



Important Dates:

- July 4: Independence Day
- July 6: Celebration of the Lord's Supper
- July 13: Ice Cream Social
- July 17: Riverview Park Picnic
- July 21: Bat's Game
- July 24: Thanksgiving Turkey Night
- July 31: Cook-out, waterslide, and Youth Lock-in

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From the Pastor

America is a great nation because it was built upon Christian principles. Proverbs 14:34 says, "Righteousness exalts a nation. But sin is a disgrace to any people." Righteousness is basically a right standing before God which includes obedience to His Word – the Scriptures.

As long as a people are willing to live and be governed by the basic moral principles of the Bible, God will bless a people and their country. When a people choose to reject the moral principles of God's Word, God allows a time of repentance. But when the people choose their own ways over God's, He will bring judgment upon them.

Greece built a civilization on CULTURE and it failed.

Rome built its civilization on POWER and it crumbled.

America's founders built a civilization on JESUS CHRIST and the Word of God.

Harvard lawyer and Christian patriot Patrick Henry said: "It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For this very reason peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here."

Yale graduate and the Father of American Scholarship and Education, Noah Webster wrote, "In my view, the Christian religion is the most important and one of the first things in which all children, under a free government ought to be instructed....No truth is more evident to my mind than that the Christian religion must be the basis of any government intended to secure the rights and privileges of a free people."

America is still standing but its foundational supports are starting to wobble. Pray for America.

~ Rev. Rodney

Session Update



The stated meeting of the Session was called to order on June 22, 2014 by Moderator, Rev.

Rodney

Harris, with a quorum declared at 12:15 PM. Pastor Rodney shared a devotional reading Revelation 22:12-17 and then opened in prayer.

The minutes of the Stated Meeting on May 18, 2014 were read, corrected, and approved.

Elders present: Ralph Hawkins, Laura Kaelin, Michele O'Meara, Doris Shipp, and Steve Young.

Elder excused: Dick Gregory and Carri Roth.

COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes of the Synod of the Midwest were reviewed by each Elder.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Grounds Committee

– Report was given by Elder Doris Shipp with no recommendations.

Other notes:

- Needing volunteers to sign up for mowing and weed eating the church yard

- Weeds In the parking lot need to be sprayed
- Upper lot ditch needs to be cleared of weeds as we received a notice from the city; will check into metro city for assistance in keeping it cut

Christian Education Committee

Steve Young gave the report of the Board from its recent meeting

- An update on our Thursday night program was given.
- Our traditional VBS program has been revamped to where VBS activities will meet on Thursday nights to coincide with our midweek ministries
- Our midweek summer schedule is as follows: 5 PM – Youth and VBS kids meet with older adults having fellowship; 6 PM – Meal; 6:30 PM – Young Adults
- Some additional summer activities are being planned for Mondays and Tuesdays
- Church camp forms need to be mailed in soon with fee check

Next Board meeting will be in July after our worship service.

Finance Committee

- Report was given by Elder Ralph Hawkins with no recommendations.

Approved the financial report for May.

Committee on Worship, Missions, & Christian Fellowship

Report was given by Elder Doris Shipp sharing an update on our choir and musician position. No applicants have contacted us.

Other Notes:

- We have two musicians who are filling in for the summer months on Sunday morning but without additional time for choir rehearsals
- Communion will be celebrated on July 6
- There will be lunch and a homemade ice cream social on Sunday, July 13
- Reviewed church ministry calendar with target dates being set for the following: Shoe Boxes, Love Loaves, Veteran's day, Gift To the King, Hanging of the Greens, and our Fruit Plates,

Motion made to adjourn the meeting and Elder Michele O'Meara gave the closing prayer.

The July Stated Meeting will be July 20, 2014 at noon.



JULY 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	
			12:00 KY Cake Club		Independence Day	

6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:30 Sunday School				5:00 Youth & Children		
10:30 Worship Service & The Lord's Supper is Celebrated				5:00 Adult Games		
				6:00 Meal		
				6:30 Young Adults		

13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:30 Sunday School				5:00 Church-wide		
10:30 Worship Service & Homemade Ice Cream Social with Lunch				Picnic at Riverview Park; Greenwood Boat Dock		

20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:30 Sunday School				5:00 Youth & Children		
10:30 Worship Service	7 PM Louisville Bats Game			6:00 Turkey & Dressing Meal		
				6:30 Young Adults.		

27	28	29	30	31		
9:30 Sunday School						
10:30 Worship Service				6:00 WATERSLIDE COOKOUT		
Noon - Session Meets						

July Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Ushers



July 1 Jewell Day
 July 3 Megan Kaelin
 July 8 Barbara Wright
 July 18 Joyce Lee
 July 23 Luise Phillips
 July 25 Tonya Kyle
 July 25 Ariel Whitaker
 July 27 Mary Frances Hord
 July 28 Mary Ann Robinson
 July 30 Kim Heil



July 3, 1982
 Thomas & Brenda Hatcher

 July 5, 2013
 Scott & Teresa Taylor

 July 21, 1962
 Robert & Jean Spivey

 July 24, 1967
 Mike & Linda Zimmerman



USHERS & GREETERS

July 6
 Steve Skipper & Laura Kaelin

 July 13
 Carol & Ralph Hawkins

 July 20
 Loretta Woolfe & Susie Dittmeier

 July 27
 Blenda & Zoe Allamon

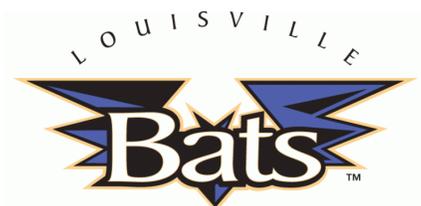
Mark Your Calendars

⚙ **HOMEMADE ICE CREAM AND LUNCH** will be NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 13 - after our worship service. Sandwiches and desserts will accompany the ice cream. If you would like to bring sandwiches, a cake, veggies, chips, or something else to share, please talk to Doris Shipp (364-9175).



⚙ OUR **THURSDAY NIGHT MINISTRIES** will be travelling to Riverview Park / Greenwood Boat Dock | 8202 Greenwood Road on Thursday, July 17 and enjoy a Brown Bag Picnic. Please meet us there for an enjoyable evening!!

⚙ We will be attending a **LOUISVILLE BATS GAME** on Monday, JULY 21. We have access to some complimentary tickets. If you would like to go with us, please contact us with your name and how many tickets you will need. We must know by noon on Monday, July 14. You can call the church office (368-4709), let us know this Sunday at church, or leave your information on our Facebook page. We will meet in the front lobby of the stadium.





Our Prayer Concerns

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Link to our Facebook Page
(use your QR scanner app on your
smartphone / tablet or click the
image)

CHURCH FAMILY

Nolen Allen (dialysis); Dick Gregory (Surgery - Norton Audubon Hospital); Elizabeth Heiskell (auto. accident recovery); Randi Murray (glaucoma in one eye); Ann Rose; Steve Young

RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Billy Richards (St. Mary's); Darlene Vaughn (Physical Therapy); Clara Goodman (Franciscan Health Care); Sara Bright (Laura Kaelin's cousin); Arthur Wells (Cheryl Fugate's great uncle, back cancer); Hazel Wimsatt & family (Loretta Woolf's cousin);

MILITARY

Kyle Johnson; Kyle Lindsey; Matthew A. White

SHUT-INS

Eloise Becker; Jewell Day; Connie Petty; Dawny Porter

PRAYER LIST

If someone you know is ill, recovering from an illness, having surgery, struggling for life, etc., and needs prayer or attention, please, call the Church Office. If someone you know is on the prayer list that is doing better, please, call so we can correct and/or update the list.

**IN CURRENT NEED OF
TOOTH BRUSHES AND TOOTHPASTE**

Shively Area Ministries

SAM continues to need food to
distribute to families in need.
Please place nonperishable food
in the food barrel in the foyer.



Some Funnies to Enjoy

A Sunday school teacher began her lesson with a question,

"Boys and girls, what do we know about God? A hand shot up in the air,

"He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy. "Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked.

"You know - Our Father, who does art in Heaven...."

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A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly,

"I know what the bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know!"

"Okay," said his father, "what does the bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy," the young boy replied excitedly,

"It stands for '**B**asic **I**nformation **B**efore **L**eaving **E**arth.'"

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Sunday after church, a mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about.

The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt."

Needless to say, the mom was perplexed. Later in the day, the pastor stopped by for tea and the mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about.

He said, "Be not afraid, thy comforter is coming."

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The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play.

"Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment, the substitute organist played, "The Star Spangled Banner."

And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

A preacher visits an elderly woman from his congregation. As he sits on the couch he notices a large bowl of peanuts on the coffee table. "Mind if I have a few?" he asks.

"No, not at all!" the woman replied.

They chat for an hour and as the preacher stands to leave, he realizes that instead of eating just a few peanuts, he emptied most of the bowl. "I'm terribly sorry for eating all your peanuts, I really just meant to eat a few."

"Oh, that's all right," the woman says. "Ever since I lost my teeth all I can do is suck the chocolate off them."

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An inexperienced preacher was to hold a graveside burial service at a pauper's cemetery for an indigent man with no family or friends. Not knowing where the cemetery was, he made several wrong turns and got lost. When he eventually arrived an hour late, the hearse was nowhere in sight, the backhoe was next to the open hole, and the workers were sitting under a tree eating lunch.

The diligent young pastor went to the open grave and found the vault lid already in place. Feeling guilty because of his tardiness, he preached an impassioned and lengthy service, sending the deceased to the great beyond in style.

As he returned to his car, he overheard one of the worker say to the other, "I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years and I ain't never seen anything like that."

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A pastor's wife was preparing pancakes for her young sons. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their Mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait." The oldest boy turned to his younger brother and said, "You be Jesus."

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The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large tray of apples. A nun lettered a note and posted it on the appletray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving along the lunch line, at the other end was a large tray of chocolate chip cookies. A girl wrote a note, which she put next to the tray of cookies, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

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Grandma's Visit

"Oh, I sure am glad to see you," the little boy said to his grandmother (on his mother's side). "Now Daddy will do the trick he's been promising us." The grandmother was curious. "What trick is that?" she asked.

"He told Mommy that he'd climb the walls if you came to visit," answered the boy.

*Quotes: Founding Fathers and Presidents*

We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Avarice, ambition, revenge, or gallantry, would break the strongest cords of our Constitution as a whale goes through a net. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.

*-John Adams*

Without morals a republic cannot subsist any length of time; they therefore who are decrying the Christian religion, whose morality is so sublime and pure (and) which insures to the good eternal happiness, are undermining the solid foundation of morals, the best security for the duration of free governments.

*-Charles Carroll, signer of the Declaration of Independence*

Every step we take towards making the State our Caretaker of our lives, by that much we move toward making the State our Master.

*-Dwight D. Eisenhower*

They who would give up an essential liberty for temporary security, deserve neither liberty or security.

*-Benjamin Franklin*

Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote!

*-Benjamin Franklin*

Man will ultimately be governed by God or by tyrants.

*-Benjamin Franklin*

The Constitution is not an instrument for the government to restrain the people, it is an instrument for the people to restrain the government — lest it come to dominate our lives and interests.

*-Patrick Henry*

It is when people forget God that tyrants forge their chains.

*-Patrick Henry*

I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, that His justice cannot sleep forever.

*-Thomas Jefferson*

To sin by silence when they should protest makes cowards of men.

We the People are the rightful masters of both Congress and the Courts—not to overthrow the Constitution, but to overthrow the men who pervert the Constitution.

*-Abraham Lincoln*

It is the duty of the patriot to protect his country from its government.

*-Thomas Paine*

Those people who will not be governed by God will be ruled by tyrants.

*-William Penn*

Patriotism means to stand by the country. It does NOT mean to stand by the President or any other public official save exactly to the degree in which he himself stands by the country. It is patriotic to support him insofar as he efficiently serves the country. It is unpatriotic not to oppose him to the exact extent that by inefficiency or otherwise he fails in his duty to stand by the country.

*-Theodore Roosevelt*

Education is useless without the Bible.

*-Noah Webster*

Finally, let us not forget the religious character of our origin. Our fathers were brought hither by their high veneration for the Christian religion. They journeyed by its light, and labored in its hope. They sought to incorporate its principles with the elements of their society, and to diffuse its influence through all their institutions, civil, political, or literary.

*-Daniel Webster*

***SUCCESSFUL CHURCH - WIDE FUNDRAISER - SUNDAY, JUNE 29  
FOR OUR THURSDAY NIGHT YOUTH & CHILDREN MINISTRIES***



