



The Messenger

King Street United Church of Christ

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Sabbath. We don't use the word very much any more. It appears over 150 times in our Bible, including in the Ten Commandments; yet it has fallen from standard Christian vocabulary. We don't take time any more for true Sabbath, with its ceasing of labor. We have lost the balance of work and rest, productivity and renewal.

One of my colleagues recently wrote about this dilemma: "Ironically, nowhere do the demands of life make it more difficult to find time for reflection, study, and renewal than in ministry. The 24/7 nature of the work and the nature of the needs are all encompassing and constant, creating the necessity for taking time to replenish both body and soul to insure the spiritual and physical health of a pastor and the quality of the ministry." This is why pastors are given sabbatical: to offer time away for pastors to renew and enrich their own spiritual lives, so that they are better able to respond to the spiritual needs of the church.

My sabbatical this summer will provide many opportunities for renewal, rejuvenation, and both spiritual and theological growth. Although I will not be worshiping at King Street Church, I will be in worship most Sundays. I ask you to prayerfully commit to doing the same. This summer is not "time off" from worship. Sunday mornings are instead a "time away" from the hectic pace of our lives, a time to focus on the mystery of God.

Copies of a brochure are available, explaining sabbatical and answering many of the common questions. Please look for this brochure at church and read it carefully. If you have any concerns before I leave, feel free to contact me. My last Sunday will be May 9th, and I will return at the end of August. You will be in good hands with Maureen Frescott preaching and providing pastoral care.

I take you with me, in my thoughts and in my prayers. I welcome your prayers for me as well.

Peace,
Pastor Cindy



Carolyn Ruffles *Blanche Masi*
Harriet Mangels *John Jennings*

Keith Westby, about to undergo radiation treatments;
Herb Mahn, recovering from hip replacement;
Valerie Fuller, in the death of her father;
Warren Petzold, recently hospitalized;
Chris and Donna Ryan's granddaughter, Victoria;
Michelle Isabelle, recovering from injuries sustained in a car accident;
Jane Sanger, in the death of her father;
John Hundinger, husband of Davida Foy Crabtree, undergoing treatment for stomach cancer;
Jim Loschiavo, undergoing treatment for brain tumors;
Michelle Chuisano, in the death of her father;
Sue Mills, in the death of her father;
Ann Salamone, Christine's mother-in-law;
Marcelle Corsi, Shari Lynn Niland's mother.

The families of the victims affected by recent tragedies, violence and natural disasters; those who are serving in the armed forces and their families and all who are victims of war.

LASAGNA BUFFET



The lasagna supper will be
MAY 15th

Open to the community, it will be continuous seating from 5-7 pm. We'll serve:

- Fresh garden salad - Family style with assorted dressings*
- Cheese lasagna with meat or vegetarian sauce*
- Parmesan cheese on the side*
- Italian bread and butter*
- Cold beverages: soda, iced tea, water*
- Hot beverages: coffee and tea*
- Home baked desserts: pies, cookies, cakes*

Cost will be \$10.00 for adults, \$9.00 for seniors \$5.00 for children 5-10 yr. old, 4 and under free



Due to KSUCC participation in Olympic town, **May's** Lasagna Dinner will be held on Saturday, May 15th instead of May 8th.

MAY LASAGNA DINNERS HELPERS

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| Balanda, Marc | Ruffles, Richard |
| Englert, George | Tooker, Eva |
| Englert, Debbie | Tooker, Paul |
| Hannan, Linda | Tooker, Leigh |
| Makepeace, Andrea | Tooker, Julia |
| McKee, Nathan | Vreeland, Julie |
| Orr, Kara | Wibling, Nadia |
| Patton, Jessie | |

Historian's Corner*Tribute to Lillian Knapp*

During World War II, one of our local young men joined the Coast Guard to serve his country. He returned home and married a young lady he met on Long Island, NY. Ted and Lillian Knapp settled in the neighborhood and raised three daughters and one son (Hazel, Theodora, Susan and Ted). They shared fifty-nine years together.

Lillian was a homemaker in every sense of the word and became well-known for her lovely needlework, which can be seen in many nearby homes.

She joined the church in 1950 and the Women's Society on August 7th of the same year. In December, she was asked to serve as Secretary (no sitting idly-by for Lillian). Of course, she participated in all activities.

Holding rummage sales was a fund raising event in the early 1960's. The group planned a "Rummage Sale" for July 1, 1964, which brought in \$325. The ladies were so impressed with the quality and quantity of the donated articles that they decided to continue with a "Thrift Sale" a couple of mornings a week. Thus began the Thrift Shop under the direction of Lillian Knapp, Agnes Bohne and Juanita Bickford. The doors were open Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 10 to 12 noon. We are grateful for their idea which has served us well.

Lillian was with us at our last "pot luck" supper, but she had been ill for a very long period of time. The Lord called her home to a well-deserved rest. We miss her and will keep her in our memories.

The above is a tribute to Lillian Knapp written in April, 2004, by former Historian, Marie Benicewicz.

---Barbara Westby

Lasagna Dinners

When did it all start? Seems like only yesterday, but the amazing thing is the year was 2000 and look what we have done. Month after month from September through May, we have served these dinners with growing attendance.

The goals of the dinners have not changed - to make good opportunities for people to work together and get to know each other, to raise funds to help the work of our Church, and to encourage the "whole church" to come together and make it possible for every member and friend to participate in the success of a project by contributing what they are able - with no pressure to contribute what anyone else might expect. The effort to put on the dinners was set up so that the workload contribution/responsibility is assigned to each person only once per year, except for the core team members who commit themselves every month.

There are several options for active work participation. Saturday activities include mid-day set-up of the dining room, food preparation, early evening food layout, dining room service, later evening dining room break-down, and kitchen clean-up. People can also help coordinate jobs by phone and by baking desserts. There are also opportunities for making donations of food, dry goods, and money. Many people choose to work and donate. Contribute what you are able just once. If there are people who want to be actively involved more often, we certainly will not discourage you.

This plan has worked well and in May we will complete our 10th year! It is an enjoyable time and we thank all who have done their part to make it a success. As hoped, we have reached out to our community and made many friends along the way. It is so much fun when you work together.

--Barbara Westby



Women's Society

We will be hosting Strawberry Shortcake for the Fair, June 26th and would be happy to have extra volunteers for some of our supplies. A list will be posted by the coffee hour table.



Check out the new and almost new items in our Boutique (Thrift Shop). We have a new one price for the same item policy. Come on by!!!

Reminder to any graduating high school senior seeking continued education - please fill out a Helen Humphrey scholarship form by May 15th.

—Melody Montgomery



Faith & Fellowship

This month's event will be held on Saturday, May 15th, following the lasagna dinner. We will meet at the Duckpin Alleys at 7 pm, followed by dessert at the Roberts' home. More details to come so stay tuned!

Music Sunday

Please join us for Music Sunday on June 6th. All of our music groups will be participating: the senior choir, junior choir, senior bell choir, senior high ensemble, and Holy Rollers. It is sure to be a lively, memorable worship service.

King Street Church Country Fair

Saturday, June 26th, 10 am to 3 pm.
 Music and fun! Strawberry shortcake, plant sale, craft vendors, barbecue, games & contests, a jumping castle for the kids, and a silent auction.

Children's Sunday

Our Children's Day celebration this year will be during worship service on June 20th. The children will be presenting the story of Noah in story and song in "100% Chance of Rain." They are busy practicing and picking out parts now. If there are any children who would still like to participate, they are welcome. We rehearse every Sunday during Children's Sunday School. It looks and sounds like a lot of fun and they hope everyone will come to see them and enjoy their presentation.

From the Church Office

Tish McCarthy has been our church secretary for nearly four years now. During this time she has made significant improvements to our policies and procedures, has saved us thousands of dollars in utility costs and office supplies, and has kept the office running with detailed efficiency. In light of the work she has done, the Ministry Council recently voted to change her title from Secretary to Office Manager. Although the title change does not increase her salary or add to her responsibilities, the new title more accurately represents her contributions to our church. So the next time you call our church office, congratulate Tish—and thank her for all she does.

Dedication Service Planned

We will have a brief service of dedication for our Memorial Labyrinth Garden on May 9th after worship. Please come and join us as we remember more than fifty people in whose memory it was built. Celebrate the spiritual growth it will offer to us and to the community. Express your appreciation to the Boy Scout who took on the landscaping of our labyrinth as his Eagle Scout project. And honor the spirit that unites us all in the grace of God.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>May</i> <i>2010</i></p>						<p>1 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open</p>
<p>2 9:30 am Worship/Communion Spring Cleanup</p>	<p>3 7 pm Women's Society</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 7:30 pm Sr Bell Choir Bell Choir </p>	<p>6 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open 7:30 pm Sr Choir</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open Olympic Town</p>
<p>9 9:30 am Worship 10:45 Labyrinth Dedication</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 7:30 pm Sr Bell Choir</p>	<p>13 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open 7:30 pm Sr Choir</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open 5-7 pm Lasagna Dinner/Thrift Shop Open 7 pm Faith & Fellowship</p>
<p>16 9:30 am Worship</p>	<p>17 7 pm Ministry Council</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 7:30 pm Sr Bell Choir</p>	<p>20 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open 7:30 pm Sr Choir</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open 1 - 5 pm Dorothy Day</p>
<p>23 9:30 am Worship 10:45 Annual Meeting</p>	<p>24 Messenger Deadline</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 7:30 pm Sr Bell Choir</p>	<p>27 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open 7:30 pm Sr Choir</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>20 9-12 pm Thrift Shop Open</p>
<p>30 9:30 am Worship</p>	<p>31 Memorial Day</p>					

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, May 23, 2010 immediately following the service. We hope to see you there!



**JUNE Messenger articles due
Monday, MAY 24th**

E-mail articles to Knisleys127@sbcglobal.net



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