



The Springs

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Environmental Stewardship

As part of our ongoing effort to become better stewards of our environment, we have been looking at a variety of things around the church for ways to do

better. Some ideas are harder than others to implement and will require some planning to make them effective and workable. Other ideas are easy to implement and allow us to make immediate changes that not only save resources, but also save money from our operating budget. This article describes a couple of those easy things that you will begin to notice.

Worship Bulletins: Beginning on Sunday, June 15th our Sunday worship bulletins have been reduced to half their size. The majority of the information found in the bulletin each week is also projected on the screens. With this technology it is no longer necessary to print every detail in the bulletin. We will continue to print the prayer requests and weekly calendar information for anyone who wants a printed copy. We will also continue to provide the Large Print Bulletin for those who have trouble reading the screens. This change will reduce our paper cost and consumption.



Newsletter: Studies have shown that fewer people are reading printed newsletters mailed to their homes. In fact, most studies agree that approximately 10% read the church newsletters they receive. For a long time we have offered our newsletter as an email publication and on our website. With our new website design, the electronic newsletter is even easier to access and to maintain. The cost of printing and mailing our newsletter is over \$2,000 each year and the cost of postage continues to rise. We have decided that, effective with the June 30, 2014 edition of *The Springs* we will no longer print and mail copies of our newsletter. The newsletter will be available on our website and you may subscribe to the email version of the newsletter simply by notifying the Church Office of your email address. For those who do not have access to the internet or to email, we will provide a few printed copies on the information table under the TV monitor in the church lobby. If you or someone you know is homebound and wants to receive a copy of the newsletter we can mail single copies to a select list of individuals. Remember that all of our important announcements are also displayed throughout the week on the TV monitor in the lobby and during the Sunday announcements in the Sanctuary. Please understand that our intent is not to exclude anyone or make information less accessible. Our intent is to become more efficient and to consume less. We will be sure that anyone with special needs is able to get the information they need about the church. We will do everything we can to keep you informed. We ask that you help us by asking questions and letting us know if something gets missed.



Come and Get It!

The medallion celebrating SSUMC's 100 years of serving God is here, at last! They are good lookin' and something you can be proud to own. We do have to charge for them to cover the cost, no profit -- \$10 each. They can be put on a key chain, used as a Christmas ornament, worn with a charm bracelet, used as a necklace. Howard and Betty Smith will be distributing them before Sunday school, between Sunday school and 11:00 AM service, and after that service for several weeks. Or call them, 918-245-7140, and they will make arrangements to get as many as you need to you.

Someone's Praying, Lord.....

God always seems to put a prayer in your heart when you think on Him. Today, I'm thinking of our youth director, Mark, and his youth who left for their mission trip on Sunday and will be gone all week. After just returning from Junior High Camp, let's pray that God will give Mark the energy, passion, wisdom and protection to be an effective leader to all youth who come his way. Camps and mission trips are such marvelous tools to help our youth come into a deeper relationship with Christ, and to become disciples for Him.

I'm also thinking of our children's team who work so diligently to make Christ real in our children's lives. They have such excitement and creativity as they prepare for a meaningful Kidzone every Sunday morning, and now getting ready for Bible School in July. The new Kidzone was buzzing with helper bees last Saturday morning getting things ready. No doubt they were there most of the day.

Please pray with me for our staff and our wonderful volunteers whose desire it is to lead our children and youth in exciting ministry as they learn more about God's plan for their lives. Virginia

SENIORS IN ACTION!

We are taking a KOTV Tour!

FINALLY we get to tour the new KOTV Channel 6 Studios! The snag is that they limit the tour to only 20

people. SO the first 20 people to sign up will get to go. If we have quite a few more than 20 sign up, we will schedule another tour as soon as possible. This tour will be Wednesday, June 25th, followed by late lunch at Kilkenny's Irish Pub & Grill on Cherry Street. Have some bangers and mash or one of their great soups!

We will meet at church for carpooling at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25th. Please sign up with Max or Sharon Schuermann, or call 918-246-9159. If you must cancel out, please let us know ASAP so someone else can go in your place.

KidZone

Workshop of Wonders, our VBS for this year, is just around the corner. We had a great workday this past Saturday in Caleb House and got a lot of the pre-work done. The dates are July 20-July 24. Invite your friends, grandchildren and neighbors. It's going to be a lot of fun!

We are in need of nuts, bolts and screws for VBS. If you have any of these around your house that you can spare please bring them to Caleb House when you can.

We also have a challenge for the congregation. Get together with a group, your children or grandchildren and make a robot using ONLY things you would normally throw away or recycle. Robots will be put on display during VBS. It's a great way to spend some family time with your kids. We can't wait to see everyone's creations.

Please let me Marty David or Debbie Schmidt know if you have questions about VBS. See you Sunday!



Sunday Lists

Sunday Volunteers—June 22

Visitors Center & Coffee-Searchers

Head Usher-11:00 a.m.-Eddy David

Young Disciples Lesson-8:30a.m.-Janet Parker

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Child. Church-8:30 a.m.-Kingdom Kids

Child. Church-11:00 a.m.-Susie H. & Family

Counters-Sondra Bogert & Dick Ford

Sunday Volunteers—June 29

Visitors Center & Coffee-Searchers

Head Usher-11:00 a.m.-Eddy David

Young Disciples Lesson-8:30a.m.-Julie Ferguson

Young Disciples Lesson-11:00 a.m.-Julie Ferguson

Child. Church-8:30 a.m.-Kingdom Kids

Child. Church-11:00a.m.-Amy & Lauren Miller

Counters-Sheree Buttler & Jami Warkentin

Please Keep In Prayer

Ruth Weaver, Donna Woodruff, Destinee Tackett, Sylvia Johnson, Martha Scudder, Virginia Vice, Marilyn Peil, Michael Bostwick & Kelsey (Bostwick family friend), Cathy Hula, Beverly Rousey, Charlotte Cain, Unspoken requests, Darryl Muse, Tristan Schwartz, Jim Wilson, Whitney Roberts, Nique Ropp, June Shreffler, Billie Schmidt, Irene Stogsdill, Owen Johnston, Joyce Stewart, Celia Thompson, SSUMC, Lance Day, Susan Edwards, Ryan Bulmer, Ray Wallis, April Camp, Ben Nigh

Acknowledgements

HELP WANTED

We are currently seeking an individual with skills and experience working in WordPress who is interested in helping the church by volunteering to work with our new website. Please contact Pastor Don at revdtabbs@sandspringsumc.org

Thank You...

I want to take this opportunity to thank my volunteers. With the end of the bulk mail newsletter, I am aware of how many people have helped put it together. And to those who volunteer in other areas... From Bob & Billie Schmidt, June Shreffler, and Norma Jones to Tara Carter and all those in-between. To those who fill in, to those who can no longer do the tasks-Thank You! You have been my rock for over 15 years. Some of you were here before I came to work here. Thank you for filling in when someone else couldn't do it—Bruce & Mona. Thank for all the rides or making arrangements for rides Eldin & Barb. So many... You are the church!!! With Love—Tracey Ginn

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
FLC-Family Life Center**

Wednesday, June 18-YouthForch Mission Trip

7:30 a.m.-Men's Breakfast—Crescent Café
10:00 a.m.-Exercise to Music
6:30 p.m.-NO The Awakening Youth-FLC
6:00 p.m.-Chancel Ringers
7:00 p.m.-Chancel Choir

Thursday, June 19-YouthForce Mission Trip

9:30 a.m.-Project Transformation

Friday, June 20-YouthForce Mission Trip

5:00 p.m.-FLC in use-Kids Basketball Team
6:00 p.m.-FLC in use-Kids Basketball Team

Saturday, June 21

No activities

Sunday, June 22

8:30 a.m.-Modern Worship; 11:00 a.m.-Classic Worship
9:45 a.m.-Communion
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School
1:00 p.m.-Youth Mentor Group
1:15 p.m.-Finance Committee Meeting
2:30 p.m.-Church Council

Monday, June 23

10:00 a.m.-Exercise to Music-FLC
7:00 p.m.-Boy Scouts-FLC

Tuesday, June 24

6:30 p.m.-Cub Scouts-FLC
7:00 p.m.-Praise Team
7:00 p.m.-AI-Anon-Upstairs

Wednesday, June 25

7:30 a.m.-Men's Breakfast-Crescent Café
10:00 a.m.-Exercise to Music-FLC
10:30 a.m.-SIA to KOTV
6:00 p.m.-Chancel Ringers
6:30 p.m.-The Awakening Youth
7:00 p.m.-Chancel Choir

Thursday, June 26

11:00 a.m.-Needlers-Parlor
1:00 p.m.-Ruth Esther Circle-F. Hall

Friday, June 27

5:00 p.m.-Basketball Practice-FLC
6:00 p.m.-Basketball Practice-FLC

Saturday, June 28

No Activities

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Return Service Requested

Questions about SSUMC Women?

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Faith: Rita Randall: 918-224-8482

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