



Each year in our annual report we publish a summary of our membership. In this list we identify that our membership is divided into four different categories that our church constitution outlines. Those categories are: Baptized, Active, Affiliate, and Inactive. In 2022 I am using the newsletter to explain each of these categories. So far, we considered the baptized and active role. This month, we'll consider the roll that is most often puzzling to folks.

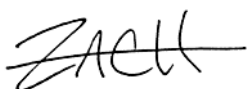
The Affiliate Roll: This list is for believers temporarily residing in locations other than their permanent homes.

Why does this roll exist? An affiliate member would be someone who wants to maintain their membership in their home church, but also come under the formal care of another church for a particular time.

What are some of the envisioned scenarios for this roll? If someone is an affiliate member it assumes, first of all, that they are an active member in good standing at some other church. The second assumption is that they are geographically separated from their ability to attend that specific church for a period of time. Finally, when that scenario exists, that individual may petition to be received as an affiliate member of a church, which would retain their active membership, while also affording them the benefits of membership in another church for a temporary time. Some of the envisioned scenarios for this type of membership may include, with Edgington specific examples in mind: 1) a military officer has been appointed to a position at the Rock Island Arsenal and is looking to come under the shepherding care of a Reformed Church during his/her temporary duty assignment, 2) an Augustana college student's home church is EPC and they desire to worship at a fellow EPC church while they are in school. In both instances, the individual belongs somewhere else, but is looking to temporarily belong at Edgington.

What can/can't affiliate members do? Affiliate members have all the rights and privileges of church membership, except for voting in a congregational meeting and holding elected office in the church which they are only temporarily associated with. That means, they would be welcome to participate in the life and ministry of the church and be a recipient of the shepherding care of the Elders and Deacons. Affiliate members would join the church the exact same way other members would who are transferring an existing church membership – through a Session approved course of instruction and examination. Technically, according to our polity, affiliate member status is good for one year at a time, subject to review, but is certainly renewable.

The benefit of understanding about this unique roll is that it promotes a view of the church that reflects its catholicity or universality. Edgington is of course not the only church. We are a part of the Church (note the capital "C") of Jesus Christ. Within that Church, the Evangelical Presbyterian Church exists as a denomination of assembled churches in local places (like Edgington). But the EPC isn't the only denomination that is a part of the True Church. When we remember that we are a part of the larger worldwide Body of Christ, then we will understand the wisdom in embracing brothers and sisters to join among us for a period of time. To embrace those individuals is what is in view with the affiliate member roll.



ELDERS

Keith Wilson - Clerk
Jim Mueller
Kevin Oak
Mic Penry
Patrick Shovar

DEACONS

Beth Flickinger - Chair
Beth Easterla - Secretary
Jim Balmer
Teresa Balmer
Don Easterla
Marlin Krueger
Darcy Krueger
Teresa Weber

TRUSTEES

Mel Block - Chair
Larry Pithan - Secretary
Ken Benningfield
Kim Freyermuth
Jeff Fuhr
Phil Fuhr
Darren Hall

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 - Paul Hopkins	6 - Clarice Docherty	17 - Carson Thomas	26 - Addyson Tomlin
2 - Pat Block	8 - Kortney Gierlus	18 - JoAnn Rursch	26 - Nataleigh Tomlin
2 - Shawn Docherty	13 - Eddy Bull	19 - Brandee Neece	26 - Amy Weiss
2 - Betty Murdock	13 - Angie Freyermuth	19 - Michael Orr	27 - Luci Goodnight
4 - Larry Hesch	14 - Lauren Stegmiller	20 - Mackenzie Hopkins	27 - Lisa Nelson
4 - Maggie Pape	15 - Scott Nelson	24 - Rayce Tomlin	28 - Mitchell Bayne
6 - Janice Armstrong	17 - Jon Darland	25 - Richard Vanlsegghem	29 - Beth Flickinger

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY

Luella Doonan has moved to apartment #274 at Brookstone.

Betty Murdock
c/o Hope Creek Nursing & Rehab
4343 Kennedy Dr.
East Moline, IL 61244



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

3 - Scott & Cindy Cullen
8 - Scott & Lisa Nelson
12 - Joshua & Lindsay Fuhr
14 - Neal & Vicky Ruggles
29 - Steve & Debra Wagamon

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RESURRECTION
and the
LIFE

GREETERS FOR APRIL

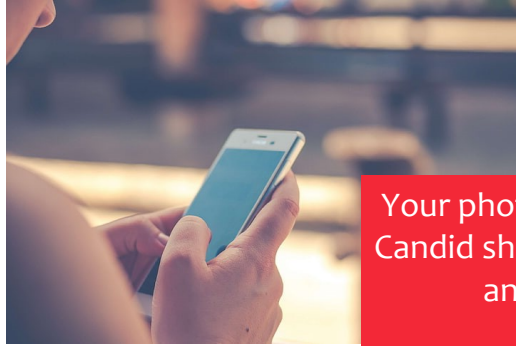
Sunday, April 3rd – Kyle and Tara Johnson
Sunday, April 10th – Don and Beth Easterla
Friday, April 15th – Bob and Kathy Stegmiller (Good Friday)
Sunday, April 17th – Korey and Tara Miller Family (Easter)
Sunday, April 24th – Greg and Kortney Gierlus Family

SESSION

Session has not met since the publication of the March Newsletter. They meet again on Tues., March 29th. Please look to the May Newsletter next month for the minutes from that meeting.

HE IS NOT HERE
FOR
He is Risen

MATTHEW 28:6



Your photos don't need to be fancy!
Candid shots taken with your phones
anywhere are perfect!

Please submit them **TODAY!**



SERVANTKEEPER®



COMING SOON.....

ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY!

Submit your photos

TODAY!

We have recently purchased church management software and Lisa is in the process of learning how to use it and all the many ways that it will streamline her work.

One of the most exciting elements of the program is that we will be able to finally offer a **secure online digital directory** for everyone to have at their fingertips and **update themselves** with current information and photos! We will still be able to print a hard copy version for those who find that most convenient.

As Lisa is getting the directory prepared to launch, she is asking that you please send her pictures of each individual member of your family, as well as a group family photo. These do not need to be professional photos, but can be casual pictures like the kind you might post on Facebook - whatever picture you think shows you and your family off best would be great!

Please email you pics to edgingtonepc@gmail.com or text them to 309-738-1267 today!

Date: February 6, 2022

In attendance were Beth Flickinger, Peggy Shovar, Session Representative Patrick Shovar, Beth and Don Easterla and Marlin and Darcy Krueger.

Beth F. opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes from the December meeting: Approved as written.

December – February Activities: No meals were shared during this time, but there were 34 calls/visits/cards to shut ins and 28 additional cards mailed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Thank you to Peggy Shovar for serving two terms.
- Discussed and continued to pray for shut-ins and others that have various health issues and those that have recently lost a loved one.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Officer elections and committee assignments
- Postponed until new Deacons are installed after annual meeting.

Blood Drive Saturday March 5th

- Assigned treats/times to each Deacon. Assigned calling duties for the drive

Communicants Reception Psalm Sunday April 10th

- Receptions will be held immediately after church. Started planning for the reception, final details will be discussed at the next meeting.

Greeters

- Assigned Deacons to get greeters in March, April, and May

Next Deacon meeting will be held on Sunday, March 27th.

Beth F. closed meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Easterla

Thank you to everyone who helped/donated with the Spring Blood Drive! We surpassed our goal!
23 Whole Blood Donations, 5 Double Red Cell Donations, for a total of 33 units!
THANK YOU!!!

The Fall Blood Drive is scheduled for September 10th.

Blessed to serve,
Don & Beth Easterla



2022 Dates for Donating Locally

May 21st - St. Patrick's Church
July 16th - St. Ambrose Church

November 12th - St. Ambrose Church
Sept. 10th - Edgington Presbyterian Church

Date: 3-16-22

Present: Mel Block, Jeff Fuhr, Darren Hall, Larry Pithan, Treasurer Cindy Oak, Session Representative Jim Mueller.

Mel opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:00pm.

Treasurer's report for February was reviewed and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- New entrance mats have been purchased and installed in the main entrance.

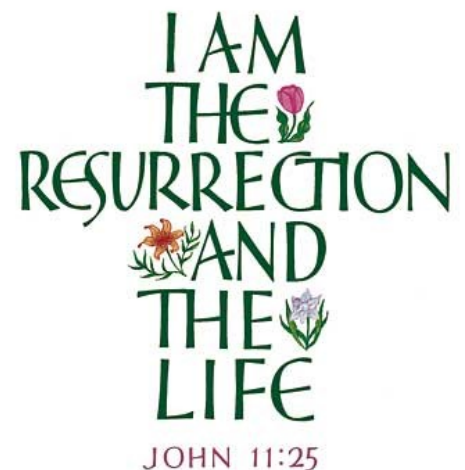
NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussed replacement of carpet on bell tower stairs and balcony. Will obtain some quotes to review at next meeting.
- Trustees will set up a workday in April to repair damaged lawn, do yard cleanup, and trim bushes.
- Discussed new window shades in Sunday School rooms. Cindy indicated the PW will probably cover the cost.
- Condensing units for the sanctuary air conditioning are at end of life. Will obtain proposals for replacement and discuss at next meeting.
- Need to install insulation below the roof at the east end of the sanctuary. Plan to do this later in spring.
- Light fixtures in the main office are being replaced as the old ones fail. Using LED fixtures.
- Parking bumpers on west side of building will be reinstalled on workday.
- Parking lot seal coat work was not completed last fall and will be scheduled for this spring.
- Have asked ADB contractors for a price to replace siding on the bell tower. Would like to do the work this summer.
- Office door hinge needs to be fixed – also need new toilet seat for basement women's restroom.
- Will have contractor look at plaster and paint repair in sanctuary.

Mel closed the meeting with a prayer at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pithan



February 15, 2022

The Mission Committee met on February 15th, 2022, at 6:30pm in conference room at EEPC. Those attending were: Barb Freyermuth, Deb Wagamon, Nancy Engstrom and Session Representative Kevin Oak.

Deb opened the meeting in prayer

Liz Ryan, Pregnancy Resources, shared an update on their local ministry and areas where they need assistance. They are adding another RN to the staff, scheduled training all medical staff, now open on Saturdays, and added another day to the mobile medical unit's schedule. The new hours create a need for additional volunteers to answer phones on Saturday, men to mentor fathers in need of counseling and many prayers for this ministry to continue to be successful. Their fundraising banquet is March 24th, and the baby bottle campaign will be announced around Mother's Day.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Minutes:** January minutes were approved
- **Mission Updates:**
 - **Youth Hope:** (Deb) – Trivia Night on Feb. 5th was successful. EEPC will be taking on their next mailing project as a volunteer project. Volunteers are still needed for child tutoring, weekly meetings at the Moline center for teen girls and boys, Food Pantry, and prayers.
 - **Burdsall:** (Barb) – They had a video conference with the session. Good interview and update on their current status and needs in their ministry
 - **Christian Care:** (Deb) – Frank Roe reached out to Deb with an update. Recently opened Martha's House, a shelter for single women and women with children. They are requesting prayers that this new endeavor would be successful.

NEW BUSINESS:

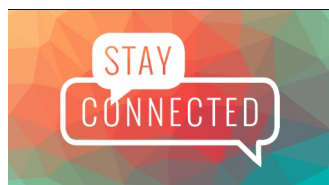
- Proposed 2022 Commitments. These changes were approved by the board for 2022 and 1st Qtr. Commitments may be processed.

2021 Mission Commitments	Amount Committed
World Outreach (Burdsall)	\$ 8,500.00
World Outreach ITEM (Woodworth)	\$ 8,500.00
World Outreach (Huber)	\$ 4,200.00
EPC Church Planting (Lancaster)	\$ 6,000.00
Youth Hope	\$ 6,000.00
Youth Hope – MAD Program	\$ 3,000.00
Pregnancy Resources	\$ 3,000.00
TOTAL	\$39,200.00

- Committee voted and approved a donation of \$100 to Youth Hope Trivia Night; \$300 to Youth Hope for a table at the March 10th banquet; and \$300 to Pregnancy Resources for a table at the March 24th banquet.
- Minute for Mission: On February 20th, 2022, Deb will share an update on Pregnancy Resources with the congregation.

Kevin closed the meeting in prayer.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 15th, 2022 at 6:30pm.



Check out the next several pages for the ministries we support, and for ways that you can get personally INVOLVED!

{get involved}
be the church

YouthHope Meets Needs in Our Community

POVERTY

15.1%
OF ROCK ISLAND
COUNTY LIVE IN
POVERTY

BREAKING CYCLES

YouthHope programs are offered to low-income children and teens at no cost. Students learn skills and behaviors to succeed in school, family, and life.

HUNGER

1 in 5 YOUTH
are **FOOD**
INSECURE

FOOD ACCESS

Every YouthHope program includes a meal and provides transportation. Our Food Pantry is available for anyone in need of access to food assistance.

MENTAL HEALTH

ADOLESCENT
SUICIDE
ATTEMPTS HAVE
JUMPED **31%**
SINCE 2019

ENCOURAGE

We know the only answer is HOPE! Reaching out, eliminating isolation, canceling lies, growing in faith, and praying for youth. God's grace covers all brokenness.

EDUCATION

39% OF
QUAD CITIES
THIRD GRADERS
DO NOT READ AT
GRADE LEVEL

LITERACY TUTORING

Students are paired one-on-one with staff and volunteers during after school tutoring program. Thousands of books given to kids to keep at home every year!

ACCESS

54% OF
YOUTH LACK
TRANSPORTATION
TO ENRICHMENT
PROGRAMS

PICK UP & DROP OFF

Transportation is available to and from every YouthHope program. Pick up locations include nine schools and 35 neighborhoods.

GUIDANCE

1 IN 3
TEENS DON'T HAVE
A **TRUSTED ADULT**
FOR ADVICE OR
GUIDANCE
(OUTSIDE THEIR HOME)

MENTORS

Mentors listen, teach, and guide children and teens. Youth participate in development and training programs to become leaders of integrity.

40 Weekly Programs
for At-risk Youth

1,071 Children Received
Food in 2021

Biblical Lessons
Teach Hope in Christ

63 Students Attended
E-Learning in 2021

90 Hours Each Week
Driving Students

Meaningful and Authentic
Relationships

Praise Reports:

- A junior high girl gave her life to Christ last night!! She felt like she was under spiritual attack, so the leaders prayed with her, and after she felt different! She had wondered if God was real, and she had a real encounter with Him yesterday! Praise the Lord! Please join us in praising God, for He is so good and powerful! (Please also pray for this young girl to continue to be under His protection, and for His plans and presence to manifest before her time and again!)
- We had our IN-Person banquet last week, and it was amazing! It was our largest banquet yet, and we thank God for bringing people safely in the snow. We thank Him for preparing things ahead of time, delicious food, and setting the atmosphere and for all the gifts that have come in so far!
- SIX young adults have committed to working at Camp Summit this summer! AND, we thank God for bringing Austin Anderson as our Camp Director for such a time as this! Praise God!



Prayer Requests:

- Please pray for the kids and teens who have/had spring break this month. Lord, protect these students while they are out of school. Place a hedge around each one that no plans of the enemy can prosper against them in Jesus' name!
- Lord, please be with Gary. You know his needs, and we ask that you meet them.
- Father, we ask you to provide the staff we need! Bring them forward, highlight them, and prepare their hearts to commit to serve the kids and teens! We ask for all the summer positions to be filled with the staff YOU have planned. Thank you Lord for going before us and making a way!
- Heavenly Father, we ask for You to continue to provide and help us meet our financial goal from the banquet. We are trusting your plans and your timing to meet the goal and to make our budget this year. Lord, we ask in Jesus' name that you continue to provide to ensure the kids and teens have what they need! Thank you Lord!

Thank you for your faithful and continued prayers for YouthHope! We are grateful to partner in ministry with you!

In His Service,

Hannah Carr



Moline, IL | Davenport, IA | Mobile Medical Unit

2021 Community Impact Report

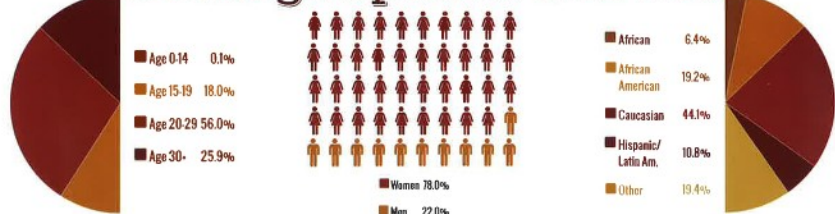


Free Resources Provided:
\$799,773

Made Possible By:
53 Volunteers + 1,827 Private Donors



Demographics Served



*Health services account for medical supplies, ultrasound and pregnancy testing costs, and medical professional wages and training.

**Education accounts for in-center and community equivalent class fees, teaching materials, curriculum, and printing costs.

***Supplies accounts for Bella's Boutique operation and provisions, including new car seats, diapers, baby and maternity clothing, and additional material support.

****Emotional/ Social Support is accounted for by number of client visits and hours served.

adventure and in their after-abortion journey. **Mindful ministry in 2022 includes the addition of Saturday hours and 3 mobile medical unit locations of service.** Now there is even greater opportunity for life-affirming care that can be accessed when it's needed most. **You can be mindful by personally promoting the value of life and encouraging those around you to do so too.**



Volunteers Needed!

PRC 101 - 2022 Volunteer Training Sessions
June 28-30, 2022 (Morning ONLY)
October 4-6, 2022 (Morning or Evening)

Morning Trainings are from 8:45am to 12:15pm & Evening Trainings are from 5:30pm to 9:00pm.

All trainings are held at our Moline Center (3825 16th St., Moline, IL 61265)

Our volunteer training is required for volunteers who want to work directly with the women and men we help. Training covers helping skills, fetal development, adoption, abortion procedures and risks, ministry goals, and Biblical training on the sanctity of human life. There are many different types of volunteer positions at the centers. **Spanish-speaking volunteers needed!**



Prayer Requests: Due to the often sensitive and personal nature of the prayer requests, PR has asked that they are no longer published. If you would like to receive their weekly prayer requests, please contact Marissa at 563-386-3737 or Marissa@qcpregnancy.org.



As your Quad Cities Missionaries, your Pregnancy Resources Team is committed to live and serve in the following ways:

Intentional – We will be available in the moment of need when LIFE hangs in the balance. **Intentional ministry in 2022 will include the development and launch of Abortion Pill Reversal Care.** This will allow moms who have begun the abortion pill process the opportunity to attempt to reverse a chemical abortion decision. **You can be intentional by financially supporting this life-saving ministry as you are able.**

Deliberate – We will be precise in providing life-affirming early pregnancy medical care and pregnancy/early parenting support. **Deliberate ministry in 2022 includes the addition of our fourth staff nurse, who will be completing ultrasound training in February 2022.** This will allow for life-saving ultrasound care to be available at Pregnancy Resources 6 days a week! **You can commit to deliberate prayer daily for the ministry.**

Mindful – We will be sensitive and responsive to the unique spiritual, physical and practical needs of every mom and dad entrusted to our care. Meeting people where they are in their pregnancy decision, in their parenting

Want to register? Need more info?
Contact Marissa @ 563-386-3737
or Marissa@qcpregnancy.org

HUBER-VENTURES

Stories from Jordan...Finally! (click [HERE](#) for the full update)

At the start of the year, eight of our mission cohort students, a handful of EPC WO leaders and myself (Saul) returned from a two-week trip to Jordan. While there we worked alongside an amazing organization led by Jordanian Christians, serving refugees from Iraq, Yemen and Syria who have previously fled their war-torn home countries and found refuge in Jordan. This was easily one of the best trips I have ever experienced... in part because it started off with so much uncertainty, but mostly because God did things we could have NEVER imagined! Here are some of the ways we ministered to refugees alongside our Jordanian brothers and sisters:



- Organizing clothing that will be distributed to refugee families.
- Scraping walls at a building that is going to be used to serve refugees with sewing/ computer training, English classes, a medical clinic, exercise classes for Muslim women, and even discipleship for new believers.
- On another day, we traveled north where a few of our students in medical fields spent the day at a clinic that specializes in Tuberculosis treatment.
- We visited a woman who is the lone believer in her entire family/village of Muslims, where we got to encourage and pray for her.
- We got to play soccer with a group of kids and give a goat to a group of local village leaders to help them start a new reproducing goat project.
- We even had the joy of attending and ministering in a couple local Iraqi Christian churches.

The main way we supported our Jordanian ministry partners was through home visits, which meant we got to spend half of our time serving in the apartments of refugee families. Those visits were the ones that wrecked us—they were so challenging and so rewarding.

Our team split into small groups. Each group would enter the home of an Iraqi, Yemeni or Syrian family with a food bag, clothing bag and gift bag for the kids, and would proceed to assess if they had any other physical needs that our host organization could meet. These mostly Muslim families would usually offer coffee or tea and then share their harrowing stories of losing homes, friends, and family members as they fled the wars in their home countries. Not a single family was untouched by incredible sadness, loss, and tragedy. I found myself leaving the apartment of a Syrian family whose story was particularly heartbreaking, getting in the car and weeping uncontrollably.

Into the darkness though, God infused light! Muslims talk about God often, which would open doors for us during our conversations with them. We were then able to bring up stories from the Bible and talk about hope and God's love, and, when appropriate, share the good news of the Gospel. Some of the responses were incredible... a testament to the Holy Spirit already drawing these families to Himself. **In all the home visits, we saw nine different people (half of them Muslim) profess faith in Jesus Christ as their savior! Praise God!** (At this point in the update Saul tells a story about an elderly refugee couple that commits their lives to Christ. PLEASE, click [HERE](#) to read the story and be encouraged!)

1. God is reaching the unreached! He is pursuing those that have never had the chance to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.
2. God is truly raising a generation of evangelists. There's plenty of data out there about how young people have left the churches in large numbers, BUT there's still a crowd of young adults that are passionate about sharing the Gospel.
3. You're a huge part of this! Through your prayers, donations, and relational support, you are partnering with us and these young adults in Great Commission work. THANK YOU!!!

Thank you so much for your support and prayers! We couldn't do this work without you.

Much love, Saul, Jesse, Zuri, Samwell, Salem, Zola, and Sidon

UPDATE FROM STEVE WOODWORTH ITEN: Back in the Field (click [HERE](#) for the full update)

2022 started with two successful trips to Sierra Leone (January) and Albania (February). Thank you for your prayers as I navigated the increased complications of international travel in a Covid world. Multiple tests before, during, and after the trips in addition to masking up for extended flights were small sacrifices for our international partners who have been waiting patiently for 2 years for our return.



In both of the sites, it was beautiful to witness the work that God has been accomplishing in our absence. Ministries growing, fruit being born, and leaders sharing their new visions for the future. Read below to learn more.



Return to Sierra Leone

During the first week of January I had the opportunity to join with our brothers and sisters in Sierra Leone for a week of pastoral training. We had 25 pastors gather for a course on "Pastoral Ministry." I was assisted in the teaching by our faithful friend and colleague, Bill Massaquoi from Liberia. Our course centered on the major themes of pastoral ministry including preaching, pastoral care, church administration, and worship. In the village, I was greeted by the presence of a new school building, several new dormitories for students, a new outdoor pavilion for

events, and a new church building. Our week closed with a time of worship and sharing the Lord's supper together (pictured above). Plans are being made to return again in August to expand the program.

Albania & Goodwill Church

Just several weeks after my trip to Africa I was back in the air again on my way to Albania. The purpose of the trip was twofold. First, I taught a course for ISTL on Christian Leadership and I was also hosting one of the pastors and two members of Goodwill Church (EPC) of New York. The aim of our trip was to learn about the country of Albania while exploring the possibility of a long-term partnership between the Balkans and Goodwill church. It was a fruitful week of fellowship filled with both learning and teaching.



Prayer Requests:

- PRAISE! Two successful international trips after a couple years of being "grounded" here in the US.
- God's favor for the new program launching in Sierra Leone.
- My wife and 3 sons- that they would each grow in their understanding and experience of the gospel in their lives.
- Our visit with our son (Luke) as he graduates from Navy Special Warfare school on March 10th in California.
- For Goodwill Church as they prayerfully consider their future partnership in the Balkans.

Financial Update

Thank you to all our of our new and continuing supporters. Your generosity is a vital lifeline for our ministry to leaders among the least reached. If you would like to become a new partner, or know others who may be interested in hearing more about ITEN, please click [HERE](#) to donate, and help us fulfill our calling to serve the least and the lost. Thank You!



MCCALLUM'S UPDATE

"The best-laid plans of mice and men oft go astray."
This verse from a Robert Burns poem is our reality.



"HANG LOOSE"

Due to Covid resurgence the upcoming class WILL NOT be able to meet as planned in March.

- Schools in the area closed after only 4 days being open after the TET holiday.
- Lack of housing for quarantine space if class participants came down with Covid.
- Concerns of participants carrying home Covid to the rural area with limited medical care.
- Concerns of becoming a negative government media scapegoat.

Aiming for a new date between May 10 - June 10. **Pray for travel to be allowed! Maybe even for us!** We are hanging loose.

Matthew 6:34 ends the chapter that has guidance for processing disappointment and taking on God's perspective for living. **"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."** We encourage you to read the whole chapter and let the words give hope for whatever your changed plans or disappointments you might be dealing with. [Matthew Chapter 6](#)

Pray for this country's response to Covid. May the Church in the capital city not have to endure the scapegoating that occurred to a church in the south. May the Holy Spirit sweep over the land drawing people to "Gather together riches in heaven where they will not be eaten by bugs or become rusted. Men cannot break in and steal them. For wherever your riches are, your heart will be there also." Matthew 6:20-21 May they come to know the Lord!

In the background as I type the old song "Turn your eyes upon Jesus" has been playing. The chorus encourages "Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full at his wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace." I wondered what the story behind the lyrics was and discovered it was written by a British missionary woman who spent a lifetime in North Africa following God's leading. Read about her here: [Lilias Trotter](#) Our team mate, Mike Kuhn, is guest faculty at the Lilias Trotter Center whose focus is to "enable thoughtful Christian Engagement with Muslims."

Thanks for praying for us and for those we partner with overseas.

Blessings,

Ed & Nan McCallum

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**PROUDLY SERVING
SENIORS SINCE 1968**

For many years now Edgington EPC has been a host site for Senior Meals. The doors are now open here for meals **EVERY WEEKDAY!**

Meals are available for a suggested donation of \$3 to anyone 60+ years or with a disability. If you are new to the program, you need to call 309-788-6335 the day before to request your meal.



Those who attend regularly come early to play cards and enjoy each other's company for a little longer than just meal time.

If you would like more information or want to check out the menu for the month click the Project Now logo above for the link to their website or call 309-788-6335.

FOOD PANTRY



FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION UPDATE

We have set April 2nd for the spring Food Pantry distribution from 8:30-11am. We will pack on April 1st starting at 9am.

We can always use juice, canned fruit, paper products, canned meats, sugar, and flour.

On February 13th Dewey and Shirley were invited to Buffalo Prairie Church to give the mission report about the food pantry. They are faithful contributors.

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support!

Dewey & Shirley Flemming, Jim Schaubroeck, Mic & Sue Penry, Don & Beth Easterla

Plans for our Community-Wide VBS have begun!

The dates this year will be Monday, July 25th - Friday, July 29th. The camp will again be held at the Loud Thunder Boy Scout Camp from 8:45 - 3pm each day.

The theme this year is "Monumental, Celebrating God's Greatness". We **are** opening our camp to larger numbers.



Open registration will be on Monday, April 18th starting at 6am.

The website link will be posted on the church's website and Facebook page.

We will not be offering busing to/from camp this year.

If you are interested in helping with this **monumental** endeavor or have any questions, please contact Kathy Stegmiller (309) 791-1162. You will be hearing more about our plans as they unfold this Spring - Summer.

Edgington Presbyterian Church
Treasurer's Report FEBRUARY 2021

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	Balance
General	\$ 89,053.02	\$ 12,555.74	\$ 22,948.60	\$ 78,660.16
Jahn	\$ 9,106.09	\$198.34		\$ 9,304.43
Edgington	\$ 5,600.02			\$ 5,600.02
Boughton	\$ 180,882.89	\$ 1,013.65		\$ 181,896.54
Lauby	\$ 24,371.07	\$ 322.16	\$ -	\$ 24,693.23

Ending Gen. checking balar 105,162.21
Uncleared Transactions \$ 11,597.60
General checking Balance \$ 93,564.61

Reconciled Bank Accounts
Gen. checking \$ 93,564.61

FEBRUARY 2021 GENERAL FUND EXPENSES

Zach Hopkins salary	4,552.34		
Housing Allowance	1,800.00		
Fidelity (pension)	1,001.97		
EPC (health)	25.23		
Mileage	81.32		
Lisa Bowman	1,319.67		
Robin Preston	312.63		
Reytel	116.93	General	\$ 78,660.16
AT&T	227.67	Edgington	\$ 5,600.02
MidAmerican Energy church	632.00	Jahn	\$ 9,304.43
Millenium Waste	41.33		\$ 93,564.61
Ministry Designs (website & domain)	30.00		
ABS (copier)	254.09		
Amazon (Cont Ed)	153.37		
Christian Books.com	30.00		
Postmaster (stamps)	4.75		
Group (VBS-was reimbursed)	34.99		
Faithlife	49.99		
Kone (elevator maintenance)	1,601.04		
Canva	179.28		
Hubers (mission)	1,050.00		
Burdsall (mission)	2,125.00		
Woodworth (mission)	2,125.00		
Lancster (mission)	1,500.00		
Youth Hope (mission)	1,500.00		
YH Creative Program (mission)	750.00		
YH trivia night (mission)	100.00		
YH banquet table (mission)	300.00		
Pregnancy Resources	750.00		
Pregnancy Resources banquet table (mission)	300.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$22,948.60

INCLUDED IN GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Mission monies included in general fund \$5,589.58
Assistance Fund \$5,153.46

*Boughton Fund includes sale of manse \$159,000.00

Edgington Presbyterian Church

General Fund Profit & Loss

February 2022

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Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Flower Contributions	230.00
Interest Income - General Fnd	8.10
Loose Offering	220.00
Pledges	12,097.64
Total Income	12,555.74
Expense	
Pastors housing allowance	1,800.00
Operating Maintenance - General	1,759.30
Continuing Education	183.37
Mileage	81.32
Miscellaneous	34.99
Mission	
U.S. Mission - Presbyterian	2,550.00
International Mission - Presbyt	4,250.00
Local Mission	3,700.00
Total Mission	10,500.00
Office Supplies	
Copier	254.09
Office Supplies - Other	259.27
Total Office Supplies	513.36
Payroll Expenses	
Custodian Payroll	312.63
Pastor Salary	4,552.34
Secretary Services	1,319.67
Total Payroll Expenses	6,184.64
Pension & Health Care	1,027.20
Postage	4.75
Utilities	
Gas & Electric - Church	632.00
Telephone	227.67
Total Utilities	859.67
Total Expense	22,948.60
Net Ordinary Income	-10,392.86
Net Income	-10,392.86

ALL submissions for the May 2022 Newsletter must be in by **NO LATER** than Wednesday, April 20th. Items received after that date may not make it into the newsletter.



Thank you for your cooperation!

~ Lisa Bowman, Office Manager

Do you know anyone that is not receiving the Edgington EPC Newsletter each month? If so, please contact the church office at 309-795-1713 or edgingtonepc@gmail.com and let me know. I will be happy to make arrangements for it to be received by whatever means works best.

The newsletter is distributed via email and postal service. It is also posted to our Facebook page and website: edgingtonepc.org.

Thank you so much for your help!

**GET YOUR APRIL COPY OF
THE TABLETALK DEVOTIONAL**

TABLETALK

APRIL 2022 | \$3

WORLD
MISSIONS
AND
REFORMED
THEOLOGY



LOCATED ON A TABLE IN THE SANCTUARY FOYER

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Christ Preeminent: The Book of Colossians

The New Year will bring a new sermon series in the book of Colossians. This brief New Testament book is full of glorious truths about the Lord Jesus and how our lives can be transformed as we learn to follow Him. Would you like to grow in the sincerity of your faith? Join us on the Lord's Day in 2022 as we search the Scriptures together.

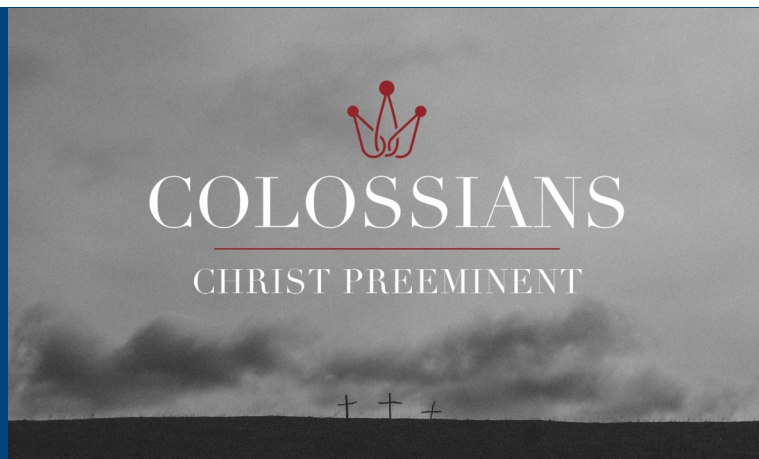
Sun., April 3rd – Colossians 2:6-7

Sun., April 10th, Palm Sunday - TBA

Friday, April 15th, Good Friday - TBA

Sun., April 17th, Easter - TBA

Sun., April 24th - Colossians 2:8



SCRIPTURE LINKS - Download the apps!



ESV.org is an online Bible reading tool created to help you read and engage with God's Word. While many features of the site are available without signing in, we invite you to [create a free account](#), which makes it easy to save personal notes, highlight favorite verses, and start interactive reading plans.

(Click on the images to go to their websites)



Blue Letter Bible provides powerful tools for an in-depth study of God's Word through our free online reference library, with study tools that are grounded in the historical, conservative Christian faith. We view the Bible as central to our study resources. We intentionally designed the website to include study tools that are linked directly to Bible passages. Dig deep into the Word using commentaries, encyclopedias, maps/images and much more. One of our most used tools is the Lexicon search, which gives users immediate access to the original Hebrew and Greek words.

READ THE BIBLE WITH YOUR PASTOR

From Ligonier Ministries: R.C. Sproul reminded us that “Disciples of Christ abide in His Word. Those who abide in His Word know the truth and are free.”

We hope you made a plan for 2022, but if you have not yet, it is NEVER too late to begin! We invite you to explore several Bible reading plans designed to help you prioritize abiding in God's Word.

Each plan differs slightly, and we encourage you to find one that fits your unique learning style and study goals for the year. Whether you'd like to read straight through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation or focus your attention on one book, we hope these plans will serve you as you grow as a disciple of Christ and share the truths you are learning with those in your life.

Click [HERE](#) to see all Ligonier's Bible reading plans.

Pastor Zach encourages you to join him in the study that was in January's Newsletter. Hard copies are still available in the office. You could also reach out to Lisa in the office and ask her to email one to you.



Pastor Zach is on Facebook Live every Sunday morning at 10am for our Lord's Day Worship Service .



If you are not already a member of our Facebook group, please click on the image for the link. "Like" our page and request to join. We are pretty quick to respond. Make sure you are "following" our page and turn your notifications setting on if you would like to receive a notification when Pastor Zach begins to stream. We will post a worship guide each week in advance of the service.

The Westminster Shorter Catechism, consisting of a summary of Christian doctrine in 107 questions and answers, was written by the Westminster Assembly in London over 350 years ago. When Presbyterianism came over the Atlantic Ocean to the shores of this country, the Catechism came as well. The Catechism has been acknowledged by many to be the most accurate and succinct summary of the Christian faith ever produced. So is it still useful today? Join us in Sunday School to learn more.

TO
GLORIFY
AND
ENJOY
GOD
FOREVER



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 2022

THE SHORTER CATECHISM

9:00AM - FELLOWSHIP HALL

We meet every Lord's Day morning at 9am in the church basement. Please join us!



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Every Sunday morning at 9am

We use Great Commission Publications various curriculum.



Toddler	- Hillary Terrill & Kortney Geirlus
Pre-K	- Beth Flickinger
1st-2nd	- Katie Pearson
3rd-5th	- Kathy Stegmiller
Junior High	- Tara Johnson & Deanna Parchert
Senior High	- Brandee Neece



Click on the images above to learn more!

We look forward to the privilege of caring for and teaching your children about Jesus each Sunday!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Edgington has a long tradition of providing for fellowship and ministry among the women of our congregation. For many generations this has been through the Presbyterian Women's Association, or as it is often called, "PW." This group has met monthly on Thursdays for business, fellowship, Bible Study, and programs on a variety of interesting topics. Additionally, throughout the year the PW is responsible for many activities and fundraising or outreach focused events including: Soup Luncheons, the Edgington Rummage Sale, Quilting, and the very important ministry of serving funeral dinners for grieving families as an expression of the tender love of Christ who is near to us in our sorrows. For these reasons and the bonds that have been formed through these various activities, PW has and always will be a beloved part of our church history.



As we consider that history, it is important to not only appreciate the past, but consider how we can build upon it to continue in effective ministry in the present day and beyond. The leadership of the women's association has for many years been reflectively thinking and praying about how the PW can involve more women in our church. At the beginning of this year, we sat down to ask clear questions about the purpose of our ministry and the direction we hoped to go. We're excited to share with you about a new future for women's ministry at Edgington.

It starts with just that – we're going to be moving away from a model of a women's association, with membership, business meetings, and the varied formalities that come with that and shifting toward a ministry focused model to be just that – a women's ministry. If you are a woman in this church – you are invited to be a part of what we're doing – as often as you can – as much as you can – and when you can't – we understand. But we want to encourage every woman to plug in somewhere to strengthen the fellowship of women in our church family.

- There will still be quarterly meetings (March, June, September, and December), but no membership dues. You may donate if you want.
- We will not have dessert, but anyone that wants to bring a sack lunch can socialize before the meeting.
- Committee meetings will be held as needed. When a committee is working on a project, announcements will be made in church, including the bulletin and newsletter, for those interested in helping.

There will be three main concentrations of the women's ministry and they are summarized by these three words: **GROW**; **SERVE**; and **REACH**. In many ways, each of these represent what the current PW structure is already doing, but also represents an expansion and more inclusive model to allow for more participation. In the coming months, you'll be hearing more details about each of these, and specific opportunities for your involvement – but for now we want to briefly summarize each one, and then make an exciting announcement about one opportunity that is just around the corner.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY (Cont. from p. 17)

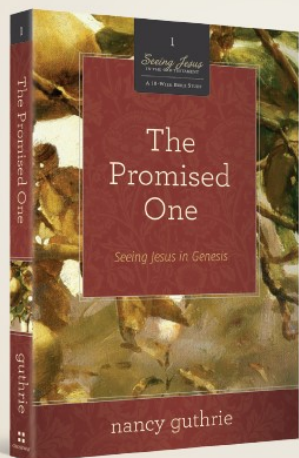
- **GROW** – will focus on discipleship through Bible Study and building mentoring relationships in order to GROW in Christian maturity.
- **SERVE** – will focus on inter-Church opportunities for service such as: funeral dinners, rummage sale, and other things we can assist existing ministries with. For example, helping the Trustees with a big project, or the Deacons with congregational care needs.
- **REACH** – will focus on efforts outside of our Church to reach out with compassion, care, and witness. We'll continue efforts like quilting for Winnie's Transitional Housing and the Mercer County Family Crisis Center, and also partner with the Food Pantry and other things as we partner with our Church's Mission Committee.



There will be regular announcements about what is going on in each of these three categories so you can consider how you can be involved in the women's ministry at Edgington.

Come Join Us for a Nancy Guthrie Bible Study!

The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis



STUDYING JESUS... IN GENESIS?

That's right! Get a fresh perspective on the book of Genesis by discovering how the stories, symbols, people, and promises point to Christ.

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Click on the image to watch a short promo video.

GROW! New Women's Bible Study

Tuesday mornings at 10am starting April 5th we're going to be studying "The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis." This study will involve teaching, discussion, and application with opportunities for personal Bible study in between weekly meetings. If the 10am Tuesday time is prohibitive to you, but you are interested in joining at another time, there has already been discussion about a second day and time of the week to allow for even wider participation. This study will run for 11 weeks taking us just into June. The format will allow you to pop-in and out as your schedule allows, but we hope you'll make the commitment to join us every week. We'll then take a break and resume another study in the fall term. We're really excited about providing this opportunity for continued discipleship and want to warmly encourage you to take advantage of it.

If you have any questions, please contact Karyl Parrish at 309-236-1062



WOMEN'S MINISTRY CHURCH RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE



Start cleaning out those closets and drawers! Gather together items you've been wanting to replace with something new! The Women's Ministry Rummage Sale is just around the corner and we will be happy to take all of those **gently** used items off your hands!

When: Saturday, May 14th, 7am - 2pm
Sunday, May 15th, after church

Donations: Gently used items such as household goods, sports equipment, toys, jewelry, tools, electronics; baked goods, etc.

Pricing: Please price you items with masking tape, except for books, clothing, jewelry, and baked goods.

Delivery Dates: Between Sunday afternoon, May 8th - Thursday, May 12th. Baked goods on Friday, May 13th. Please place items on designated tables or in designated areas.

Lunch: Pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, and desserts will be served.

Questions or comments: Nancy Cooksey 309-79737-8855

Sale Proceeds will be used for church remodeling projects.

QUILTING

Thursday, April 21st, 9am - Noon

Please come and join us as we create, piece, and sew quilts to present to next year's graduating seniors, as well as Winnie's Place.

Even if you don't know how to sew, but can operate a pair of scissors and/or an iron, we would love to have you! If we can increase our production, we will be able to bless even more people in the community.

*Please consider joining us!
Hope to see you there!*



UNITYPOINT FOOT CLINIC NOW EVERY MONTH!

Next Clinic: Monday, April 18th starting at 9am

If you would like to receive a pedicure done by a medical professional, please call the church office at 309-795-1713 to schedule an appointment.

LOST & FOUND BASKET

Are you missing your coffee mug, reading glasses, bible, sweatshirt, or something else you may have had with you in church the last few weeks? If so, please check the new **LOST & FOUND basket** located under the table in the sanctuary foyer that has the TableTalk devotionals and newsletters sitting upon it.

We hope this will be a help to everyone!

Lost and Found



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

APRIL 24TH, MAY 1ST, & 8TH

11:30AM - 12:30PM

Here is a wonderful opportunity to learn more of what Edgington EPC is all about! The class is offered to anyone seeking more information about Edgington EPC; what it means to be a church member, our denomination, what we stand for, and much more. If you have been attending for awhile, but not yet committed to membership, you're encouraged to check this out!

If you are looking to join, you definitely want to mark your calendar!

Please call the church office at 309-795-1713 or edgingtopepc@gmail.com or put your name on the sign-up sheet located on the table in the sanctuary foyer by no later than April 17th.

NEED A HAND OR ENCOURAGEMENT? ASK A DEACON!

The Deacons' charge is to care for the church body. You may already know that we provide delicious treats to celebrate new members, collect coats for those in need, and organize blood drives. But did you now that we are ready to serve in other ways, too?

Here are some of the ways a Deacon can help out:

- Visit shut-ins (including those who are temporarily unable to make it to worship) to provide cheer and recordings of the sermon.
- Deliver meals to those who are injured, ill, or have experienced a loss
- Visit widows(ers) to comfort and provide company.
- Send cards to recognize milestone birthdays and anniversaries, and express condolences
- Organize transportation to doctor's appointments (please give advance notice)

Please, if you or someone you know could benefit in one of these areas, please let a Deacon know right away. We try to anticipate needs, but we are only human, and need help with knowing needs!

The 2022 Deacon team includes: Jim & Teresa Balmer, Don & Beth Easterla, Beth Flickinger, Marlin & Darcy Krueger, & Teresa Weber.



Easter Services
and related
events/info

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*GOOD
FRIDAY*

*Please
Join Us.*



HALLELUJAH! CHRIST IS RISEN!

EASTER WORSHIP

WORSHIP 10AM

Please join us Easter morning prior to the service for a BIG breakfast served by the youth. We will have build your own skillet, waffles (gluten-free option available), biscuits & gravy, cinnamon rolls, and fresh fruit.

Serving starts at 8:30am.

**EASTER
BREAKFAST**

APRIL 2022



Sunday School 9am
Worship Service

EEPC

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WEBSITE: www.edgingtonepc.org

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 Session/Deacons Mtg. 11:30am Comm. Class, 5:30	28 Meal Site	29 Meal Site Session Mtg., 7pm	30 Meal Site	31 Meal Site	1 Food Pantry Packing, 9-11am Meal Site	2 Food Pantry Distribution, 8:30-11am
3 Food Pantry Sunday VBS Mtg., 12:15pm	4 Women's Bible Study, 10am Meal Site	5 Meal Site	6 Meal Site	7 Meal Site PW Mtg., 1pm	8 Meal Site Sanctuary Reserved 12-10pm	9
10 Palm Sunday Communicant's Reception, 11:30am B/P Check	11 Women's Bible Study, 10am Meal Site	12 Meal Site	13 Meal Site Newsletter Items Due Trustees Mtg., 7pm	14 Meal Site	15 Good Friday Meal Site Good Friday Service, 7pm	16
17 Easter Easter Breakfast 8:30 - 10am Worship 10am	18 Women's Bible Study, 10am Foot Clinic Meal Site	19 Meal Site Mission Comm. Mtg., 6:30pm	20 Meal Site	21 Quilting, 9am Meal Site	22 Meal Site	23
24 B/P Checks Membership Matters, 11:30am	25 Women's Bible Study, 10am Meal Site	26 Meal Site Session Mtg., 7pm	27 Meal Site	28 Meal Site	29 Meal Site R&L P Mtg., Hillsboro, IL	30 R&L P Mtg., Hillsboro, IL