IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY
MAY 5, 2019
8:15 and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Sermon: “We Grew Up Here”
Claire Beaupre and Drew Hudgins

Scripture: Ephesians 3:14-21

Anthem: Fairest Lord Jesus
Youth Instrumental Ensemble

Hymns:
162 Alleluia, Alleluia
308 Thine Be the Glory
347 Spirit Song
664 Sent Forth by God’s Blessing

Dear friends,

Easter Sunday marked the beginning of this 50-day Easter season. In this season, Christians reflect on Jesus’ resurrection and what it means for each of us as his disciple towards using the gift and power of the Holy Spirit to fulfill his mission in our lives.

On Easter Sunday we proclaimed that Christ is risen, and this proclamation leads us to live with and spread this good news. In his post-resurrection appearance to his apostles, Jesus said to them: “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:8). In our lives we all have opportunities, sometimes unexpected moments, to be Jesus’ witnesses. Last week when I checked out at Kroger, two young cashiers saw my FUMC shirt and initiated a conversation. One of them told me he attended our church before and the other said she grew up in a Methodist Church and wanted to know what I thought about the recent General Conference. Sometimes I don’t have courage or time to be an ideal witness of Jesus who, in this example, should probably introduce our church and invite him to visit again, and find another time to chat about the General Conference with her. I pray that in this season we all celebrate and rejoice that Christ is alive and also seek the courage that we need and squeeze in time to be his witness.

This coming Sunday, May 5, will be the Youth Sunday this year. We’ll have more than 20 youths leading all parts in worship. Most of them will serve in both services and I really appreciate their time during this busy end of the semester time period. Those in the youth instrumental ensemble have worked hard in rehearsals with Bob Weiss. I’m very impressed and grateful that they have a passion for helping and doing this for God.

Finally, please consider supporting our youth ASP trip. This year 22-25 people from our church will go to Knox County KY from June 15 to 22 for a mission trip and home repair service. Every year our ASP budget is no less than $10,000 and we don’t have support from the church budget. We do our best to do multiple fundraisers which may contribute no more than half of what we need. ASP is the largest youth ministry every year, and for some youths it’s the interesting event they like to participate in. Please consider supporting us in the silent auction and other possible ways that will be announced soon.

See you Sunday,

Yiwen
In Church This Week

**Saturday Night Live**

Saturday Night Live, Giant City Lodge, Hosts: John & Sharon Sims

**Mother’s Day Service**

Mother’s Day Service, Sanctuary

**Youth Sunday**

Youth Sunday, May 5th, 2019
- Youth-Led Worship
- Special Music Performance
- Messages From High School Graduates

**SUMMER CHURCH CAMP**

Summer Church Camp is just around the corner! Camps are available for Kindergarten—Adults. Check it out at www.igrc.org/camping. Carbondale First UMC will pay half of the registration cost for students from our church who wish to attend an IGRC camp and half for one friend who attends with them. Please, register through the church office. Camping brochures, camping information, and registration information are available from Yiwen Bi.

“College Students, Please pick up a Final Exam Goody Bag from the narthex after either service on May 5. We hope its contents help with the ole brain power. Wishing you the Best of Luck, Your FUMC Family”

Thank You- Thank you for supporting Bald Knob Cross. Your generous One for the Cross offering totaled $219 which will be presented to Bald Knob Cross of Peace, Inc. Thank you, Mission Committee

Thank You- The Church Women United would like to thank everyone for supporting and/or participating at The World Hunger Sale recently. The event brought in right at $14,500. Great Job!

Thank You—Dear Church Family, We are so grateful for your prayers for our little granddaughter, Scarlett. Your faith and prayers are our treasure. Jim & Bonnie Lewis

**Disciples for Sunday, May 5, 2019**

- **Coffee**: 8:15 Karol & John Phelps
- **Hosts**: 10:45 Debbie Shook
- **Outside Greeters**: The Koch Family
- **Van Driver**: Don Bryant, Jr.
- **May Nametags**: Joan Hart
- **Welcome Center**: 8:15 Jan Verduin, 10:45 Evelyn Bailey
- **May Communion Ushers**: Karl Bartelsmeyer, Captain; George Everingham, Jan Waggoner
- **May Communion Committee**: 8:15 Gordon & Carol White, 10:45 Setup: Millie Kaiser, Sandy Gobert; Clean Up: Millie Kaiser, The Frick Family

**“Caps for Kids”**

Yarn Donations are welcome FOR “Caps for Kids.” Ninety-one year old Maurine Bovee knits hundreds of caps for children seeking medical attention at the Danis Clinic in Cardinal Glennon Children’s Hospital for indigent children.

Please drop off any Donations of YARN to the church office.
Another season of camping is near at Little Grassy Camp and that means much preparation is needed for the season. A work day at the camp is scheduled for June 1, 2019, weather permitting, and all are invited to participate. The work day will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and lunch, which is served at 12:00 noon, will be provided by the camp staff. If you are only able to work part of the day, that is fine. It is necessary that camp staff has a firm number of people who will eat lunch at the camp as they provide food for lunch. Bring any snacks and water/drinks you may need during the day.

There are many projects on the to-do list for all skill levels including, but not limited to, painting, cleaning, washing. Supervisors and workers are needed. A parent or other adult supervisor is responsible for those under age 16 years. You may bring your own work gloves if desired, although the camp will supply gloves. Please wear protective footwear and do not wear open toed footwear (flip flops, sandals, etc). A sign up sheet will be available in the Narthex as of April 26, 2019. Additional information, including allergy (food) and health concerns will be gathered once participants are committed.

Thank you, Missions Committee

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PROJECT GROCERY BAG

The children of Children’s Church have handed out grocery bags to collect items for the Good Samaritan Food Pantry.

Please take a grocery bag, fill it with nonperishable food items and return it to the church on Sunday, May 5.

ITEMS NEEDED
Rice, Rice mixes, Pork & beans, Dry Great Northern Beans, Cereal, Oats, Peanut butter, Jelly, Dry milk, Egg noodles, Canned pasta, Crackers, Soup, Chili Beans, Kidney Beans, Koolaid, Lemonade drink mix, Sugar, Coffee, Macaroni & Cheese, Canned Vegetables, Canned fruit

No household goods or paper products
“...Feed my sheep” John 21:17

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2 - Priscilla Circle, 1 p.m.
May 21 - Morning Circle, 10 a.m.

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JULY 21 - 26, 2019

Volunteers Needed!
Teachers
Escorts
Youth Helpers
Servers for Dinners
Assistants with Decorations
Pre-VBS craft preparation
SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children’s Opportunities, Sundays

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Children’s Sunday School (K-5th grade) uses the Deep Blue from Cokesbury. Main Topic: “Family Friends” - May 5 Sunday School—“Best Friends”

Sundays at 10:45 a.m. Children’s Church (K-5th grade). All children are invited to Children’s Church following the Children’s Time at the 10:45 a.m. worship service.

Youth Opportunities, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Junior/Senior High Class meets in Room 414 and uses a variety of materials connecting the lessons of the Bible with issues relevant to today’s youth.

Adult Opportunities, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Renew Class - Renew is a group of women seeking deeper meaning in their lives through Bible study, reflection and prayer. They meet in the Chapel. Women of all ages are welcome.

The Electives Class - Scripture studies following the lectionary led by Rev. John Sims. They meet in the Heritage Room. All are welcome!

Small Group Opportunities

The Daniel Plan Essentials meets in Room 403 at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays. They started the series The Science of Natural Healing on April 2. Everyone welcome.

Grateful Hearts meets on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in Room 308. They are studying Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgs.

Youth Group meets on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Chapel.

Men’s Group: All men of the church are invited to coffee and refreshments on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. in the Heritage Room. We discuss anything and everything from the perspective of our relationship with God.

Gentle Toning, Stretch, and Yoga Techniques meets on Thursdays at 5:45 p.m., Rm 404, the Chapel.

Golden Yoga meets on Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m. and on Fridays at 9:30 a.m., Rm 404, the Chapel.

Get Connected...to great opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship on your Christian journey.