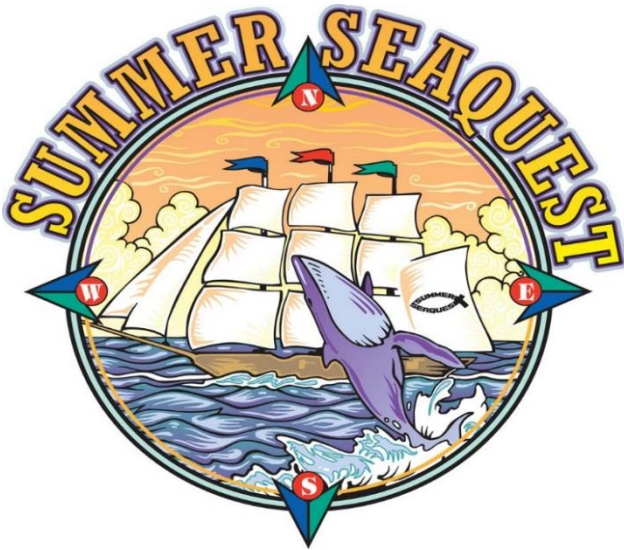


The Main Thing

MAIN STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 2019



JUNE 3 - 5 Daily: 9:00 - 12:00

**AHOY, MATES!
ALL HANDS-ON DECK!**

SUMMER SEAQUEST is bound for
adventure on the high seas.

PLEASE CONSIDER HOW YOU CAN HELP US
GET READY TO SAIL!

THE SHORT TIME FRAME OF VBS MAY
MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO BE
INVOLVED. EVERYONE IN OUR CHURCH
CAN HAVE A ROLE! BELOW ARE A FEW
TASKS YOU MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST
WITH -

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
COSTUMES, CRAFTS & LEARNING SITES
DECORATIONS
FACILITIES
MEMORY WORK LISTENER
MISSIONS PROJECT
MUSIC
NURSERY
PRAYER
RECORD KEEPER
RECREATION
REGISTRATION
SNACKS

Welcome to the Voyage!

Our desire for the *Sea Explorers* (children)
is that in following Jonah's route to
repentance, they themselves will have a
life-changing encounter with the Sovereign,
Omnipresent God who saves. As the Bible
Lesson Curriculum says, "In the life of
Jonah we see how far we have gone in our
separation from God, how desperate is our
plight, how total is our need for mercy and
grace, how far God has gone to redeem us
by taking on the totality of our separation
and sufferings, and how complete is Jesus'
rescue of us."

**PLEASE LET US KNOW PROMPTLY IF YOU
HAVE ACCESS TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING
ITEMS FOR OUR USE IN DECORATING**

Row boat/inflatable boat
Small sail boat
Boat oars
Life preservers/rings
Naval clothing
Captains' hats
Fish nets
Large plastic sea creatures
Rope
Small anchors
Nautical flags
Sails
Ships' wheels
Treasure chest/costume jewelry
Buoys/boat fenders
Fishing/scuba/rain gear



Happy Hearts

Bess Swedenburg

Once again, we met at 12:00 noon for the convenience of our speaker. We enjoyed our meal together first. On April 16 we had loaded baked potatoes, with all the toppings I could think of - butter, sour cream, chili provided by Pogie and Frances Laws, chopped green onions, frozen sweet green peas, and chopped ham. Ann Barkley provided a delicious fruit salad and we also had a tossed green salad. For dessert we enjoyed lemon ice box pie. So we ate well again!! Our table decorations were absolutely spectacular!!! Nell Fleming and Deb Shelton used colored placemats, Easter egg grass of every color, lots of adorable bunnies, Easter candies, and assorted Easter eggs. They even had a garland of colorful Easter eggs. They added a plain wooden cross at the head table and a vase of purple irises. It was so appropriate and very pretty. Our group seems to thoroughly enjoy and appreciate the decorations! I certainly appreciated Nell and Deb decorating and setting the tables! I really think the table decorations are more important than the food! We are always happy to eat whatever.

Our program was exceptional. Fran Guerry, Restore Ministries Coordinator at the Frank P. Phillips Memorial YMCA told us about her work at the Y and in our local jail. Most of us are aware of the Youth Services, Aquatics Programs, and the Health and Wellness programs at the local YMCA. But there are other programs we are not as familiar with such as the Adaptive Fitness and Outreach Ministries. Adaptive Fitness includes Parkinson's Aquatic Exercise, Arthritis Class, Pedal Power Fitness, Diabetes Education, Rock Steady Boxing Class, and Monthly Support Group. Outreach Ministries includes Chaplain Services, Bible Studies, Weekly Prayer Group, Christian Development Classes, Journey to Freedom Classes, Devotional Materials for Members, National Day



of Prayer, Chaplain Training, Spiritual Vitamins, Word of the Day Scriptures, and Community Prayer Events. That's really Good News in this time when we hear and see so much sad and bad news! The YMCA mission statement is equally encouraging: "To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all." The programs are in keeping with the mission statement.

Fran is the Journey to Freedom coordinator and works with groups of 6-10 people who are possibly coping with issues such as loneliness, depression, grief and loss, stress and anxiety, financial struggles, relationship changes, destructive habits, and food and body image issues. She offers classes at the Y for a cost of \$35.00 and will be working with our WIC at Night in the fall. Fran is dynamic, kind, young, gentle, knowledgeable, well-educated for the task, encouraging, and most importantly an awesome Christian example and leader. Mrs. Dottie Porter was instrumental in getting Fran into her prison ministry where they both work with females who choose to participate. The stories she shared with us were so moving and heart rending. Accountability is a huge part of Fran's program. The Journey books are written by Scott Reall and cost \$15.00. She told us the girls have a hard time getting the money to pay for their books. Through the generosity of our Happy Hearts participants we were able to pay for 10 books. The content of these books is based on Christian principles and selected scriptures are used throughout the chapters. YMCA membership is not required to participate in the Journey to Freedom courses. This program offers participants a safe environment to explore and consider their own life. Sometimes we need help to restore hope and find encouragement so that we can pick up the pieces and move forward. Facing our personal fears and learning to trust others requires courage that may not come naturally or easily. The Journey courses, led by

Fran Guerry and other trained facilitators, can be the beginning of the solution!

Fran brought Stephanie Gibson who serves as the Christian Emphasis Director at our local YMCA. Stephanie is also a precious person who is equally serious about her work. She was a delightful addition to our program and hopefully she will come back for yet another program. As a matter of fact, we would like to hear more from both Stephanie and Fran. Stephanie told us the international YMCA will be 175 years old in June. She asked if anyone knew the story of how the Y began and guess who did? We have an Eagle Scout among us and his name is Ben Chilcutt! Our Chief Dishwasher is full of surprises and lots of knowledge! Just for more information, Mr. Frank P. Phillips donated the property and was a generous benefactor for the Y. He was also a member of our church. I think probably an elder but I don't have time to check the history. (I have a grandson's wedding to get ready for and need to be packing.) Stephanie is planning a 175th celebration to be held at the local YMCA in June. Please let me encourage you to consider going and to familiarize yourself with the many programs that are offered at the Frank P. Phillips Memorial YMCA on Second Avenue!

May is always a busy month with graduations, but Happy Hearts is planning to meet on May 14. We will be blessed to have another exceptional program. This one will be presented by two of our members, Ivy Harris and Jen Peacock. They will be informing our group about MOPs and how it has been a great influence in their own lives. Please make your plans to attend on Tuesday, May 14, at 10:30. I look forward to seeing you there and you are welcome to bring a friend.



MSCS NEWS



It is hard to believe we have come to the end of another school year! Last month the children enjoyed learning about Easter. They had parties, Easter egg hunts, and most importantly celebrated the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The 4's and 3's are getting ready for their End of the Year Program! We would love for you to join us! It will be on May 7th in the fellowship hall at 10:00. They cannot wait to show off everything they have learned! We are ending our year with fun units such as Outer Space and Under the Sea. You can imagine where their imaginations can take them while learning about the wonders of space and the oceans!

Enrollment is still open for the 2019-2020 school year. We would love to have your pre-k child join us! If you would like more info, please call (662) 328-0240 or visit our website www.mainstreetchristianschool.space.

I would like to thank everyone for all the support I received during my first year as director! It has been a wonderful year, and I am sad to see it end! We are going to miss our little friends over the summer, but we are looking forward to August! We hope everyone has a FUN summer!

In His Love,

Ms. Anna Gaines





Women
in the
Church



"Another Great Year"

WIC Updates

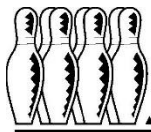
May 7 WIC in the Morning 10:00-12:00
Please bring a prayer hymn to share.
(This will be the last meeting until
the fall.)

WIC at Night will not meet in May. Plans are
being made for a summer Bible Study. More
information will follow in June.



May Events

May 1 End of Year Celebrations
Bowling at GT Lanes
Meet at the church at 4:15 for
pizza and ice cream.
Return to the church by 7:00.



May 18 Painting with "Miss" Shirley
MSPC 10:00 - 12:00



It was another wonderful time together and I'm
always amazed at the variety of dishes that were
shared with many of us. Each year seems to get
better and better. This year we faced storms, flu,
and other events. However, none of these
dampened our spirits or attendance.

So many helped to make our luncheons possible.
My thanks to Diann for communicating with
everyone and to Craig for setting up the Fellowship
Hall. Linda Simpson, Lauren Glenn, Grover
Allgood, and Roger Day were "on top" of things
as Sunday preparations were underway. Who can
forget the delicious smoked chicken and pulled
pork? Pogie and Bill Laws are always on hand to
help coordinate the ordering and arranging these.
Finally, to ALL the volunteers who cleaned and
helped wash-up make these times even
better...THANK YOU!!

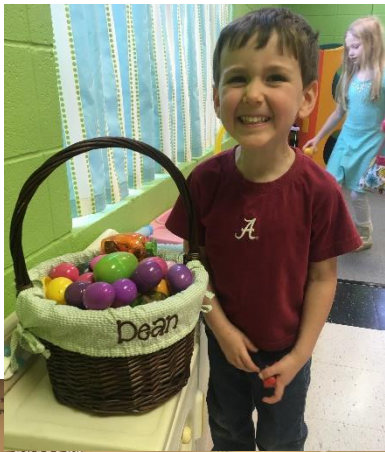
Our Sundays together would never be what they
are without your participation. YOU make the
difference! Let's never take this time for granted.

Let's now take a break until September to rest and
maybe try a few new recipes. You might want to
bring back an old favorite. Just don't forget where
you put your "notes" for any changes!

Have fun this summer and mark your calendars for
Sunday, September 15th for our 4
F's...Fellowship, Family, Fun...without the Fuss!

Lynda





The rain won't stop us at MSPC!
Bring your basket and your family.
The hunt has been moved inside.
Where do you think those eggs will hide?

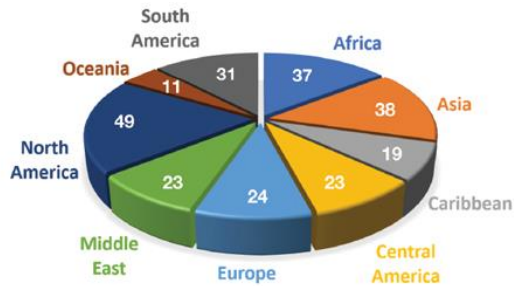
MSPC Easter Egg Hunt 2019



Missions Update



Third Millennium Ministries give@thirdmill.org



Our Global Opportunities Team is privileged to work with more than 140+ different training partners. The graphic above shows the total number of partnerships currently using and distributing Thirdmill's solid biblical teaching in each region of the world.

Thirdmill has now reached ALL CONTINENTS!

Some say there are 7 continents: Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Europe, Australia and Antarctica. Others say 6 and others say only 5.

We are celebrating because we have now reached them all, any way you count them.


Rev. Marty Fields is a new development officer with Thirdmill. As a military reserve chaplain, he was recently deployed to McMurdo Station in Antarctica where he led a small group through *The Apostles' Creed* at the Chapel of the Snows.

Here he is pictured at the geographic South Pole, the southernmost point on the surface of the earth where the sun is highest when the day is shortest in the Northern Hemisphere, December 21.





May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Last Wednesday for activities -- GT Lanes for Youth and Children Trip Hairston	2 Prayer Meeting Noon Olivia Laws	3 Charles Glenn	4
5 Communion	6 Brinton Fisackerly Billy Swedenburg	7	8	9 Prayer Meeting Noon Daniel Goodwin <i>Taylor & Lindsay Bragan</i>	10 Sammy Clemons Patrick Shipp	11 <i>Jon & Amber Watson</i>
12  <i>Mother's Day</i> Meryl Fisackerly Jane Rogowski	13	14 <i>Grover & Melissa Allgood</i>	15	16 Prayer Meeting Noon Thomas Glenn <i>Mike & Lynda Meharg</i>	17 Anna Woodson <i>Jesse & Cathy Duncan</i>	18 Painting with Ms. Shirley Evan Matocha
19	20	21 Charles Swoope	22	23 Prayer Meeting Noon Ellen Elizabeth Allgood	24 Matt White <i>Chris & Melinda Howard</i>	25
26	27 Ann Marie Miller	28	29 Bertram Jenkins	30 Prayer Meeting Noon	31	



May Volunteers



Nursery

May 5 Frances Glenn
Robin Tait & Katie Yeager
May 12 Marianne Field
Laurie Flora
May 19 Cathy Duncan
Kitty Brewer
May 26 Meryl Fisackerly
Roger & Joy Day

Ushers

May 5 Matt White, Carson Miller,
Allan Brewer, Danny Williams,
Trip Hairston
May 12 Justin Harris, Henry Pilkinton,
Grover Allgood, Bill Laws,
Ben Woodson, Stephen Matocha
May 19 Roger Day, Gee Allgood,
Mike Meharg, Patrick Shipp,
Jon Watson
May 26 Thomas Glenn, Ray Kilpatrick,
Gray Flora, Phillip Goodwin,
Jay Nail, Russ Russell

Praise: Jacob Logan Herron
(Grandson of Richard and Nell Fleming)

Our Shut-Ins:

Louise Armstrong
Sadie Brewer
George & Martha Clegg
Verda Laws

Keith Cole
Phillip Goodwin
Debbie Jenkins
Poogie Laws
Dan Matocha
John Mark Russell
Brad Talley
Faith Whitlock
Rick Wright

Moms to be:

Bethany Baxter
Ivy Harris
Jessica Inman
Lucy Lilly
Ann Marie Miller

President Donald Trump
Officials in Washington
Governor Phil Bryant
Mayor Robert Smith
Police Chief Fred Shelton
Sheriff Mike Aldredge
State, City, and County Officials

Helping Hands
Life Choices Pregnancy Center
Palmer Home
All Churches and Pastors in Columbus

MAY

Money Counter
Henry Pilkinton

APRIL

Budget Report

Offerings this Month

\$ 16,955.00

(one week remaining)

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(A Presbyterian Church in America Congregation)

Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m. Church Officer Prayer Time

9:15 a.m. Sunday School Fellowship

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:40 a.m. Morning Worship

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Thursday Schedule

Weekly Prayer Meeting at Noon