

# North Cross Spirit

... telling the news of North Cross Church

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August 10, 2009

...coming up in Worship...

## *“Time for a Treasure Hunt”*

For a head start, read  
I Timothy 6:1-2, 6-10, 17-19

(And the band is back from their break  
at the 11:00 Contemporary Service)

### **Join adults in Sunday study: 9:45 a.m.**

You're invited to share in study and  
fellowship with these classes this Sunday:

**Wesleyan Class:** Room 215

Lesson: “*Moses Disobeys*” Glenn Corwin

**Good News:** Room 206

Lesson: “*Thank You*” Jim Funk

**Friendship:** Room 202

Lesson: “*Moses Disobeys*”

**Inquirer's:** Fellowship Hall

Lesson: “*The Great Gettin' Up Mornin'*”  
Tom Gee

**FaithWorks:** Room 207

Lesson: “*Moses Disobeys*” Deborah Mason

**Pathfinders:** Room 200

Lesson: “Pastor Neal Lassinger”

**Contemporary Conversations:** Lounge

Lesson: “*Dr. Kauk Goes to Washington: Health  
Care Reforms—Up Close and on the Frontlines*”

## **Super Sale** Thirteen Charities Benefit

What a Super Sale! Every year about 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, the murmurings begin, “Do you think we have as much as last year?” On Monday night we're saying, “Where are we going to put all these treasures?” What a blessing this week truly is. The charities that benefit are: Grand Avenue, Red Cross, Metropolitan Christmas Store, reStart, NKC Hospital, Good Samaritan Center, Excelsior Springs, Collaboration Works, Assistance League of Kansas City, St. Therese Prison Program, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Missouri Foster Care & Adoption Association, and they are all so grateful for these donations.

The benefit to North Cross is a lot of fellowship, laughter, teasing, renewing of friendships, and meeting new people in our community.

There aren't enough ways to say thank you, but **THANK YOU** to all who donated items, food, prayers, and time...a LOT OF TIME! The sale made \$13,557.88! Again Nancy, Barb, Meredith and Patsy cannot thank you enough.

P.S. Another benefit is we get to clean out our houses!

### **2009-2010 choir season kicks off**

Choir will kick off its 2009-2010 season on Wednesday, August 19, with a potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Drinks and bread will be provided. Otherwise, bring a favorite dish or two and enjoy some fun and fellowship before we move to our first rehearsal at 6:30. If you can't make the dinner, come to rehearsal. The choir rehearses from 6:30 to 8:00 every Wednesday.

Auditions are not necessary, but can be arranged if you doubt your ability. Contrary to popular opinion, you don't need to be a soloist to be in a choir. Just be 14 or older, be able to carry a tune, be willing to follow and learn, be willing to give most Wednesday nights, and be willing to have some fun! Childcare can be provided. If you need such care, please let the director, Jerry Valet, know prior to August 19.

**Transformed by Christ's love to make disciples and serve others.**



The annual Duffers' Golf tournament will be held on Saturday, September 19, at 1:00 PM at Cardinal Hill Golf Course (formerly Claycrest) in Liberty.

This is a four person co-ed scramble, where every team should have at least one woman. You may sign up as a team, or we can place you on a team. The cost is \$43.00 to ride or \$29.00 to walk. The fee must be paid to Tom Schmutz by Sunday, September 6, or you may stop by the church office and turn your fee in to Patsy. If you have any questions please call Tom at 455.2951.

## Wednesday Dinners are just around the corner

Youth-sponsored Wednesday Dinners will begin on September 2. Wednesday Dinners are the youth group's main fundraiser for the year. Proceeds from each dinner help youth to pay for their annual summer mission trip and other youth events and activities.

The youth help to prepare, cook, serve, and clean up after each dinner. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages 2-11, and free for children under 2.

If you are one of our "permanent" diners, we welcome you back and encourage you to bring a friend or two. We also encourage new persons to join us on September 2. You will enjoy an excellent home-cooked meal for a great price and meet some wonderful people.

Please be sure to call the church office by Tuesday afternoon prior to the Wednesday dinner (452.2939) so that we can be sure to have plenty of food. Menus for the month of September will be available on the information table in the entryway and online at [www.northcrossumc.org](http://www.northcrossumc.org). If you have any questions, feel free to contact Vickie Linch, Youth Director.

## Welcome Session, August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Interested in finding out more about North Cross? Would you enjoy the opportunity to visit with the pastors? Would you like to be able to ask questions about the faith? Are you interested in finding out how to become a member?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, this Welcome Session may just be for you. Neal and Dennis will meet for this session in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. You may call the Church Office to let us know that you're planning to attend. . .or you may just show up!

Do you know of someone who would benefit from the Welcome Session? You may want to invite them to attend; and you may even want to accompany them. If you have any questions, feel free to call the Church Office (452.2939) or email:

Neal ([nlassinger@northcrossumc.org](mailto:nlassinger@northcrossumc.org))

Dennis ([dstone@northcrossumc.org](mailto:dstone@northcrossumc.org)).

## Sharing opportunity

- Are you interested in eradicating poverty and hunger?
- Are you interested in universal primary education around the world?
- Are you interested in promoting gender equality and empowering women?
- Are you interested in reducing child mortality?
- Can you imagine improving maternal health around the globe?
- Or are you interested in combating HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases?

There is a way to ensure environmental sustainability...and develop a global partnership for development to work toward this goal.

WOW!!! This is the Missouri Festival of Sharing mission and purpose, and there is a way to help with your pennies, dollars and donations. What is the Festival of Sharing? It is an interfaith, ingathering event held in October every year. The count of participating faiths from the previous year is 28, including the United Methodist Church.

The North Cross UMW will be participating in 2009 *Festival of Sharing* again this year as our final project. You can attend our September 19th Unit Meeting to learn more about this project and how we plan to participate. If you cannot come on that day, we will open the opportunity to participate to the congregation the week after. Watch *The Spirit* for more information in the coming weeks or call Gaye Merchant at 420.8255.

## Coming This Week...

### Thursday, August 13

6:00 a.m..... Tai Chi  
 9:30 a.m..... *The Shack* Review  
 11:30 a.m..... Tai Chi  
 6:00 p.m..... Scout Dancers  
 7:00 p.m..... Concerned Care

### Friday, August 14

### Saturday, August 15

8:00 a.m..... Mid-West Institute  
 9:30 a.m. .... Youth to Gashland  
 7:00 p.m..... Over 55 Dance

### Sunday, August 16

8:30 a.m..... Worship  
 9:45 a.m..... Sunday School  
                     Coffee in the kitchen  
 11:00 a.m. .... Worship  
 12:00 p.m..... Children's Ministry  
                     Team Potluck

### Monday, August 17

11:00 a.m..... Tai Chi  
 6:00 p.m..... Outreach  
 7:00 p.m..... Recreating Church  
                     Book Study  
 7:00 p.m..... Boy Scouts

### Tuesday, August 18

9:00 a.m..... TOPS  
 10:00 a.m..... Staff: Recreating  
                     Church Book Study  
 10:00 a.m. .... Paint for Fun  
 10:30 a.m..... O P Bridge Group  
 6:30 p.m..... Trustees  
 6:30 p.m..... Duplicate Bridge  
 6:30 p.m..... DAR Board  
 7:00 p.m..... Wood Carvers

### Wednesday, August 19

5:30 p.m..... Chancel Choir  
                     Potluck  
 6:30 p.m..... & Choir Practice  
 6:30 p.m..... Youth

### Thursday, August 20

6:00 a.m..... Tai Chi  
 9:00 a.m..... UMW Sewing  
 10:00 a.m..... Mommy & Me  
 11:30 a.m..... Tai Chi  
 6:00 p.m..... Finance  
 7:00 p.m..... Concerned Care

Four North Cross tee shirts left—

2 Mediums; 1 Extra Large;  
 One 2- Extra Large \$10.

Call the Office: 452-2939



## “Kid’s don’t come with an owner’s manual” Try *LOVE AND LOGIC*

North Cross UMC is offering this course for parents with children of all ages. Each class covers babies through teens. This 6-week class is taught by Jennifer Dasilva who is a licensed professional counselor. Class will start September 17. Jennifer has been teaching LOVE AND LOGIC since 1996 and is a trained facilitator. LOVE AND LOGIC provides simple and practical techniques to help parents have less stress and more fun while raising responsible kids. Parents and children will build a better relationship.

While parents are in the two-hour class (6:00 to 8:00 PM on Thursdays), children will engage in outdoor play, finishing up homework, stories, games, snacks, crafts and winding down the evening with a children’s video. Due to a very generous donation from a church member, this class is offered FREE, with the exception of \$10.00 for the workbook and donations for the care of children.

Fill out the registration form and return it to the church office (along with your \$10 workbook fee) by **September 9**. We will not be able to accept registrations after this date.

Contact Glenda Callicott with questions at 816.452.2939. Give your family the gift of a LOVE AND LOGIC parenting class this fall!

North Cross United Methodist Church  
*LOVE AND LOGIC Registration*  
 1321 NE Vivion RD.  
 Kansas City MO 64118  
 Phone: 816.452.2939

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Names and Ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

\$10.00 workbook fee enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

## *The Pastor's Corner*

This is not an article about the Super Sale, though it certainly was super in that it exceeded all my expectations, even after everything people had told me in advance.

This is not an article about the Super Sale, but rather more about being the church together. It's about a snapshot of large numbers of church people working together. It's about church folks having fun together. It's about pulling together to accomplish a common goal. It's about pitching in and helping out with a smile.

This is not an article about the Super Sale, but more about a church that cares about making a difference for people in the community that might not be able to afford some things they need. The economy is tough, and whether its about offering some great stuff at a reasonable price, or about giving away the leftovers to 13 charities, the church made a difference in many lives.

This is not an article about the Super Sale, but about a chance to get to know some of you better, and I suspect a chance for some of you to get to know each other better.

This is not an article about the Super Sale, but after experiencing what happened at church this past week, I can't wait for the Fun Festival and the Christmas Store.

This is not an article about the Super Sale, but about inviting you to consider what God can do in and through us when we focus on being the church of Jesus Christ together.

IMAGINE!

Your Proud Pastor!  
In Christ,



## *Person to person:*

### **CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

#### **Hospitalized:** Howard McKinney, St. Luke's North

- We offer our sympathy to Marvin and Mildred Thiel in the death of Mildred's brother, Laverne Morse.
- Helen Rawson and Janet Headrick would like to thank everyone who helped with the Pantry for Super Sale. If you worked, baked, or brought donations, you surpassed yourselves, once again. Thank you! We couldn't have done it without you.
- Dear North Cross members, Thank you for the clothing donation. Our number of people seeking free clothes has increased dramatically and this helps. *Art Pfaff*  
Contributions Chairman  
Clay County Clothes Closet
- Watch *The Spirit* next week for information on the Fall Festival, coming September 12th.
- Thank you to Keith Jackson who has weeded the entire front flowerbed, cleared and repaired a downspout and replaced a broken sprinkler head.

**Publication Deadline: Wednesday at noon**  
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