



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. This month, we'll consider the final roll – another often shrouded in confusion.

The Inactive Roll: This list is for those who have failed to actively participate in the life of the local church for a period of one year and have been moved by the Session to this role. There are several important considerations about this list; especially as they relate to the Session as the governing body of the local church, and as it relates to individual members.

Membership in the church is voluntary – members are not forced to join; they choose to do so. In that choice, they assume upon themselves the responsibility of active participation in the life of the church. The fourth membership vow involves pledging “support and participation” in the life and ministry of the congregation. If a member persistently fails to do so – their membership could be moved to the inactive roll. Before that happens, the Session should be diligently seeking to discover the cause of the members lack of participation. They would seek to discern, for example: is there a matter of offense that needs to be remedied or perhaps some sin or struggle presenting an obstacle to their continuing fellowship in the body? Those are matters of pastoral concern, which is always the tone of these types of conversations. When members are not involved the question needs to be asked – why are they choosing to separate themselves from the visible flock of Jesus? Our church constitution (Book of Order) is wise to assume that although there may be a failure in commitment on behalf of the members, there might be an equal failure in pastoral oversight that the leadership needs to take initiative to remedy rather than waiting for the wandering sheep to return on their own while the shepherds sit on their hands. This is the biblical model (see: [Luke 15:4-7](#)).

One of the biggest misunderstandings of the inactive roll is that names do not remain for more than one year. If a person has been placed on the inactive roll of the church, and in the next calendar year they do not respond to the inquiry of the elders, their names will be removed from the membership roster of the church with written communication indicating this act. Upon such occasion, a person might, by emotional attachment, still consider Edgington “their church” but in a very real sense, they have decided that is actually not the case by their lack of participation.

Can a person be restored from either the inactive roll, or the consequence of being removed all together? Of course! And we love it when that happens. That person would re-affirm their membership vows by private profession to the Session and then publicly before the congregation – and there will be much rejoicing!

Why should members know about the inactive roll? Because it elevates our understanding of the value of church membership, and helps every member appreciate the communal ethic that comes with membership in the body of Christ. When one is absent, the Body is not whole. We should long for and labor toward the maintenance of the unity of the body of Christ. If you know someone who hasn't been to church for quite some time, say to them, “We miss you. Come back. Sit with me when you do.”

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zach".

ELDERS

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

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

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

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 - Joshua Gierlus	16 - Lexi Youck
3 - Kira Nelson	18 - Robert Kadel
5 - Jeff Schmidt	20 - Keegan Koresko
6 - Ken Benningfield	21 - Wyatt Terrill
6 - Jason Rursch	24 - Michelle Doonan
6 - Jeff Thomas	24 - Zach Hopkins
7 - Marlin Krueger	24 - Cora Schafman
7 - Phyllis Titterington	29 - Tyson Freyermuth
10 - Scott Cullen	29 - Terri Kiddo
14 - Daria Parchert	29 - Vicky Ruggles
16 - Jim Schauebroeck	30 - Ken Kaiser

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

4 - Wyatt & Karrie Fuhr
 8 - Donald & Clarice Docherty
 10 - Jim & Carrie Reimers
 12 - Larry & Pam Pithan
 14 - Norman & Jan Dunlap
 16 - Kyle & Tara Johnson
 18 - Donnie & Brandee Neece
 18 - Steven & Amy Ryser
 20 - Rich Stilwell & Michelle Franklin
 20 - Marlin & Darcy Krueger
 22 - Robert & Alice Crawford
 24 - Jeff & Kathy Fuhr



Thank You for the prayers, cards, phone calls, food, and faithful support during Marvin's health issues. How grateful we are for this church and its caring people. Your kindness was greatly appreciated.

Denise Rursch and family



If you would be able to help with a Sunday School Class this summer, please see the sign-up sheet located on the table in the sanctuary foyer.

Any questions contact Beth Flickinger 309-206-4292 or Tara Johnson at 309-235-4054. ~ Thank you!

GREETERS FOR JUNE

Sunday, June 5th - Jim & Teresa Balmer
 Sunday, June 12th - Steve & Teresa Morrison
 Sunday, June 19th - Kim & Barb Freyermuth
 Sunday, June 26th - Brandee & Carolyn Neece



welcome

TO OUR NEWEST FAMILY MEMBERS!

(From left, back row) Alina Schafman,
 Mark Freyermuth, Eric Moel, Kelly Moel
 (Front row) Klay Goodnight, Terri
 Kiddoo, Brad Schafman

PLEASE ADD TO YOUR DIRECTORY

(Kay Amy attended all the Membership Matters classes, but could not attend the New Member Reception.
 She plans to officially join Edgington EPC with the next group, hopefully in the fall.)

The new digital directory will be released shortly, but many will still like to have a hard copy on hand, so please add our new member's information to yours.

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We are so thankful to God for our newest members and look forward to seeing how God grows them
 and uses them for His glory here at Edgington EPC and in our community!



SESSION

April 26, 2022, at 7pm

Location: Church Basement

Attendees Present: Teaching Elder Zach Hopkins and Ruling Elders Jim Mueller, Kevin Oak, Mic Penry, Patrick Shovar, and Keith Wilson. A quorum is present.

Pastor Zach acted as moderator of the meeting. Zach opened the meeting with prayer and read from John 14: 15-17. The Elders prayed for individual members of the congregation, then studied and discussed the Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 34: “The Holy Spirit”.

Approval/Amendment of Docket: Motion was made and seconded to approve the docket. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: March 29th, 2022, minutes were reviewed. Motion made to approve, seconded, and approved.

Zach’s Report: Zach reported on members with health concerns and prayer needs. During the past month he conducted 5 office visits, 3 home visits, 2 hospital visits, Bible Studies at Brookstone, conducted funeral service for Marvin Rursch, RLP CHC Meeting, and RLP CC Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The recent Shepherding meeting was discussed along with the Servant Keeper App recently installed.
- The Good Friday and Easter Sunday Services were discussed. There were very good turnouts for both services. The readers for the Good Friday service were very good and added to the service. Special thanks and appreciation were expressed for Tara Johnson for coordinating the Easter Sunday breakfast and to those that helped.
- Zach reported on the recently added Women’s Bible Studies. There is a Tuesday morning session at 10:00am and a Wednesday evening session at 7:00pm. Both are well attended.
- Zach will be conducting a spring Adult Communicant Class. The dates for the class are April 24th, May 1st, and May 8th. The meetings will be held following worship services. There are 7 adults signed up. The Ruling Elders are encouraged to participate.
- A discussion of church structure and accounting was tabled at the March meeting. It was brought forward. Keith and Zach provided a flowchart and reviewed the proposed changes. These changes would combine a few funds and simplify the use and accounting for them. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adopt the understanding of the church structure and accounting changes in accordance with the flowchart pending review with the Trustees. Keith will setup a review at the Trustees next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Zach handed out copies of the book “Gentle and Lowly, The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers” by Dane Ortlund. He would like to use this book for future continuing education for the Session after the conclusion of the study of the Westminster Confession of Faith.
- Zach discussed his sermon series in Colossians and discussed a potential sideroad concerning chapter 2:8.
- Zach discussed a recent family concern.
- Zach requested a vacation for the dates of June 6th – June 13th. A motion was made to approve the vacation and was seconded and approved. Mic agreed to deliver the sermon on June 12th.
- Zach will be attending General Assembly and needs to secure pulpit supply for June 26th.



SESSION

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- Zach requested that the church extend an invitation to host the January 2023 Rivers and Lakes Presbytery Meeting. A motion was made to extend the invitation. The motion was seconded and approved. Zach will see to it that the invitation is sent.
- The Session discussed worship considerations regarding collection of tithes and offerings and communion. The Session felt that we should resume the passing of the plates with perhaps a minor change to how that is done. We will pick a date to start this. The Session also agreed to continue to serve Communion as we have been doing.
- Communion will be held on May 1st, 2022. The next Stated Session meeting will be Tuesday, May 31st, at 7:00pm. The Session will study Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 35: "The Gospel of the Love of God and Missions" at that time.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:05pm. Motion Carried.

Teaching Elder Zach Hopkins closed the meeting with prayer.

Keith Wilson

Clerk of Session



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anywhere are perfect!

Please submit them **TODAY!**







We are getting close to being ready to launch the new digital directory! If you have not already sent me your pictures, please do so! If I don't receive a picture from you by the time we release the directory it will look like the image to the right...

Plleeease send me 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 your pics to edgingtonepc@gmail.com, text them to 309-738-1267, or drop them of in the church office today!

THANK YOU!!!

No picture

Smith, John & Jane

Date: 5-18-22

Present: Ken Benningfield, Mel Block, Kim Freyermuth, Jeff Fuhr, Darren Hall, Larry Pithan, Treasurer Barb Freyermuth, Session Representative Jim Mueller.

Mel opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:01pm.

Treasurer's report for April was reviewed and approved.

Minutes for April 20th meeting were reviewed and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Trustees will repair lawn damage caused by equipment used during roofing work last year. Will have Outdoor Innovations provide dirt fill.
- Received bid for replacing the 2 condensing units and blowers that serve the sanctuary. Approved bid from Crawford Company.
- Having engineering review of the structural support for the balcony. Will review at next meeting.
- Obtaining information to possibly install glass railing along front of balcony to provide better visibility.
- TR Paving will seal coat and stripe the parking lot and repair a couple low areas.
- Planning to install a handrail along the south sanctuary wall to assist with getting up the steps at the front.

NEW BUSINESS

- Church continues to have problems with ants. May need an additional treatment.
- Working on obtaining bids to replace siding on bell tower.

Mel closed the meeting with a prayer at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pithan

2022 Dates for Donating Locally

July 16th - St. Ambrose Church

Sept. 10th - Edgington EPC

November 12th - St. Ambrose Church



LOST & FOUND BASKET

Lost and Found

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



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

May 1st, 2022

In attendance: Beth Flickinger, Kortney Gierlus, Tara Johnson, Katie Pearson, Kathy Stegmiller, Hillary Terrill, and Session Representative Mic Penry

Beth opened the meeting in prayer.

A one-room class format will be used again this summer in order to provide classes but allow teachers a break.

- One-room classes will run from June 5 – Sept 4.
- Curriculum will be a unit on The Garden, The Curtain and The Cross, followed by a unit on The Lord's Prayer.
- All ages will be welcomed into the one-room format, and toddlers will be broken into a second room after the story & snack.
- Parents should please send water bottles with their children!
- Two helpers are needed (in addition to the teacher) each week to make this run smoothly.

Fellowship Events:

- Ice cream social will be August 14th.
- Fishing Derby / Back to School event will be August 27th from 4-7pm at the Terrill pond.

We will meet again in early August to confirm curriculum for fall, class age breakouts, and teachers.

Mic closed the meeting in prayer.



MISSION COMMITTEE

April 19, 2022

The Mission Committee met on April 19th, 2022, at 6:30pm in basement at EEPC. Those attending were: Deb Wagamon, Nancy Engstrom, Todd Stegmiller, Deanna Parchert, Karla Pearson, Kathy Fuhr, and Session Rep. Kevin Oak.

Deb opened the meeting in prayer.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Minutes:** March minutes were approved
- **Mission Updates:**
 - **Youth Hope:** Three new staff have joined Youth Hope. Rob, Nick, and Luz are currently in training and will be working with the kids and teens. Summer Camp cleanup is in progress with cleaning days on 4/23 & 5/14. They are expecting 440 students this year, \$250 per student for the summer camp. CRE8 Showcase will be Saturday, May 21st; come and see student art and performances! The next mailing will be May 10th, 9am in Moline Center. Finally, the new housing addition at Camp Summit, which will offer another 45 beds, is estimated at \$720,000. They are already obtaining donations and support to kick off this new build. Deanna would like to help partner and support YH as a mission member.
 - **Pregnancy Resources:** Fundraising banquet was March 24th. We have not heard if they reached their goal. The baby bottle campaign is coming up in May. Karla and Kathy would like to partner and support this ministry.



- **Winnies Place:** There is a need for furniture to replace those items damaged in the flood that occurred in March. 6 single beds, 6 dressers, 3 sofas, 3 chairs, 6 lamps. We have obtained 2 lamps, 2 end tables, 1 sofa and 1 chair to date, as donations. We will table the discussion to support the shut off valve plumbing work that needs to be done (\$3,000) until our meeting in May.
- **Steve Woodworth & McCallum's:** The committee decided to present a gift to Steve Woodworth for all the years of service as we felt there was a personal connection to EEP. This will be presented at a later date.
- **Burdsall:** We received an update on the work they are doing. One son has come down with COVID and the other will be graduating early from University in December. Prayers for their continued ministry, for Josiah's health, and for life after graduation for Caleb.
- **Saul & Jess Huber:** They are very busy working with refugee families, ministering to the unbelievers, and sharing the truth of God's grace which those around them.
- **Jeff Lancaster:** Deb has reached out to Jeff to receive an update on his ministry. We hope to have an update in May.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Approval of 2nd Qtr. Mission Funds for 2022.** The committee approved sending out the 2nd Qtr. Funds

2022 3rd Qtr. Mission Commitments	Amount Committed
World Outreach (Burdsall)	\$ 2,125.00
World Outreach ITEM (Being Reassigned)	\$ 2,125.00
World Outreach (Huber)	\$ 1,050.00
EPC Church Planting (Lancaster)	\$ 1,500.00
Youth Hope	\$ 1,500.00
Youth Hope – Cre8 Studios	\$ 750.00
Pregnancy Resources	\$ 750.00
	\$ 9,800.00

- **EPC International Disaster Relief Fund:** At this time, the committee chose to support Caminul Felix. We may look at EPC's fund at a later date.
- **Caminul Felix:** is requesting assistance. They have taken in over 600 Ukraine refugees and are expecting a large group of orphans with their tutors very soon. They are requesting monetary assistance to help with food, gas, heating, and electricity. The committee voted to send \$1,000 to support Caminul Felix's efforts.
- **Winnies Place:** We will begin our focus on collecting the necessary furniture for the three apartments that were damaged. We will review any further needs at our May meeting.
- **Project Now Meals:** The session has requested the Mission Committee provide leadership for the meal program which is now being served five days a week at EEP. Friendship Manor provides the food but someone is needed to help coordinate and manage the serving of the meals at our church. Kevin will provide more information at our May meeting so we can meet this need.
- **Minute for Mission:** On May 8th, 2022, Deb will share an overview of the Pregnancy Resources Baby Bottle Fund raiser for May/June time frame.

Kevin closed the meeting in prayer

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17th, 2022 at 6:30pm.



CAMP SUMMIT

May 2022

You can give at-risk youth a life-changing experience this summer!

Greetings Edgington Evangelical!

You helped TWO low-income kids have an amazing, week-long, overnight summer camp experience at Camp Summit last summer! Thank you for providing this powerful, life-changing opportunity! Because of you, at-risk youth felt valued, treasured and loved through compassionate staff and volunteers. You gave them memories to last a lifetime! Thank you!

Summertime can add to the disparities experienced by children from low-income families. Kids often experience summer learning loss, nominal supervision, and lack access to physical, social, and educational enrichment activities. You can help address all these disparities for low-income youth by sponsoring low-income youth to Camp Summit!

Will you please help send TWO kids to Camp Summit again this summer?

Sponsorship is \$250 per camper. You will provide three delicious meals each day, access to adventures, fun activities, life skills, leadership training, and most importantly, an introduction to God's love! Kids and teens NEED this impactful opportunity to develop confidence, courage, and character!

You will help kids and teens get unplugged and connect with God, mentors, and new friends! This is one of the best investments you can make this year!

**"Without you, we probably wouldn't be able to come to camp.
Without you, I wouldn't of got way closer to God, so thank you!"
-Omarion, 2021 teen at Camp Summit**

Your sponsorship is critical to provide this opportunity to low-income kids. Thank you for helping send kids to Camp Summit!

Looking forward to an impactful summer!



Mark Drake
YouthHope Executive Director





HOPE AFTER ABORTION (To read the entire 2nd qtr. edition click [HERE](#).)

Angie* is post-abortive. Nearly 20 years ago she made the choice to abort. Now she wonders what her child would have become. For years, Angie has struggled with her choice and what it cost both her and her pre-born child.

Abortion touches us all. Nearly 1 in 4 women will have had an abortion before they are 45 years old; this includes women attending church and women who do not! Few women or men who have been part of an abortion decision walk away unscathed. Many silently suffer with guilt, shame, and grief.

- She may be the 23-year-old student you see heading out to class at the local college.
- She may be your 47-year-old friend who smiles and hugs you when you come to life group or Sunday School.
- She might be your 70-year-old mom praying in the seat next to you.

Abortion is the silent shame permeating the church. Many sit quietly as abortion is discussed around them, wrestling with grief. What would happen **if she allowed herself to open up and share** her story about her abortion decision? How could you help her to grieve her deliberate choice?

Angie found help at Pregnancy Resources through the After-Abortion Care program. After-Abortion Care is a ministry of Pregnancy Resources designed **to allow moms and dads to grieve a previous abortion decision, helping them unpack deep-seated regret and find hope, healing, and restoration** - whether it was one month, one year, or 20 years ago.

After Abortion Care is led by women and men who have experienced abortion as part of their story. These leaders have done the hard work of wrestling with their own grief and have found healing and wholeness in Jesus.

Are you or someone you know struggling with a past abortion decision? Help is available. Contact Pam@qcpregnancy.org or call her at 309-797-3636. *Name changed for confidentiality

PURPOSED – BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG 2022

Baby bottles due back on Sun., June 19th - father's day

Do my dimes make a difference? YES! In 2021, over 500* individuals and families came together to impact families with their change. Each bottle made a difference and when it was all put together, those bottles made up over 10% of our ministry budget! (*estimated number of people due to anonymous givers)



What is the impact of a Baby Bottle? Every baby bottle is an opportunity to share the truth with compassion and love to a woman or man who enters the doors at Pregnancy Resources. A baby bottle can hold up to \$50.00 in change! That baby bottle could provide 2 pregnancy tests, with full options counseling and compassionate care with a peer-to-peer mentor. Paper money & checks fit nicely into the bottles as well!



**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!**



Want to register? Need more info?

Contact Marissa @ 563-386-3737

or Marissa@qcpregnancy.org

HUBER-VENTURES

May: A chance to be home (click [HERE](#) for the full update)

We are home now until mid-June. We are so grateful for the chance to enjoy Spring in Southern Illinois, with visits to the Farmer's Market, eating on our patio, foraging in the yard, working on our garden, and playing with neighbors. The weather is warming up, which means Salem's long hair had to go. When he saw his reflection he said, "I look like someone else!" We've said goodbye to our beloved VW Beetle and bought a second vehicle that can actually transport our kids.



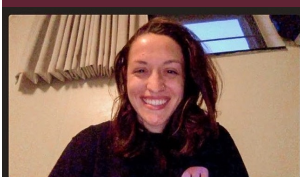
We came home from our last few travels feeling tired and overwhelmed. Sidon is the cutest, but he also is teething and therefore not sleeping. We have hopes of tackling some house projects while we're home including framing out a new guest room/home office in our basement. We really miss being with our local community and want to spend time with people. Our World Outreach workload is increasing as we prepare for General Assembly in June and as our boss, Shawn, begins to hand things over to us in preparation for his sabbatical.

Almost like a reminder that we can't do everything, we all got sick as soon as we got home. It started with Sidon and has since spread to everyone except Saul and Zuri. It seems we're still feeling tired and overwhelmed and would love your prayers:

- that we would release control and trust God to accomplish His will for our family this month.
- for healing for our family! We're ready to be done with coughing and tired kids.
- for our work transition--that nothing would fall through the cracks as we take on Shawn's part.
- for the building projects--for strength, time, materials and everything to come together.
- PRAISE God with us for our house, that continues to be a great space for our family, and for his PROVISION of the funds for this project to help us continue to grow in ministry from this home base.

Thanks for doing life with us. We're grateful for your prayers and support.

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



A Summer Prayer Request

Dear praying friends and family,

Most of you know about the mission cohorts that we facilitate for World Outreach. This summer, two of our college students are doing a six week internship with World Outreach in Fremont, CA. Below we've copied an update from Keelyn, one of the interns, about what they'll be doing so that you can be praying for them as well. To read their prayer request click [HERE](#).



Welcome to Epistle!

We're finally getting around to starting our updates on [HERE](#)! You can expect a mix of ministry updates, prayer requests, and family updates. To begin with, here's a picture of all five of our kids looking at the camera and smiling!

There is sooooo much more to the Huber's update this month! The have a new website through Epistle mentioned above. Please click on any of the "HERE'S" to be taken there to read more and see more pics!



THE BURDSALL'S

Serge

Grace at the Fray

Some ministry updates and prayer requests.

Easter Asha events went well!

- We had a walk with the ladies of Asha, including a couple teens too. We drove to a park and did a walk, some fun games, and enjoyed spending time together. I was a bit hesitant with the rain, but it was a great time to spend together and to show God's love to each other.
- The children's Easter activity and the lady's sewing time went well. The children enjoyed playing games and doing an egg hunt, and they also heard the Easter story as part of the time.
- Easter service was well attended and most stayed to eat and socialize after. S.... and I were in the kitchen for most of the evening, but there were many compliments on the food and some good discussions that our teammates had with the guests. (we just heated the food that others cooked- love the compliments, but had little to do with creating it!)
- It is exciting to think of the number of adults and children that heard the story of Jesus and what Easter means. Pray that they will consider this and that God will speak to them and they will want to know more of Him.

At Girl's club we are hoping to have some more time to sit and chat each week, and that we can bring up some deeper discussion points with the girls. Pray for opportunities for that, and that as leaders we would be able to share our faith in Jesus and what that means in our lives. Pray also for the girls to see God's love for them.

As ESOL classes begin again, pray for the people that come. And pray for S.... and our teammate as they lead the classes - both to meet the need of learning English, but also to show care and tell of God in their actions and in the Bible time at the end.

Asha Kid's club has begun! The first meeting only had one child outside of our team kids, but that is still a start! Pray for that boy to return and for others to come along as well. Pray that the children have fun, but that they also can hear and engage in the Bible story they hear each club. And pray for energy for us leaders.

Continue to pray for book tables and the conversations S.... and our team have with the people that stop by. S.... has been doing some training in apologetics so he can have deeper and longer conversations with those that stop by.

J..... has also been doing a lot of discussion about Christianity and what we believe. He has had Muslim classmates wanting to debate and "win" the debate by talking loudest. Pray for him to continue to be brave and wise in what he says, and for him to know God is the one who provides the power.

A few weeks ago a Bengali man walked into the church we attend Sunday mornings and asked to meet with someone to talk about faith. S.... is going to start meeting with him next week, so please pray for those conversations. It is exciting to have someone basically come to us - God at work!

Please pray in general that we remember the power of God at work here in all we do and in the lives of the people of this borough. Pray we rest in His strength and trust that He will reach hearts.

Some personal updates and requests:

C.... is visiting in a couple weeks! He is coming to surprise A..... for her birthday. He can only stay about 10 days, but please pray for safe travels and a good time with him.

J..... starts GCSEs in two weeks. He will then have about a month where there is a test almost every day. Pray for him to have a clear head and not to stress too much- and be able to get rest still.

I had a fun trip with L..... up to Llv3rpool so she could do an audition for university. She is waiting on just a couple more school answers and then should be making a decision this month. Pray for wisdom. This has been a long few years of upheaval for her- we are excited to see God working and bringing good plans to light.

We have a week at the end of the month/beginning of June for Serge company conference. Pray for safe travels for S..., A..... and I, and for a good time of growing/learning/connecting/resting. And pray for L..... and J..... who are staying here to work and study.

A few days ago my grandma died. She lived a long and beautiful life and I am sure is enjoying Heaven to its fullest. We are still sad though. And missing family at this time. Please pray for comfort for all of us here and in the US at this time.

For safety reasons it has been decided not to include a link to their full update. If you would like to receive their regular updates via email, please contact the church office and Lisa will connect you with the Burdsall's to be added to their email list.



Project NOW
Community Action Agency

**PROUDLY SERVING
SENIORS SINCE 1968**

For many years now Edginton 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.



2022 MONUMENTAL VBS

The mission project for this year's VBS has been decided on. The campers will be involved in a penny contest the week of camp. The money contributed will be used to partner with Kid's Against Hunger to package meals to be sent to all parts of the world where there is a need. Our goal is to raise \$800 and package 3,200 meals. We also plan to make a monetary donation to the Yucatan Peninsula Mission that the campers will hear about on Tuesday during VBS.



Our counselor training dates are Thursday, June 30th at 7pm or Sunday, July 10th at 4pm. All counselors must attend 1 session. If neither date works, please contact Beth Flickinger.

NEEDS:

- * EGG CARTONS for a craft project
- * We are still looking for a local mission project where the Jr. H. group could help 1 or more people in the community with a personal project.

Next meeting will be Sunday, June 5th at 12:15pm in the church basement.

EDGINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Treasurer's Report APRIL 2022

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	Balance
General	\$ 89,542.53	\$ 26,682.50	\$ 22,477.75	\$ 93,747.28
Jahn	\$ 9,390.09	\$ 193.79	\$ -	\$ 9,583.88
Edgington	\$ 5,600.02	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,600.02
Boughton	\$ 195,009.38	\$ 991.38	\$ -	\$ 196,000.76
Lauby	\$ 24,833.66	\$ 314.92	\$ -	\$ 25,148.58

Ending Gen. checking balance	120,643.61
Uncleared Transactions	\$ 11,712.43
General checking Balance	\$ 108,931.18

Reconciled Bank Accounts	
Gen. checking	\$ 108,931.18

MARCH 2022 GENERAL FUND EXPENSES

Zach Hopkins salary	4,552.34
Housing Allowance	1,800.00
Fidelity (pension)	960.89
EPC (health)	25.23
Mileage	197.73
Lisa Bowman	1,365.37
Robin Preston	398.16
Payroll Taxes	1,790.46
Reytel	116.93
AT&T	58.10
MidAmerican Energy church	632.00
Millenium Waste	41.33
Tri County Pest Control	75.00
Ministry Designs (website & domain)	30.00
Office Supplies	49.99
ABS (copier)	146.52
Postmaster (stamps)	32.76
Resource Materials	211.23
Continuing Education	352.31
Presbytery Expense	250.00
Mission	8,675.00
Flowers	588.00
Miscellaneous	128.40

TOTAL EXPENSES	22,477.75
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General	\$ 93,747.28
Edgington	\$ 5,600.02
Jahn	\$ 9,583.88
	\$ 108,931.18

INCLUDED IN GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Mission monies included in general fund	8,211.62
Assistance Fund	\$ 5,153.46

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

TREASURER'S REPORT *Cont. from p. 14*

Edgington Presbyterian Church General Fund Profit & Loss April 2022

	<u>April 2022</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Basement Rent	100.00
INT Income - General Fnd	8.97
Loose Offering	1,524.00
Other Income	3,814.91
Pledges	<u>21,234.62</u>
Total Income	26,682.50
Expense	
Pastors housing allowance	1,800.00
Operating Maint. - General	233.26
Presbytery expense	250.00
Resource materials	211.23
Continuing Education	352.31
Flowers	588.00
Mileage	197.73
Miscellaneous	128.40
Mission	
U.S. Mission - Presb.	2,550.00
Int. Mission	1,000.00
Int. Mission - Presb.	2,125.00
Local Mission	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total Mission	8,675.00
Office Supplies	
Copier	146.52
Office Supplies - Other	<u>79.99</u>
Total Office Supplies	226.51
Payroll Expenses	
Custodian Payroll	398.16
Pastor Salary	4,552.34
Payroll Taxes	1,790.46
Secretary Services	<u>1,365.37</u>
Total Payroll Expenses	8,106.33
Pension & Health Care	986.12
Postage	32.76
Utilities	
Gas & Electric - Church	632.00
Telephone	<u>58.10</u>
Total Utilities	690.10
Total Expense	<u>22,477.75</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>4,204.75</u>

ALL submissions for the June 2022 Newsletter must be in by **NO LATER** than Wednesday, June 15th. Items received after that date may not make it into the newsletter.



Thank you for your cooperation!

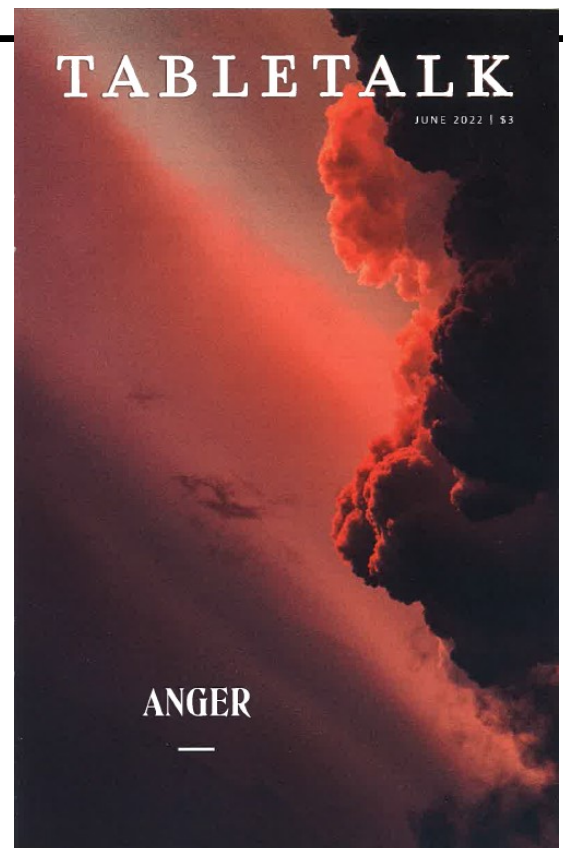
~ Lisa Bowman, Office Manager

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 JUNE COPY OF THE TABLETALK DEVOTIONAL



LOCATED ON A TABLE IN THE SANCTUARY FOYER

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Christ Preeminent: The Book of Colossians

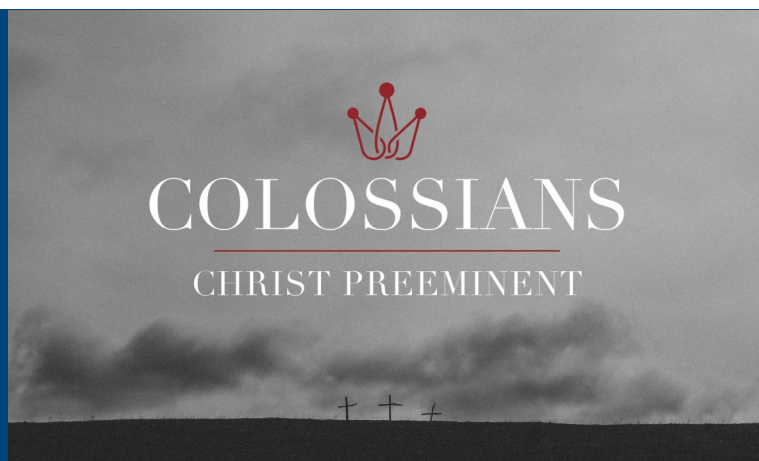
The New Year will bring a new sermon series in the book of Colossians. This brief New Testament book is full of glorious truths about the Lord Jesus and how our lives can be transformed as we learn to follow Him. Would you like to grow in the sincerity of your faith? Join us on the Lord's Day in 2022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

Sunday, June 5th – Guest Pastor, Rev. Dr. Jim Wilhoit

Sunday, June 12th - RE Mic Penry Preaching

Sunday, June 19th - Colossians 2:13-15

Sunday, June 26th - Colossians 2:16-17



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 and are following it, 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.



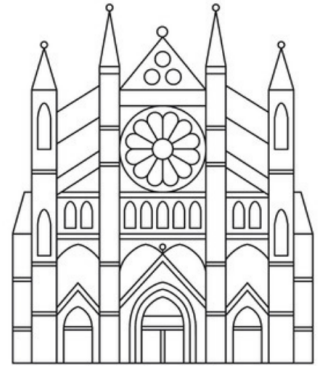
Pastor Zach is on Facebook Live every Sunday morning at 10am for our Lord's Day Worship Service .



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

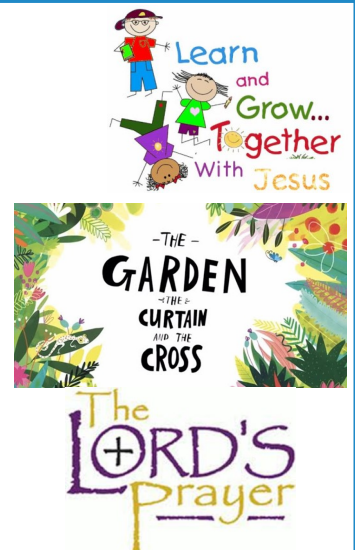
Every Sunday morning at 9am

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

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

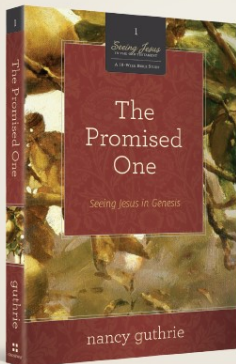
This summer we will have our "one-room schoolhouse model again for the kids ages toddler - Jr. H. We will be doing a study on The Garden, the Curtain, and the Cross, by Carl Laferton & The Lord's Prayer.

The High School Students are encouraged to join the Adult Class. See p. 6 for more details.



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 and Wednesday evenings at 7pm we are studying "The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis."

This study involves teaching, discussion, and application with opportunities for personal Bible study in between weekly meetings.

This study is set to wrap up on June 14/15, but the format allows you to pop-in and out as your schedule allows. We will 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



QUILTING

NO QUILTING JUNE, JULY, or AUGUST

We normally meet on the third Thursday of every month from 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

Next Clinic: Monday, June 20th 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.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY
RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE
THANK YOU!!!



Happy
FATHER'S
Day!

THE RIGHTEOUS LEAD
BLAMELESS LIVES;
BLESSED ARE THEIR
CHILDREN AFTER THEM.

PROVERBS 13:7

CrossCards

The Women's Ministry Committee would like to thank everyone for their contributions of various kinds, donations, support, attendance, and purchases at this year's rummage & bake sale.

We had a very successful sale, and the proceeds will help us to continue fulfilling our purpose to support the mission of the church.

Thank you again!!!



Mark Your
Calendar



Save the Date!
Ice Cream Social
Sun., Aug 14th
4 - 7pm



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FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL
KICKOFF

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27TH
4 - 7PM
TERRILL'S POND



Cade Reimers

Sunday, June 5th
1:00 - 4:00

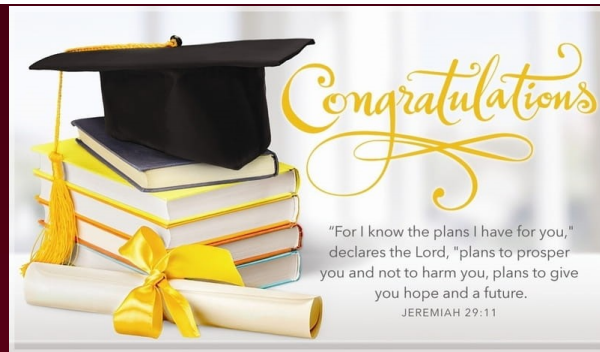
Redlinger's Barn
10323-108th St. W.
Taylor Ridge, IL 61284

The family of Cade Reimers would love for you to join them in their celebration of his High School Graduation. Please see the invitation above for all the details!

2022 GRADUATES

We would like to recognize and celebrate all our 2022 students that are moving on to their next adventure!

Please keep them in prayer as they try to discern God's path for their lives.



8th Grade moving into High School:

Payton Cook
Morgan Flickinger

Klay Goodnight
Caroline Neece

Trenton Pearson
Kayden Ruggles

High School Graduates:

Camden Dochtery Enlisted with the Illinois National Air Guard in October of 2021 and has been serving one weekend every month since his commission. After graduation he will go to bootcamp & training, then onto Illinois State University, while continuing his commitment with the Air Guard.

Drew Hall Plans to attend Western Illinois University in Macomb and will be on the golf team.

Sianna Johnson Plans to attend St. Ambrose University pursuing a degree in nursing and performing with their dance team.

Rachel Preston Plans to attend Culver-Stockton College pursuing a degree in History/Education.

Cade Riemers Applying for an apprenticeship at the Quad City Electrical Training Center.

Sianna Zampogna Plans to attend Augustana College, participating in band and theater.

College/University Graduates:

Nathan Flickinger Graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Systems Technology. He will be working as an Engineer Technician for John Deere in Silvis, Illinois.

Bailey Iverson Graduated from the University of Dubuque, Cum Laude with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Nursing.

James Johnson Graduated from Monmouth College, Cum Laude with Business Administration Major and double minor in Economics and Psychology. He will be continuing his education in Law School in the Fall.

Syndey Lucas Graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelor's degree in Animal Sciences and a minor in Agronomy. She will be working as a Pet Care Specialist for New Horizon Kennel in Port Byron, Illinois.

Madalyn Mueller Graduated in December 2021 from Iowa State University with a degree in Advertising. She is working as a Marketing Specialist with 33 Realty.

Grace Preston Graduated from Culver-Stockton College with a Bachelor's Degree of Science in Elementary and Special Education. She will be teaching at United Schools in the second grade, cross-categorical classroom.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Edgington EPC Basement

Sunday, August 14th, 4 - 7pm

SOCIAL ON SUNDAY, PREP ON FRI. & SAT.



Here is the schedule leading up to the Social itself:

***Friday, August 12th at 8:30am:** (Please let me know if you are able to help)

- Mix the ingredients. Please bring your own blender if you have one, if not come anyway - there will be extras.
- Set up the basement

***Friday, August 12th at 3:00pm:**

- Crank the ice cream

***Saturday, August 13th at 8:30am:**

- Mix the potato salad
- Get the beans ready

***Sunday, August 14th at 2:30pm:**

- Cut the desserts
- Set up the serving line to be ready to start by 4:00pm

I will be sending postcards asking for donations about 2 weeks ahead of time. I ask all donations be to the church by Sunday morning unless otherwise specified on your postcard.

This event is always an amazing time for our church family to come together. I am so thankful for everyone who helps!

If you have any questions you can contact me at 309-235-4054. ~ Tara Johnson

JAHN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Jahn Family Scholarship was established to benefit Youth and Students of Edgington EPC as they pursue academic and spiritual growth through education.

If you are preparing to further your education and meet the requirements listed below, please go to the website, hover over the About Us tab, then on the drop down box hover over What We Believe, and click on the Church Facility Use, Requests... & Forms. Scroll down to the graduation cap and click on that. A PDF of the Jahn Scholarship Fund form should come up in a new window. You could also just on this link [HERE](#).

Once you have filled out the form submit it to the office by **NO LATER than AUGUST 29th**. Session will review your request at their August meeting the next evening.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be an active member of Edgington EPC.
2. Requests must be submitted to the office by the August Session meeting for approval. (The form says July, but August is correct. The form will be updated soon!)
3. Update the Church about your educational and spiritual growth.

JUNE 2022



EEPC

Sunday School 9am
Worship Service

Phone: 309-795-1713
Email: edgingtonepc@gmail.com
WEBSITE: www.edgingtonepc.org

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 Lisa out of office	30 Memorial Day NO Meal Site 	31 Meal Site Women's Bible Study, 10am Session Mtg., 7pm	1 Meal Site Women's Bible Study, 7pm	2 Meal Site PW Quarterly Mtg., 1pm	3 Meal Site	4
5 Food Pantry Sunday VBS Mtg., 12:15pm	6 Meal Site	7 Women's Bible Study, 10am Meal Site	8 Meal Site Women's Bible Study, 7pm	9 Meal Site	10 Meal Site	11
12 B/P Checks Deacon's Mtg., 11:30am	13 Meal Site	14 Women's Bible Study, 10am Meal Site	15 Meal Site Women's Bible Study, 7pm Trustee's Mtg., 7pm Newsletter Items Due	16 Meal Site	17 Meal Site	18
19 Father's Day Baby Bottles Returned 	20 Foot Clinic Meal Site	21 Meal Site Mission Comm. Mtg., 6:30pm	22 Meal Site	23 Meal Site	24 Meal Site	25
26 B/P Checks Basement Reserved	27 Meal Site	28 Meal Site Session Mtg., 7pm	29 Meal Site	30 Meal Site	1 Meal Site	2

Pastor Zach out-of-town

Pastor Zach to Ward Church in Northville, MI for General Assembly