

CONNECTIONS

Wentzville

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Church

AUGUST 2019

Summer Sermon Series



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| August 4 | <i>PLANTING & BUILDING</i> | Jeremiah 19:1-7
<i>When dreams
unraveled for Israel</i> |
| August 11 | <i>JOB'S LAMENT</i> | Job 28:12-28
<i>Job sought understanding</i> |
| August 18 | <i>GUEST SPEAKER</i> | <i>Rev. John Kinnard</i>
Acts 2:1-8 |
| August 25 | <i>INSIDERS & OUTSIDERS</i> | Matthew 9:9-13
<i>Church's mission is to
reach out</i> |

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN



God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit.

Be with our children as they begin a new school year.

Bless them and their teachers and staff.

Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

God bless
OUR CHILDREN

Dear Friends:

It has been a great summer. Our youth were in mission at **Youth Works** in St. Paul, MN. We offered the community care and God's love in VBS at a local church for their community, support of the Boys and Girls Club, along with fellowship at a senior housing facility. I think it made a difference and broadened the horizon of youth that everywhere we go, Christ is present; and our lives make a difference.

We hosted **Ignite Mobile Camp** for 67 children. It was a shared event with The Way United Methodist Church. Counselors came from NexGen Ministries, a Missouri Conference ministry to youth and college-age students. I believe the Mobile Camp impacted the children, counselors and our volunteers. It was a good experience we can grow.

As we finish summer vacations and return to regular programming with choir and bell rehearsals, adult and youth studies, Children's Church and ministry to young families, let us keep in mind our part and role in the church and community. We have several ongoing ministries: **Adopt-A-Family, Benevolence, Congregational Care, Disaster Response, Hospitality Teams, Mary Martha Thrift Shop & Operation Backpack.** Our congregation has great resources of wisdom, experience, love and devotion. We have grown and excelled in so many ways. Let us continue the focus of ministry to our community. Reach out to your neighbor with love and respect. Get to know them and don't stop with one, but extend multiple invitations to have a beverage for the purpose of developing trust and companionship. Ask them to attend the group you enjoy like the **Adult Choir, Bell Choir, Lydia Circle Quilters, Men's Group Breakfast, United Methodist Women or Youth Group.** Find entry points beyond the worship service so that they see and feel comfortable with who we are, and not only what we do in worship.

I believe our best days are ahead. We have so much to share with our community. Let us reach out with God's love and peace.

Pastor Mark

Connections is published each month. Our church vision is to *Live for God, Love Our Neighbor, and Grow in Christ.* Visit us at 725 Wall Street, Wentzville. Sunday worship is at 9 and 10:30 am.

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Deadline for the
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is Monday, 8/26



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Wentzville United Methodist Church

CONCERT SERIES

INAUGURAL SEASON!

This year the Music Ministry at Wentzville UMC is excited to present a new **Concert Series** to help bring people of the greater St. Charles County community together through the power of music. This (hopefully) Annual Series will feature varied types of ensembles—choral, piano, and instrumental—to perform varied types of styles—bluegrass, gospel, and classical. Admission is FREE and open to the public, but donations are enthusiastically appreciated. Look for a complete schedule in the coming weeks!

To kick off this inaugural series, we will host the family bluegrass group "**Lindley Creek**" from Buffalo, MO on Wednesday, 9/11. Following our church dinner at 5:30 p.m., we will gather outside under the pavilion. So bring your camp chairs or blankets and enjoy some food, fun, and fellowship while moving and grooving to some great live music!



- ⇒ Our **SANCTUARY CHOIR** resumes rehearsals at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, 8/14 after the Back-to-School BBQ sponsored by the Men's Group ☺ ANY and ALL PERSPECTIVE SINGERS WELCOME!! We will sing a little bit then walk over to Lulu's for a nice treat ~ Free for new singers! Yum!
- ⇒ The **ROLLING TONES** (aka Adult Bells) will start up at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, 8/19 with some bell polishing and lively conversation. A trip to a local "watering hole" for fun and fellowship will follow.
- ⇒ The **YOUTH BELLS** begin rehearsals at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, 8/25 (before Youth Group at 6 p.m.) Youth Bells is for anyone in grades 6-12. There might be "special treats" on 8/25 for youth ringers who attend!

We look forward to a new year of music at Wentzville United Methodist Church! For questions or more information about any of our programs, contact Todd Oberlin at toddoberlin@wentzville-umc.net

LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR



United Methodist Women meets in the church Café at 12 noon on Thursday, 8/8 for their monthly program and potluck lunch. The program features a presentation on *Epworth Children & Family Services and Kingdom House*. All women are invited. Is this your first visit? No need to bring a dish—please be our guest! For more information contact Nancy at 636-357-7571.



The Caring and Sharing Food Pantry extends a heartfelt **THANK YOU** to the kids and volunteers of **IGNITE MOBILE CAMP** for their incredible food drive donation of 400 canned goods and other non-perishable items!

Summer is a slow time for donations and with the kids home, not receiving breakfast/lunch at school, the demand is greater. One pantry indicated a dramatic increase due to flooding — and Caring & Sharing provided a truckload of food for them.



**Thanks
for
Recycling**

Yellow Bin in the Parking Lot: Clothing, used toys, etc. Benefits Adopt-A-Family
Aluminum Cans Recycle Bin (west corner of parking lot) Make sure cans are in a plastic bag and properly tied: Benefits Caring and Sharing Food Pantry

Ink Cartridges, Laptops, and Computer Towers (across hall from church office) Benefits Youth Group

Habitat For Humanity ReStore: 186 Mid Rivers Center in St. Peters. New and used building materials and used furniture for re-sale to general public. ReStore income helps to build simple, decent & affordable housing for deserving families in Saint Charles County. For Donation Pickup, call 636-978-5712 x 130

Saturday, 9/28 — 20th Annual GOLF OPEN

Adopt-A-Family & WUMC Men's Group

- ◆ Golf Club of Wentzville: Lunch at 12 noon & Golf at 1 pm
- ◆ \$75 per player — also a great Silent Auction

SILENT AUCTION sports memorabilia includes Cardinals and Blues items, restaurant gift certificates, movie tickets, and much more. Paul DeJong of the Cardinals has donated 2 signed autograph balls for the event. Even if you don't play golf, you can participate in the silent auction.

- ◆ Registration forms are in the church lobby, or visit www.livelovegrow.org
- ◆ ***How Can You Help?***
 - BE A PLAYER (Foursomes or individual golfers)
 - Secure a \$100 HOLE SPONSORSHIP (100% goes to Adopt-A-Family)
 - VOLUNTEER at the event — Cashier, Lunch Crew, Registration, etc.
 - PACK "GOODIE BAGS" on Friday, 9/27



Over the past 19 years, this Annual Event has raised nearly \$100,000

MISSION MOMENT



NEEDED! Operation Backpack Volunteers

We're gearing up to provide weekend food packs through our Operation Backpack Ministry for fragile families in the Wentzville School District

Will you join the team?

You work once a month to either pack, deliver, or pack and deliver — It's easy, very rewarding, and you'll be working with some GREAT folks! Right now our emphasis is finding folks to help deliver packs to the schools.



STATS for the 2018-2019 school year

- Weekly bags of food went to Heritage Primary, Heritage Elementary (from September to January), Wentzville Middle School and the Pearce Hall Learning Center
Total of 2,082 bags during the regular year and summer school
- A total of **480 breakfast packs** also went to Pearce Hall which included 1 milk or juice, and 1 breakfast bar or snack item.
- A total of **1,400 snack packs** also went to Heritage Special Education classes during the regular year and summer school (averaging 160 per month)

Total Cost for the 2018-2019 Year \$6,798.49

Cost per bag \$ 3.27

Your monetary donations are the heart of this ministry

Thanks for your generosity!

For more information, contact Jean St. Clair at bjstc@yahoo.com or check the Sunday Connect Card



It is a pleasure to announce that **Rev. Peter Norton** was appointed Senior Pastor at First United Methodist Church in Warrensburg, Missouri.

Peter is the son of Wes and Louise Norton and grew up at Wentzville United Methodist Church. He completed his seminary studies in Dallas, Texas at Perkins Theological Seminary, and served the past several years as an Associate Pastor at First United Methodist Church in St. Charles.

Peter's contact information is below — drop him a note of congratulations!

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GROWING IN CHRIST

Greetings from Children's Church!!

The children and I have had a great summer learning about all of the lessons that Pastor Mark has been teaching each Sunday. Our classroom has been refreshed and refueled and we are looking forward to learning, loving, and growing in our faith. ***Please consider helping in Children's Church.*** I would love to have a helper each week as I teach lessons and lead activities. We have an amazing group of children who are so eager and excited to learn about the Lord. Let's all be a part of discipling the next generation of Believers. Thank you in advance!!

In His service,

ANGELA LANGDON

Children and Family Director

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***Blessing of the Backpacks
Sunday, 8/11 during worship***

Sunday, August 25th — Party in the Parking Lot!!

11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Food trucks, Bubble Truck, and some surprise visitors from our community!!

**PARTY IN THE
PARKING LOT**

Sunday, September 29th — “5th Sunday” Service Sunday

Children's Church will be serving at a location TBD

Sunday, October 13th

Children's Church will be singing in both services

Sunday, November 3rd

Children's Church Family Field Trip at a location TBD

Field Trip!

Saturday, December 7th — Parent's Night Out

5-8 p.m.

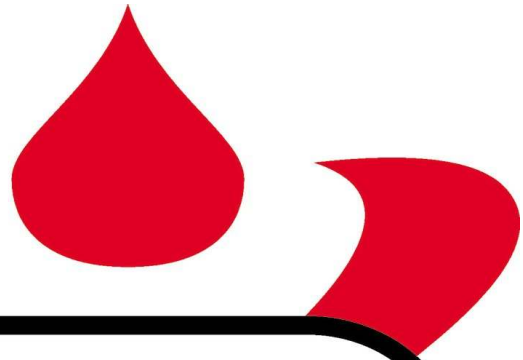
Children will come to church for a night of Christmas FUN while parents can have a date night, do some holiday shopping, or spend a few quiet hours at home.

**PARENTS
NIGHT OUT**

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Children's Church will be serving at a location TBD

**DONATE
BLOOD**



SAVE LIFE

**Wentzville United Methodist
Christian Life Center**

Friday—August 30, 2018

12:30—5:00 pm

Register @ redcrossblood.org



**It takes!
all types!**

GIVING = LIVING

FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

DID YOU KNOW?



The following WUMC folks are twins!

Macy and Megan Steber

And Elaine Davis has twin granddaughters — Frankie & Rachel

Double the Pleasure, Double the Fun!

Game Day for the 55+ Crowd
Wednesday, 8/7 at 1:30 p.m.



Wednesday, 8/28 at 6 pm

"Educated" by Tara Westover

BACK TO SCHOOL COOKOUT

WEDNESDAY, 8/14 — 5:30 PM

Come one — Come all!

Join the Men's Group for Hot Dogs, Brats & Hamburgers, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw & Desserts! Plus a chance to win a gift basket with a pair of Cardinals tickets and other fun stuff. Love offerings support Men's Group Outreach Mission Programs.



Saturday, August 17 — 8 am

Village Café, Lake St. Louis

Randy Kindschuh will share his life testimony as a High School Teacher and Coach.

Good food, fun and fellowship!

Questions? Call Kermit, 636-734-2171

AUGUST "Quik View"

Lydia Circle Quilters

Tuesdays, 8 am—12 Noon

Game Day for Seniors

Wednesday, 8/7 at 1:30 pm

United Methodist Women

Thursday, 8/8 at 12 Noon

Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, 8/11—9 & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Wednesday, 8/14 at 5:30 pm

Sanctuary Choir Resumes

Wednesday, 8/14 at 6:15 pm

Hymn Sing at Parklane

Thursday, 8/15 at 10 am

Men's Group Breakfast

Saturday, 8/17 at 8 am

Village Café, Lake St. Louis

Adult Bell Choir Resumes

Monday, 8/19 at 6:30 pm

Party in the Parking Lot

Sunday, 8/25 at 11:30 a.m.

Youth Bell Choir Resumes

Sunday, 8/25 at 5:30 pm

Ringers in 6th-12th grade

Book Club

Wednesday, 8/28 at 6 pm

Needlework for Missions

Thursday, 8/29 at 9:30 am

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, 8/30 from 12:30-5 pm

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