

ELMWOOD MONTHLY NEWS

joining with God as he makes all things new

SEPTEMBER 2021

AROUND ELMWOOD

FALL KICKOFF & CHURCH PICNIC – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

The start of the academic school year is just around the corner, which means Elmwood’s fall kickoff is going to be here before you know it! This year’s kickoff will include the beginning of a new Adult Class, the return of Senior Bible Study, and a new sermon series called Gospel Foundations.

Immediately following the gathering on the 12th, we will have a Church Picnic. Elmwood will provide hot dogs, buns, and drinks, so bring a side or dessert to share. If you don’t already have one, grab a copy of our fall ministry schedule from the connections table.



FALL MESSAGE SERIES – GOSPEL FOUNDATIONS

As Tim Keller is known for saying, the gospel is not the ABCs of the Christian life. The Gospel is the A to Z of the Christian life. To put it a different way, we never move on from our need for the gospel, but we only move deeper into the gospel to experience its riches in fresh ways. During our fall message series, Gospel Foundations, we will be exploring various passages of the Bible which point us to the essential good news about who God is and what he has done for us in Jesus.

THURSDAY NIGHT MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Starting the week of September 13th, our NextGen ministry will meet every Thursday! In addition, Adult Class* will move from Sunday morning to twice a month on Thursday night, concurrent with our NextGen activities. (Nursery will be provided only on Thursdays with Adult Class.) We’ve also scattered a few more community events on Thursday night, so make sure to grab a fall schedule off the connections table if you don’t already have one! (*see backside for description of Adult Class)

SENIOR BIBLE STUDY IS BACK

Join us for Senior Bible Study the first Wednesday of every month in the Fireside Room at 1:00 pm. To coordinate with fall kickoff, the September Senior Bible Study will be on Wednesday, September 15th.

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ADULT CLASS (see Thursday Night Ministry Schedule)

Although the Scriptures are full of the timeless truths for each generation, God chose to communicate those truths within the context of specific cultures and circumstances. It is during these cultural moments that God revealed Himself, His purposes, and His plan of salvation through Jesus Christ, so it greatly benefits us to have a solid grasp on those moments to better understand His word. This fall we are going to take a deep dive into the context of Scripture, going on an adventure to different times and places, asking the question, “What do I need to know here to more richly understand God’s word and what Christ has done for me?”

WELCOME TO THE TEAM, ZACK!

We recently added Zack Melvin to our team as a part-time custodian. His much more awesome—but unofficial—title is Wizard of Custodial Arts. You’ll find him milling around emptying garbage cans and all the other things needed to keep our facility looking its best.



AUGUST GENEROSITY REPORT

Thank you for your faithful generosity to the ministry that happens through Elmwood. We are so grateful for each person who contributes to what God is doing here!

Month to Date: Aug 1 thru Aug 31		Year-to-Date (Jan 1 thru Aug 31)	
Actual August Income	Actual August Expenses	Actual YTD Income	Actual YTD Expenses
\$47,154.69	\$51,143.26	\$181,636.16	\$220,362.75

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SAVE THE DATE

S’MORE S’MORES AND LAWN GAMES — THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Our last S’mores event was so successful, join us again on Thursday, September 30th for another! This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors, and to meet people who live in the neighborhood surrounding Elmwood. Keep an eye out for our posts on social media and help us spread the word by sharing and inviting online as well!

