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Sunday Worship Gatherings: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wuzzles & S.P.L.A.T. Zone 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Church office hours: Mon-Thurs. – 8am-5pm; Fri. – 8am-noon. Closed Friday afternoons

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Sunday August 14 @ 4:30-6:30pm

**BACK TO SCHOOL BASH**

For Everyone

back to  
School



**Sunday August 28**  
**Outdoor Unified Worship**

**@ 10am**

**Sunday school @ 9am**

**All church picnic to follow**

Please bring the following items if your last  
name begins with:

A-N – side dish; O-Z – dessert

Bring your lawn chairs if you want to for the outdoor service

The meal will be served and tables set up in the FLC

## Nate's News

I have talked with some of you about this upcoming sermon series and I have been blown away at how people have already read the first chapter of the book "I Am a Church Member." God is building excitement within me about this series and as I have talked with some I am really getting excited to start this series. The last few weeks we have been handing these books out to each family and will be going through each chapter week by week. We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to get one, so if you have not gotten one we will have a sign-up sheet available this weekend. Please let me know if you do have a question about this and also please start praying over this series and how God will use this to open our hearts to His Word. One point I want to share is that my hope through this book is not to bring about more criticism, but to start a conversation with you about how you relate to our community in order to strengthen and encourage all of us. The second chapter is going to fit nicely with our outdoor service which is, "Count Me In."

Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> will be a Sunday that helps bring each one of us together for a worship service outside under the pavilion and afterwards we will all have a fellowship time with a barbecue meal. We know that this could potential be a hot and sweaty service with the way our summer is going, but we really want to encourage you in coming together to see how we can be a unifying force under the power of the Holy Spirit. Praying that God will use this series and the upcoming worship opportunities to build up this community.

**OUR SYMPATHY** To family of Ron Shear with his loss. Wishing you hope in the midst of sorrow, Comfort in the midst of pain. With heartfelt sympathy.

***PRAYER CONCERNS*** Please pray daily for those listed. We ask that you copy these requests onto your own private list for two weeks. Remember: "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:17 – Our military, the homeless, missionaries, Abigail Alexander & family, jobs to come to Paris, the government leaders, Nate, Spenser, Tyler, Sarah and families, Ken Whitkanack, Dale & Marion Pate, Mike & Annette Burch, Kara, Naomi, Ron Stewart, Linda Barr, kids starting school soon, Ryan Taylor, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Brenda Buell, Mary G., Mary Strole, Marge & John Sims, Cathy Colter, Jane Erwin, RoseAnn Hancock, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Our military, the family of Ron Shear, the upcoming November elections, the unsaved, JP Piper, George Griffin, Edith Whitkanack, Kids & Teachers going back to school 39 unspoken

## tyler's tidbits

Aug 13<sup>th</sup> 6 pm–9 pm - Back to school youth group cookout, swim, and hangout at Tyler's (607 Marshall)

Aug 17<sup>th</sup> 6 pm–9 pm - Community youth group back to school party at Reds Fun Zone with free Pizza, Laser Tag, and Mini Golf

September 11<sup>th</sup> - Youth group starts up. On our opening night please come prepared to have fun, get wet, and a little messy.

4:00–5:30 -Jr. High Encounter youth group

5:30–6:00 - High School and Jr. High meal

6:00–7:30 - High School Engage youth group

As a youth team we have decided to move Jr. High Encounter from Wednesday nights to Sunday nights since there were so many schedule conflicts from sports and school activities feeling that we would be able to reach more students on Sunday nights. By moving Encounter to Sunday's it has allowed TNT (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) to move Wednesday nights from 5:30-7:00 which they feel will be a better night for them as well.

## **Spenser's Spot**

The process has started for this year's Christmas musical. But it's not too late to get involved. When people look at the musical, there are many reasons people think of to not get involved. I can't make a lot of practices. I have kids. I'm too old for all that. Well, I want to let you know that we have done everything we can to try to make the musical as accessible to people as possible. Up front you will know exactly when the practices are. There are 13 choir practices. However, my philosophy is that you don't have to attend every practice. If you are out of town, have to work, or have another personal obligation, don't worry about it! You will have a schedule of what we worked on that night and a CD that helps you learn your parts on your own time. We provide childcare for every single choir practice so that the kids can have fun while you get to enjoy being a part of this ministry. We provide a meal for those who may come straight from work and don't have time to fix something that day. This year we're opening up the musical to those in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up. We've had people involved up into their 70s. It is a fun experience and one of the great things about the musical is that we come together across generations to create it. If

you're worried about the spotlight, know that the choir will be off to the side again this year. You won't have to do anything that would put the spotlight on you individually. If memorization concerns you, know that the choir will only have 5 songs in which they won't have their books in front of them this year. One of those songs is the congregational medley of carols and one is the closing song that we do every year. This is also a very unique ministry to be a part of. Every year, we present a new message in a different way. I believe that the Nativity is very important but it's not the only message to share. Each year I write based off of where I feel God is calling the musical. I'm blessed to work with some talented people to help bring it to life and take this message to the community. But I need your help! We are in need of more choir members. We can definitely use more girls but we are in great need of more male choir members. If you have any questions about this ministry, what would be asked of you, what all is involved, etc., please let me know!

Don't forget that this weekend will be the Back to School Bash. I've had a few people asking if this is just for Parents and Kids. It's for everyone! It may be the Back to School Bash but it's for everyone to gather together and celebrate the end of summer! There will be games, food, and a great time of fellowship. This is a great opportunity to invite other people from the community into our church. This FREE event will be Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:30pm in the Family Life Center. Hope to see you there!

### **SCHOOL TEACHERS' BREAKFAST**

Paris Area Church Women are once again planning the annual School Teachers' Breakfast on Wed., Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> at Lake Ridge. We have been asked to furnish two (2) coffee cakes and at least one volunteer to help cut up fruit on Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Lake Ridge will be responsible for the drink table at the breakfast. So, if you are interested in baking a coffee cake, volunteering to cut up fruit, and/or working the day of the breakfast, see or call Katie Marlowe (465-8367).

The past breakfasts have always been nice and fun to work. You get to meet new people, teachers and volunteers. If you don't volunteer, you might get a phone call. HA! THANKS!

Ken Whitkanack is ready for friends to come see him. He will be glad for you to come and stay a few minutes. Please call ahead to see how he is doing at the time. Thanks again for all your love and support.

### **Children's Church services, we will be having a Special Book Shower for Sarah, Tommy and Baby Moehlman on Sept. 11**

We are asking that you send in a special book. It can be a new or gently used book. Please write your name inside, along with a message if you choose to do so. We will also be making her a special baby gift to be presented to her that day too. This will be done prior to the book shower.

Even though we are only asking for books, if your child would like to send something else in that is fine too. We hope that your child will be able to attend Children church on this special day for Sarah & Tommy.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Connie Simpson at 217-822-4662 or Sheri Henson at 251-8065.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Lake Ridge is responsible for serving the canteen at the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday August 22 at the KC Hall. Refreshments and volunteers are needed. Three (3) dozen cookies, brownies or muffins as well as breads need to be donated by six (6) individuals. Two (2) volunteers are needed to work for each 2 ½ hour shift (11:30am-1:30pm, 1:30-4pm, and 4-6:30pm). Food should be at the KC Hall by 11am. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the Family Life Center bulletin board. Any questions, please see or call Bev Duzan (465-4971) or Katie Marlowe (465-8367). THANKS for your continued support of the Red Cross blood drives.

**BRENDA BUELL**, our missionary in the Congo DR, is home through mid-September. Once again, if you would like to donate medicinal ointments such as Neosporin, diaper cream, etc. the Missions ministry will be collecting these items. Please give them to Sheila Piper or Julia Kelsheimer and they will get them to Brenda. Thanks!!!

**Cross Kingston Gore Benefit** sponsored by the First Baptist Church. Sept. 17 @ 4-7:30pm. For more details, see the bulletin boards at the church or call Jennifer Gher at 822-9898.

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple or monthly sermon post cards or have an address change or even a phone number change, please contact the office at 217-465-5614 or email us at [office@lakeridgechurch.org](mailto:office@lakeridgechurch.org) before the next Ripple goes out. Please let us know as soon as possible so that the church is not charged \$.47 by the postal service to get your new address. Thank you.

### SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Seniors, do you want to go for a ride? I understand that someone has built a replica 450ft long, 75ft high ark in Northern Kentucky! Seems farfetched, as the story goes, it's nowhere near the river or the Great Lakes! It seems this big tub is berthed in a field, near the "Creation Museum!" Anyway, our church now owns a 15 passenger bus, just waiting for a trip or two; maybe next spring? This trip(s) would require a lot of prior logistics, let's pray about this, before we act! Let Judy B. and/or I know if you and/or your party of ?, would have an interest for an overnight trip to ride the Ark and walk the Museum!

Monthly Brotherhood Mtg. is Tues. Aug. 16 @ 7pm at the Success Christian Church. They have PIE, more PIE, than I can eat alone. Please, please join in the pie eating fellowship!

**Annual SENIOR ADULT DAY, Thurs. Sept 8<sup>th</sup> at the Oil Belt Christian Camp near Flora, IL. Our individual \$10 registration fee will be waived if registered with Chris prior to Thurs. Sept. 1. An all-day event with all the fried chicken you care to eat for lunch! Sleep in our bus on the way home!!!**

Judy B. and I have mapped out several fall/early winter events for your consideration.

Aug. 28 – Annual Unified Sunday service and picnic following.

Four dinner shows – Sept. 25 at Green Mills in Arcola – Murder-Mystery dinner Show. Cost \$35

Oct. 29 – "Driving Miss Daisy" Beef House Dinner Theater - \$42

Nov. 13 "Amish Christmas" at Green Mills - \$35

Dec. 17 – Beef House Annual Christmas Show - \$44

You can begin to purchase your reservations with Chris in the office.

Thank you Elders and congregation for allowing us to use the new wheels for our Senior Adult outings. Don't expect us home for dinner! *Shalom!* What God does for us: "...who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagles." Ps. 103:5

Semper Fidelis

Aug. 11 @ 6pm –  
Stewardship Ministry  
Mtg.

Aug. 14 @ 4:30-6:30pm –  
Back to School Bash  
for the whole church

Aug. 16 @ 7pm –  
Brotherhood at  
Success Christian

Aug. 17 @ 6-9pm –  
Community Youth  
group Back to  
School at Red's Fun  
Zone

Aug. 18 @ 5:30pm –  
PCHS Football team  
meal

Aug. 21 @ Noon – Elder's  
Mtg.

Aug. 23 @ 9am – RIPPLE  
DEADLINE

Aug. 28 – Outdoor  
Worship & all church  
picnic



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