

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christian Education

FALL 2010

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT IDLEWILD!

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES ARE 9:40-10:40 A.M.

NEW FALL CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

Re: Confirmation

**September 15-November 17
Wednesdays, 6:15-7:30 p.m.
[Room 303W Jones Bldg.]**

Have you ever wished you could take confirmation classes again—or for the time? This is your chance!

Re:Confirmation is a meaningful way to reexamine the foundational pieces of faith in light of life experience, visit other places of worship, and experience a service of reaffirmation of our baptismal covenant. Taught by Idlewild clergy and worship leaders.

If possible, please register with Brenda Harris, brenda@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681. If you need additional childcare before the regular WELL programs, please let Brenda know by Monday, September 10, so arrangements can be made. (WELL dinners begins at 5:30; dinner cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, with a \$20 family maximum.)

A Ten-Week Refresher Course in the Basics of Christianity — just for Grown-ups!

Sunday Morning Adult Church School Classes

Visitors and newcomers—as well as familiar faces—are welcome. All classes meet 9:40-10:40 a.m.

For more information please call or e-mail Gayle Walker, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministry, at 726-4681 ext. 46 or gwalker@idlewildchurch.org.

A COVENANT CONVERSATION

[Room 302W, Jones Building]

September 12-December 19: Jesus In Context: A Focus on Mark. *The Bible says what?!* This class reads the Bible together with the aim of understanding how the historical contexts in which its stories arose affect its meaning for today. We ask three questions together: What did it mean when it happened? What did it mean when it was written down? What does it mean now? Through sustained—sometimes hilarious—conversations, we seek to understand how the Bible continues to be the word of God for the people of God. Led by Dr. Kendra Hotz, Department of Religious Studies, Rhodes College.

PATHFINDERS

[Room 303W, Jones Building]

September 12-26: Family Caregivers and the Bible: It's Not Just Inspirational. With a rapidly aging population, family caregivers are facing a number of challenges, especially those of us who are "sandwiched in" between raising children and caring for parents. The Bible is not only a great source of inspiration, but it also features many wonderful examples of providing care to those in need. This class will explore passages from the Bible and connect those stories to the present. Although people and places change, some things like caregiving for loved ones does not.

Oct. 10: NaCoMe weekend, class will not meet.

October 3-31: Idlewild, the Memphis Presbytery and the Civil Rights Movement. Steve Haynes has been writing—and sharing in depth—his research and writings about the protests involving Second Presbyterian Church in the mid-1960s. What was happening at Idlewild during this time? How did Paul Tudor Jones and the church officers create opportunities for all Memphians to

worship at Idlewild? Course will include a discussion led by Perre Magness, with a panel of Idlewild members who were members in the 1960s, and Steve Haynes will update the class on his book.

November 7: Adult Forum. Singing into Our Future, led by the Reverend Micheal Waschevski. T.K. Young Room.

Nov. 14-21: The John and Mike Show. John Jones and Mike Bruno return for a two-part discussion on a current topic of intrigue and excitement.

PEACEMAKERS

[Harlan Room, Sanctuary Building]

September 12-October 17: Same-Sex Marriage in a Christian Context. Gay Marriage has emerged as a major public policy issue in the last decade. Countries such as South Africa, Mexico and Canada allow it and many U.S. states and cities have enacted new laws either permitting or forbidding it. With court intervention, some states have both permitted and forbidden gay marriage in the same year! In July, the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Singing Into Our Future

Adult Forum

Sunday, November 7

9:40-10:40 a.m.

[T.K. Young Room, Sanctuary Building]

Michael Waschevski, a member of the Presbyterian Committee on Congregational Song (new hymnal project), leads a conversation about the work of the committee to date. Hear how the committee is engaged in the review, evaluation, and selection of texts and music for the new hymnal based on a variety of concerns: theology, language, musical styles and genres, lectionary usefulness, and more. Samples of new texts and music being considered will be sung and evaluated during the time together. This is an exciting and genuine opportunity for you to be a part of the new hymnal process! (Michael serves as a pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Ft. Worth, Texas.)

Nov. 28 - Thanksgiving weekend, class will not meet.

December 5-12: Dr. Kent Schull, Department of History, University of Memphis will lead a two-part discussion on modern Islam and the challenges presented by extremist factions within the Muslim faith. We'll learn more about al Quida, the Taliban, Hezbollah, Hamas and their origins from an otherwise peaceful, loving and caring faith.

December 19: Brian Blair leads the class with a look at Advent.

General Assembly approved a report calling for further discussion of issues around the church's understanding of marriage and same-sex unions. Are such unions possible? Are they biblical? This class will provide an opportunity to go beyond the sound bites toward a deeper understanding of biblical, theological and legal tradition regarding same-sex marriage.

You are welcome and encouraged to participate whether you currently agree or disagree with same-sex relationships. Led by the Rev. Dr. Walt Tennyson, PC(USA) minister and Chaplain, Rhodes College.

The course will use as a resource the book *A Time to Embrace: Same-Gender Relationship in Religion, Law, and Politics* by Dr. William Stacy Johnson, Professor of Theology, Princeton Seminary. This book begins by laying out the church's seven different responses, from outright prohibition to full ecclesial connection, testing the arguments along the way which hopefully gives everyone an entry into the discussion. The book may be purchased on Amazon (\$6 up).

October 10: Dr. Kenny Morrell, Associate Professor of Greek and Roman Studies, Rhodes College, will present *Greco-Roman Background of Scriptural References to Sexuality*. Readings will be available one week prior to the lecture

October 17: Playback Memphis, an improvisational performance ensemble, will be our guest bringing to life our personal questions and stories with the goal of fostering a more tolerant, empathic, and caring understanding of one another's positions around the issues of gay marriage and same-sex unions. Playback Memphis' use of movement, music, metaphor and spoken improvisation is robust and creates opportunity for laughter, reflection and dialogue.

October 24: Ashley Freeman Wright, a PC(USA) mission worker to Honduras, will speak. Ashley, the daughter of Jerre and Anne Freeman, grew up at Idlewild. (The class is in cooperation with Global Missions Committee.)

TIMOTHY

[Strock Room, Sanctuary Building]

September 12-26: Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today. What comes to mind when you think of the book of Revelation? Scary images: The four horsemen come to unleash destruction? Mysterious numbers such as "666"? The end time battle of Armageddon? In recent years, an enormous prophecy industry has marketed frightening images of

Revelation, leaving many people intimidated by this amazing and often misunderstood book. Although brimming with mysterious symbolism, *Revelation* ultimately is a book of hope that throughout history has sustained people who are oppressed. A Christ centered book, it is full of worship and praise. Led

November 14: A follow-up on the use of hymnody at Idlewild and thoughts on the use of the new 2014 PC(USA) hymn book. Led by Ted Gibboney, Director of Music Ministry.

November 21-28: Francis of Assisi, Dante and Machiavelli. Led by Oliver Cobb, Idlewild Elder.

Disciple Bible Study: Invitation to Romans

Sundays, Sept. 12-Nov. 21, 9:00-10:20 a.m.
[Room 304W, Jones Building]

The challenge of reading Romans is to have our own interpretive conversation with the text, in spite of centuries of commentary. This study invites one into conversation around several key themes: Paul's emphasis on communal salvation; the centrality of God's righteousness; and the relationship between Jews and Gentiles and the relationship of both to God. This class calls for about 30 minutes of daily study. Taught by Casey Thompson. The book is \$12. Registration is required. Contact Brenda Harris, brenda@idlewildchurch.org, or 726-4681. (Childcare information available upon request at time of registration.)

by Dr. Mitzi Minor, Professor of New Testament, Memphis Theological Seminary.

October 3-31: Jesus Through the Centuries: His Place in the History of Culture. Each epoch has found its own thoughts in Jesus and created him in its own image, said Albert Schweitzer. For two millennia Jesus, far from being a static figure, has been "most variously interpreted and understood. Drawing from the book *Jesus Through the Centuries* by the late Yale professor Jaroslav Pelikan, this class will examine the variety of artistic and literary portrayals of Jesus in historical context, ranging from 1st century rabbi to medieval monk to 20th century liberator. Are we immune to this tendency? Do we, too, create a Jesus that reflects our image? Led by Dr. Lucie Bridgforth who taught history for twenty five years at Northwest Mississippi Community College, Senatobia.

November 7: Adult Forum. Singing into Our Future, led by the Reverend Micheal Waschevski. T.K. Young Room.

December 5-19: Milton Brown, using a scholarly approach to the study of a Bible text, will give specific consideration to how Jesus is presented in the Christmas narratives found in the Gospels, as well as views from some of the non-canonical books. Dr. Brown is a retired Professor of Religious Studies, Rhodes College and author of *To Hear the Word, Invitation to Serious Study of the Bible*.

STEPHEN

[Room 306W, Jones Building]

In his book *Why Read?*, Mark Edmundson calls attention to 'two related activities that are central to a true education in the humanities.' The first is the activity of discovering oneself as one is in great writing. The second, and perhaps more important, is to see glimpses of a self—and too, perhaps, of a world—that might be, a self and world that you can begin working to create." (p. 5)

Citing Proust—a writer whose works have been studied recently—Edmundson continues: "Reading...is on the threshold of the spiritual life; it can introduce us to it; it does not constitute it."

The Stephen Class invites everyone who

likes to read. Books are chosen in the belief that they can do the two things Edmundson says. Class members share the responsibilities for facilitating discussions. We pace our reading based on the difficulty of the book and the desire

September 12-December 19: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam: What We Have in Common and How We Differ. The topic will be a comparative study of three of the world's great religions, noting the common roots that both

and reminds us of the awesome promises of God that are found in the Bible. Led by Christy Hasselle and Ken Pfohl.

Same-Sex Marriage in a Christian Context

A Special Sunday Morning Peacemakers Series
September 12-October 17
Dr. Walt Tennyson, guest speaker

This an opportunity to go beyond the sound bites toward a deeper understanding of biblical, theological and legal tradition regarding same-sex marriage. You are welcome and encouraged to participate whether you currently agree or disagree with same-sex relationships. (Read more in the Peacemakers Class descriptions.)

of the class for time for reflection. We often find that—together—we are struggling with matters of spiritual importance. There are no prerequisites, and persons who wish to audit the class are welcome. Contacts: Jim Cole, jpcoltn@bellsouth.net, and Bob Llewellyn, rrllewellyn@comcast.net.

September 12-October 17: Dostoevsky, *Crime And Punishment*. Facilitated by Jim Cole.

October 24-November 21: Percy, *The Second Coming*. Facilitated by Phil Taylor.

November 28: Sonnet(s) by Shakespeare (in preparation for the next assignment).

December 5-19: Shakespeare, *Romeo and Juliet*. Facilitated by Jim Eikner.

[Selections for winter and spring include Kingsolver, *The Poisonwood Bible*; Nemirovsky, *Suite Francaise*; Reese, *An American Gospel*; Hesse, *Siddhartha*; and selected short stories.]

COVENANTERS

{Room 106W, Jones Building}

This class considers traditional subjects of Christian faith including Bible study, doctrine and theology, church history and ethics. Lively discussion and dialogue encouraged. Contact: Julia Allen, 761-9418 or jallenmem@gmail.com.

Christianity and Islam share with Judaism in a tradition that goes back to Abraham, as well as the significant differences that divide us as communities of faith. Our aim in this study is not just to discern the similarities and differences between each other's faith and practice, but to use that knowledge to discover ways we can work together to build a just and peaceful world. Come join us for what we believe will be an exciting and profitable experience. Led by the Rev. Dr. Denton McLellan, Parish Associate.

JOHN KNOX

[Conference Room, Sanctuary Building]

An intergenerational small group focusing on Bible study. What does the Bible say? What does it mean? How does it apply to the way we live today? The group welcomes new members to study, share and discuss the great relevance the Scriptures have for us in living faithful Christian lives. Class contacts: Allan and Lois Ruleman, 683-4462 or aruleman@bellsouth.net.

This fall's study is from the book by James W. Moore, *Standing on the Promises or Sitting on the Premises?* Do you claim and embrace and celebrate the great promises of God that are underscored again and again in the Bible? Or do you sit lifelessly and listlessly on the remote edges of the church, responding halfheartedly to its message? James W. Moore awakens us with these questions

LEMASTER

[Room 114E, Jones Building]

An in-depth, teacher-led Bible study with strong teaching and careful textual analysis. This fall's study will be the Book of Ephesians. Contacts: Tom and Nola McKnight, nolatom@earthlink.net. Led by Lewis Donelson.

INQUIRERS

September 19-October 17
[Room 301W, Jones Building]

For persons who want to know more about Idlewild Church or may be considering membership. Pastors and members talk about what it means to be a Presbyterian, and provide information about our many ministries and activities.

Topics include: What it means to be Presbyterian (theology and history); the history of Idlewild; opportunities at Idlewild; a tour of the Church; and exploration of adult education offerings.

Led by Steve Montgomery, Perre Magness, Casey Thompson and Jim Eikner. To register contact Josh and Lisa Lawhead, 251-6808 or llawhead@gmail.com/
jlawhead@bpjlaw.com.

Resources for Study

THE CHURCH LIBRARY has an extensive selection of books and periodicals for loan and on-site study. Acquaint yourself with classic and contemporary materials, biblical study guides, theological texts, spiritual formation resources, and Christian fiction and nonfiction. Open Sunday mornings and weekdays by appointment (726-4681).

EXPLOREFAITH.ORG is a community of faith dedicated to sharing information, thoughts and insights with all who seek answers to spiritual questions. Idlewild Presbyterian Church is a partner church through our Evangelism Committee. Visit www.explorefaith.org.

Wednesday Morning Study

This weekly class for adults features study series led by knowledgeable teachers. No registration required—come to any or all classes.

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00 a.m.
[Room 301W, Jones Building]

SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 6: THE GREEKS AND THEIR SEARCH FOR A MORAL VISION.

Visit works that, along with Shakespeare and the Bible, are the most fundamental documents of our civilization. The emphasis will be on the Greeks' quest to turn their inherited polytheism into a religion that was worthy of their intellectual and artistic achievements.

Beginning with the Homeric epics, we find vain and treacherous gods who are not worthy to unlatch the shoes of a great hero like Hector. Moving to Athens and the tragedians of the 5th century B.C., the same gods begin to mature in powerful dramas of guilt, atonement and reconciliation.

Finally, at the end of the century comes Socrates, the ultimate righteous citizen and moral hero. We will also look at the world views of two remarkable historians: Herodotus, the "father of

history" and its greatest story teller; and Thucydides, the most powerful of all writers of history. Class handouts, along with a bibliography, will be provided. Led by Mr. Ernest Kelly, Idlewild Elder.

October 13-20: Class recess.

OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 10. CHRISTIANITY AND CAPITALISM.

The financial crisis has prompted some Christians to question our free-market capitalist system. We find theologians such as Michael Novak wondering aloud if capitalism is "spiritually empty and corrosive of virtue." After observing the greed and hubris that led to worldwide panic and destruction of wealth, Christians now wonder if capitalism is an economic system that fits best with what the Bible teaches. In order to discuss this issue, we'll differentiate a capitalist system from a socialist system, and include some variations of these terms in practice. We will review how Calvin, Knox, Luther and others viewed capitalism, and why Nietzsche, Marx, and

many modern/postmodern philosophers were anti-capitalist. In a fallen world that is populated by sinful people, what realities should an economic system address? What should be the goal of a good economic system? Is capitalism compatible with a Christian worldview and Christian truths about God, humankind, and money? Led by Dr. Deborah Pittman, Associate Professor in the Dept. of Business and Economics, Rhodes College.

NOVEMBER 17-DECEMBER 15: REVELATION: A WORK OF ART.

The Revelation of John is the most intricately structured book of the Bible. It is also the most baffling. Join us as we take a look at some of the historical referents of the book that much of Christianity thinks points only to the future. Come see how this work of art might enrich our faith today. Led by Casey Thompson, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life. (November 24: Thanksgiving week, class will not meet.)

Church Choirs for All Ages

For more information about choirs and music programs at Idlewild please contact Ted Gibboney, Organist and Music Director, at 726-4681 ext. 12 or gibboney@idlewildchurch.org.

ADULT CHOIR

New members encouraged! Rehearsals are Thursday evenings in the Choir Room. Worship rehearsal: 7:00-8:00; concerts and special projects: 8:00-9:00.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIRS

CHERUB CHOIR (Junior and Senior Kindergarten) — Rehearsals are on Sundays, at 9:40 a.m. (first half of church school) in Room 201W. Cherubs sing in 11:00 services on November 21, December 19, and in the 3:30 Family Christmas Eve Service.

PRIMARY AND JUNIOR CHOIRS (1st-3rd grades, 4th-6th grades) — Both choirs rehearse Wednesday evenings in the Choir Room. Primary children rehearse 5:00-5:40, and Junior children rehearse 5:00-5:50. Children will sing in 11:00 worship services on Oct. 17, Nov. 21 and Dec. 19, and participate in the 3:30 Family Christmas Eve Service.

YOUTH CHOIR ENSEMBLE (Grades 7-12) Middle and high school youth prepare for special projects. Dates and times TBA.

Adult Study and Fellowship Groups

There's more to Christian education than Sunday morning! Get involved in some of these great study programs, discussion groups, and fellowship opportunities for adults.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

All women are invited to Presbyterian Women study circles and activities. Contact: Beth Simpson, 761-2329 or Diane Wellford, 761-5959.

September 21: Fall Gathering in the T.K. Young Room. (Gatherings are on the third Tuesday of September, January, April and May.)

Circles meet for Bible study and fellowship the first Tuesday of each month, October through May, at various locations (announced in the Sunday bulletin). The fall study guide is *Journeys Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today* by Barbara Rossing.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. (begins Sept. 9) [Parlor, Sanctuary Building]

In a congenial, welcoming atmosphere, adults of all ages connect Bible study with their daily lives. Fall topic: Good Religion and the Good Life. Led by Brooks Ramsey and Steve Montgomery.

AMAZING GRACE

Thursdays, 9:30-11:00 a.m. (begins Sept. 9) [Conference Room, Sanctuary Building]

Young women gather weekly for Bible study, theological reflection, and fellowship in a relaxed and caring environment. The resource for study this fall will be selected by the group at the first meeting. Conveners: Mary Allison Cates and Corinne Nienhuis, 726-4681 ext. 13 or corinne@idlewildchurch.org.

YOUNG PROFESSIONAL WOMEN

Third Monday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. (the first meeting will be Sept. 20)

Young women (20s-30s) meet in the relaxed atmosphere of individual homes for dessert, fellowship and Bible study. The fall study is the Book of Revelation. Convener: Gayle Walker, gwalker@idlewildchurch.org.

NATURAL SPIRITUALITY

2nd and 4th Monday, 1:30-3:00 p.m. (begins Sept. 13) [Conference Room, Sanctuary Building]

This women's discussion group explores ways of getting in touch with one's spirituality through dreams and other less traditional means. The next study resource will be determined by members at the first meeting. Convener: Corinne Nienhuis at corinne@idlewildchurch.org or 726-4681 ext. 13.

OLDER, WISER, LIVELIER SENIORS

OWLS—Older, Wiser, Livelier Seniors—group meets monthly to take day trips, hear guest speakers, and enjoy great fellowship. Please call ahead for reservations: Regina Benson, 458-2970.

September 14: I Am a Volunteer at the Memphis Union Mission. Speaker: Ken Jack, 11:30 a.m., Harlan Room. Lunch to follow.

October 12: Tour University of Memphis New Law School. Leave church at 11:30, lunch at Little Tea Room.

November 9: Turkey: An Ancient, Classical, Biblical, Modern Bridge. Speaker: Bob Llewellyn, 11:30 a.m., Harlan Room. Lunch to follow.

December 12: Christmas lunch in the church Parlor.

THE OWLS BOOK CLUB meets September 28 and October 26. Lunch (\$7) at church. To find out what the group is reading call Regina Benson, 458-2970.

DINNER GROUPS

To join one of these fun dinner groups and get to know others in the church family call the contact listed.

FIRST FRIDAY EAT-OUT GROUP
Carol Good, 726-4681

THIRD FRIDAY EAT-OUT GROUP
Ann and John Fain, 682-9813

LEARNING KOINE GREEK

Tuesdays, 5:00-6:00 p.m. [Room 303W, Jones Building]

Koine (New Testament) Greek for advanced students of Greek will focus on exegesis of Biblical texts. Participants should be familiar with basic vocabulary; fundamentals of Greek grammar; use of a lexicon and how to get the most from the best New Testament commentaries. Others with some previous experience in Greek are welcome to "audit" and to participate freely as they are able.

Led by Dr. Milton Brown, retired Professor of Religious Studies (with a special interest in New Testament and Patristics), Rhodes College. The textbook, *Learn New Testament Greek* (3rd ed.) by John Dobson, is available from Amazon. To register contact Brenda Harris, 726-4681 ext. 35 or brenda@idlewildchurch.org.

CHRISTCARE GROUPS

Join a ChristCare group, or indicate an interest in participating in a small community of faithful people (5-12 participants) who share a common interest or life experience. Led by gifted, trained and committed members of the church, these groups meet regularly to care for one another, to help one another grow in faith, and to support one another in Christian discipleship.

Group size is limited; some groups are full. For information contact Anne Apple at anne@idlewildchurch.org.

Wednesday Evening ChristCare Groups

Men in Mid-Life led by Steve Haynes; Parenting Young Children, led by Catherine and Blake Schuhmacher, Lara and Gwin Scott; Spiritual Themes in Movies, led by Melanie and Sam Stewart.

Other ChristCare Groups

Spiritual Themes in Movies; Kumbaya: Faithful Expressions in Music; Spiritual Formation and Prayer; Young Mothers; Theology and Arts; Addiction Concerns.

Children's Classes and Programs

Children's church school classes are Sunday mornings from 9:40 to 10:40 a.m. All classes and nursery facilities are in the Jones Building. For more information about children's classes and programs at Idlewild Church, please contact Elizabeth Houston, Director for Children's Ministry, at 726-4681 ext. 33 or ehouston@idlewildchurch.org.

INFANTS, TODDLERS, TWO-YEAR-OLDS

All infants through two-years-olds go to the Jones Building, 2nd floor east wing.

Infants [Nursery Room] Loving, nurturing care is provided for the littlest members of our church family.

Toddlers [Room 211E] A monthly theme and weekly routine provide these active members with lots of learning opportunities.

Two-Year-Olds [Room 212E] explore simple Bible stories using Cokesbury's Rock-A-Bye curriculum, and have lots of time for active play. Led by Sam and Melanie Stewart.

PRESCHOOLERS

Preschoolers are in the Jones Building, 2nd floor west wing.

Using the BibleZone Live! curriculum, pre-schoolers explore the world through Bible stories, songs, play and joyful noise as they experience sights, sounds, tastes, smells and textures.

THREE-YEAR-OLDS (out of diapers) [Room 204W] Led by Joelle Pittman, Catie Ward, Paula Gartrell, Erin and David Simpson.

JUNIOR KINDERGARTENERS [Room 203W] Led by Martha Young, Anne Phillips, and Margaret Burnett.

SENIOR KINDERGARTENERS [Room 202W] Led by Lane Faughnan, JoAnn Jones, and Leslie Aclin.

CHERUB CHOIR [Room 201W] Junior/senior kindergarteners rehearse Sundays at 9:40 a.m., during the first half of church school. (See choir section for more details.)

ELEMENTARY (GRADES 1-6)

All elementary classes are in the Jones Building, 3rd floor east wing. Grades 1-4 use the PC(USA) We Believe curriculum.

GRADES 1-2 [Room 310E] Led by Lola and Michael McCrarey. Shepherds are Gwen Bruno, Dawn Kvande, Jessica Scott and Becky Cremer.

GRADE 3 [Room 311E] Led by Susan and Will Jones, Anne and Jim Apple. Shepherd is Amy Turner.

GRADE 4 [Room 312E] Led by Jennifer Vest, Judy Johnson, and Virginia Klettner.

GRADES 5-6 [Room 309E] Through Biblical discussion and video clips, this class studies issues relevant to the life of preteens. Led by Elise and Leonard McKinnon, Melissa and Michael Peeler.

PRIMARY AND JUNIOR CHOIRS

GRADES 1-3, 4-6

Choirs rehearse Wednesday evenings. (See choir section for more details.)

Sunday Morning Worship and Childcare

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship services at Idlewild Church!

8:30 WORSHIP SERVICE

Childcare for babies through kinder-garteners is offered each Sunday morning during the 8:30 service. [Nursery, Jones Building, 2nd floor east]

11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Nursery care for infants through two-year-olds is available during the 11:00 service each Sunday. [Nursery, Jones Building, 2nd floor east]

For ages three through kindergarten, Children's Church Continued (C3) begins after Time with the Younger Church in the 11:00 worship service. Children leave the Sanctuary and go with helpers to Rooms 203-204W Jones Building. They participate in worship, Bible stories, crafts, snacks and playtime. Parents should pick up their children immediately after the service.

Special Dates & Notes

Communion Workshop for First Graders and Parents

The annual Communion Workshop is Sunday, October 17 at 12:15 in Rooms 309-310E. Reservations are requested.

Teacher Resource Library

Materials for both children and parents including books, CDs, DVDs, teaching pictures, puppets and games. Drake Bartley, librarian. [Jones Building, 3rd floor east wing]

Youth Study and Fellowship

Idlewild Church has two youth groups: Junior High (7th-8th graders) and Senior High (9th-12th graders). For more information contact Frank Kelly, Director for Youth Ministry, 726-4681 ext. 14 or fkelly@idlewildchurch.org.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

Classes use lectionary-based curriculum of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

JUNIOR HIGH: 9:40-10:40

[Room 105W, Jones Building]

SENIOR HIGH: 9:40-10:40

[Wrenn Room, Jones Building]

SUNDAY EVENINGS

Youth groups share dinner, games, worship, discussion and fellowship. Details are mailed each week.

JUNIOR HIGH: 4:30-6:15

[Wrenn Room, Jones Building]

SENIOR HIGH: 6:00-7:30

[Wrenn Room, Jones Building]

SENIOR HIGH PRAYER BREAKFAST

The first Wednesday of each month at Panera Bread, 4530 Poplar. Frank will be there by 6:30; prayers around 7:10. Youth provide their own transportation. No meetings during holidays.

SENIOR HIGH BIBLE STUDY

Bible study for 11th-12th graders will be the second Tuesday of each month, 6:00-7:15 p.m. at the home of Ted and Anne Cashion. Led by Frank Kelly.

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