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The Wickline Grapevine

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Weekly Devotional: Our Complaints Show Our Blessings!



A colleague of mine was/is very loud and authoritative in conversations. I often heard him speak to others regarding the problems they were facing. He was also an expert in listening and helping those folks reframe their interpretation of the problems. Most often, you could hear say something like, "Oh my. That is a significant first-world problem you have. Just imagine you did not have food today. Or maybe you aren't getting paid because you don't have a job. Yet, you're feeling mad because you didn't get those new shoes." My friend would, without knowing it, remind me to keep perspective of what I consider problems. Imagine all the blessings we take for

granted. We may forget our Blessings for which others pray like a home to live in, a job, a friend, freedom, or enough money to pay the bills. Our complaints can reveal our blessings. May we praise more for what we have as a sign of our faith:

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort; who comforts us in all our affliction, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, through the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God."
2 Corinthians 1:3&4

See you Sunday
Sam

Weekly Day School Update



We will be finishing up our lessons for April, "Earth and Water." This week we will be focusing on what water can do and review our letters and numbers. Our Bible verse this month is from Proverbs 3:19; "The Lord created the earth." Snacks this week will be applesauce and pretzels. If you have not paid April tuition please do so ASAP.

Sincerely,
Bailey Waggerman

Pray for General Conference

A lot of issues are being addressed in our denominational world-wide conference. In our early worship on Sunday, Pastor Sam asked us all not to pray that our desired outcomes be met, but rather, pray in all outcomes that the Lord's will to be done. We believe in prayer, right?! Let's pray this conference into God's plan for everyone.

Would You Like to Read Scripture?

We are looking for folks to Read Scripture on Sundays 3 Sundays a year. Folks from both services are needed. Please contact Tyler Lippe at TylerL@wickline.church to sign up to be a liturgist in the coming months.



"Remember no one can make you feel inferior without your consent."
-Eleanor Roosevelt-



Weekly Poem by Robin Collins

My Faith in You, Lord

Let me walk with you Lord on
your journey
Let me go with you and be by
your side
Let me listen to your stories as
you wander
Be my savior Lord, and please be
my guide.

I listen to the stories and I wonder
Are they true, Lord, do I truly
believe?
Can my faith chase away the
doubts within me
Yes! my strength is strong, it will
not leave.

My faith in you Lord will not
waiver
I will not let my faith be torn
apart
The miracles I've seen keeps my
faith all a glow
I will keep you ever close to my
heart.

From "The Path I Follow"
by Robin Starbird Collins

May Happenings



Sunday, May 12th: Mother's Day Sunday
Breakfast for mothers served between services at
9:30am in Fellowship Hall.



Sunday, May 19th: Graduation Sunday
Breakfast for graduates served between services at
9:30am in Fellowship Hall.



Sunday, May 26th: Memorial Day Sunday
Send in your pictures and names of Wickline members
who were Veterans who have gone on to their
heavenly reward for presentation for both services on
Memorial Day Sunday. Please send these photos and
names to Tyler Lippe at TylerL@Wickline.Church.

Wickline On Wednesday (WOW) Supper This Week:



Taco Salad & Dessert

Supper at 5:00pm
Small Groups for All Ages at 6:00pm
Wickline United Methodist Church
417 Mid America Blvd, Midwest City, OK 73110

Learn About General Conference

Mario Herrera will present what's happening at General Conference beginning at 9:45 am on Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

Weekly Calendar *For Our Full Calendar, Visit www.Wickline.Church.*

Tuesday, April 23	Wednesday, April 24	Thursday, April 25	Friday, April 26
9:30am- Wickline Day School 10:00am- Walking (FLC) 3:45pm- Whiz Kids (F.H.) 4:30pm- Gambler's Anon. Walking (FLC) 5:30pm- Pickleball (FLC) 6:30pm- E.A. (Room 103) 8:30pm- YoungBall Ministries Volleyball	9:00am- Coffee Club (Holy Grounds Café) 9:30am- Wickline Day School 10:00am- Walking (FLC) 1:30pm- ACTS Bible Study (Room 103) 5:00pm- WOW Supper (F.H.) 6:00pm- ACTS Bible Study (Room 103) 6:00pm- Women's Step Study (Parlor) 6:00pm- Men's Step Study (Room 211) 6:00pm- Praise Band Practice (Sanctuary) 6:15pm- WOW Small Groups 6:15pm- Bell Choir Practice (Basement) 7:30pm- Basketball - Washington (FLC) 7:30pm- Choir Practice (Basement)	9:30am- Wickline Day School 8:30pm- YoungBall Ministries Volleyball	4:15pm- Gambler's Anonymous (Room 103) 8:30pm- YoungBall Ministries Volleyball
Saturday, April 27	Sunday, April 28	Monday, April 29	Tuesday, April 30
NO EVENTS SCHEDULED AT THE TIME OF THIS PUBLICATION.	8:30am- Worship Service (Sanctuary) 9:30am- Donuts For Sale (Holy Grounds) 9:45am- General Conference Class (F.H.) 9:45am- Sunday School for All Ages 11:00am- Worship Service (Sanctuary) 4:45pm- Gambler's Anonymous (Room 103) 6:00pm- Celebrate Recovery (Parlor)	10:00am- Walking (FLC) 12:00pm- MWC Rotary Meeting (F.H.) 2:30pm- Tinker DAVA Meeting (Room 103) 5:30pm- Volleyball (FLC)	9:30am- Wickline Day School 10:00am- Walking (FLC) 3:45pm- Whiz Kids (F.H.) 4:30pm- Gambler's Anon. Walking (FLC) 5:30pm- Pickleball (FLC) 6:30pm- E.A. (Room 103) 8:30pm- YoungBall Ministries Volleyball



CREATIVE CORNER: RECIPES & GAMES



Recipe #1: 7UP Cake


1lb. Unsalted Butter, Softened	3 Cups Granulated Sugar	6 Large Eggs
2 Teaspoons Lemon Extract or 1 Teaspoon Lemon Juice	4 Cups All-Purpose Flour	1 Teaspoon Kosher Salt
3/4 Cup 7Up, Room Temperature	Icing: 1 1/4 Cups Unsifted Powdered Sugar	Icing: 1 1/2 Tablespoons 7UP, Room Temperature
Icing: 1 Teaspoon Fresh Lime Juice	1/2 Teaspoon Grated Lime Zest, Plus More for Garnish	1/8 Teaspoon Kosher Salt

Preheat the oven to 325°F. Liberally brush a 10-inch/15-cup Bundt pan with softened butter or shortening, being sure to coat every ridge. Coat with flour, shaking out any excess; set aside. Beat the butter with an electric mixer on medium until pale in color and fluffy, about 3 minutes. With the mixer on medium speed, gradually add the sugar, beating until light and fluffy, about 3 minutes total. With the mixer on low, add the eggs, one at a time, beating until just combined after each addition, about 1 minute total. Add the lemon extract or juice and beat on low speed until just incorporated, about 10 seconds. With the mixer on low, gradually add the flour and salt, alternately with the soda, beginning and ending with the flour mixture, beating until just combined after each addition, about 3 minutes total. The batter should be smooth and thick. Spoon the batter into the prepared pan, smoothing the top into an even layer with a rubber spatula. Bake in the preheated oven until a long wooden skewer or cake tester inserted in the center of the cake comes out with a few moist crumbs but no wet batter, 1 hour and 20 minutes to 1 hour and 25 minutes. Let cool in the pan on a wire rack for 20 minutes. Invert onto the wire rack, remove the pan, and let the cake cool completely, about 2 hours. Whisk together the powdered sugar, soda, lime zest and juice, and salt in a medium bowl until smooth and thickened, about 15 seconds. Pour or spoon the icing on the cooled cake, allowing it to drip down the sides. Garnish with additional lime zest, if desired. Slice and serve. Store leftover cake, tightly covered, for up to 5 days at room temperature or a week in the fridge.

Recipe #2: Julia Child's Potato Salad

2lbs. Yukon Gold Potatoes, Peeled & Sliced 1/2" Thick	Kosher Salt and Fresh Ground Black Pepper	2 Tablespoons White Wine Vinegar
3/4 Cup Diced Celery	1/2 Cup Diced Shallots	1/4 Cup Chopped Cornichons
1/4 Cup Chopped Fresh Chives	1/4 Cup Chopped Fresh Dill	2/3 Cup Mayonnaise
1/3 Cup Sour Cream	2 Hard-Boiled Eggs, Peeled and Diced	

Place the potatoes in a large saucepan with water to cover them by two inches and two tablespoons of salt. Set it over high heat to bring to a boil, and then lower the heat to simmer for 10 to 12 minutes, until tender when pierced with a fork. Scoop out and set aside 1/3 cup of the cooking liquid. Drain the potatoes and place them in a large bowl. Drizzle the potatoes with the vinegar and the reserved cooking liquid, and let them stand for 10 minutes, tossing occasionally. Think of this step like when you reserve pasta cooking water—the starches from the pasta leach into the water, which helps create a velvety, creamy sauce when added back to the pasta. The same is true for the liquid used to cook the potatoes. The potato starch in the water helps coat the cooked potatoes and creates a dressing that's smoother and creamier. It's a simple step with a big impact! Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, combine the celery, shallots, cornichons, chives, and dill and set aside. In a small bowl, whisk together the mayonnaise, sour cream, 1 teaspoon salt, and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper. Add three-quarters of the vegetable and herb mixture to the potatoes, reserving the rest to add right before serving. Stir in the dressing, incorporating any liquid in the bowl. Cover and refrigerate for at least two hours to allow the flavors to meld. When ready to serve, add the reserved vegetable mixture and the eggs to the salad and sprinkle with extra dill, salt, and pepper to taste. Stir gently to combine. Serve cold or at room temperature.



If you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share, please email it to TylerL@wickline.church.

Driving

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ACCIDENT	GARAGE	SCENERY
AUTO	GRIDLOCK	SEAT BELT
BOULEVARD	HOV LANE	SHOULDER
BRAKES	IMPACT	SIGN
CAUSEWAY	INDICATOR	STREET
DRIVER	INSURANCE	TICKET
EMISSION	LANE	TRUCK
EXIT RAMP	ROAD	VEHICLE

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Hint: R=D, G=V, O=A --Teoon Ludjyl

Last Week's Word Search Solution:
Dinner

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Last Week's Cryptogram Solution:
"Don't try to add more years to your life. Better add more life to your years."
--Blaise Pascal--



Word Games of the Week
Word Search & Cryptogram

MAY BIRTHDAYS

*Birthdays of Honor are bold, italicized, and underlined. Birthdays of honor are folks 90 and older.

Jim Smith	May 01
Anjel Miesse	May 02
<u>Jim Ferguson</u>	<u>May 04</u>
Jennifer Fleming	May 05
Michelle Simpson	May 07
<u>Jim Dixon</u>	<u>May 12</u>
Sandy Torbett	May 12
Kevin Cook	May 16
Sherry Gilbert	May 18
Ayden Thelin	May 19
Dianne Mears	May 22
Peggy Tanner	May 27
Ayson Thelin	May 27
Phillip Knisely	May 28
Linda McKelvey	May 29



Don't See Your Birthday Listed? We apologize for this but we would love to correct this error. Contact Tyler Lippe at TylerL@wickline.church or 405-732-0356 so we can update our records.



Help Wanted!



We are officially a community partner with Midwest City Elementary (MCE). We will set the standard for support of our MCE. MCE is just a couple of blocks from here, and we serve these students through Whiz Kids. Please help bless the students and teachers at MCE with any donations. Each month we are focusing on different needs, but any of the items can be donated at any time. Some months will need just monetary donations and will be shown with a **\$** in the corner. If giving a monetary donation, please notate that it is for MCE. Please contact Jessie Brown for more information.

March



Purchasing Water Coolers & Shade Canopy for Outdoor Activities (\$300)

April



Rona Ice for Teachers (\$375)

May

Super Kids Day Popsicles and Water

April 2024 Sermon Series

We All Need C.P.R.

But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. -John 20:31-



April 7th: The Beginning of a New Story

Tyler Lippe, Associate of Ministries

Epistle Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2

Gospel Reading: John 20: 19-31

April 14th: Eating is Believing

New Testament Reading: Acts 3:12-19

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:36B-48

April 21st: Can You Hear Him Now?

New Testament Reading: Acts 4:5-12

Gospel Reading: John 10:11-18

April 28th: Is A.I. Okay?

New Testament Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

May 2024 Sermon Series

Reaping What We Sow!

“So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.”
-Galatians 6:9-

May 5th

We reap what we sow. Sow Well!

New Testament Reading: Galatians 6:1-10

Gospel Reading: John 15:13-17

May 12th

What Can a Mother Plant?

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 1

Gospel Reading: Mark 4:1-9

May 19th

Producing Disciples

New Testament Reading: Acts 2:14-21

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28: 16-20

May 26th

Life Born from Death

New Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-6



Christmas Offering Recipients List

	Recipient 1	Recipient 2
January	Leah's Hope	OK Opry
February	Focus On Home	MWC Veterans Memorial
March	Children's Health Foundation	Hard Luck Automotive
April	Positive Tomorrows	MWC YMCA
May	Oklahoma Law Enforcement Memorial	Molly's Cause for Paws
June	The Hugs Project	Mid-Del Food Pantry
July	Hand Up Prison Ministry	NewView Oklahoma
August	Sight Hearing Encouragement Program	Skyline Urban Ministry
September	Freedom Healing Center Human Trafficking Victim Services of Oklahoma	Sydney Angle Memorial Foundation
October	Mid-Del Group Home	Neighborhood Services Organization
November	MWCPD Toys for Tots	Home Away from Home
December	Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries	Restore Hope



Wickline Baseball Outing



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SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH

GAME STARTS AT 2:05PM

GATES OPEN AT 1:00PM

TICKETS=\$16 PER PERSON

LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE. TICKETS INCLUDE ENTRY INTO THE GAME AND A FREE HAT.
PARKING IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE COST.

**CONTACT TYLER LIPPE AT 405-732-0356
OR TYLERL@WICKLINE.CHURCH
TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT TODAY!**

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO EVERYONE!

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NOAH

For the
"Not Old At Heart"



Bring a Friend

Planning Committee:

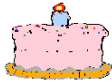
Stan Carter; Mary Hamilton;
Dianne Mears; Lucille Pitts;
Steve Strawn; Ann Wariner
Arabelle Crowder (Honorary Member)

The next NOAH "Potluck" luncheon will be May 7th, at 12:00
We will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo this month. Please bring a Mexican dish (if you have a favorite) for all to enjoy.

PROGRAM:

Our guest speaker will be from the Midwest City Fire Station in Midwest City. We are looking forward to possibly learning some great hints to keep our homes safe and fire free. Please welcome him with your applause and your undivided attention.

A good goal is like a strenuous exercise --it makes you stretch.



BIRTHDAYS:

This is a list of our members who are celebrating their birthdays in May. Sandy Hoisington, May 27th; Norma Larimer, May 26th; Linda McKelvey, May 29th; Anjel Miesse, May 2nd; Dianne Mears, May 22nd; and Jim Smith, May 1st. We wish you all an incredibly Happy Birthday and we hope to see you at the May NOAH meeting so we can help you celebrate.

To succeed – do the best you can, where you are, with what you have.



HOSTS/HOSTESSES:

Robin Collins is our only volunteer to get it all together in the kitchen this month. We really need one other person to help her get everything ready for the rest of us to enjoy. If you can help, please call Mary Hamilton at (405)732-4624.

We cannot get it all together each month without two members who are willing to volunteer a little of their time to continue having a luncheon with our meetings. Please pick a month that will work for you and sign up at the sign in table.

Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.,



WHEN YOU PRAY:

Please remember to include Sam, the church staff, and any members that are coping with family problems or health issues in your prayers. And thank Him for all the little things in your life that we sometimes take for granted.

We cannot direct the wind --- But we can adjust the sails.



NOAH, WICKLINE AND FRIENDS ON THE GO:

On Thursday, May 23rd, in keeping with Cinco de Mayo, NOAH members and friends will go to Chapala Family Mexican Kitchen in OKC for lunch. We will meet at the church to carpool and leave at 10:30. Please come and break bread with us.

There is always room at the top.

Helen Steiner Rice
*Often we pause and wonder
When we kneel down to pray –
Can God really hear
The prayers that we say.
But if we keep praying
And talking to Him,
He'll brighten the soul.
That was clouded and dim,
For though we feel helpless
And alone when we start,
Our prayer is the key.
That opens the heart*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY