



Compton Heights Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

An Open and Affirming
& Global Mission Congregation

Rev . Dr. Jacquelyn Foster, Pastor



This Month:

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Happy Birthday
Painting/Work Day
Help Is. 58 Fun Day
Happy Friday
Celebration Blog
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Camp MoVal in June – Top: DebE and Lucy at a Prayer Station Below: Even a brother and sister can work on teamwork and trust - Go Ty and Jacob! See more camp pics on page 6!

Game Night

Friday, August 15
6:00 pm

A relaxed, fun evening of
games, ice cream, fun
snacks and friends!

ALL AGES! Bring your
favorite board games,
group games for kids and
adults! Bring/make ice
cream or the snacks of your
choice! Invite friends!

Oh, let's just sing!

There are days when we are reminded of who we are and what we are about. Last Sunday (July 13) was one of those. We discovered at worship time that David our music director/pianist/organist was sick and would not be playing. So we just started worship, a cappella. At every hymn or response someone would just start it and the congregation sang with boldness and beauty! We did not skip or change anything. We just sang! The truly sacred moment was when our little ones “The Mustard Seeds” got up to sing their anthem – “*Make Music for the Lord Today.*” Piano? Who needs a piano? They just stood in front of the congregation and sang their hearts out!

How often we are tempted to put off doing

what God calls us to do, because all the pieces we wanted or expected aren't in place. We are waiting for everything we think we need. We're waiting for that one piece that will make us comfortable. We're not ready, until The faith and the power of this congregation is that you learned a long time ago that, with God, the time is now. We have everything we need to worship and live out a ministry of Christ's hospitality. We have all that is needed to be Jesus' community of compassion!

Yes, we love having accompaniment, and there are many gifts that add to our life and ministry. Yet at our core we know that God gives us what we need for the moment. Come share your gifts with boldness! - *Jacque*



Celebrations and Concerns – In our Prayer

Winster Olter Carol Perry (Talya's mom)
 Steve Randolph's brother and family
 Jim and Sharon Clayton Royce Sykes
 Betty Graham – in hospice care

Happy Birthday!

We missed 3 June Birthdays:

12th -Jennifer Bledsoe
 14th Dennis James
 29th Delaney Ziesemann

July Birthdays:

7th - Betty Graham
 11th - Julie Diekmann
 15th – Sarah Richardson
 29th - Abi Ziesemann

August Birthdays:

7th Joyce Cole 21st – Bob Lewis
 8th Millie Slack 22nd – Darrell Hughes
 18th Lana Hartman Landon 26th – Norm Linville



IT TAKES A COMMUNITY ...

PAINTING PROJECT and WORKDAY

Saturday, July 26th 9:00 am

The Communications/House & Grounds Ministry Group has "Said 'Yes to the Paint'" Since our tuck pointing has been done to fix the leaks on the second floor, we want to get the nursery and other classrooms scraped, repaired, and painted before fall. The nursery will be the first priority! **This will require several days of work over the summer by those willing to help.** See *Leslie Latham*

Help with Isaiah 58 fun Day?

Monday, July 28 - 10 am - 1 pm
 Isaiah 58 Ministries is having a **family fun Day** for clients and everyone in the community who would like to come! We can provide help and presence to help make it a great event! Please talk with Brenda Booth to help with events that day!

A Note from the Rev. Hugh and Barbara Wilson

Dear Jacquelyn and Friends,

Barbara and I had a great time visiting church. It was a joy to see you and what you are doing there. Most impressive! The devotion and firm commitment of so many is inspiring.

We were both moved the gift of a prayer shawl. It is a constant reminder of that time together and the interwoven relationship that continues through the years.

*Thank you for everything,
 Hugh and Barbara*

HAPPY FRIDAY CELEBRATION BLOG!

The Happy Friday blog is up and going! Our hope is that both CHCC and community people will comment and share Happy Friday thoughts and experiences – both those who come out on Friday mornings and those who cannot! Kathy Mead has just posted a wonderful commentary to get started – Please visit the blog and share! It is happyfridaystl.wordpress.com

Behold God beholding you . . . and smiling.

- Anthony de Mello, SJ



God's love is written all over creation. It begins when God takes the deep and the darkness and, instead of destroying these things, makes them a part of creation. God calls it very good. To me, this means that nature is good, we are good, and we are all created together by a loving God who destroys nothing in creating – deep and darkness, earth and light, knit together in a creation that is both unified and diverse. - Becca Stevens, The Path of Love



Summer Spirit Series

10 am Sundays

Adults and Youth –

The June/July Sessions are focused on “Nurturing our Spirit/Living Our Relationship with God”

July 13 - Spirituality Through Our Lifetime 1
July 20 - Spirituality Through Our Lifetime 2
July 27 - Christian Pilgrimage

The August Sessions are focused on “Faith and Current Social Concerns”

Aug 03 - Shi'ites & Sunnis: Sibling Rivalry
Aug 10 – Attack of the Drones: Ethics in War
Aug 17 – Class Warfare in the Bible

The **Mustard Seed Class (Pre-school through 2nd Grade)** is meeting at 10 am on Summer Sundays. A fun morning of Story, Song, and Crafts. The class will also sing in worship one or more Sunday's this summer!

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Mid-America Regional Assembly

October 10 -12, 2014

- St. Louis – at Webster Groves and Union Ave. Christian Churches
- Congregational Choirs/Musical Groups invited to participate in Assembly Concert on Saturday Evening
 - Youth may stay at Union Ave. Mission Inn and participate in a mission project
 - Participate in Workshops
 - Sing in Joint Choir
 - Bring items to contribute to a Church World Service school kit
 - Celebrate Woodhaven's 50th Birthday

Speakers: Rev. Joan Bell-Haynes, Rev. Dr. Todd Adams, Rev. Dr. David Greenhaw, Rev. Dr. Samuel W. Hylton, Jr.

Register by September 1

Summer Sunday Fun Lunches – plan to join us for these simple lunch- get-togethers!

July 20 – Bring a Brown Bag Picnic Lunch and your blanket or chairs for the lawn – depending on weather, we'll eat outside or inside!

August 3 – Lunch at Fazoli's on Chippewa! We'll just meet at Fazoli's after church and have a relaxed lunch!



We Are One: Six Weeks of Compassion 2014

Last year's response to our first summer combined outreach project for Week of Compassion, Church World Service, Isaiah 58 Ministries and Missouri Festival of Sharing was so outstanding, we have decided to do it again. From August 3 through September 7, we will emphasize giving beyond our own congregation through the projects listed below. Beginning on July 27, we will distribute lists of items to bring. On August 3, we will distribute the 4-week sharing calendars and coin boxes for Week of Compassion. We will receive any and all gifts you want to bring any Sunday between August 3 and September 7, and on September 14 during our Stewardship moment we will dedicate all of the offerings given. Here are our 2014 projects:

Week of Compassion: our goal is to give \$1200 or more. Coin boxes, cash in the special envelopes in the bulletin each week, and checks are very welcome.

Isaiah 58: Brenda Booth says the items that often run short are Peanut Butter and Toilet Paper. So, PB and TP it will be, in addition to anything you regularly give using the Meal a Month plan. We will pass the PB and TP on to the food pantry every week but keep count of the contribution on a poster for everyone to see.

Church World Service always needs school and health kits and clean up buckets. After some thought, we decided to collect items for health kits this year, since we have not done them for a few years. You can bring any of the following items on the 6 Sundays to a table in the hallway, and on Sept. 7 we will assemble the kits. Or you can bring one or more assembled kits if you prefer. Items:

- 1 hand towel 16"x28" (no fingertip or bath towels)
- 1 washcloth
- 1 wide-tooth comb (remove packaging)
- 6 standard size Band-Aids
- 1 toothbrush (in original packaging)
- 1 bar of soap (bath size, in wrapper)
- 1 metal nail clipper (no metal files or emery boards, remove packaging)

If assembling a kit yourself, place all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with zipper closure. Remove excess air from bag and seal leaving only ½" open. Do not include toothpaste—it will be added to kits prior to shipping them to where they will be used.

If you prefer not to bring items, cash is welcome for completing partial kits, and for shipping them.

Festival of Sharing—various kits are collected for distribution in Missouri to various anti-poverty agencies and institutions. Last year we collected paper goods. This year we are collecting **student dental packs**. Items:

- 4 child size toothbrushes, soft
- 2 adult soft toothbrushes
- 1 fluoride toothpaste, 6 oz or more
- 1 dental floss—any size

If assembling a kit yourself, place all items in a 1-gallon zip lock bag.

Finally, as school items go on sale this month, please think about picking up some of the following items that we can take to the Regional Assembly on October 12, where those attending will assemble and pack School Kits for Church World Service: blunt children's scissors, 12-inch ruler, new pencils with erasers, box of 24 crayons, large eraser, hand-held pencil sharpener, spiral notebooks of around 70 sheets each.

Quadrennial Brought Change to Atlanta

"What do we want? Break the chains! When do we want it? Now!" The [2014 Quadrennial](#) of Disciples Women has made an impact on "Quadrennial City" a.k.a. Atlanta. More than 350 women marched in the streets to demonstrate against human trafficking. More than 1,100 women gathered in the Marriott Marquis to listen, learn, reconnect, revive and make a joyful noise unto the Lord. (For photos, quotes from speakers and more, "like" the [Quadrennial Facebook](#) page.)

The walk against trafficking raised just over \$6,400 for [youthSpark](#), an Atlanta organization that works against human trafficking. But those were not the only dollars raised to make an impact on the community. The Masks for a Cause project had 37 entries and the voting (with dollars) on the masks netted more than \$1,000 for the [Wellspring Living](#) Program that provides trauma therapy to women who have been sexually abused.

All this was in addition to the 400+ books, 650 pieces of underwear, 550 pairs of socks, 840 hygiene items taken to the women and children at the City of Refuge mission and the 2,200 pairs of eyeglasses donated to the Lions Club. (And it doesn't even count the Blessing Box offerings that were approaching \$9,000 at last count.)

During Friday's plenary session, the leadership announced a continued emphasis on human trafficking for the next four years with the introduction of a new webpage [Breaking the Chains: Link by Link](#) that will be populated with resources on the issue. The resources will be focused on three areas of trafficking: sex trafficking, labor/immigration trafficking and demand.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(All events at Compton Heights CC unless otherwise noted)

SUNDAY SCHEDULE: Christian Educ./Nurture for All – 10 am, Worship 11 am

AUGUST MEETING SABBATICAL - We have no regular meetings (such as Ministry Groups, Board, Elders, etc in the month of August! This is a month set aside for Relaxation, Spiritual nurture, Mission, and Fun events!

Sunday, July 20 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Summer Fun Lunch BYO Picnic

Wednesday, July 23 – Preschool Story Time 12:00 noon

Friday, July 25 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

Saturday, July 26 – Church Painting/Workday – 9:00 am

Sunday, July 27 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Monday, July 28 - Isaiah 58 Min. Family Fun Day 10am – 1pm (NEED HELP!)

Wednesday, July 30 – Preschool Story Time 12:00 noon

Friday, Aug 1 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Sunday, August 3 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Summer Fun Lunch @ Fazoli's
“Six Weeks of Compassion” Begins**

Wednesday, Aug 6 - PreSchool Story Time 12:00 noon

Friday, Aug 8 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

Sunday, August 10 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost - Six Weeks of Compassion

Wednesday, Aug 13 – PreSchool Story Time 12:00 noon

Friday, Aug 15 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am AND

Summer Game Night – bring/make Ice Cream or snacks of your choice 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 17 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - Six Weeks of Compassion

Wednesday, Aug 20 – PreSchool Story Time 12:00 noon

Thursday, Aug 21 – Compassionate Listening Group – 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Friday, Aug 22 – Happy Friday Outreach – 7:00 – 8:00 am

Sunday, August 24 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost – Six Weeks of Compassion

The Choir is taking a well-deserved summer break! We will look forward to sharing the gifts of those who will share special music through the summer. We hope you will share your vocal and instrumental gifts this summer!



CHCC at Intergenerational Church Camp at MoVal

What a wonderful Church camp week for our congregation. We had 10 children/youth and 7 adults at the Disciples' Intergenerational Camp at MoVal! CHCC campers were: **Dave, DebE, Annabelle & Lucy Martin, Susan, Willow, Matthew, Siena, Cory, Marcus, & Jackson Petri, Jacob and Ty Woodard** –Counselors: **Leslie Latham and Talya Perry** – Directors: **Darrell Hughes and Jacque Foster**
Mark your calendar – same week next June!





SERVING SCHEDULE Please get a substitute if unable to serve on your designated date!

| | Liturgist | Communion Elders | Stewardship Elders |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| July 20 | Bryan Richardson | Brenda Booth | Sarah Richardson |
| July 27 | Madeline Haraway | Norm Linville | Nancy Obermiller |
| Aug 03 | Nancy Obermiller | Judi Linville | Leslie Latham |
| Aug 10 | Darrell Hughes | Brenda Booth | Kathy Mead |
| Aug 17 | Charlsi Lee | Bob Lewis | Steve Randolph |
| Aug 24 | Talya Perry | Sarah Richardson | Norm Linville |

Deacons **(All will serve; the first two will prepare and clean up communion.)**

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| July 20 | Susan Petri | Thelonius Lee | Jan Kreuger | Dave Martin |
| July 27 | Arlene Arbogast | Reed Glasener | Darrell Hughes | Talya Perry |
| Aug 03 | Marty Hughes | Stanley Williams | Kim Litton | Tom Litton |
| Aug 10 | Bud Obermiller | Carolyn Harry | Dennis James | Joan James |
| Aug 17 | Jan Kreuger | Dave Martin | Susan Petri | Thelonius Lee |
| Aug 24 | Darrell Hughes | Talya Perry | Arlene Arbogast | Reed Glasener |

Providing Communion Bread **July:** Jan Kreuger **August:** Dave Martin
In-Home Communion (Two Elders and one Deacon each month to take home communion)

July **Elder (A)** Bob Lewis **(B)** Steve Randolph **Deacon** Kim Litton
Aug **Elder (A)** Judi Linville **(B)** Leslie Latham **Deacon** Dennis James

Greeter - July: DebE Martin **August:** Marsha McGuire

Nursery Care

July 20 Marsha McGuire
July 27 Brenda Booth
Aug 03 Dave Boger
Aug 10 Marty Hughes
Aug 17 Kathy Mead
Aug 24 Madeline Haraway

Coffee Hosts

Nancy & Bud Obermiller
 Madeline H, Kathy B & Tina O
 Charlsi & Thelonius Lee
 Joan & Dennis James
 Judi and Norm Linville
 Sarah and Bryan Richardson

FINANCIAL REPORT

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| Income for July through July 20: | \$14,691.11 |
| YTD income through July 20: | 97,312.45 |
| YTD includes the following: | |
| Pledges, loose and Sunday school offering, gifts: | \$64,038.41 |
| Outreach | 1,945.00 |
| Elders Fund and Memorials: | 601.12 |
| Tuition of Girisha and Dhanush at King's School | 407.21 |
| Equal Exchange purchases: | 246.64 |
| Fund Raising: | 251.00 |
| Rent and contributions toward expenses: | 12,441.98 |
| CCF Investment interest | 681.09 |
| Withdrawal of CCF Funds: | 14,000.00 |
| Transfers from steeple account and insurance | 2,700.00 |

When I returned, I was very concerned to learn that when the Fire Alarm went off during worship, the congregation did not evacuate the building. (Children were evacuated.) Please note that when the Fire Alarm sounds, **EVERYONE** is to evacuate the building and meet at the sidewalk on the Flora Place side! Let's be safe!

Pastor Jacque

Sanctuary in the City



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SCRIPTURE READINGS for Upcoming Weeks

July 20 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Gen 28:10-19a, Ps. 139:1-11,22-23, Rom 8:12-25 Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43

July 27 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Gen. 29:15-28, Ps. 105:1-11, 45b, Romans 8:26-39, Mt.

August 3 – Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Gen. 32:22-31, Ps. 17:1-7,16, Rom.9:1-5, Mt.14:13-21

August 10 – Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Gen. 37:1-4,12-28, Ps.105:1-6, 16-22, 45b, Rom. 10:5-15, Matt. 14:22-33

August 17 – Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Gen. 45:1-15, Ps 133, Rom. 11:1-2a, 29-32, Mt. 15: (10-20), 21-28

**“The word is near you, on your lips
and in your heart.” Romans 10**

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