

The Ivy Vine June 2022



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TRYING NEW THINGS

Can you and I try *new* things?

Psalm 103 is a song of *newness*! Inspiring lyrics based on Psalm 103 are: *"Think about God's love; think about God's goodness; think about God's grace that's brought us through. For as high as the heavens above, so great is the measure of our God's love. Great is the measure of our God's love."*

Singing *"a new song"* is a risky venture. Sometimes a *new song* goes over well. Sometimes it does not. We never know unless we try, do we?

It is a healthy act of faith to sing *"new songs"* from time to time. Of course, many love to tell the old, old story. And it is important to sing songs which we already know by heart as a way of expressing our faith. During worship recently, our congregation shared in a unison reading of Psalm 23. Many of us enjoyed this. Some folks here in worship that morning recited the psalm from memory! Yet Living God advises us not to limit ourselves only to what we are already familiar with. This is true, not only in music, but in all areas of life. We must take care not to become overly attached to what we already know. God also summons us to sing *"new songs."* Consider this. The only way to learn a song by heart is to sing it in the first place. Even those songs which we now

have memorized were once *brand new* to us.

Everything that now is familiar to us was once unfamiliar to us. Mind-blowing! We learn and develop *new* favorites by trying out *"new songs."* An array of biblical psalms speak of this. (Psalms 33, 40, 96, 98, 144, and more)

Can you and I try *new* things?

As Ivy Chapel United Church of Christ, we are becoming God's faith community making beautiful music together! Let's keep surprising and delighting God by learning *"new songs."* Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Be amazed by God's wonders! *"Sing to God a new song! Sing to God, all the earth!"* (Psalm 96:1) Take a risk for God. Give a *new song* a try. Your efforts making a joyful noise to God will be blessed!

God delights in discovering people singing *"new songs!"*

Pastor Dan





Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets, sing to the Lord a new song!

O victory, loud shouting army, sing to the Lord a new song!

He has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Hail, wind, and rain, loud blowing snowstorms, sing to the Lord a new song!

Flowers and trees, loud rustling dry leaves, sing to the Lord a new song!

He has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Trumpet and pipes, loud clashing cymbals, sing to the Lord a new song!

Harp, lute, and lyre, loud humming cellos, sing to the Lord a new song!

He has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Knowledge and truth, loud sounding wisdom, sing to the Lord a new song!

Daughter and son, loud praying members, sing to the Lord a new song!

He has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise him with a new song.

Earth and All Stars by Dr./Rev. Herbert F. Brokering;

Based on Psalm 96:1; Psalm 149:1-3;

Isaiah 42:10-12; Exodus 15:1-2

<https://graceberkshires.org/earth-and-all-stars/>

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE

Pastor Dan will be out of town June 18-24.

While Pastor Dan is away, Rev. Margaret Philip (pastor of St. Thomas UCC - Chesterfield) has offered to serve as on-call clergy for Ivy Chapel UCC **Emergency Pastoral Care** needs. Anyone who is in need of pastoral care June 18-24, please contact Rev. Margaret Philip at 314-651-7762 (cell); 636-532-3556 (church); 636-536-5958 (home).

2022 BRINGS CHALLENGES TO THE TRUSTEES.

Frieda Clark has announced her retirement.

She will finish her sixteenth year at Ivy Chapel on Sunday, **July thirty-first, 2022.**

We are asking you to keep your eyes and ears open for anyone that would like to join us as the Church Office Administrator. Anyone that is interested in this part-time position is asked to contact Frank Purviance at purviancefsp@gmail.com



May Council Lifted Up:

- ♥ Donna Grote for accepting Easter lily orders, acquiring the lilies, and placing the lilies in the sanctuary.
- ♥ Sarah Wilson and Sue Wilson for leading the Holy Saturday Easter Egg Hunt.
- ♥ Dottie Foster and Linda Lowry for offering a Children's Message during Easter Sunday service.
- ♥ Valerie Waterman for her vocal contributions at Good Friday and Easter Sunday services.
- ♥ Sarah Wilson for playing trumpet at Easter Sunday service.
- ♥ Linda Lowry, Erin Winship, Tara Lowry and all who assisted with children's activities including decorating Easter cookies in Fellowship Hall.
- ♥ Ivy's Board of Deacons for hosting Easter Sunday fellowship time with refreshments
- ♥ Kay Kreder and her work with the plant sale, using her green thumb to grow many of the plants offered for sale. More than \$180 was raised to go towards Fund the Facility
- ♥ Sue Wilson for organizing the May 12th Impact Life Blood Drive.

BARBEQUE FUNDRAISER

AT *Ivy Chapel* ON **JUNE 25th**

Please join us for **BARBEQUE FUNDRAISER** dinner
at Ivy Chapel on **SATURDAY, JUNE 25th** from
4 PM until 7 PM.



We are planning to offer meals carry-out style, which can be eaten on-site at the church pavilion (limited seating) or outside in the parking lot (bring your own lawn chair), or taken to go.

Menu options include a choice of hamburger or bratwurst with two sides and a dessert for \$10;
or hot dog with one side and a dessert for \$5.

Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the event.



We are looking for volunteers to help with various activities, including cooking, ticketing, serving, and cleanup, and volunteers are requested to bring dessert (brownies or angel food cake).

A sign up sheet will be placed in the church narthex, or otherwise please contact John Weiland if you are interested in helping (636-399-2588 or jlweiland2003@yahoo.com).

Looking forward to seeing you there on Saturday, June 25th, 4-7pm

Scripture & Worship

Jun 5, DAY OF PENTECOST: Acts 2:1-21, Genesis 11:1-9, Psalms 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17, John 14:8-17, 25-27

Trinity Sunday, 12 June: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8, Romans 5:1-5, John 16:12-15

19 Jun, 2nd Sun aft Pentecost: Kings 19:1-7, 8-15a; Psalms 22:19-28; 42, 43; Isaiah 65:1-9, Galatians 3:23-29, Luke 8:26-39

26 Jun, 3rd Sun aft Pentecost: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Psalms 16; 77:1-2, 11-20; 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21, Galatians 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9:51-62

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/index.php>

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them." ~Acts 2:2-3



Did you know?

PENTECOST has different meanings depending on who uses it.

Pentecost is a "Hellenistic term". In Greek, it means "fifty". The day of Pentecost coincides to the Festival of Weeks (or Feast of Weeks). In Hebrew the Feast of Weeks it is known as **SHAVUOT**. It was one of the holy festivals of the Israelites instituted by God. This festival marked the wheat harvest in the Land of Israel. It's first *mention* is in Exodus 34:22, "You shall observe the festival of weeks, the first fruits of wheat harvest, and the festival of ingathering at the turn of the year." We learn more about the "wave offering" in Leviticus 23:9-11(NASB) and how this festival came about and was conducted (called THE COUNTING OF OMER) in Leviticus 23:15-22.



So is it coincidental (not when it comes to God) that the Holy Spirit comes to the Disciples in the day of Pentecost—also a time known as *Shavuot*? Or is it part of God's plan for His children?

Learn more about this festival at <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shavuot>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wave_offering
<https://www.compellingtruth.org/day-Pentecost.html>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Counting_of_the_Omer

Unless otherwise noted, all quoted Bible references are from New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

CONGRATULATIONS ON GRADUATION



to **CALVIN HEEND**, who graduated on May 13 from Missouri University of Science and Technology. Calvin received a Bachelor's Degree in Information Science and Technology.

Way to go, Calvin! Congratulations!

LET'S HAVE LUNCH OUT

Tuesday., June 21st Mary and Martha Women's will have a trip to St. Charles for Lunch and a visit to the Lewis and Clark Museum and Boathouse.

We will carpool from Ivy Chapel about 11 a.m. to St. Charles for lunch and then the Museum. *Everyone is welcome to join us.*



CHILDREN'S MESSAGES IN WORSHIP

We are hopeful that our congregation will return to the practice of incorporating a Children's Message in our weekly Sunday worship services. It is regrettable that we have gotten out of the habit of doing this with regularity. Formerly, this was scheduled by Ivy Chapel's Youth Program Coordinator in cooperation with the Board of Christian Education. This is not our present situation. Consequently, a new approach is needed (at least for the time being).

Concern for including a Children's Message in Sunday worship more frequently was expressed by Pastor Dan at our Ivy Council Meeting in May. In the absence of a current point person for this, Pastor Dan is inviting you to consider offering a Children's Message soon and to contact Pastor Dan to schedule a Sunday date. God loves and values God's children. May we as God's faith community actively display this. Thank you for stepping up.

GIVING AT IVY CHAPEL

If you cannot attend the Sunday Worship service, you can send your offering gift to the church:
IVY Chapel UCC, 620 North Woods Mill Road,
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Mary^{and}MarthaWmnsGrp

The Mary and Martha Women's Group met on May 17th and decided to have a trip to St. Charles in June for Lunch and a visit to the Lewis and Clark Museum and Boathouse. We will leave Ivy Chapel about 11 a.m. and carpool to St. Charles for lunch and then the Museum on Tuesday, June 21st. *Everyone is welcome to join us.*



It was decided to ask the Council if they were interested in organizing a Fellowship Event to attend a Sunday evening Jazz Band Concert in July or August.

After the meeting we went to the Butterfly House in Faust Park and enjoyed the beautiful active butterflies as well as seeing some emerge from their pupas.

KEEPING YOU POSTED

By end of *any* Wednesday—Send your news to Ivy Chapel ivychapelucc@ivychapel.org for the weekly e-KYP (e-Keeping You Posted)—emailed every Friday.



SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS: Are you interested in going to church camp this summer? Ivy Chapel Youth may fill out the application form on Ivy Chapel United Church of Christ Facebook page to request a camp scholarship for summer 2022. Please contact **Sarah Wilson** (sarahwilson797@gmail.com) with any questions.



Trustees

A new furnace and AC unit were installed and appear to be working fine. Final certification on the new units by St. Louis County for Chesterfield should be completed soon.

Two dead trees from northwest corner of grounds were removed. Logs were used to rebuild washed out parts of the lane that goes from the lower lot up toward Fellowship Hall. We note that we continue to plant new trees on the grounds including four new trees that have been planted recent months.

The tractor we use to mow the grounds has had a major transmission failure. **Earl Kreder** has taken the tractor apart and is working on transmission repairs. *Thanks to Earl*, the tractor should be back together and in working condition in short order.

WE REALLY NEED TO HAVE YOUR BIRTH YEAR.

Even if you have been a member since 1964 we *still may not* have your correct/actual birth year. You may actually be 78 but the database software we use tells us your are four (4) years old. That is because Ivy Chapel uses database software to help keep vital information for each individual. This information includes special dates such as birth, confirmation, marriage, et cetera.

➤ *Note:* this information is never disclosed to public. It is for member record keeping *only*.

Even if you *think* we have your birth year, please contact Ivy Chapel (ivychapelucc@ivychapel.org or 314-434-4991) to provide your BIRTH YEAR with month and day.

We have had a few calls up dating us.

If you haven't contacted us yet, please do.

Thank you for your kind cooperation.

HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Please consider helping picking up trash along a designated section of North Woods Mill Road. After worship for the following Sundays of this year (subject to change): **Aug 28, Nov 6** Contact Bruce Wilking, 314-640-4902 about helping.





With God's Blessings

Happy Anniversary to... 

For June

6/6/1970 Rod and Judy Hertenstein
6/9/1978 Mark and Jo Ann Moody
6/15/1974 Peter LaSalle and Sally Dodge
6/18/1994 Rich and Sarah Heend
6/19/2010 Erin and Michael Winship
6/20/1959 Jim and Diann Sheahan
6/20/1987 Bruce and Janet Wilking
6/22/1991 Dan and Sue Wilson
6/24/1967 Bill and Norma Pasia
6/25/1966 Jack and Ann Molyneaux
6/28/1969 Ralph and Myrna Weiland

Happy Birthday to... 

For June

1 Cindy Kettler	16 Jason Lowry
3 John Weiland	21 Sarah Scott
8 Curt Wintode	22 Heide Lauer
10 Marsha Fix	24 Nelie Mc Neal
14 Krissy Lowry	Amy Kavalauskas
Gavin Tichy	Rory Winship
15 Carl Winship	30 Nancy Litzinger

Serving God's People

God has called us to our positions, and we rejoice when we are able to serve God in these places of ministry. If there is some way in which our staff may be of help to you, please contact us at the church office 314-434-4991.

Pastor Dan Wilson: pastordan@ivy-chapel.org 314-580-4564

Frieda Clark: ivy-chapelucc@ivy-chapel.org

Office hours: Monday/Friday 8:30AM–3PM Tuesday/Thursday 8:30AM–2:30PM

➤BORROWING Chairs/Tables: Ralph Weiland 314-878-3230

JUN CARE CORPS LDR-Diane Droege 314-369-6349
JUL CARE CORPS LDR-Diann Sheahan 314-275-2913

CO-LDR-Sally Dodge 314-579-0972
CO-LDR-Ann Molyneaux 314-878-0966

ASSISTING IN LAY MINISTRY: Please find YOUR Name. If you're unable to attend please switch with others serving on another date (available to sub: Liz Schurwan 314-432-3362) and let Gail Thoele know 314-576-0091/314-591-0057

DATE	GREETERS/USHERS
5 June	Kay and Earl Kreder— communion
12 June	Myrna and Ralph Weiland
19 June	Donna Grote and Jan Wirtz
26 June	Kathryn Kuntzman and Jack Molyneaux
3 July	Dottie Foster and Gail Thoele — communion
10 July	Diann and Jim Sheahan
17 July	Don Wolff and John Weiland
24 July	Kay and Earl Kreder
31 July	Myrna and Ralph Weiland



Worship
with us at
Ivy Chapel

All are welcome to join us. Masks and social distancing still strongly recommended in consideration for the safety of immunocompromised and unvaccinated individuals. Worship with us in the church, on Facebook or YouTube Sunday at 10 a.m.

For daily spiritual nourishment; we invite you to subscribe free of charge to our United Church of Christ Still Speaking Daily Devotional at <https://www.ucc.org/daily-devotional/>



Charities we serve: Please place items on the designated shelves in the cloak room or otherwise designated.


CIRCLE OF CONCERN—Shopping and monthly needs List is on FH bulletin board. Place on TOP SHELF. 636-861-2623 <https://www.circleofconcern.org/> 

RITENOUR CO-CARE FOOD PANTRY: Place food and personal care items on 2nd SHELF. <https://www.rccfoodpantry.org/>

Isaiah 58 Ministries Bag of Blessings list on FH bulletin board. Place on 3rd-4th SHELVES: food items, egg cartons, clothing, plastic bags, glass cases. <https://i58ministries.org/> 

Every Child's Hope <https://everychildshope.org>
Lydia's House <https://www.lydiashouse.org>
UP—Unleashing Potential <https://upstl.org>

INSTITUTO EL REY: Explore the website how YOU can help students in rural northern Honduras pursue their dreams. www.ierschool.org 

LIONS CLUB recycles old eyeglasses: Place frames and lenses (**no cases**) in the orange collection basket in the office or in the wall pocket next to the office door. 

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 AA (Ladies #744) 9:30-11am	3	4 AA 10:30am
5 PENTECOST SUN red 10am Worship w/ The Lord's Supper	6	7 AA S.O.S 10-11am AA 12pm	8	9 AA (Ladies #744) 9:30-11am	10	11 AA 10:30am
12 TRINITY SUN wht 10am Worship	13 Council Mtg 7pm	14 AA S.O.S 10-11am AA 12pm	15 The Ivy Vine Articles DUE Men's Luncheon 11:30am- Satchmo's 13375 Olive Boulevard	16 AA (Ladies #744) 9:30-11am	17	18 AA 10:30am 18 - 24 June Pastor Dan on vacation
19 2nd S aft Pentecost grn 10am Worship	20	21 AA S.O.S 10-11am AA 12pm Mary & Martha Wms Grp 11am Lunch in St. Charles- SEE PAGES 4/5	22	23 AA (Ladies #744) 9:30-11am	24	25 AA 10:30am BARBEQUE FUNDRAISER 4-7pm See page 3
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IN JULY: **11th** Council Meeting **15th** The Ivy Vine articles due
 19th Mary & Martha Women's Group 1pm **20th** Men's Lunch 11:30am, @ Creve Coeur Lakehouse

AA=Alcoholics Anonymous	CA=Christian Action	FH = Fellowship Hall	KYP=KEEPING YOU POSTED	JRWP=JUNIPER ROOT WOODLAND PRESCHOOL
CC=Chancel Choir	CE=Christian Education	LL=LOWER LEVEL	LS=THE LORD'S SUPPER	NURSERY=NY
EMMP=Eric Moody Memorial Pavilion		M&M GRP=MARY AND MARTHA WOMEN'S GROUP		PP=PURPLE PAGES
				SS=SUNDAY SCHOOL
	Monday JRWP 8:30-3:30	Tuesday JRWP 8:30-3:30	Wednesday JRWP 8:30-3:30	Thursday JRWP 8:30-3:30
				Friday JRWP 8:30-3:30