning Ministry



Many thanks to the volunteers who have taken a turn at cleaning the church. How about an encore performance? There are openings every week in October. Please check the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. To assist our volunteers, we have a checklist of tasks that need to be completed every week. Most of our volunteers have been able to complete the cleaning in about 2½ to 3 hours.



Thank you.

To those who contributed their voice through the recent survey. The worship service is an ever-evolving commitment, not carved in stone. As we continue to experience God's blessings and directions, we can also continue to grow and incorporate various service inclusions. Please be patient and kind as we all undertake this new endeavor, striving to make Jesus a larger part of our lives. Thank you all very much.

Bizarre

Trunk & Junk Bizarre for Immanuel Lutheran Church @ 900 Warrior Ln, Waukee
OCTOBER 8th 8:30am ~ Noon

CROP WALK

October 9th — 2-4 pm. Adel to Waukee. Be a part of the WCC walking team OR support the walkers with a special donation to CROP! Refreshments at the church at the end of the walk.

Retreat Feedback

If anyone would like to offer feedback on their fall retreat experiences, it can be part of the Nov. newsletter. The program, the friendships, the spirit, even the lake setting would have contributed many great memories. Maybe sharing some testimonies may encourage others to attend a retreat at some point in the future. Thank you!





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WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday School classes 9:00am

Worship Service 10:00am

... MISSION STATEMENT ...

In our service to Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior,
we strive to be faithful to the Lord's Table and Scripture.

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