

# Campbellsburg Christian Church

## Newsletter

A Family of Faith, Hope and Love

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### Musical Musings

The following devotional is written by Debbie Smith, wife of contemporary Christian artist Michael W. Smith.

*Michael and I fell in love and into marriage almost before we knew what happened! We both considered ourselves rational, logical twenty-three-year-olds; but within three weeks of laying eyes on each other, we were engaged. Five months later, after many hours of prayer and counsel, we made our life commitment—to get to know each other!*

*Part of getting acquainted included writing songs together. God had planned that in advance, because it had never crossed my mind that I would marry a musician, much less write songs with him! Early in our marriage, we spent some of our favorite moments in the evenings at the piano, a kerosene lamp flickering and the Bible opened to the psalms.*

*One evening we turned to Psalm 8. What an expression of joy from a man who understood the majesty of creation...and that God had entrusted man to rule over it! Furthermore, the psalmist David affirms our worth in this psalm. No room for poor self-image here!*

*Michael began searching for a tune to the Scriptural line:*

*O Lord, our Lord,  
How majestic is your name in all the earth!  
(Psalm 8:1).*

*Fingers busy on the keyboard, he stopped, midmelody. Turning to me, he pointed to a large, framed poster hanging in our den. It lists all the names of Jesus found in the Bible. Reading down the list, my husband chose a few that fit the tune, and the song “How Majestic Is Your Name” was born!*

*O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.*

*O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.*

*O Lord, we praise your name.*

*O Lord, we magnify your name...Prince of Peace,  
Mighty God,*

*O Lord God Almighty!*

*Michael and I discovered that not only did our musical collaboration bring us closer together, it also brought us closer to our majestic God.*

In His service,  
Cheri

### From the Chair

I've been all over the place in the last few weeks thinking about what I might write for this month's newsletter. As my mind wouldn't settle on a

single topic, I decided to look to the Internet for inspiration. I found the following article “*Autumn Reminders of an Eternal Kind*” at hopeandpassion.org. I decided it was way better than anything I could come up with!! Hope you enjoy!

*For “All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever.” –*

**I Peter 1:24 (NIV)**

*Fall. It is a season that reminds us of endings. Once thriving leaves now drop from their branches bursting with color, but dying. Beautiful summer flowers have lost their grandeur and now succumb to hues of brown and gray. Colder temperatures flow in and bright, long days full of sunshine move out. We are inundated with change. We are regularly reminded of our helplessness to stop the flow of God's creation. We are caught between summer and winter in the fleeting uniqueness of autumn. Though the season brings its own joy with fabulous scents and colors of orange, yellow, and red; we know it is the end of summer and the start of a period of dormancy and cold.*

*As we enjoy the changes of fall, let it remind us of a vital truth. I believe God intends for us to see with physical eyes something that points to a lasting, spiritual truth. When you look at a fallen leaf or disintegrating, summer flower; think this thought: “All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever.” (I Peter 1:24)*

*Let crinkling leaves and fallen blossoms remind us of something God wants always at the base of our thinking – we are finite and fallen and soon to pass. Any glory we claim to have is as transitory as summer leaves. We live and we die. We seek to accomplish much, but in the end we disappear from this earth. We cannot prevent our own demise. We stand helpless before our “fall.” Except for one thing!*

*Notice the severe difference God highlights between people and His Word. People wither and fall as the grass. God's Word stands forever! God's Word never bends, stoops, or loses its glory. Its beauty never fades; its “color” never wanes. No season comes that stops God's Word. It endures, and endures with full dignity – “standing,” as it were! No weather pattern knocks God's Word down. No disease causes His Word to waste away. No disaster or tragedy causes His Word to twist or weaken. Through every change, through every heartbreak, through every earth-shattering event, through death itself; the Word of God stands!*

*I believe God purposefully showed us the drastic difference between our glory and His Word here in I Peter to remind us to stay focused on Him*

and not our own selves. I believe one of the reasons for autumn is to demonstrate through His creation an important reminder about human nature when compared to God. Our Lord graciously desires us to live with a constant awareness of our impermanent nature and His eternal nature. Of our failing attempts and His trustworthy ways. Of our sinfulness and His holiness. Of our dependence and His self-sufficiency. Of our need for His Word at the deepest and broadest levels.

You see, God reminds us at the end of I Peter 1:25, "And this is the word that was preached to you." This is no small or incidental statement! The Word that stands forever can be accepted into your own heart! The seed of God's Word can be planted in your soul so that the death of you is certainly not the end of you!

God expresses this hope very succinctly in I Peter 1:22, "For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God." Do you see it? We can be born again of an imperishable seed through God's Word! When I put my hope for forgiveness and salvation in Jesus Christ, I am born of a seed that cannot be abolished – a seed that lasts forever and ever. The enduring Word of God gives me eternal, unbending life. Come seasons, winds, storms, difficulties, even death itself; but I will survive and live forever because the everlasting Word of God has been preached to me. And I have gladly and humbly accepted!

Yours in Christ,  
Kim

## Scripture of the Month

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."  
**Galatians 6:9 (NIV)**

## Financial Info

As of August 31<sup>st</sup>: 2019  
 Balance in the Checking Account: \$ 45,207.41  
 Total Offerings for the Month: \$ 5,009.27  
 Balance in the Memorial Fund: \$ 17,998.90

## Board Meeting

We will hold a Called Board Meeting following worship on Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Our regular Board meeting will be held following our luncheon on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

All board members are encouraged to be in attendance.

## Congregational Meeting

We will hold a Congregational Meeting following worship on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## September Calendar

September 1<sup>st</sup>: Call to Worship – Ben Lyle  
 Elders – Chet Lawrence  
 Alice Lyle  
 Deacons – Tina Spencer  
 Isaac Schwarz

September 1<sup>st</sup> (continued):

Acolyte – Ethan Lyle  
 Called Board Meeting following Worship

September 2<sup>nd</sup>: **Labor Day**

September 3<sup>rd</sup>: *Happy Anniversary –  
 Josh & Brittani Barnett*

September 4<sup>th</sup>: NO Choir Practice

September 8<sup>th</sup>: **Grandparents' Day**

*Grandchildren are the crown of the aged,  
 and the glory of children is their parents.*

– Proverbs 17:6

Call to Worship – Kim Mullikin

Elders – Les Lyle

Kim Mullikin

Deacons – Jill Bohman

Patricia Carpenter

Acolyte – Logan Bush

*Happy Birthday – Amy Lyle & Ginny Lyle*

September 10<sup>th</sup>: Henry County Ministers' Meeting –

*Our Best – 11:30 am*

September 11<sup>th</sup>: **Patriot Day**

Choir Practice – 6:30 pm

September 15<sup>th</sup>: Call to Worship – Adam Lyle

Elders – Jim Chambers

Chet Lawrence

Deacons – Mary Ann Courtney

John Ellegood

Acolyte – Amy Lyle

**Congregational Meeting following Worship**

Church T-shirt Orders Due

*Happy Anniversary – Jerry & Jennifer Rankin*

September 17<sup>th</sup>: *Happy Birthday – Les Lyle*

September 18<sup>th</sup>: Choir Practice – 6:30 pm

*Happy Birthday – David Cooper and Phil Spradling*

*Happy Anniversary – Jim & Sherry Chambers*

September 20<sup>th</sup>: *Happy Anniversary –*

*Rev. Rob Shrader & Lisa Hoffman*

September 21<sup>st</sup>: *Happy Birthday – Denny Brown*

September 22<sup>nd</sup>: Call to Worship – Gina Lyle

Elders – Alice Lyle

Kevin Mullikin

Deacons – Mindy Lawrence

Ben Lyle

Acolyte – Ava McKinley

Start to bring in items for Soldier boxes

*Potluck Luncheon following Worship*

Board Meeting following the Luncheon

September 23<sup>rd</sup>: **First Day of Autumn**

September 25<sup>th</sup>: A.D.M.er's – *Two Rivers Restaurant –*

*General Butler State Park – Carrollton – Noon*

*Team Rankin packing bags for*

*Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen – 5:45 pm*

Choir Practice – 6:30 pm

September 27<sup>th</sup>: *Happy Birthday – Gina Lyle*

September 29<sup>th</sup>: Call to Worship – Kevin Mullikin

Elders – Jim Chambers

September 29<sup>th</sup> (continued):  
 Elders – Les Lyle  
 Deacons – Greg Simpson  
                   Tina Spencer  
 Acolyte – Ginny Lyle  
 Fall Break Kids' Kitchen items due

October 2<sup>nd</sup>:  
 Choir Practice – 6:30 pm  
 Happy Birthday – Logan Bush

October 4<sup>th</sup>:  
 Happy Birthday – Marilyn Highfield

October 6<sup>th</sup>:  
 Call to Worship – Les Lyle  
 Elders – Kevin Mullikin  
                   Kim Mullikin  
 Deacons – Jill Bohman  
                   Isaac Schwarz  
 Acolyte – Adam Lyle

## Outreach & Evangelism Committee

### **Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen – Backpack Ministry**

I received the following email follow-up to our Kids' Kitchen planning meeting held on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

*Good Morning!*

*We had a great meeting last week! I appreciate the continued support of our program! We continue to shine light and provide hope to the kiddos of Campbellsburg Elementary as we kick off our 9<sup>th</sup> year!*

*In summary, we discussed the following:*

- *We will begin packing the first Wednesday in September (9/4) allowing time for the resource center to gather forms and determine the children who we will support. Packing Schedule is attached*

- *We will continue to pack large bags for the 4 major breaks: Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer. All packing lists are attached including those for the break bags*

- *Boxes will be provided to the families for Thanksgiving and Christmas*

- *NEW THIS YEAR! We are going to bless the teachers of CES with a back to school in January bag of wish-list items. We will have a special night to pack on Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> for anyone who would like to volunteer. I have attached an item list as many expressed interest in buying now while supplies are on sale. Let's plan on preparing bags for 20 teachers (I'll get a more definitive number very soon)*

- *VOLUNTEER(s) NEEDED!! To write notes of encouragement to the teachers to include in the bag. Who can meet this need? Maybe a Sunday School Group or mission group could take it on as a small project?*

- *Kim will graciously continue to supply labels for our bags, but asked that if anyone has any verses that are near and dear to their hearts that would impact our children to please share them!*

- *I will be meeting with Mrs. Treece (Principal) regarding the following:*

- *Anonymity with bags and process*

- *Large bags, ensuring students are able to get those home successfully*

- *Ensuring all teachers are aware of the program and share with the resource center any identified children that could use the support*

- *Teacher bags for January*

*As we prepare for the first week of packing, we specifically need some dinner items, but please share with your church groups and begin stocking our shelves for a fantastic year! If anyone makes any GFS runs, we could use some 2-gallon bags for the long weekends. You can find them many places, but GFS tends to have the largest box for the best \$\$\$. As a reminder, the food lists are just guides and suggestions. If you see something while at the grocery and think it would be great for the bags, it probably would!!*

*Thanks for all that you do to share with the children in our community. God does amazing things for our children! He meets the needs before we even know they are needed!*

*Blessings to each of you! ----- Kayla Batts*

*Team Rankin will be packing bags on September 25<sup>th</sup>. The planned packing time for our church is 5:45 pm. If you need to make other arrangements, please call Merlyne Brewer (532-9914 or 550-1900) or Donna Kay Gosser (532-7356). Our church is still responsible for the following items: Fruit Grain Bars, Pepperoni Snacks, Jif To Go, Ramen Noodle packs, Pringles, Pudding Cups, Individual Goldfish, Individual Cookie Packs, Cheese Dips Snacks, General Mills Snack Bars, and gallon size zip-lock bags.*

The packing schedule for our church for the remainder of the school year is as follows:

11/06/2019 – Team Courtney / Mattick / Wolfe

12/11/2019 – Team Lyle

01/02/2020 – all volunteers to pack teacher bags

01/29/2020 – Carpenter / Mullikin

03/04/2020 – Team Rankin

04/15/2020 – Team Courtney / Mattick / Wolfe

05/20/2020 – Team Lyle (if needed)

The last date listed will only be used if there are snow days. May 20<sup>th</sup> is the last scheduled day of school for students.

**Fall Break bags** will be packed on **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Our church is responsible for **5 packs of Ramen Noodles** and **1 box of Pop-tarts** for each child for these bags. These items will need to be at our church no later than **Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**. We will also need these same extra items for the Winter Break bags that will be packed on December 18<sup>th</sup> and the Spring Break bags that will be packed on April 1<sup>st</sup>. We have been requested to provide a large box of cereal and 5 packs of Ramen Noodles for Summer Break bags that will be packed on May 13<sup>th</sup> (unless there are snow days). Hygiene bags will continue to be packed with every break bag. Those items will be purchased with Kid's Kitchen account funds and will be packed whenever the bags for fall, winter, spring, and summer are packed.

We have been asked to provide tissues and wide ruled paper for the **teacher care bags** that will be packed on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. We'll need those items at the church by Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>.

Don't worry; reminders for all of these things will be in subsequent newsletters!

Thanks so much to everyone for making this special outreach so successful. It is a blessing to be able to help these children with such a basic need.

### **Soldier Boxes –**

Once again, we will prepare Christmas boxes for deployed soldiers. As we did last year, specific items are designated to be brought in each week leading up to the final shipping date. You can bring in as little or as much as you wish. We will spread the wealth of what has been collected when we assemble the boxes.

*September 22<sup>nd</sup>* – Coffee, flavored coffee creamer, Keurig coffee cups, hot chocolate mix, or other single serving drink mixes

*September 29<sup>th</sup>* – Protein Bars or Beef jerky (no pork)

*October 6<sup>th</sup>* – sunflower seeds or nuts

*October 13<sup>th</sup>* – fruit snacks, gum, or Sour Patch Kids

*October 20<sup>th</sup>* – Spices or specialty hot sauces

*October 27<sup>th</sup>* – Peanut butter or canned tuna

*November 3<sup>rd</sup>* – canned or dried fruit

*November 10<sup>th</sup>* – Christmas decorations

*November 17<sup>th</sup>* – Whatever you want to bring

*November 24<sup>th</sup>* – Homemade goodies

(cookies, brownies, candy or fudge)

In the past, we have brought in magazines (health/fitness, outdoors, car, or gun). This year the Trimble County Library has already donated several magazines for us to send and will be saving more for us to send. However, you are still more than welcome to bring magazines if you want! In addition, hand written letters and cards are always a morale booster. Thanks in advance for your contributions to this Outreach!

### **Church T-shirts –**

Be sure to get your t-shirt orders in ASAP! The order will be placed September 16<sup>th</sup>. So far, we only have 4 shirts that have been requested. More people than that had originally asked about them. The cost of each shirt will be determined by the number of shirts that are ordered (but should be less than \$20 each).

## **A Trip Down Memory Lane**

In 1999 when the church began the 'So That All May Enter Campaign and Renovation' we had several items in the church basement to give away or dispose of to make room for the renovation of the basement. One of the many items that had to go were the old Church Pews that sat in the fellowship hall, these pews to my knowledge were the original pews put in when the church was built, and then were replaced in the mid 1960's shortly after my family moved to Campbellsburg. All of the Pews were given away for a donation to the church. I purchased 2 half pews that have been sitting in my barn for 20 years waiting on me to do something with them. Over the past year I tore them apart, stripped the old back lacquer off of them to find they were solid oak. I took the best ends of the 2 pews and made into one nice pew, and refinished it in the natural oak with a very light stain. The pew was then coated with 5 coats of Marine Spar varnish and now resides on the porch of my woodshop in the summer and will go inside the shop in the winter. So, for you folks who might have a

nostalgic moment, stop by and take a seat and have a chat. Might even want to have a picture taken for old times sake. Below are some before and after pictures.



P.S. If someone happens to have a couple of the old choir chairs they want to get rid of, I'd love to have them to go with the pew and would buy them or make a donation to the church. CHET

## **Luncheon**

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Luncheon for September will be held on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, following our worship service. The meal will be potluck with tea and water provided. Be sure to join us for great food and fellowship.

## **A.D.M.er's**

Nine people were in attendance at last month's A.D.M.er outing at *Rick's Farm Supply* and a good time was had by all! Owner, Lisa Nethery, sent the following text to Alice later that day: "*Just wanted to thank you and your group for always supporting us for lunch, it means a lot to me.*"

The next outing for the A.D.M.er's will be held on Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at *The Two Rivers Restaurant* at *General Butler State Park* in Carrollton. Sign up today! We'll meet at the restaurant at noon.

## **Among Our Own**

Our annual pool party was a great success once again at the Mullikin home! Although we didn't have quite as many in attendance (23), the weather was perfect and everyone seemed to enjoy the food and fellowship! Thanks again to Isaac Schwarz for helping with the set up (since Kevin wasn't up to it with

a broken arm!) and to Isaac, Tina Spencer and Adam Lyle for helping with the clean up!...

**Will Lyle** was recently offered and he accepted a position as Clinical Pharmacist at Owensboro Health Regional Hospital. He started September 3<sup>rd</sup> and was moved into his new apartment in Owensboro on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Good Luck, Will! And don't be a stranger; we'll look forward to having you in worship with us whenever you make it back "home"...

Our **Women's Sunday School class** is starting a new study – "*Mary: Nurturing a Heart of Humility*" – now would be a great time to join this class taught by Cheri Simpson! Sunday School starts at 9:30.

## **Prayer Concerns**

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**Please See Newsletter in Church  
For Specific Prayer Concerns  
Due to Confidentiality**

**All our military personnel**

***Our Church & Our Pastoral Search***

***Our Nation***

**WORLD PEACE**

## **Do It Again, Lord A Prayer for Troubled Times**

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*Written by Max Lucado for America Prays, a national prayer vigil on September 15, 2001.*

DEAR LORD,

We're still hoping we'll wake up. We're still hoping we'll open a sleepy eye and think, What a horrible dream.

But we won't, will we, Father? What we saw was not a dream. Planes did gouge towers. Flames did consume our fortress. People did perish. It was no dream, and, dear Father, we are sad.

There is a ballet dancer who will no longer dance and a doctor who will no longer heal. A church has lost her priest; a classroom is minus a teacher. Cora ran a food pantry. Paige was a counselor, and Dana, dearest Father, Dana was only three years old. (Who held her in those final moments?)

We are sad, Father. For as the innocent are buried, our innocence is buried as well. We thought we were safe. Perhaps we should have known better. But we didn't.

And so we come to you. We don't ask you for help; we beg you for it. We don't request; we implore. We know what you can do. We've read the accounts. We've pondered the stories, and now we plead, "Do it again, Lord. Do it again."

Remember Joseph? You rescued him from the pit. You can do the same for us. Do it again, Lord.

Remember the Hebrews in Egypt? You protected their children from the angel of death. We have children too, Lord. Do it again.

And Sarah? Remember her prayers? You heard them. Joshua? Remember his fears? You inspired him. The women at the tomb? You resurrected their hope. The doubts of Thomas? You took them away. Do it again, Lord. Do it again.

You changed Daniel from a captive into a king's counselor. You took Peter the fisherman and

made him Peter an apostle. Because of you, David went from leading sheep to leading armies. Do it again, Lord, for we need counselors today. We need apostles. We need leaders. Do it again, dear Lord.

Most of all, do again what you did at Calvary. What we saw here on that Tuesday, you saw there on that Friday. Innocence slaughtered. Goodness murdered. Mothers weeping. Evil dancing. Just as the ash fell on our children, the darkness fell on your Son. Just as our towers were shattered, the very Tower of Eternity was pierced.

And by dusk, heaven's sweetest song was silent, buried behind a rock.

But you did not waver, O Lord. You did not waver. After your Son lay three days in a dark hole, you rolled the rock and rumbled the earth and turned the darkest Friday into the brightest Sunday. Do it again, Lord. Grant us a September Easter.

We thank you, dear Father, for those hours of unity. Disaster did what discussions could not. Doctrinal fences fell. Republicans stood with Democrats. Skin colors were covered by the ash of burning buildings. We thank you for those hours of unity.

And we thank you for these hours of prayer. The Enemy sought to bring us to our knees and succeeded. He had no idea, however, that we would kneel before you. And he has no idea what you can do.

Let your mercy be upon our president, vice president, and their families. Grant to those who lead us wisdom beyond their years and experience. Have mercy upon the souls who have departed and the wounded who remain. Give us grace that we might forgive and faith that we might believe.

And look kindly upon your church. For two thousand years you've used her to heal a hurting world.

Do it again, Lord. Do it again.  
Through Christ, amen.

*by Max Lucado*