



The Kedron Connection

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From Our Pastor

And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed.

--Isaiah 5:7c NIV

Scripture often records succinct observations tinged with sadness and irony. So it was with Isaiah and the other troubled prophets who heard God's call for justice, but found only the blood shed by those who were spiritually blind and morally corrupt.

This past weekend thousands marched in protest over man made Global Warming and what lies ahead on earth if socio-political changes are not made in ways we interact with the environment. Our 20th and 21st Centuries have not been ones in which stewardship of the earth's natural resources for healthy environments has been a consistent high priority.

Where justice should have been done upon the earth, we have seen its lifeblood in water and air shed through pollution, waste, and exploitation. Teddy Roosevelt, the great conservationist would be appalled!

Clean air and water, abundant wildlife, bountiful vegetation and crops, a harmonious existence with nature—these are our reminders from the first chapter of Genesis: "God saw all that he made, and it was good" (v.31). How sad that how often we must be reminded before things go out of control and destruction lies awaiting?

Prayer:

God of creation, help us love the first tree we see today. Help us be sure that it remains one among many for generations yet unborn. AMEN

Fish-Fry Fellowship Supper

Our First-Wednesday Fellowship Supper will be October 1. We will eat at 6:30 p.m. This month's supper will be a fish fry; the fish will be provided. Please bring side dishes and desserts. Thanks to Randy Bradshaw, Mike Allen, and Jerry York for having the fish fry for us. Come and enjoy good fellowship and food.

Men's Breakfast

The monthly First-Saturday men's breakfast will be on October 4 in the Kedron fellowship hall. Breakfast will be served at 7:00 a.m. Men, please join us.

Handwork Ministry

The Handwork Ministry meets the third Wednesday of the month to knit and crochet. The next meeting will be October 15 at 10:00 a.m. We will meet at Dot Pressley's home, 207 Gracy Avenue, Smyrna. Plan to attend if you knit, crochet or would like to learn.

Choir Notes

We will continue to meet at 9:15 on Sunday mornings and briefly after worship services for practice. We will discuss other practice times.

Bible Study

The Bible Study led by Rev. Travis Perry continues. The group meets at the home of Lytle Hodge on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. The address is 507 Hazelwood Drive, Smyrna.

Bucket Offerings

In October, the offerings placed in the buckets at Sunday morning worship will be contributed to the Red Cross.

Food Bank

You may bring food donations for the Smyrna/LaVergne Food Bank to the church the first and second Sundays of the month, and they will be delivered to the Food Bank. The suggested items for October are canned salmon and tuna. The need is great. All non-perishable foods are accepted and appreciated.

Administrative Council

Our quarterly Administrative Council meeting will be Sunday, October 19. We will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Rutherford Co. Laity Fellowship

This group will meet on October 27 at Stones River United Methodist Church on Old Nashville Highway. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner.

Adult/Older Adults in Action and Service Fall Conference

Tuesday, October 21

9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

St. Mark United Methodist Church

1267 N. Rutherford Blvd.

Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Speakers: Bishop Bill McAlilly

Dr. J. Ellsworth Kalas

To register call (615)-329-1177 ext. 2759

Registration deadline – October 13

No registration fee

Looking Ahead

Kedron's annual Charge Conference will be November 12. It will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Happy Birthday to:

Geri Lee	October 7
Lauren Jennings	October 21
Justin Lee	October 23
Jordan McCroskey	October 24
Josh McCollum	October 26

Happy Anniversary to:

Paschal & Lauren Jennings	October 10
Myron & Teresa Palmer	October 10

Who said this?

"Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart."

--NRSV (hint, Proverbs)

Revelation 22:5 written by John was the quotation in the September newsletter.



I am the Bible, God's wonderful library.
I am always – and above all – the truth.

To the weary pilgrim I am a strong staff.

To the one who sits in darkness, I am glorious light.

To those who stumble beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest.

To him who has lost his way, I am a safe guide.

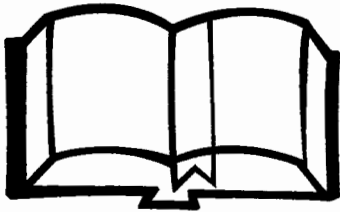
To those who are sick in sin, I am healing strength and forgiveness.

To the discouraged, I am a glad message of hope.

To those who are distressed and tossed about by the storm of life, I am an anchor sure and steadfast.

To those who search for salvation, I reveal the Savior of the world.

I am the Bible.



***The Lord will guide you
in all your ways.***



October Calendar

Wednesday, October 1:

6:30 p.m. Fish Fry Fellowship Supper

Saturday, October 4:

7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Sunday, October 5:

World Communion Sunday

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Choir Practice

Tuesday, October 7:

10:00 a.m. Bible Study at
Lytle Hodge's home

Sunday, October 12:

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Choir Practice

Tuesday, October 14:

10:00 a.m. Bible Study at
Lytle Hodge's home

Wednesday, October 15:

10:00 a.m. Handwork Ministry at
Dot Pressley's home

Sunday, October 19:

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Choir Practice

1:00 p.m. Administrative Council

Tuesday, October 21:

10:00 a.m. Bible Study at
Lytle Hodge's home

Sunday, October 26:

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Choir Practice

10:30 a.m. November newsletter
information due.

Email: lf_fraleay@prodigy.net
or phone 459-2618

Tuesday, October 28:

10:00 a.m. Bible Study at
Lytle Hodge's home

Codes

Use the code to figure out the Bible verse.

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1 Corinthians 6:19a, 20b

Answer: Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit . . . therefore glorify God in your body.

Connect the dots

This girl (and her dog) are doing something fun and healthy. Connect the dots and then color the picture.

