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Strength for the Journey. Grace for the Soul.

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*We joyfully  
welcome  
and nurture  
all people  
by providing  
a vibrant  
Christ-centered  
community  
of faith,  
dedicated to  
spiritual growth  
through  
worship, study  
and service.*

## Famous Author and Environmentalist to Speak

The work of world renowned poet, farmer, novelist, and essayist Wendell

Berry will be featured at our next Building Community Book by Book. Members and friends of the church are invited to read the short, charming novel, *Andy Catlett: Early Travels*. Purchase your copy of the paperback at the church in The Well or in the parlor for just \$12. After you read the book, sign up for a one-time discussion group that will meet between Aug. 29- Sept. 22. A list of the discussion group opportunities will be available mid-summer. Mark your calendar for Sept. 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary to meet the author, but begin savoring this wonderful summer read now.

### Author

Wendell Berry's poetry, fiction and essays invite us to embrace the creation with reverence, ponder the values of the good life, and enjoy the miracle of ordinary relationships. The author of more than 30 books, Berry taught at New York University and the University of Kentucky. He

### BUILDING COMMUNITY BOOK by BOOK

lives and farms in Kentucky. His honors and awards include fellowships from the

Guggenheim Foundation, Rockefeller Foundation and National Endowment for the Arts.

### The Novel

*Andy Catlett: Early Travels*

Set during 1943, nine-year-old Andy Catlett sets off to visit his grandparents in Port William, KY. All by himself for the first time, Andy experiences a rite of passage and his first step into manhood. The book captures a moment in time when the old ways are in retreat and modern life begins crowding out everything in its past.

*"A good book that warmly evokes the love that exists among generations of an extended family." – Randy Irely*

*"A wonderful story by a masterful story teller. Andy Catlett confronts some troublesome life issues as well as some of the simple joys." – Nancy Lear*

### Community Camp in KC: Summer Socials

Families, singles, couples – ALL are invited to gatherings of fellowship and fun on Wednesday evenings this summer on June 23, July 7, 21 and Aug. 4 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dinner will be served from 6:30-7:00 p.m. followed by informal activities for children, youth and adults of all ages.

This time of intergenerational fellowship is inspired by the annual Community Camp in Estes Park – but closer to home! Cost is \$3 per person or \$10 per time for immediate family.



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## Please Complete Your Pledge Card

If you have not yet returned your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. To prepare our church budget, we need to know what our income will be. Our fiscal year begins July 1.

**LOVE,  
SERVE,  
GIVE.**

The ever-growing ministries and missions of our church are supported solely by your financial commitment. All of our ministries are funded and staffed because of the generosity of our members and friends who make annual pledges and gifts.

Whether your pledge is large or small, every gift counts and every gift matters. As of Wed., June 9, we have received pledges totaling approximately \$1,035,055, which is almost 74 percent of our goal for 2010-2011. Thank you for your generous support of Country Club Christian Church and its ministries.

## Prison Ministry Efforts Recognized



On May 16, Shirley Hansell (center) accepted a plaque on behalf of the church's Prison Ministry. On hand to present the plaque were Lorna Mathison with Arts in Prison and Dave McKune, the warden at the Lansing Correctional Facility. Since the group's inception, church members have donated and catalogued over 9,000 books for the library in the maximum security wing of the prison. The volunteers travel to Lansing three to four times a year. If you would like to join the group, contact Lauren Weinhold at the church. A background screening and security clearance are required for all volunteers.

If you are interested in learning more about the Lansing Correctional Facility and the Arts in Prison program, you are invited to an upcoming choral concert by the East Hill Singers. This internationally-known inmate chorus will be performing a free concert on Sunday, June 13 at 4:00p.m. at the Overland Park Church of Christ, 13400 W. 119th Street.

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## Join Us This Summer for a Variety of Preaching Styles

This summer while Dr. R. Glen Miles is on sabbatical, you will have an opportunity to hear a variety of preaching.

June 20 – Dr. Dick Wing, Senior Minister of First Community Church in Columbus, OH at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Dr. Charles Rolan at 10:00 a.m.

June 27 – Rev. Carla Aday at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

July 4 – Dr. Charles Rolan at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

July 11 – Rev. Carla Aday at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

July 18 – Rev. Carla Aday at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

July 25 – Dr. Sharon Watkins, General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Mr. Justin Zeigler at 10:00 a.m.

Aug. 1 – Rev. Catherine Stark-Cornat 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Aug. 8 – Dr. Gene Brice, former senior minister at Country Club Christian Church (1979-1991) at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Aug. 15 – Rev. Carla Aday at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Glen returns to the pulpit on Sun., Aug. 22, which is our annual Festival Sunday. Watch for more information about special events that day in celebration of our 90th anniversary.



While Glen is on sabbatical this summer, this column will feature guest columns from some of Glen's colleagues in ministry from across the country. This issue features Dr. Richard A. Wing, senior minister at First Community Church, Columbus, OH.

## Do's & Don'ts When Calling on the Sick

by Dr. Richard A. Wing



In a recent sermon series on The Good Samaritan, I listed the do's and don'ts when calling on those who are ill. They are:

1. Don't ask "How are you?" Hey! They're sick and don't feel good! Instead ask, "How's the day today?" They will tell you.
2. It is ok to say: "You know I have nothing to say that can help. I just wanted to come and let you know I love you and I care about you."
3. Humor can be helpful and inappropriate. Let the patient lead to laughter, not you.
4. Silence is golden; trust it and don't kill it.
5. Good care is like a good speech: be sincere, be brief, and be gone.
6. You communicate as much care to a sleeping patient by leaving a note as by talking with them. A note lets them know you went to the trouble to be with them.
7. Don't give advice. The fact that your uncle had the same thing they do doesn't help.
8. You are not there to "cheer them up" but to be present.
9. Don't ask a lot of questions. Let them tell you anything or nothing about their illness.
10. Never say "I know how you feel." That is always a lie. You might like to know, but you don't.
11. Remember the Book of Job: his friends came to him in his pain, trouble and losses. They did well for a week. They sat quietly and wept with Job. The silence was too uncomfortable, so they became theologians and therapists. That is when they ceased to be a comfort, and became a case study in poor care.
12. Good care has to do with being, not doing.

Peace to you.  
Dr. Richard A. Wing  
Senior Minister

### Dick Wing to Preach on June 20

Dr. Dick Wing will preach at the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services on Sun., June 20. Dr. Wing is a mentor and friend of Dr. Glen Miles and preached here for Glen's installation service. He is a gifted preacher, administrator, mentor, and teacher and has been senior minister at First Community Church in Columbus, OH, since 1994. He is the host and preacher for *First Edition*, a weekly Sunday morning program viewed by about 90,000 people weekly in a three-state area. Dr. Wing's travels include work camps for the poor in Mexico and Jamaica; tours of Europe, Israel, India, and a speaking tour of South Korea.

### Festival Sunday Is August 22

This year on Festival Sunday, as we kick off the church's program year with fun, fellowship and festivity, we will also celebrate 90 years of ministry. Dr. R. Glen Miles begins a sermon series entitled *Founded in Faith, Growing in Grace*. Watch for more information.

## Worship with us!

**Services at 9:00, 10:00  
and 11:00 a.m.**

### June 13

Do You See?

*Luke 7: 36-8: 3*

Rev. Carla Aday preaching  
at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

### June 20

9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

From Belief to Practice, Please!

*Col. 2: 6-7; Eph. 3: 17-19*

Dr. Dick Wing preaching  
Senior Minister of First Community  
Church in Columbus, OH

10:00 a.m.

Dr. Charles Rolen preaching

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# Adult Ministries at Country Club Christian Church

## Welcome Pastoral Resident

Steve Mason will begin working at the church as a pastoral resident July 1. This position is made possible through a generous grant from Vanderbilt Divinity School and an educational fund in the church endowment. Steve will work in the areas of college-age ministry, singles ministry and general pastoral work for two years.

Both Steve and Country Club Christian Church were selected for this unique program called the Congregational Immersion Project. The purpose of the program is to create a positive transition into ministry for outstanding new graduates from Divinity School. Country Club was invited to become a teaching congregation and Steve was selected for his outstanding academic and leadership record.

The Personnel Committee was impressed with Steve's vision for ministry and enthusiasm about creating community within the congregation

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## Sewing Group Sends Dresses to Haiti

When the earthquake struck Haiti, the Country Club Christian Church sewing group attempted to send some of our pillowcase dresses to those in need but were unable to send them because of shipping restrictions.

Then in May, Kathleen Kunkler, a friend of the Sewing Group, traveled to Haiti, delivering 25 of the group's dresses through "Mission of Hope," an agency that has been working in Haiti since 1998. She delivered 25 dresses and panties for Haitian children.

The Sewing Group thanks everyone who donated pillowcases so they could make the dresses. The next bunch of dresses will be delivered by the Family Mission Trip team in South Dakota this month.



Kathleen Kunkler with Haitian children modeling the pillowcase dresses.

## Pathways to Learning in July Focuses on Being Servants in a Modern World



Beginning July 11, a three-part series will focus on being servants in a modern world: locally, nationally, globally. The programs will be presented from 9:55 to 10:55 a.m. in the Social Hall.

Pathways is ideal for those who aren't involved in a Sunday School class. Entire Sunday School classes are also invited to participate as a group. Visitors and guests welcome.

**July 11 – Locally** – Dr. John Covington, superintendent of the Kansas City Missouri Schools or a representative, will talk to us about the emerging design for our schools and how we can play a role.

**July 18 – Nationally** – Congressman Emanuel Cleaver, II will speak about service on the national scale.

**July 25 – Globally** – The Reverends Jon and Dawn Barnes, our missionaries in South Africa will talk about the new definition of global missions and share updates on our partnership.

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## Service of Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

**Tues., July 6 at 7:30 p.m.**

Join us for a peaceful time of song, scripture and prayer at 7:30 p.m. on Tues., July 6 in Combs Chapel. This service offers an opportunity for church members and friends of our church to share prayerful concerns as well as blessings.

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## Two New Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Visions of justice, God's redeeming actions, and a message of God's inclusive love in the book of Luke make it a text that has been cherished by people for centuries. This summer take some time to join us as we study this book. You have two opportunities. One group for people of all ages meets on Tuesdays from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in Room 201. A group designed for people in their 20s and 30s meets on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Youth Center (Rm. 205). Justin Zeigler leads this study as part of his ministry internship. All participants need a resource book, available for \$20. For information, contact Justin at [justinz@cccckc.org](mailto:justinz@cccckc.org).



## Can't Wait to Go

by Karla Herrington, Director of Children's Ministries



In April, I had the opportunity to travel with Club Kids to the Omaha Zoo. This is an annual overnight trip with our third through fifth graders. From the moment we loaded the vans, the kids were buzzing with positive energy, saying:

*"This is going to be the best trip."*

*"Every year, I can't wait to go."*

*"I've been waiting so long for this trip."*

*"I remember last time....."*

The van ride was filled with storytelling, jokes, car games, and a convenience store stop to load up on junk food.

Upon arriving at the zoo, we were whisked away to the Animal Kingdom which would be our "home" for the evening. We took a guided night hike (flashlights and all), played zoo Jeopardy, and then settled in with our snacks and free-time games until midnight. The morning was filled with more hiking and touring. I have to admit, I didn't know what to expect, but I am now a proud member of the "I can't wait to go" club. The kids came away with another year of amazing memories and nurtured friendships.

Nurturing friendships seems to be what it's all about. By the time this prints, we will have kicked off another fun and exciting (and hopefully, annual) opportunity here at Country Club. This time, it's for everyone, not just Club Kids. I'm sure you've seen the details in previous newsletters. Community Camp in KC: Summer Socials have begun! Plan to join your church friends of every age, every other Wednesday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for fun and fellowship. There will be a lot of exciting things to do, or you can just sit, chat, and relax. And I have a feeling the "I can't wait to go's" will be flowing once again!

*Karla*

*For more information, see article on page 1.*

## Rainforest Adventure Awaits at Vacation Bible School

Each morning our intrepid VBS explorers will enter a world of amazing animals, fabulous fish, and intelligent insects as we travel upriver to an abundant rainforest!



Everything in our Rainforest Adventure VBS is based on five parables told by Jesus that can make a difference in our lives every day. The five days of discovery give us knowledge of God's Word and the opportunity to respond to God's truth by living out our Christian faith.

All kids four years old through fifth grade are invited to join us this summer from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Monday, July 26 through Friday, July 30. The cost is \$7 per child per day with a maximum cost per family of \$65 (scholarships available, contact Catherine). Group sizes are limited so sign up now. Registration forms are available online at [www.cccckc.org](http://www.cccckc.org) or in the education wing on the second floor. Submit your form with payment to Chris Trout in the church office. We also need adult and youth volunteers. Please contact Rev. Catherine Stark-Corn at [catherinesc@cccckc.org](mailto:catherinesc@cccckc.org) or Karla Herrington, Director of Children's Ministries at [karlah@cccckc.org](mailto:karlah@cccckc.org), or call 816-333-4917.

## Rooms Available at Colorado Community Camp

There is still space available for both families and individuals at the church's annual Colorado Community Camp in the Rocky Mountains near Estes Park, CO, July 31-Aug. 7. This great week of fun, fellowship and renewal is a fabulous opportunity to connect with family and friends, deepen your faith and grow in your awareness of God's magnificent creation. Contact Rev. Carla Aday at [carlaa@cccckc.org](mailto:carlaa@cccckc.org) or Jane Fletcher at [janef@cccckc.org](mailto:janef@cccckc.org), or call 816-333-4917 immediately if you are interested!

# Upcoming Youth Events

## Summer Pool Parties

Hey there! Be on the watch for pool parties! Starting June 16 we will have a pool party at a different location every other Wednesday (opposite Community Camp KC). Chi Rho and CYF will eat, hang out, and play games at various homes and pools. All of Chi Rho and CYF are invited, and as always friends are welcome! Dates for the parties are June 16, June 30, July 14 and July 28.

## Community Camp KC

Come and join the whole church for a relaxed time of hanging out and plenty of food at Community Camp KC: Summer Socials on Wednesday evenings. The fun continues June 23, July 7 and 21 and Aug. 4 in the backyard of the church from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

## Mission Trips

All current 6th-8th graders are invited to participate in the Chi Rho mission trip to Indianapolis July 11-17. The

trip will provide an opportunity to hang out with friends and serve others. For more information, contact Justin Zeigler at [justinz@cccckc.org](mailto:justinz@cccckc.org).

CYF (grades 9-12) will travel to Chicago this summer July 18-24. Contact Brandon Winstead at [brandonw@cccckc.org](mailto:brandonw@cccckc.org) for more information.

Participants will be commissioned at the 11:00 a.m. service on June 13.

For both CYF and Chi Rho mission trips, check the website for covenant, permission slips and medical forms.

## Fellowship at Country Club Christian Church



The Barclay Boys entertained during the first Community Camp KC: Summer Social June 9 on the back lawn. Left to right, Justin Scott, Brian Corn, Glenn Crocker, David Soxman.

## Youth Deacons and Elders

The Nominating Committee has presented the following 2010 slate of youth leaders. On Sun., June 13, annual congregational meetings will be held after each worship service to vote on next year's slate of officers, new board members, elders, deacons and trustees. Please be sure to attend worship that day so that you have an opportunity to vote!

**Youth Elders** – Betsy Dee, Jack Dee, Andie Forsee, Olivia Harlan, Riley Hoffman, Meghan Jackson, Perry Jackson, Lucy Lehoczyk.

**Youth Deacons** – *Chi Rho* – Grace Adams, Alexandra Anderson, Jackson Berry, Dylan Boster, Sam Brumitt, Jane Commerford, Ross Commerford, Connor Ehman, Grant Forsee, Robert Harlan, Alyssa Hess, Parker Hoffman, Hailey Hunter, Charlie Jensen, Morgan Larrison, MaKenna Lockhart, Mitchell McCallister, Miguel Murguía, Carson Trent, Zach Ziegenhorn, Zoë Ziegenhorn; *CYF* – Gerard Algie, Kurt Jensen, Kathryn Kubin, Chris Martin, Steven Miles, Ty Moffat, David Sherbondy, Carly Trout.

Below, Matthew Herrington also enjoyed the music and the games.



At right, Carolyn Meuret concentrated on her ice cream at the Annual Ice Cream Social on June 6.





## Not According to Plan

by Carla Aday, Senior Associate Minister



We were supposed to pick our husbands up at noon. They were kayaking down a South Carolina river. But the directions to the remote river landing deep in the forest were vague. We got lost. And further lost. Our cell phones wouldn't pick up a signal. So we stopped at the home of a total stranger for guidance. When we showed up an hour and a half late to retrieve our husbands, they were dripping wet but taking refuge under the kayaks. Our children were hungry. Our husbands were cold. And the day pretty much looked ruined.

But we stopped at a diner on the country highway. They had an ol' red Coca Cola cooler filled with Nehi soda and you had to go outside if you wanted to use the restroom. The chalk board menu looked promising and the down-home fare warmed our bellies. I asked the waitress if the dessert was made on the premises and she replied wryly: "No, it was made at my house." We laughed as we bit into the most delicious desserts we'd ever eaten and reveled in what turned out to be a delightful afternoon. If we hadn't gotten lost or been terribly late, we'd never have stopped at this diner with rare southern charm.

I was reminded of the song lyrics from Carole King . . . "If it had been as I intended I wouldn't have the peace I know." Over and over again, life doesn't go according to plan. But sometimes, even then, I discover the peace or in this case, "the piece of pie" that I hadn't imagined would come my way. For me the miracle of God's presence is not that God makes life turn out well, but that in the midst of disappointments and even disasters, the holy one continues to intrude.

*Carla*

## Children and Families

### Clean out your closets for Micah Ministry!

Over the next few weeks, we will be collecting CHILDREN'S clothes (all sizes) for the Micah Ministry. This ministry of our church serves meals every Monday night at Independence Boulevard Church and distributes clothes to about 60 children each week. All summer clothes are needed but they are usually low on "bottoms" . . .so shorts/skirts are in high demand. Diapers (size 3, 4, and 5) and wipes are in short supply right now too. Donations can be left in Karla Herrington's or Catherine Stark-Corn's offices.

### June Sunday School

**Parables of Jesus – 9:55-10:55 a.m.**

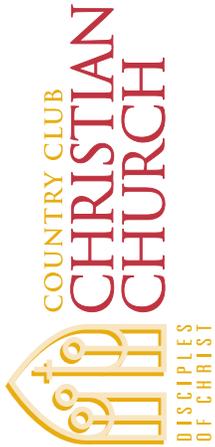
*Fountains of Faith* – Children completing 1st-4th grades will meet in the Social Hall during June for a series of sessions on The Parables of Jesus. Through storytelling children will encounter four parables followed by activities that continue exploration of Jesus' teachings.

*Worship & Wonder* for 3½-year-olds through Kindergarten will also meet (separately) in the Social Hall during the month of June.

### Tall Oaks Camp and Conference Center

Go to [www.talloaks.org](http://www.talloaks.org) to register on-line for church camp at the Tall Oaks Camp and Conference Center this summer. There are still great opportunities available – day camps for early elementary and overnight camps for older elementary through high school.

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## Virginia Reed Food Drive on June 20

On Sun., June 20, please bring your nonperishable food items for our collection for local food pantries that serve the homeless and hungry. Vans will be in the parking lot to receive your food or it can be placed in the barrels located at the east and north doors. We also purchase food in case lots for the pantries, so cash donations are welcome. Please mark your donation "Food Drive."

## Haiti Missionary to Speak on June 20

Patrick Bentrott, one of our missionaries in Haiti, will give an update on the earthquake and our current missionary efforts on Sun., June 20 at noon. Please plan to stay for a light lunch (\$5) after church to hear the moving stories. Our congregation supports Patrick and his wife, Kimberly, through an annual gift of the Outreach Council.

## Save the Date for Grace At Work 2010

Saturday, September 18

Grace At Work kicks off the "90 Days of Service" Campaign.



Watch for more information.

## Our Church Family Congratulations

Congratulations to JENNIFER BLEISH AND JUSTIN DAVENPORT who were married May 1 in the Sanctuary.

Congratulations to DANIELLE KNOTTS AND SEAN KNIGHT who were married May 15 in the Chapel.

## Sympathy

DR. MARK RANDLE, former Associate Minister of Country Club Christian Church died in Ft. Worth on May 31.