

The Contact

The Newsletter of the Kingwood Church of God
April 2024

The Super Seniors go... "To Breakfast and Beyond!"

The Super Seniors met for their annual breakfast planning meeting on March 14th at Eat and Park. We had 31 people that came to enjoy a good breakfast served by some very quick and friendly waitresses. After everyone had finished eating, Larry thanked everyone for coming and began to give the itinerary for the year.

The first activity planned is for May 30th at The Compass Inn in Laughlinton. We will travel by personal cars and the church van. Our tour is scheduled for 10:00. This will be approximately a 1 ½ to 2 hour tour of the house, barns and outside areas with demonstrations. Afterwards we will be heading to Coal Miners Cafe in Jennerstown for lunch. Cost for everything will be around \$45.00 per person. We will finalize this price in a couple of weeks and put out a sign up sheet soon.

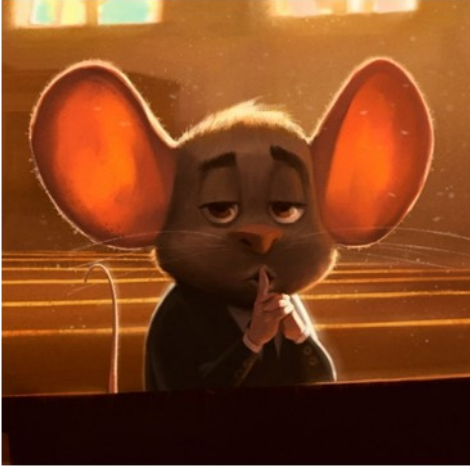
Our second activity will have us traveling again, by personal cars and church van to Valley Falls State Park in Fairmont, West Virginia. This is a beautiful park with lovely views of falls, that is about 1 ½ hours away. We have a pavilion rented for the whole day on July 25th. There is no cost for this trip, but we asking for everyone to bring a covered dish. More details later about this activity.

Our big trip for the year will be to Gettysburg on Oct. 3rd. We will be traveling by bus and our tour guide at Gettysburg will be someone we all know and love, Pastor Jim-- " the best historical pastor around". We will be having lunch at a very historical restaurant, The Dobbin House. We will have more details later about this trip. We are using a 55 passenger bus, so please mark your calendars to make sure you get a seat for this exciting trip.

We are doing the Strawberry Festival again this year in June. And our fund raiser this year will be a bake sale on election day November 5th, at the Upper Turkeyfoot polling place.

Our last activity for the year will be a special speaker and catered dinner probably mid November. We are still working out the bugs on this one. We will let you know more about this when it gets closer.

The Church Mouse



March It has been a full and enjoyable month. In my travels around the outside of the church, parsonage and Fellowship Center I am seeing signs of spring actually springing.

Daffodils, crocuses, and tulips are in bloom or about to bloom. Forsythias are popping out in their yellow glory and there are skunk cabbage plants popping up in some of the swampier areas around Kingwood.

In March the Maple Taste and Tour (T&T) hit it's full stride. PW & Beth had some company on both weekends of the T&T.

Both sets of company came from that state west of us, Ohio.

The Lenten season also hit its full stride and culminated in Holy Week and Easter. The church was a pretty busy place at the end of the month. There were services on many different occasions. Aside from the usual Sunday and Wednesday evening gatherings there was a Maundy Thursday service, the Good Friday walk of the cross in Rockwood, a Tennenbrae service Friday evening, Sunrise service on Easter morning EARLY, followed by a delicious breakfast. Thank you Pairs and Spares SS class for the breakfast. All of this concluded with two very nice Easter services.

I noticed that there was a little "tomfoolery" after the Maundy Thursday service. I think some folks thought April Fool's Day had come early. After feet washing, PW just put his shoes back on and left his socks laying under the front pew. After the service the socks mysteriously found their way to the hallway where they were pinned up on the corner of the bulletin board. I noticed the culprits that were responsible, but you all know the Church Mouse tells no tales (ha ha). Luckily, PW found his socks before Easter morning.

This little mousey also got to do a little crumb scrounging after the wild game dinner on the 16th of the month. It was a wonderful evening with interesting displays of long range rifles, leatherwork, hand-made knives, beautiful powder horns and some really cool mounts of some of the "trophies" taken by the great hunters of Kingwood. There was a great speaker, lots of amazing food, and quality fellowship. Thank you, committee for a great event.

Another crumb scrounging opportunity occurred when the council met for a dinner meeting on the 21st to discuss the annual review that is sent to the CGGC. It was a very interesting time of discussion and perhaps some assessment and future planning.

PW finished his series on Giving "IT" up. I hear there are some plans in the offing for some different types of services coming up. I saw him working of his preaching schedule for the entire year. I don't think its done yet.

I believe there might be a few of those delicious, chocolate covered eggs left in the church basement. The Christian Crusaders always make such tasty eggs.

Well, this little mousey will continue to scurry around looking for tidbits. Food for me and news for you Kingwood folks. Until next time.

As always yours, The Church Mouse

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL & MAY BIRTHDAYS

Apr. 3 Mathew Zerfoss
 Apr. 4 Josh Knepper
 Apr. 8 Nathan Show
 Apr. 9 Lolly Peirsel
 Apr. 10 Stacey Stahl Robbin
 Wade Snyder
 Apr. 11 Joshua Rosman
 Apr. 18 Kelly Mills
 Apr. 21 Kaycie Pletcher
 Apr. 22 Christian Weaver
 Apr. 23 Auzalie Minor
 Apr. 24 Kenny Cipra
 Apr. 25 Rosanna Tobias
 Mark Lucas Sr.
 Barb Snyder
 Apr. 26 Abigail Rosman
 Apr. 27 Todd Strelko
 Apr. 29 Catherine Houghton
 May 1 Brittney Clawson
 May 2 Shirley Nicklow
 Shirley Mullendore
 May 3 Barbara Lemmon
 Karey Vough
 May 4 Gerald Dumbauld
 May 5 Bowen Lemmon
 Pastor Will Miller
 May 6 Fetesha Pletcher
 May 7 Nadiya Putman
 Fenna Queer
 May 9 Kurt Miller
 May 10 Brad Pletcher
 May Presley Meyers
 May 16 Heather Houghton
 Drew Younkin
 May 17 Aaron Show
 Lori Pletcher
 May 18 Mitchell Pletcher
 May 20 Marsha Tobias
 May 22 Merv Yoder
 Ambree Whaley
 May 23 Emily Kemp
 May 25 Nash Phillippi
 May 26 Gregg Lemmon
 Laura Meyers
 May 27 Isaac Moore
 Sherri Tobias
 Ned Tobias
 May 29 Shirley V. Brougher
 Cheryl Pletcher
 Meghan Pletcher
 Stacey Rosman

APRIL & MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Apr. 2 Bob & Sue Koontz
 Apr. 5 Chuck & Debra Colflesh
 Apr. 6 Blake & Shanda Pletcher
 Apr. 26 Richard & Melissa Barry
 Apr. 29 Anthony & Hillary Whaley
 May 3 Dan & Angie Weaver
 May 4 Rick & Missy Kemp
 May 8 Jesse & Amy Moore
 May 19 David & Donna Younkin
 May 27 Nick & Jamie Faidley

Announcements

There will be a FREE Luncheon for any area retirees their spouses and/or caregivers on Wednesday April 24, 2024, 12:00 noon at the Fellowship Center. This will just be a time to enjoy lunch and fellowship with other retirees. Space is limited and reservations are necessary (First-come, First-serve). Please either sign up on the list in the hallway or call 814-442-4916 or 814-289-9772 to reserve your space. The last day to make your reservation is Sunday April 21, 2024.


It's that time again for the annual Kingwood Church of God Flea Market at the Fellowship Center. This year the Flea Market will be for two days, Friday, May 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 11th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. We will be having "Church Tables" where all sales go to Church projects and welcome your donations of clean, gently used items of clothing, housewares, shoes, etc. Please place donated items in the church library before May 8th. Individuals may rent a 8' table for \$10.00 for one day \$15.00 for both days. Please give money and table reservation to Georgiann Knepper. Set up will be on Wednesday and Thursday May 8th and 9th. On Friday there will be limited lunch food available with a Bake sale on Saturday. Donations of baked goods will be needed. Watch the bulletin for more details on the Flea Market and Bake Sale as the date draws nearer.

A Note of Thanks...

Thanks to Donna Smiley for Contact contributions.

Prayer Needs






National Revival
 Our Country
 Allegheny Region Churches, Pastors
 and Leaders
 Pastor Will & Beth
 Pastor Jim & Melanie
 People of Ukraine
 Those dealing with sickness
 Violence in Haiti
 Violence in our Nation
 Families who have lost loved ones
 Gary Gribble
 Lewis Lytle
 Those dealing with mental, emotional,
 spiritual & financial issues
 Those hospitalized & having
 procedures
 Those dealing with long-term illnesses
 Shut-Ins
 Those in nursing homes and care
 facilities
 Severe Weather Events
 Schools
 Teachers and Students
 College Students
 Hospital Workers
 Preparations for Mission Trips
 Winebrenner Seminary
 Brent & Julie Sleasman
 Church Ministries
 Camp Sonrise Mountain
 Summer Camping Program
 Vacation Bible School
 Chatelas Church
 Our Missionaries
 Our Global Mission Fields
 Military / Police / First Responders
 CEF
 Unspoken Needs













Spring's Beauty






During springtime, the beauty of God's creation emerges in many ways.



Directions: Use the vowel code below to complete Psalm 8:1, NIV.



A=  E=  I=  O=  U= 

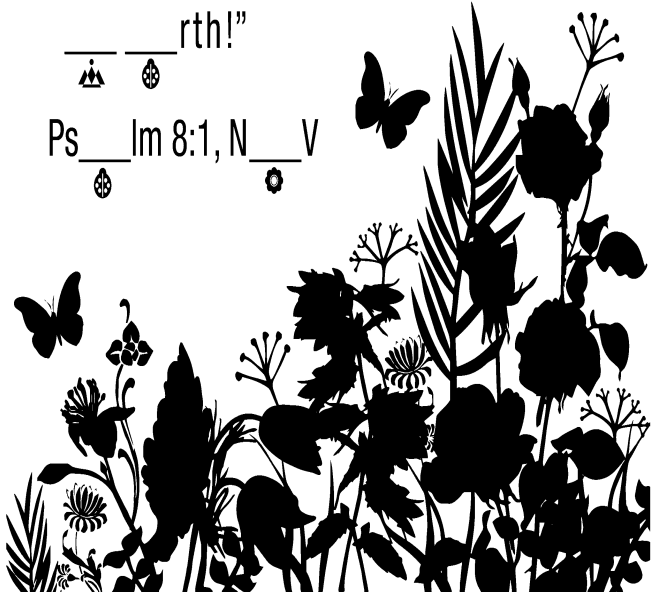
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m__j__st__c __s y__r
    

n__m__n __ll th__
    

__rth!"
 

Ps__lm 8:1, N__V
 



Answer: "LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"
 Psalm 8:1, NIV

Global Reach Updates

Haiti – Please keep praying! The hospital at Pierre Payen cannot make payroll any longer and has had to release the staff due to the financial hardship. One bright spot, recently installed phase one solar panels have cut the monthly gas cost of the hospital by almost half. Continued strong and faithful prayers still needed!

Thailand -- All of 1st grade celebrated the end of their Mexico unit with a Mexican fiesta! Kids came to school dressed in Mexican themed clothes and enjoyed fun crafts and food! The principal of the school also emailed staff an encouraging and beautiful sharing of how he had the privilege to share Jesus. Please keep Katie's school in your prayers and all the staff as they shine the light of Jesus into these kids and their families.

ACTS Teams 2024 – Still spots available for the USA Southwest trip and the Kenya trip. It is not too late to apply!

Our Asia fields continue to face various challenges and it becomes ever increasingly difficult to share the Good News. God is faithful! Keep praying!

Helping Hands

Helping Hands Prayer Needs for April

Shirley Henry 4714 Kingwood Rd. Rockwood, PA 15557
Sonny Kreger 606 South Franklin Ave. Somerset, PA 15501

RAMBLINGS & RECIPES

Welcome April! Oh my – I think the April Showers have been a bit MUCH this week. Every day the grass seems to be a bit greener. I hope you had a wonderful Easter. I enjoyed a traditional Easter Dinner with my family. Ham, cheesy potatoes, green beans, stuffing balls, gravy, a few other side dishes and lots of desserts! I loved all the Easter Services at Kingwood. A time to reflect on all that Jesus did for us. I thought the singing was wonderful on Easter, I enjoyed the special music and I especially enjoyed the Children’s Message by Pastor Will.

Here are two “quick” desserts that I always enjoy and I think you will too.

White Chocolate Cheesecake

2 – 8 oz. Cream Cheese	2 Eggs
½ Cup Sugar	½ Tsp. Vanilla
4 oz. White Chocolate (I use white chips)	1 Graham Cracker Crust

You may want to chop the chips a bit – not necessary – but it does spread the chocolate throughout the cheesecake.

Add all the other ingredients to the white chocolate and mix really well. Pour into the crust and bake at 350 for 35 to 40 minutes.

Dear Abby’s Southern Pecan Pie

1 Cup White Corn Syrup	1 Cup Dark Brown Sugar
1/3 Cup Melted Butter	1 Heaping Cup of Chopped Pecans
3 Eggs – Beaten	½ tsp. Vanilla
¼ tsp. Salt	1 Unbaked Pie Shell (Frozen shells work well – use a 9 inch)

Start with the eggs (beaten well) in a bowl – add all other ingredients, mix well and pour into pie shell. Bake at 350 for 45 to 50 minutes. Enjoy this with whipped cream or ice cream.

p.s. I have this recipe (from a good friend) on a handwritten recipe card – I cherish this recipe!

Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.
Leviticus 26:4

April Showers Bring May Flowers!

KINGWOOD CHURCH OF GOD COUNCIL MEETING

March 11th , 2024

Devotions: Georgiann Knepper shared the Importance of Prayer from James 5:16 and Devotional “Prayer is the lifeblood of your relationship with God.

Discussion of Work Days – it was decided to make April 2, 2024 cleanup/work day at the Fellowship Center and April 9, 2024 Cleanup/work day at the church.

Internet Service at the Fellowship center – Jesse Moore will be looking into purchasing and compare internet services that could be used at the Fellowship Center.

OLD BUSINESS:

Church Security – Look into classes about active shooter drills coordinated with the State police and also looking at changing the outer pulls on the exterior of the doors for safety reasons.

Review of Five Year Plan — Completed # 3 of Year 1 (Daycare decision) and also want to put in motion #1 of Year 1 (expanding community dinners)
Georgiann is going to see about getting the ball rolling on the community dinners.

Walking Track at FC – Will not be doing anything at this time.

Fellowship Center Pavilion – Drawings have been received and prices.

Old Storage Building – A few bids have been received. All bids are due on March 15th.

By Law Updates – Meeting will be held on April 13th, 2024 at 9:30 am in the Church Library.

General Conference Ministry Review – Meeting will be held on March 21, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Church Library.

Tree Removal – Almost all done and gone.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gamerco Mission Trip Fund Raising – Heather Houghton approached the council to ask permission to hold the following fundraising events for the mission trip which is scheduled around June 3rd to 14th, 2025.

Kingwood Fellowship Center – February 2024 Usage

Walk Fit – 12

Midweek – 4

Council Meeting – 1

Pickleball – 8

Hostetter – 1

Youth Group - 4

Lemmon Baby Shower - 1

Girls Softball - 2

Shut in dinner - 1

Rob’s Rations mtg – 1

Total 35

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Church Staff

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James Monticue, Visitation Pastor
Carey Beth King, Secretary

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Church Phone Number

(814) 926-4429

Sunday Morning Worship

8:15 a.m. First Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Second Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Youth Group Meeting

7:00 p.m. Wednesday Midweek Services

