



Edgington EPC has already been incredibly blessed to have the new position of Children's Ministry Directory filled by our own Rachel Johnson, and we thought it would be nice to have a little Q & A with her so she could share her thoughts so far.

What are some things you have enjoyed most about working as our Children's Ministry Director?

I have enjoyed getting to be a part in our children's journey with their faith. It has been a joy getting to spend some time each Sunday with children who are going to be the future. I have also enjoyed working with the Session, Pastor Zach, and the Congregation to grow this position. All of these people have played a very important part in my life. For everybody to be so supportive as I embark on my journey with this position, the support and guidance has been a blessing.



What are you excited about as you look toward a regular Sunday School schedule resuming?

I am so excited for the kids to get back into a schedule and routine each week. Our Sunday School teachers are amazing with their lessons each week. The kids are able to understand the content and grow on it. I love all the collaboration between the teachers and students as they share their thoughts and ideas. Since I started, we had a goal of making the most out of the whole group time before they break off into their grade-level classes, so I am very excited to get that started. It will be a great time to give an introduction to Kid's Kirk!



What encouragements would you have for families to become more regularly involved in CE ministries?

We are so blessed to have a wonderful group of volunteers to teach and help with Sunday School each week. I would encourage families to try out Sunday School! Each classroom is so welcoming and we would love to see you each morning. We have several events throughout the year that we encourage you to join us at to learn more about EEPCC Children's Education!

How do you see the Children's Ministry as an integral part of the larger ministry of our church?

I hope Children's Ministry is a foundation for the kids who will hopefully grow up to be active members of the church. It is a goal of mine to make sure that each child feels like they belong and have an important part in this church.

ELDERS

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 Patrick Shovar
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 Darcy Krueger

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 Jeff Fuhr
 Phil Fuhr
 Darren Hall
 Colby Mueller
 Cindy Oak
 Bill Sloan
 JR Thomas

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 - Hayden Ruggles | 16 - Amy Brogren-Morrison |
| 1 - Olivia Ryser | 16 - Deb Thomas |
| 3 - Jacob Freyermuth | 20 - James Cooksey |
| 3 - Greg Gierlus | 20 - Kevin Oak |
| 4 - Sandy Benningfield | 22 - Sue Miller |
| 5 - Lindsay Fuhr | 23 - Debra Landi |
| 5 - Nathan Oak | 24 - Conte Bingman |
| 6 - Livie Johnson | 24 - Camden Docherty |
| 6 - Betty Miller | 25 - Judy Bingman |
| 6 - Anna Pearson | 25 - Amy Oak |
| 7 - Kathy Stegmiller | 26 - Alyssa Landi |
| 9 - Denis Doonan | 27 - Justin Landi |
| 13 - Deanna Parchert | 27 - Brad Schafman |
| 15 - Taylor Freyermuth | 29 - Ben Goodnight |
| 15 - Teresa Morrison | |



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 - Allan & Jan Fuhr
- 1 - William & Deanna Parchert
- 4 - Kim & Barb Freyermuth
- 6 - Bill & Lisa Sloan
- 15 - Jeff & Paige Schmidt
- 18 - Terry & Mary Johnson
- 21 - Marvin & Peggy Weiss
- 23 - Buck & Nichole Monson



GREETERS FOR SEPTEMBER

- Sunday, September 1st – Tara, Raegan, & Rylee Miller
- Sunday, September 8th – Jeff and Kathleen Fuhr
- Sunday, September 15th – Denny and Shelly Doonan
- Sunday, September 22nd – Greg and Kortney Gierlus
- Sunday, September 29th – Molly Cook

To my brothers and sisters at Edgington EPC,

I am very late in writing to you to say thanks for having me over for worship. The worship at Edgington is always so completely rich in glory to God and is enjoyable in every respect.

May the Lord bless you all richly and abundantly!

Jeff Durham
 GracePoint Church, Dubuque, IA

Thank You

8-21-24

Present: Ken Benningfield, Mel Block, Jeff Fuhr, Kim Freyermuth, Darren Hall, Cindy Oak, Larry Pithan, Bill Sloan, JR Thomas, Treasurer Barb Freyermuth, Session Representative Jim Mueller.

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

Treasurer's report for July reviewed and approved.

Old Business

- There have been no reported recent issues with the elevator. The capacitors in the phase convertor have been replaced. These reportedly are a normal maintenance item.
- No further input on new communion tables. Waiting on more input from Zach.
- Discussed the concrete stoop outside the south office door. Decided the old concrete needs to be removed and re-poured. Trustees will schedule this work.

New Business

- Siding replacement project has been started. Once the old siding has been removed, the new windows will be installed.
- The interior window trim will need to be replaced after the new windows are installed. Trustees discussed possible options and will do the work.
- Trustees discussed a proposal Zach received for upgrades to the sound and video systems in the sanctuary. After discussion the trustees voted to approve the project. It was suggested that a portion of the cost can be covered with memorial funds.

Mel closed the meeting with a prayer at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pithan

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 2024 Deacon team includes: Jim & Teresa Balmer,
Marlin & Darcy Krueger, Dorothy Rursch, & Teresa Weber.



August 4, 2024

Present: Kathy Stegmiller, Tara Johnson, Rachel Johnson, Beth Flickinger, Nathan Flickinger, Lyndsey Flickinger, Hillary Terrill, Katie Pearson, and Session Representative Mic Penry

Nathan opened the meeting in prayer.

Old Business:

- Summer Sunday School is going great, and all of the kids are enjoying it.

New Business:

- Plans for Church Carnival/ Ice Cream Social were discussed. Prizes were purchased through Amazon. If it rains, the carnival will be moved inside to the Sunday School rooms.
- 2 students from Preschool class will be promoted at the end of August with Bibles as they move up to the 1st grade classroom.
- Fall curriculum was discussed and will be ordered in the coming weeks.
- The Fishing Derby will be on September 8th, 2024, from 4:00-7:00pm.
 - Please bring your own pole
- Harvest Party is October 13th, 2024.
 - More details to come on logistics.
- Trunk or Treat is on October 27th, 2024.

Next Meeting: September 29th, 2024.

Mic closed the meeting in prayer.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Sundays, October 13th, 20th, & 27th, 11:30am

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 and register!

Please scan the QR Code above and fill out the Personal Information/Registration Form by no later than Tuesday, October 8th. It will be automatically submitted to the church office and only viewed by elders and staff. If you have any problems, call the church office at 309-795-1713 or email at edgingtopec@gmail.com and someone will assist you.

If you are viewing this with your phone the QR Code will be hard to use, so just click [HERE](#) for the link.



"Membership Matters"

 **EDGINGTON**
EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN
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Adult New Member Registration

July 16, 2024

The Mission Committee met on July 16th, in a virtual meeting. Those attending were: Nancy Engstrom, Jim and Bailey Johnson, Eric and Kelly Moel, Cassie Fuhr, Todd Stegmiller, and Deb Wagamon.

Deb opened the meeting in prayer

Old Business:

- **Minutes:** June minutes were approved as written
- **Review ministry updates:** newsletters & mail were reviewed, discussed, and prayed over

New Business:

- **Rockridge School supplies:** The team will continue collecting school supplies so we have our boxes filled before the school year begins in August. Deb will get a list of supplies out to everyone this week and will get boxes placed in the upstairs conference room marked for High School, Jr. High, and Elementary
- **Jeff Lancaster Visit:** Jim was a gracious host and took Jeff Lancaster to lunch on Sunday, July 14th, and had a very nice visit and ministry update. Jim will share the information he obtained with the team at our next physical meeting.
- **New Members:** Several people have been working hard to ensure we have a full team in 2025 as we have two members coming off the Mission Team at that time. Lori Meier has graciously volunteered to join our team in 2025 and will begin attending meetings to familiarize herself with our ministries. Todd is in discussion with another member to join in January which should fill the team.

Next meeting – August 20th, 2024 at 6:30pm

Deb closed the meeting in prayer



To all my amazing brothers and sisters at Edgington,

I want to thank you all for your prayers, and the many cards and letters that have been such a blessing to Steve and I these last months. A very special thank you to the Youth Group and the Sunday school children who presented me with cards and flowers.

Jesus fills my life with such joy and one of my greatest blessings is being part of a church family who truly loves and supports its members. Please know you have touched my heart and that I keep you all in my prayers as well.

Deb Wagamon

August 25, 2024

Attendees: Jim and Teresa Balmer, Marlin and Darcy Krueger, Dorothy Rursch, Teresa Weber, Session Representative Patrick Shovar, and Session member Mic Penry.

Dorothy opened the meeting with prayer and read Bible passage from Psalm 118:24.

June 23, 2024 meeting minutes were read. Motion was made to approve and seconded.

Jul-Aug Activities: 28 calls/visits/cards to shut-ins
33 additional calls/visits/cards - 0 baby, 0 baptism, 3 anniversary, 5 get well, 4 sympathy, 18 birthday, 3 thinking of you, 2 meals
Note: Birthday cards are sent to those who are 70 years of age or more.
Anniversary cards are sent to couples married 25 years and then every 5 years.
After 50 years of marriage cards will be sent annually.

Old Business:

- Reached out to a member's family to check on the status of the member but no reply has been returned.

New Business:

- Deacons have been asked to hold a reception in honor of new adult members on November 3rd (tentative date).
- Fall Blood Drive: Seven openings remain for whole blood donations and four for double red.
- Fall Coat Drive: Mission Committee has not requested input (to date) from Deacons regarding the coat drive.

Motion was made to adjourn and seconded.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 20th at 11:30am.

Mic closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Weber



MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR USE

Are you aware that the church has a variety of medical equipment available for you to borrow as needed? We pray you never do need it, but life happens & if you need to borrow something, just contact the church office.

Here is the current supply list:

- Bath/Shower Chair
- Bedside Commode
- Commode Safety Rails
- Cane & Quad Cane
- Crutches
- Knee Scooter
- Medical Seats
- Raised toilet Seat
- Walkers
- Walkers w/seats & brakes

384 STORIES TO SHARE

Every student who attended Camp Summit has their own story of how camp changed their life. Kids have learned they are cherished, have a team of people cheering for them, and God loves them abundantly!

Denise is a spunky little girl, and God has amazing plans for her life! She attended Camp Summit for the first time this summer and had an absolute blast!

Denise and her sisters visit us at the Moline Youth Center almost daily. They walk over for a popsicle, a hug, and the daily Bible verse! YouthHope is often the first thing they do when they wake up. Denise has been known to ask for a popsicle at 8:30am! (We now keep banana bread on hand too!)

There is power in the relationship we have. Summer-time is a tough season for many kids with no regular daily structure or routine, no guaranteed school meals, and limited or no activities or social opportunities.

384 kids and teens, like Denise, are starting school with their own stories from Camp Summit! At-risk teens, first-time campers, M.O.V.E. mentees from schools, Youth Center students, foster care kids, church youth groups, student mission trip teams, and court-mandated community service students have experienced kindness, learned purpose, and found HOPE for their future!

We thank God for all these kids and teens, the camp staff, and the many volunteers who joined us this summer! Please join us in praying for blessing and protection over them all as they resume life away from Camp Summit.

Thank YOU for helping make these stories possible. Praise God for the many lives changed this summer!

Hannah Carr, Development Director

To read the entire August 2024 report, click [HERE](#).



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

After School - 1 Hour Once/Week
in Elementary School Locations

Saturdays - Teen Night (3 Hours)
Lots of Basketball!

Food Pantry - Once/Month
Help feed the hungry & break chains

Lunch Hour Mentoring - Once/Month with
School Partners

Help Make a Difference as a YouthHope Volunteer!

YouthHope will train, equip, & empower you to change a child's life?

Want to help but not sure how? Let's talk!
Please call us for more info! 309-762-4577

If God is prompting you to get involved, we have a place for you at YouthHope.
You will make an impact!

SAVE THE DATE TO CELEBRATE MARK & SARAH DRAKE!

Retirement
OPEN HOUSE

November 3rd
1pm-3pm

37 YEARS OF IMPACT
AND SHARING HOPE!

All supporters and friends of YouthHope
invited to come celebrate!

Moline Youth Center
3928 12th Avenue,
Moline, IL 61265

All supporters & friends of
YouthHope are invited to
celebrate Mark's retirement!
Please mark your calendars!
Sunday, November 3rd, 1 - 3pm

A SAFE PLACE

Many clients come to Pregnancy Resources afraid to tell their story and share the complicated details surrounding their current pregnancy. This was true of Hallie (not client's real name), a recent client who's living in the midst of abuse and is pregnant. **It can be hard to be honest about the messy and often painful bits of our life.** Who wants to tell someone that kind of difficult information, especially a complete stranger?

Nurse Beth was on duty this day and listened to Hallie with loving kindness. Hallie described all the difficult things that happened to her and now as a result, she was pregnant. **Hallie was considering abortion. She wondered how she could deal with this situation and have a child as a reminder?**

Nurse Beth was patient with Hallie as she started the ultrasound appointment, and eventually was able to show her the life growing inside of her. Hallie was fortunate to have her mom at the appointment to support her. The baby and the heartbeat were clear on the screen, and Hallie and her mom both saw the image at the same time.

Nurse Beth was able to educate Hallie on abortion, the risks, and the possible negative side effects abortion can bring. The nurse also discussed the resources and referrals Pregnancy Resources offers. Hallie said she felt better after the appointment because she'd been able to share her difficult experience with someone who was compassionate and there to listen and help. Hallie said that **Pregnancy Resources was a safe place.** Since this appointment **Hallie has connected with additional resources and has decided to carry this child instead of having an abortion.**

Tomorrow another woman like Hallie will walk through the doors in need of a safe place – **thank you for supporting a ministry that will help her feel safe and help her to see and choose life!**

~ Carey Eberhart, RN



Pregnancy Resources



Walk for Life 2024



(Click on the image above to register)

Saturday, September 7th, 2024

Ben Butterworth Park – East Shelter

5420 Old River Dr., Moline, IL 61265

(55th St. and Old River Dr.)

Join others for the two-mile family-friendly Walk along the Mississippi River, listen to live acoustic music, and have a treat with us provided by Whitey's. (Yum!)

PLUS, Walking for Life is always better with friends! Bring a new friend (18 years +) to the Walk, and you and the friend will receive a special gift from Pregnancy Resources. (*While supplies last)*



PRC 101 Volunteer Training

October 15-17, 2024 (Morning or Evening)

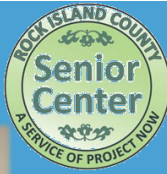
Morning Trainings are from 8:45am to 12:15pm & Evening Trainings are from 5:30pm to 9pm.

Now only 3 days, 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.

Want to register? Sign up online, [Register Here!](#)

Need more info? Contact Maia @ 563-386-3737 or Maia@qcpregnancy.org

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Project NOW Community Action Agency



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 DISTRIBUTION UPDATE

On August 3rd, we had a successful distribution to 32 families consisting of 65 adults, 6 teens, and 20 children. When we packed on August 2nd, there were 13 people who helped. On Saturday when we distributed, we had 17 adults helping plus 3 Rockridge high school students and 3 other students. What a blessing they were as they did the heavy lifting in the heat!

We would like to express our appreciation to all those who donated food, money, or time to help us with this mission outreach. Community support is so important to us, as we couldn't do this without you!

Donations of nonperishables are always welcome. Some of the things we always need are chunky soups and regular soups, canned fruit, canned meats, canned pasta, pasta sauce, ingredients for chili, Jello, pudding, cake mixes, saltine and graham crackers, and juice.

Wishing God's blessings to all.

Dewey & Shirley Flemming, Jim & Teresa Balmer, Don & Beth Easterla,
Marlin & Darcy Krueger, Mic & Sue Penry, and Jim Schaubroeck

FALL COAT DRIVE

The Mission Committee is collecting gently used coats, hats, mittens, and scarves to help those in need in our community.



Coats can be dropped off at the Edgington Evangelical Presbyterian Church. All sizes are needed, but especially children's sizes. The distribution date is TBA, but will coordinate with the Fall Food Pantry Distribution again.

If you have questions, or would like to recommend someone to receive a coat, please contact the church office at 309-795-1713.



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THE
WARMTH**

EDGINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Treasurer's Report July 2024

	Beg. Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	End. Balance
General Fund	\$ 103,778.70	\$ 12,489.77	\$ 9,924.74	\$ 106,343.73
Education Fund*	\$ 10,252.52	\$ 5,215.06		\$ 15,467.58
Building Fund*	\$ 219,156.61	\$ 31,709.38	\$ -	\$ 250,865.99
Youth Group*	\$ 10,729.65	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 4,955.75	\$ 16,273.90
	\$ 343,917.48	\$ 59,914.21	\$ 14,880.49	\$ 388,951.20

*This month the 3 funds noted above plus Sunday School below were blessed with a \$50,000 gift from Donna Dunlap's Memorial: \$30,000-building; \$10,000-YG; \$5,000-Education; \$5,000-SS.

July 2024 MONTHLY REVIEW - General Fund

Receipts - July 2024

Pledges	12,369.49
Interest Income - General Fund	15.28
Per Member Asking	80.00
Basement Rent	25.00

\$ 12,489.77 \$ -

Expenditures - July 2024

Administrative

ABS (copier rental)		60.8%
AT&T - Phone for elevator	243.22	
Cemetery Upkeep		
Computers: Hdw, Sftw and Apps	89.99	
Jeanne Hayes (Custodian)	524.98	
Johnson Controls		
Lisa Bowman (Office Manager)	633.91	
Kone (elevator)		
MidAmerican Energy	508.00	
Millenium Waste	64.08	
Office Supplies	51.86	
Repairs & Maintenance - general	1,759.51	<i>Kone & CertaSite bills</i>
Reytel - Internet	119.69	
Shipping/Postage	92.80	
Taxes / FICA / Penalty	1,949.49	<i>2Q FICA & July IL WH</i>

\$ 3,887.21

Discipleship (Internal)

Children's Director	393.25	39.2%
Continuing Education		
Deacon Expense	68.00	
EPC General Assembly		
EPC (health)		
Events		
Fidelity (pension)	1,064.76	
Flowers		
Housing Allowance	3,762.52	
Meals		
Mileage	77.05	
Music		
Pastor Salary	2,782.08	
Presbytery Expense	30.00	
Pulpit Supply	606.62	
Resource Materials	102.93	
Sunday School	(5,000.00)	<i>*Memorial from Donna Dunlap</i>
Worship Supplies		

\$ -

Mission (external)

Mission - International		0.0%
Mission - US		
Mission - Local		

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$ 9,924.74 \$ -
100.0%

NET OPERATING INCOME

\$ 2,565.03

INCLUDED IN GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Mission monies included in general fund of \$7,176.35 and Assistance Fund of \$4,483.46

*Sunday School: Donna Dunlap's Memorial donated \$5,000 for SS projects.

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost” – Luke 19:10

Sunday, September 1st - [Luke 9:18-22](#)

Sunday, September 8th - [Luke 9:23-27](#)

Sunday, September 15th - [Isaiah 41](#), Guest Speaker, Danny Cridelich

Sunday, September 22nd - [Luke 9:28-36](#)

Sunday, September 29th - Guest Pastor, Rev. Justin Beach

(Scripture passages are subject to change.)



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.

IT'S ALWAYS A GREAT TIME TO START FRESH IN GOD'S WORD!

Each year Pastor Zach provides a new reading plan to help equip you to spend time reading through God's Word. This year he has chosen a plan with Navigators.

The *Navigators Book-at-a-Time Bible Reading Plan* takes you through the entire Bible in one year, providing two readings for each day.

The first reading alternates between Old and New Testament books with the Gospels spread throughout the year. The second reading takes you through a chapter of the wisdom literature and Isaiah.

You can begin at any point of the year!

Each month consists of twenty-five readings. You'll have a few extra days each month to meditate more deeply on something that was significant to you in the past week, to catch up on missed readings, or to revisit favorite passages.

If reading through the entire Bible in one year looms as too large a task, you can alter the plan to meet your needs. For example, you could read the first reading this year and the second reading next year.

In the year ahead, ask God each day to speak directly to you from the Scripture portions you read. Be expectant, and let your continual exposure to God's Word reshape your attitudes and behavior as you gain a better understanding of every part of His written testimony to us.



Click on the image for the digital link

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.

Biblical Anthropology

Adult Sunday School Class
Fall 2024 - 9am



The first question of the Children's catechism asks, "Who made you?" - and the third question follows up with, "why?"

If anthropology is the "science of humanity" biblical anthropology anchors our understanding of who we are, and why we are, in relation to the Triune God. In a world that is filled with absolute confusion about these most basic things, it is important for the Christian believer to be equipped with the knowledge to answer these matters with confidence.

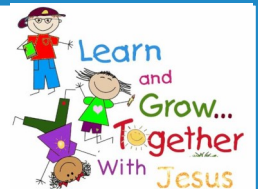
Please join us this fall for our Adult Sunday School study.

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 & Sue Miller
- 3rd-5th - Kathy Stegmiller
- Junior High - Tara Johnson
- Senior High - Nathan & Lyndsey Flickinger



All of Scripture is the unfolding story of salvation and Jesus is its focus. We show how Jesus, revealed throughout the Bible, came to seek and save the lost.

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

DIGITAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

I know many of you have struggled with accessing the digital directory on your phones - so have I, but I think that it is **FINALLY** corrected - please Lord, & praise God!

When you go to the website, in the menu bar, click "Member Access". Then, if you are on your phone, click on the text that reads: **"Digital Directory - Members Only Access"**. Enter the church's password and it should open for you! If you need the password, please contact the church office. We want to protect the privacy of our members, so we are not publishing it.

If you are on any other device than a phone, scroll down to the box with the church's logo and click on the "Click here to begin", then enter the church's password.

If you have not already registered your family so you can access your profile and make changes, you can do so from the "Member Access" page as well. Follow the directions above, based on the device you are using, but instead of logging into the directory, click on the **"Manage My Family Info"** link.

Then click on **"Haven't registered yet?"** Next, enter the "Family" email - usually the man of the household's email, unless he does not attend or it has been requested to be the lady's. If you are single, it is your own email. It should then send you an **email from "no-reply..."** with the subject line **"Member Portal Registration"** There will be a **link in the email** to register your family and create your own member portal. It will ask you to choose your browser and then send you to the Registration Member Portal page. Enter your new password and click **"Register"**. This should open your portal. It should read "Powered by **SERVANTKEEPER** at the bottom" and there should be links to your "Family Profile" and each individual member of your family with the word "Profile" as the link just across from their names. You should be able to click on each one of those profiles and update your pictures and info. You should also see links to "Change password" and "Visit Edgington EPC's Directory". I would recommend that you bookmark this page on your device and be sure to save your password and these directions if you feel like you may have trouble in the future. You can always call the office if you do, and I will do my best to walk you through it.

I am sorry this has been such a difficult process for so many of you and that it has taken so long to get resolved, but I think (again, please Lord!) that we finally have it fixed!

We would still so many of your lovely faces in the directory, so if you haven't added yours, please either access your profile through the directions above and add it, or send it to edgingtonepc@gmail.com and Lisa will get it added so we can see you!

Lisa Bowman, Edgington EPC Office Manager

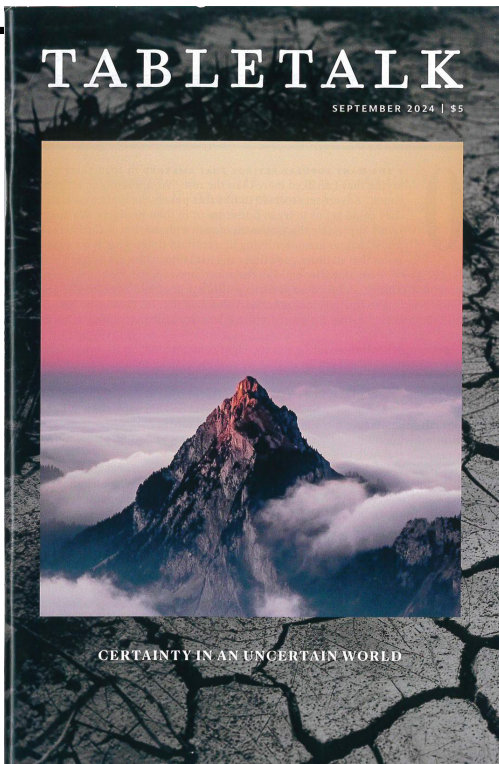


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GET YOUR SEPTEMBER COPY OF
THE TABLETALK DEVOTIONAL



LOCATED ON A TABLE IN THE SANCTUARY FOYER

EVERY SUNDAY (UNLESS NOTED)

5:30-7:30PM (UNLESS NOTED)

EEPC YOUTH GROUP

9.1 - FANTASY FOOTBALL DRAFT

9.8 - FISHING DERBY

9.15 - GAME NIGHT

9.22 - YOUTH VS ADULT
ULTIMATE FRISBEE

9.29 - ELEVATE TRAMPOLINE PARK

FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS

CADE REIMERS FOR MORE INFO

309.373.2488



Newsletter

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

If you would like to submit something for the newsletter, **please** be sure to have it in by the deadline.

ALL submissions for the October 2024 Newsletter must be in by **NO LATER** than Wednesday, September 18th. 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!

QUILTING

WEDNESDAY, September 18th, 9am

Please join us on the third WEDNESDAY of nearly every month from 9am - noon as we create, piece, and sew quilts to present to next year's graduating seniors, as well as donate to various ministries.

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.

Hope to see you there!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BIBLE STUDY & MEETING UPDATE

Our next business meeting will be on **WEDNESDAY**, September 4th, at 1pm, as Wednesdays seemed to work better for more people.

Kathy Stegmiller will be our hostess.
We really hope you will join us!

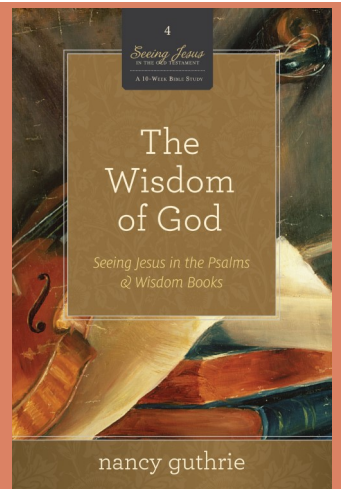
The Fall Women's Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, September 10th at 10am, with repeat lessons on Wednesdays at 6:30pm each week, so you have two options every week. We will be going through *The Wisdom of God*, by Nancy Guthrie, book three in her "Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament" series, a 10 week study, so we will be wrapped up before Thanksgiving.

ALL women are welcome, so please invite your friends! Each class lasts about an hour. Join us and learn even more about the amazing Word of God as He speaks to us in our study!

We are selling our cookbooks for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We have Danny Dudzit scrubbers for \$1.50 and several sets of plastic cooking utensils, Rada knives, and metal spatulas left for sale if anyone is looking for awesome Christmas stocking stuffers for adults!!

Please call Sue Miller if you have any questions or suggestions! 309-781-8231.

God bless!



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DO YOU HAVE **concerns** **about falling?**



A MATTER OF BALANCE

MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS

CONCERNED ABOUT FALLING?

Classes on Mondays & Thursdays for 4 weeks, beginning September 16th, from 12:30 - 2:30pm.

Many older adults experience concerns about falling & restrict their activities. **A MATTER OF BALANCE** is an award-winning program designed to manage falls AND increase activity levels.

This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.

YOU WILL LEARN TO:

- View falls as controllable
- Set goals for increasing activity
- Make changes to reduce fall risks at home
- Exercise to increase strength & balance

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Anyone concerned about falls
- Anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility, & strength
- Anyone who has fallen in the past
- Anyone who has restricted activities because of falling concerns

If you have expressed an interest, we will contact you. If you haven't previously notified us of your interest, please contact Nita Darland at (309) 781-9178 or Kathy Stegmiller at (309) 791-1162.

2024 VBS WRAP-UP

The books are closed on VBS 2024. 216 campers were registered and all but 1 came. There were 39 different churches represented and 35 campers with no church affiliation. 56 high school/college-age counselors were in charge of the campers, and approximately 65 adults led and assisted at the various stations. The campers brought food items that were then donated to the Rocket Closet (a school sponsored group which sends needed food and personal items home with kids each week who have been identified as needing assistance). In addition to the food, the campers raised \$980.00, which was split between the Rocket Closet and World Vision.



We dealt with rain Wednesday morning, and were very grateful that it stopped by 11am. It was very appropriate that the Bible story for the day was Jesus calming the storm on the Sea of Galilee! The rest of the week was great weatherwise.

The Junior High group (43 strong) was divided on Wednesday, with 8th graders going to Camp Summit to help, and 7th graders working on several projects in Edgington. The planned projects had to be quickly adapted due to the rain, but still felt all came away with lessons learned and an appreciation for serving others.

Afternoons were filled with various activities that kept kids busy and having fun. Since it was a water theme, we had speakers on water rescue, local watershed program, fish and wildlife, and a professional fisherman. Younger kids met a local author/illustrator of a children's devotional. Thanks to a very generous donation, each child received a copy of the book. Kids also learned about poison control, emergency preparedness, and hands only CPR. They swam each day, shot BB guns, did archery, and raced boats they made in crafts.

We would like to sincerely thank all who helped in any way - from enrolling your kids, donating cookies, supplies, money, time, &/or talents. It is hard to measure success, but investing in kids (the future of our church and community) is always time well spent. The Boy Scouts have offered us the week of July 21-25, 2025, and the Lord willing, that will be our plan as well.

Blessings,
Kathy Stegmiller

Friendly reminder that if you are planning to donate items for Operation Christmas Child, now is a great time to pick up those school supplies while they are abundant and on sale!



FOOT CLINIC

Next Clinic: Monday, Sept. 16th,
beginning 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.

BLOOD DRIVE

BLOODCENTER.ORG

Edgington Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Saturday, September 14

7:00 am - 10:30 am

Fellowship Room

13228 140th St. W.



To schedule an appointment, call Teresa Balmer at 309-738-9757 or email at jbtb530@mchsi.com, scan the QR Code, or click [HERE](#).

Appointments preferred. Walk ins welcome.

Give & get choice of gift card, a donation to Make-A-Wish IL or bonus points to the rewards store!

Please eat before donating and bring Photo ID.
Last Date to Donate Elsewhere: 7/20/24
Group Sponsor Code: 070



ICE CREAM SOCIAL UPDATE

The 2024 Ice Cream Social was another great success because of all our church family doing so much to make it all come together.

I cannot thank everyone enough for your help! When I sit back and look at all the hands it takes to make this a success it amazes me what a great church family we have, because everyone contributed some way, somehow.

So again, an overwhelmed, heartfelt, THANK YOU!

It was a wonderful evening of fellowship - people visited for hours! There were times I looked and there were no places left for people to sit. We made 115 gallons of ice cream and have about 50 quarts left.

Thank you again for your support. May God Bless you!

~ Tara Johnson





YOUTH GROUP

A small shoebox can have a big impact.

What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' Name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.

IDEAS FOR ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN THE BOX:

Toys: Dolls, toy cars, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, soccer balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc.

School Supplies: pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

Non-Liquid Hygiene Items: Toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths, etc.

Accessories: T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc.

Crafts: Make your own items. Go to website for ideas: <https://www.pinterest.com/occs shoeboxes/>

Ideas for Older Children: Hammer, nails, small tools, and sewing kits.

A Personal Note: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.



DO NOT INCLUDE: Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

The deadline for dropping off donations & the pizza packing party are yet TBD.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

FISHING DERBY

Welcome Back to Sunday School!

BRING A POLE AND CHAIR **Where: TERRILL'S POND** **BRING A DISH TO PASS!**
4:00-7:00

12622 84TH ST W TAYLOR RIDGE, IL

PROMOTION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

TRUNK or TREAT

OCT 27
4-6PM

CANDY | APPLE CIDER | PRIZE DRAWINGS

Open to the entire Rockridge Community!
If you would like to have a space in the parking lot please reserve your spot TODAY!
Church Office: 309.795.1713

THE YOUTH GROUP HAS ISSUED A CHALLENGE TO THE YOUNG(ISH) ADULTS...

ULTIMATE FRISBEE

SUN. SEPT. 22ND - 3PM ROCKRIDGE BAND PRACTICE FIELD

Harvest Party

OCTOBER 13TH 4-7 PM @ EEPCC

FUN FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH FAMILY!

PICNIC GAMES 'SMORES HAYRACK RIDES

⚡ EDGINGTON MEN ⚡

CHILI COOK-OFF

12.15.2024 **BRING THE HEAT!** 3-5:00 PM

ballot taste testing to crown the "Chili Champ"
enter your chili to win! come and eat!

FREE!

For ALL generations of EEPCC Men



OFFICER NOMINATION



MORE INFO



NOMINATION FORM

QUESTIONS:

RE PATRICK SHOVAR | NOMINATING CHAIR

TE ZACH HOPKINS | SESSION MODERATOR



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SEPTEMBER 2024



Sunday School 9am
Worship Service 10am

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1 Food Panty Sunday Promotion Sunday Youth Group, 5:30pm	2 <i>Labor Day</i> NO Meal Site	3 Meal Site	4 Meal Site Women's Ministry Mtg., 1pm WM Bible Study, 6:30pm	5 Meal Site	6 Meal Site	7
8 B/P Checks Sunday School Fall Class Schedule resumes Fishing Derby, 4 - 7pm	9 Meal Site	10 Meal Site WM Bible Study, 10am	11 Meal Site WM Bible Study, 6:30pm	12 Meal Site	13 Meal Site	14 Fall Blood Drive, 7 - 10:30am
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