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GREAT FAMILY EXPECTATIONS



A Note From Drew...

Drew Mentzer
Senior Minister

We are going to have a special event on August 27th that I hope you will all be a part of. We have reserved Hanging Rock Camp for our all church picnic and fellowship time. This is a great opportunity for fun and a great time to meet new

people. Please join us on the 27th.

Please be in prayer for a very special service that I am hoping is going to have a great impact on our communities. Saturday, September 10th, at 6:00 we will meet at the Palmer Arena for Celebrate America. If you were with us several years ago when we held a similar service, you know how inspiring and exciting that was. I am praying this will be even better. It is the 10th Anniversary of the 9/11 attacks and we want to remember what happened then and also be challenged to make things better now.

I need your help in getting ready for this service. Please be praying, talk it up to your friends and neighbors, pass out publicity material, volunteer to help, and be sure to be there on the 10th as we celebrate this great country and all the blessings God has given us.

Someone might wonder why we are going to all the expense and effort for this service. Let me list some reasons why:

1. Because we want to honor those to whom honor is due.
2. Because we want to thank and encourage some very important people who serve us.
3. Because we want to draw our communities together to see the good that is ours as a nation.
4. Because we want to remind people of what is right as we present a Christian world view.
5. Because God has gifted Second with talents and abilities to be able to do something like this that can benefit so many.

We received so many positive comments from our last Celebrate America and I believe we will have an opportunity to encourage so many. This is also an opportunity to introduce Second to some folks who have not heard of us and just maybe this will open the door of the Gospel to someone who does not know Jesus Christ.

Also, remember that we are partnering with Sunset Funeral Home in our advertising. They will have a very special service on Sunday, September 11th, at 3:00 at their Memorial Park. I appreciate what Sunset is doing with their service and recommend it to you and I also appreciate their willingness to work with us in making this a special weekend.

Also, remember that on Sunday morning, September 11th, we will have one worship service at the Palmer Arena at 10:00. This will be a great opportunity for our church family to worship in one service, so I hope you are planning on being with us.

Thank you for your commitment and faithfulness to the Lord and His Church. You Christians are God's forever family and you are making a difference in this world and may God be praised for all you do.

Drew

Preaching Schedule

August Series: Great Family Expectations

August 7th

Protect and Promote the Unity of the Church

Ephesians 4:1-6

August 14th

Take Responsibility for the Church

I Corinthians 4:1-2

August 21st

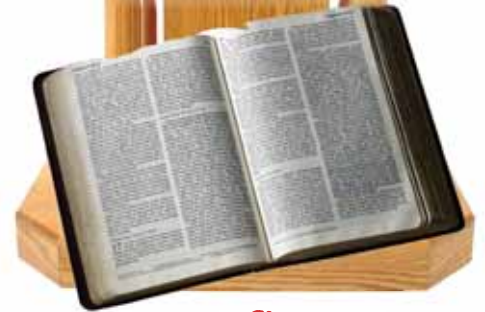
Serve in the Ministry of the Church

Acts 6:1-7

August 28th

Support the Testimony of the Church

II Timothy 1:3-12



Celebrate America t-shirts

We have found that personal invitations are the best way to get the word out about our events. T-shirts are a

great way to start the conversation. We are taking orders for this year's shirts and need you to let us know what you would like to buy.

Cost: \$10 (2X & Up - \$12.50)

Sizes: Adult - S through 5X

Colors: Red or Blue

The front of each shirt advertises 2CC's Saturday event and the back advertises Sunset's Sunday event.

Because of the size of the screen-print, youth sizes will not be available.

Watch the bulletin to order yours!

Time In The Word

The Reveal Survey says...

Reflect on Scripture!

Do you remember the game show Family Feud where families tried to guess how people responded to survey questions about various topics? After a family team made their guesses the game show host would say, "And the survey says..." Well, the results of the Reveal survey are in and we no longer have to guess.

The Reveal survey says that Second Church of Christ has made some marked improvements since the last survey two years ago! In fact, our overall score went from a 70 in 2009 to a 79 in 2011. That means we went from being in the 50% category of the churches surveyed to a placement of the top 25% of churches surveyed. That is the simple version of the survey results; however, we are still digging through the data in order to get a deeper understanding of where we are and where we need to go.

One of the areas that Reveal said we have grown in is Bible intake. I'm very glad to hear that especially since over that past two years we have really emphasized the importance of spending time in the Word of God. Since the 2009 Reveal Survey, the SCC leadership has encouraged you to spend time in the Word through year round Bible reading programs, weekly Bible passages listed in the bulletin and newsletter, as well as this newsletter article encouraging you to spend time in the Word.

The Reveal survey has collected data from over 1000 churches and the overwhelmingly top catalyst or factor that encourages spiritual growth is spending time in the word. However, in a new book called MOVE, that provides some of the newest learning about Reveal, it says



that while Bible intake is important "Nothing has a greater impact on spiritual growth than reflection on Scripture." It says...

If churches could do only one thing to help people at all levels of spiritual maturity grow in their relationship with Christ, their choice is clear. They would inspire, encourage, and equip their people to read the Bible—specifically, to reflect on Scripture for meaning

in their lives. The numbers say most churches are missing the mark—because only one out of five congregants reflects on Scripture every day. Hawkins, Greg L. (2011). *Move: What 1,000 Churches Reveal about Spiritual Growth*. Zondervan.

Here's what reflection means: While reading the Bible, you should look for a verse or two that seem to grab your attention or speak to your heart in a special way. Think about what that passage means to you personally. Pray about that passage and ask God to give you understanding about how you should apply it to your life. I suggest that you mark that passage or write it down or text it to yourself or better yet, memorize it so that you can revisit that passage throughout the day. As you revisit that passage of scripture during the day, continue think about it and meditate on its meaning for you. That is reflecting.

In many ways, reflecting on Scripture is like tuning an instrument. I have a 12 string guitar and it is a real challenge to tune and keep in tune. But thankfully, I also have an electronic tuner that makes the job of tuning my guitar a lot easier. Our hearts and souls are like instruments that easily get out of tune. The Word of God is like a tuner that provides the right tone and pitch that helps us tune our hearts. The old hymn says, "Come Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace."

When we reflect on the word of God it tunes our hearts to resonate in harmony with God and we experience spiritual growth.

9/11 Tenth Anniversary Events



Sept. 10th, 6:00 p.m.
Palmer Arena

Sept. 11th, 3:00 p.m.
Sunset Memorial Park

On September 10th 2CC is going to Celebrate America, remembering the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks and those lost and those that served.

Saturday, we are inviting the community to celebrate and remember with us. Sunday, we will all come together for a 10:00 a.m. worship service. While this is not a community service, like our Easter service, this is still a great opportunity for you to invite people to church in a less threatening environment.

What can you do to help? Right now, start telling everyone you know about it. Invite everyone you know to come and celebrate with us. Promotional materials will be available all of August. And remember, this is a church activity and we are going to need many hands to make it happen! Plan to volunteer!



is now enrolling!

Two by Two CEEC offers a variety of services to provide exceptional care and training for your child.

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- ♥ Preschool – 2 years to 5 years
- ♥ Part-time Preschool – 3 to 5 years (*September - May only*)
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- ♥ Field Trips
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Please call Janelle Lloyd at 217-709-0093 for more information.



PROMOTION SUNDAY On Sunday, August 7th, we will have our annual "Promotion Sunday" for the Children's Ministry Department. On the 7th, all of our school-age children (beginning with our new Kindergarten students) will move up to the next grade level of Sunday School classes as well as Children's Church.

If you are a parent of one of our new Kindergarten students, please give Ms. Kenna a call, at the church, so that your child's name tag will reflect their new class.

If you have any questions about "Promotion Sunday", please do not hesitate to give Ms. Kenna a call.

ROOM	7:45 AM	9:30 AM	10:15 AM	11:30 AM
110 (Chapel)		"Celebration Station!" (Children's Church) K - 4 th grade	"Celebration Station!" (Children's Church) K - 4 th grade	
111 (Peach)	4 & 5 year olds	4 & 5 year olds	4 & 5 year olds	4 & 5 year olds
112 A (Green)			Kindergarten	
112 B (Green)	K - 2 nd grade		1 st & 2 nd grade	K - 2 nd grade
113 A & B (Blue)	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
114 (Red)	2 & 3 year olds	2 year olds	2 year olds	2 & 3 year olds
115 A & B (Purple)	3 rd & 4 th grade		3 rd & 4 th grade	3 rd & 4 th grade
116 A & B (Yellow)		3 year olds	3 year olds	



Jr. High Ministry T-Shirts
Watch for them the be on sale the first two weeks this month in the foyer. Order yours at the table for \$10 each and help support our Jr. High students.



Another year of Vacation Bible School has come and gone, and by seeing the excitement generated for Jesus, I know that this year ranks as one of the best years ever! Just what made VBS 2011 so wonderful? Our incredible volunteers and our church family!

Thank you so much to all of the outstanding volunteers (pre-school, elementary, games, crafts, Bible stories, registration, refreshments, decorations and on and on)...who made VBS 2011 an amazing week of Bible learning fun!

Thank you to the kids for not only coming each and every evening to VBS, but for inviting your friends to come and for beings so awesome while you were here having fun!

Thank you for all of the generous donations made to help our mission for the week. Steve and Lisa Vitaniemi are leaving this fall for Haiti, where they are entering the Mission Field full-time.

We set a goal of \$4,000.00 for offering and we made it, \$4,000.00 on the nose!

Thank you to Danville Gardens and Turtle Run for the terrific pool party!

Be watching for details about VBS 2012!

COMING SOON:

Start watching the newsletter and bulletin for more information on these really exciting upcoming events:

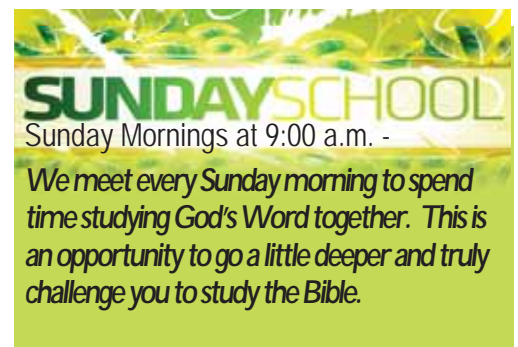
*"Bible Boot Camp" - Wednesday evenings - beginning in September.

*All Church Picnic at Hanging Rock - Saturday, August 27th.

*"Praise Party" - a night of praising our Savior in a fun and loud way!

**"Night of Light" event - October 30th

**Children's Ministry" t-shirt orders taken.



Student Ministry

Kiley Garrison - Student Minister

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THE
BRIDGE

Romans 12:1-2

Terry Goodwin
Jr. High Minister

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ST. JAMES

FOOD PANTRY - High school students are invited to serve at the St. James Food Pantry on August 17th.

The church van will not be running, so students will need to have a ride to and from St. James. Show up anytime after 4:30 and enter through the screen door on the north side of the building. Kiley will be there to help get you plugged in.

STUDENT RESOURCE TABLE

If you are a high school student looking for resources to go deeper in your faith, check out the new resource table at The Journey on Sunday mornings. We will be offering books and devotionals at discounted prices that will challenge students to grow in their faith and help them take one step closer to Christ. This is also the place to buy Student Bibles (at ridiculously low prices!) and Student Ministry t-shirts. Be sure to check it out!

WHAT: 5th - 6th Grade
WATER PARK TRIP
WHEN: Thursday, August 4th
WHERE: Tropicanoe Cove Waterpark in Lafayette, IN
TIME: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
COST: \$10 + money for lunch



Don't forget to bring offering to The Bridge on Sundays. \$1 per person can go along way if we all work together!

7th & 8th & Sr. High Students

SIGN UP NOW!

We're heading back to Knight's Action Park and Caribbean Water Adventure in Springfield! Sign up at the Student Ministry Board. More info coming soon!

What: 7th & 8th Grade & Sr. High Students Water Park Trip
When: Tuesday, August 2nd
Where: Knights Action Park in Springfield, Illinois
Time: 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Cost: \$40 which includes your lunch

DON'T MISS OUT!

In a July article in USA Today, Cathy Lynn Grossman wrote about the next chapter in Casey Anthony's life. As you know, Anthony was recently found not guilty of murdering her 2-year-old daughter, Caylee. Grossman's article focused on how long it might be before negotiations are underway for a book deal for Anthony and her parents. Pablo Fenjves, author of the O.J Simpson book, "If I Did It," said clearly that he was not interested in such a book. He said he wrote Simpson's book because it was about an All-American hero who fell from grace. "That's a real story with all the makings of a great tragedy," he stated. Casey Anthony... well, that's clearly a different story. Even though he isn't interested in her story, he admits that any book by Anthony would probably be a best-seller. And why? Because in the words of Pablo Fenjves, "Trash sells."

That's true, isn't it? Trash does sell. And why? Well...because we buy it. I love what Walt Mueller said about this on his website, "The Center for Parent/Youth Understanding." He writes, "Why is it that we don't purchase, read, consume, ponder, and allow ourselves to be shaped by good stuff? Why is it that we find ourselves swimming in a culture where stuff that's even less than mediocre is more desirable than what's ultimately best?"

Stand back and survey the landscape of stuff that you consume, whether it's books, TV, music, etc. I've got a hunch that if we are honest with ourselves, we'd see that what we've allowed ourselves to be drawn to looks and smells more like a landfill than a lush garden. And when we consume it... well... consider what it's doing to us."

Growing up, my mom and dad always told me, "Garbage in, garbage out." I'm thinking mom and dad were right.





BOOK CLUB.....Monday, August 25th at 6:30 p.m. at Judy's house. The book for August is Embezzlement by Kevin Cross. This is a true and amazing story and you will enjoy it. Read the book and come and share in the fellowship and discussion.

book club

Singles @ Second

SINGLES @ SECOND....
Will not be meeting in August. Look for details on our September 2nd event next month.



WIDOW'S MIGHT

Thurs., August 11th, 12:00 p.m. in the cafe. For lunch we

will have sandwiches, chips, veggie tray and ice cream for dessert. Shirley Crow will have devotions and we will be watching a Liz Curtis Higgs program. Widow's Might is for all of the widows in our congregation and community. Come and join us this month.

WIDOW'S MIGHT corner

TUESDAY MORNING BOWLING LEAGUE....

Don't forget that the Tuesday Morning Bowling League will begin the first of September. While this is not a church League, several from the church bowl on it and it is a good time of fun and fellowship. If you are interested, call Sherry Pickering or Sue Dowdy as soon as possible.



FALL CRAFT NIGHT....

Thursday, Oct. 6th in the gym. Crafty or not you will have fun at this event. Several easy, yet nice crafts have been planned. Watch for the display & sign up sheet and come and join us for this fun evening.

Fall Craft

Night



CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL....

Festival of Time..... Mark your calendar now (*if you have not already done so*) for our annual Christmas Festival - this year's theme: Festival of Time. It will be Wednesday, Nov. 30th at the church. You won't want to miss it!



MEALS ON WHEELS....

schedule runs out in September! Thank you to all who have so faithfully delivered meals this past year. You have been a great help and a blessing to many. Sign up sheets will be up for next year's schedule or you can call Judy or the office to volunteer. We will continue to deliver meals on both Tuesday & Friday (*for a month at a time*) as long as state funding continues for this program. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Check your calendars and volunteer SOON!

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EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN CONFERENCE

is Oct. 14th & 15th in Ft. Wayne. The sign up sheet is up on the Women's Bulletin Board and there are still plenty of tickets available. The cost of the ticket (which includes Saturday's box lunch) is \$49.00. We will be leaving Friday morning at 9:00 a.m. and should be back Saturday evening no later than 9:00 p.m. The theme of this year's conference is Everlasting Hope and featured guests will include some of the following: Thelma Wells, Lysa Terkeurst, Donna Vanliere, Elisa Morgan, Michelle McKinney Hammond & Meredith Andrews. Call Judy if you need further information and sign up today to attend this event.

Northwest Haiti Christian Mission

Who We Are:

Northwest Haiti Christian Mission is an Independent Christian Church organization dedicated to establishing and partnering with indigenous churches to help bring people in Northwest Haiti out of spiritual, physical and social poverty to demonstrate God's love for all.

What We Do:

Through the instrument of the church, we serve thousands of people across Northwest Haiti regardless of their age, gender, or religion. We do so through a diverse collection of programs that include – among others – primary schools, feeding projects, orphanages, medical clinics, church planting, a Bible college, and agricultural development. We are the largest employer in the zone and one of the largest ministries in Haiti. Northwest Haiti Christian Mission is built around partnerships with churches and individuals who are interested in ministry in Haiti. Every year, hundreds of volunteers travel to Northwest Haiti on short-term trips to participate with us in our work.

Why We Do It:

We are driven by our faith in Jesus Christ to serve with the poor and oppressed in the Western Hemisphere's poorest nation because we love them and we believe God loves them, too. We believe in Christ's promise to bring life in its fullest for all people, and we believe in His command to serve our impoverished neighbors.

We Are Christ-Centered:

In every community we serve, we hope that our work becomes a tool for healing and strengthening people's relationships with God. Whether we are meeting people's basic human needs, improving their living conditions, or sharing the gospel, we aim to always be encouraging individuals in their faith journey and pointing them toward a saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

SUMMER SALAD SUPPER.....

Thursday, August 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the church. The speaker will be Kay Moll, Director of Women's Ministries & Missions at Christ's Church in Mason, Ohio. This will be a great time of fun, fellowship and worship. Mark your calendar and plan to come and join us. You will need a ticket (\$5.00) which will be available the first 3 Sundays in August and you will need to bring a salad to share. Join us, please, for this special event!



WELCOME to our Church Family

BAPTISMS

July 3rd
 Rebecca Garrison
 Sadie Huckstadt
 July 10th
 Laura McCall
 Max Shannon
 July 14th
 Carson Orlea
 Calem McElwee-Wise



TRANSFERS

June 26th
 Glenna Westley
 July 10th
 Holly Wheeler
 July 17th
 Emily Carter

IS YOUR AUGUST CALENDAR FULL?

Well, fill it up with a new Adult Study.

Our Student Minister, Kiley Garrison, will be offering a 3-week study on the topic of the Kingdom of God next month. What does it mean to live in the Kingdom, and when does eternal life really begin?



The class will meet at 11:30 a.m. in Hallelujah Hall on August 14th, 21st, and 28th. There are no sign-ups. Just come to the class and bring your Bible!

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Our Deepest Sympathy

To Julie Ahrens & Family in the death of Julie's father, Warren Larson.
 To Maggie Blanchard & family in the death of Maggie's father.
 To Trudy Howard & family in the death of Trudy's mother, Jean Howard.
 To Maggie & Molly Reeves & family in the death of their grandfather, Gilbert Sheets.
 To Chantelle Swartz & family in the death of Chantelle's grandmother, Eva Slayten.
 To Jerry & Karla Norwell & family in the death of their son, Arik Norwell.

WHAT: All Church Picnic!

WHEN: August 27th - 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (IL)

WHERE: Hanging Rock Camp

COST: FREE! It's free, there is no cost, just a little of your time, a little of your food and a LOT of fun!

EVENTS: Fellowship + Train Rides + Hiking + Fishing + Zipline + Swimming + Eating at 5 p.m.

WHAT TO BRING: The church will provide meat, you simply bring a couple side dishes, your own plates, forks and such, your lawn chairs, swimsuits, fishing poles, and anything else you need to have a fun picnic with your church family! We hope to see you ALL there. Mark your calendars now and watch the bulletin for information, so you can register cause we wouldn't want to run out of food!

facts 'n' figures

building FUND

Total received to date:
 \$429,569.92
 Total principal paid to date:
 \$377,561.36

Designated Building Fund giving is now included in the Average Tithes/Offerings amount and reflected in our Weekly Goal.

Weekly need: \$3,681.00

Monthly payment: \$15,950.00

Loan balance as of July 17, 2011: \$1,140,606.90

SUNDAY MORNING

Attendance	6/26	7/3	7/10	7/17
1 st Worship	117	132	143	134
2 nd Worship	220	214	253	286
3 rd Worship	479	528	476	493
4 th Worship	103	124	131	116
Total	919	998	1,003	1,029
A.B.F. Attendance	127	136	116	150

Actual Offering Received

to meet operating costs & mortgage payment

6/26/2011 - \$27,696.27
 7/3/2011 - \$27,517.44
 7/10/2011 - \$26,557.98
 7/17/2011 - \$26,959.31
 weekly goal is \$29,139.02

ELDERS

Dean Crandall
 Bill Knight
 Art Reeves
 Steve Walter
 Brice Yates
 ELDER EMERITUS
 Bob Haas
 Ed Walter



MARK YOUR CALENDARS & DON'T MISS OUT! AUGUST 2011

SUNDAYS
TUESDAYS

Worship Services
OASIS

- 2nd Water Park Trip - 5th, 6th grade
- 4th Water Park Trip - 7th, 8th, High School
- 7th Promotion Sunday
- 9th County Meeting
- 9th Brother's Keeper
- 10th Young @ Heart - Beef & Boards Trip
- 11th Widow's Might
- 15th Back to the Streets Ministry
- 22nd Book Club at Judy's
- 23rd Pleasant Meadows
- 25th Ladies' Salad Supper
- 27th All Church Picnic @ HRCA

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Two great events to honor those heroes who serve and have served and to remember those who were lost.

Please join us as we **Celebrate America!**