



THE OLIVE BRANCH

Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church

Ringoes, New Jersey

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Upcoming Events

June 7, 14, 21, 28-The Truth Project, at KMPC

June 13-Confirmation Sunday

June 13-KMPC Church Picnic at Clawson Park

June 16-Westminster Guild Meeting, KMPC Library

July 26-30 Vacation Bible School at KMPC

The Truth Project Underway

Ladies, it's not too late to experience several informative lessons from Focus on the Family's, **The Truth Project**, presented Monday evenings in the Rader's Sunday School room. In June, lessons include focus on the Christian Worldview on Science, History and Biology.

The evening schedule is:
6:30-7:00 pm Fellowship
7:00-8:00 Video and Short Discussion
8:00-8:30 Extended discussion.

More information is available from the website www.thetruthproject.org or you can obtain a copy of the outline in the KMPC library (top shelf by church directories), or contact Lynn Villano, 908-735-9794 or lynnv@juno.com.

From The Pastor

The Summer is upon us - at least as far as the Church schedule is concerned! We have already begun our single summer service time at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. Just because the Summer is here, though, doesn't mean that things have slowed down at Kirkpatrick.

On Sunday, June 13th we will welcome our confirmation students into membership, and we will also celebrate with our church picnic at Clawson Park in Ringoes. I hope that you will mark these things on your calendar to celebrate the hard work of our confirmation students, and then celebrate with us at the picnic.

Then, then next day, on June 14th there will be a concert by a high school touring choir from Second Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, Illinois. They are a very talented group of young people, and I hope that you will make the time to come and support them as they sing at Kirkpatrick. We also need people to help host them that night, too. They will depart from KMPC at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15th. If you are able to host at least two people, please contact the church by phone or e-mail so we can put you on the list.

June will also be the beginning of our earnest preparation for Vacation Bible School. I encourage everyone to be in-

Westminster Guild Meeting

The Westminster Guild will hold its June meeting on Wednesday, June 16 at 1:30 pm in the church library. This will be the final meeting for the summer, and all ladies of the church are invited to attend.

Church Picnic

Always a fun time, the KMPC Church Picnic is scheduled this year for June 13 at 11:30 am, following the worship service.

There will be lots of activity, including a pig roast, lots to eat, and fun and games too.

It all takes place at Clawson Park, just up the street from our church.

involved in VBS this summer, even if it is for only one or two nights. This is one of the most important outreach events that our church does, and it is a great time, too.

I also wanted to make you all aware of my travel schedule this summer. This year, I am taking a large piece of time away starting in June. I will be away on June 6th to be part of a covenant group of pastors with whom I have been meeting for 10 years. Then, on June 20th my family will leave for Denver, Colorado. I have been invited to be part of a program called "Imaginative Reading for Creative Preaching" through Calvin Seminary. After that week, our family will go on vacation for a few days to the Black Hills in South Dakota. Then, from July 2-10 I will be in Minneapolis for the Presbyterian General Assembly. Finally, after General Assembly, I am going to celebrate a friend's 40th birthday for a few days.

While I am gone, if you need to get hold of me or Barry you can contact Barry to get my cell phone number, and I will also have access to e-mail while I am gone. In addition, I will have another pastor in the area available for pastoral emergencies.

Yours in Christ,

Ryan Balsan, Pastor

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School at KMPC will be even more spectacular than last year.

This year's event revolves around concert superstars, and is called "Backstage with the Bible." Youngsters attending will learn about the "ultimate concert experience," each day rocking out with the GoFish Guys. Then it's time to tour a recording studio, and lots of other activities, but most importantly, to learn about the bible!

Signup sheets are available now, and more information is coming, both in the church and on our website. You can also visit the website of the guys who came up with the whole idea, gofishguys.com/vbs.

Contact Jennifer Bacorn for more information too.

Master Schedule

	8:45 Nurs- ery	Jr. Church	8:45 Greeters	8:45 Offering Ushers	Coffee Break	Communion Prep	11:15 Nurs- ery/Jr Church	11:15 Greeters Ushers
Jun. 6	Bob & Donna Trevithick	Ellie & Tom Verbeyst	Glenn & Carol Rigg in	Glenn & Carol Rigg in, Gary & Eileen Vincent-Smith	Dave & Karla Gam- brill	Sarah Wier	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jun. 13	Kevin & Tina Ireland	Jennifer Balsan & Margaret Case	Lowell & Lorraine Rader	Lowell & Lorraine Rader, Skip & Terry Kell	Church Picnic	Jaime Pickard	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jun 20	Chris & Mika Colavita	Lori Plimpton & Kate Kennedy	Kate Ken- nedy & Liz Kadezabek	Kate Kennedy & Liz Kadezabek, Lillian Snyder & Norma Case	Pat Wright & Terry Kell	Colleen Case	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jun. 27	Lowell & Lorraine Rader	Carrie & Bob Breech	Hillary Tobin & Sue King	Hillary Tobin & Sue King, Linda Hults, Margaret Case	Jennifer & Barry Ba- corn	Sue Aliseo	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jul 4	Jennifer Balsan & TBD	Dave & Linda Weller	Steve & Lori Wonsor	Steve & Lori Wonsor Darryl & Nancy Cronce	Michelle Carey & Tracy McClelland	Norma Zimmerman	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jul 11	Kristen & Jeff Schott	Jim & Michele Hawthorne	Bob & Donna Trevithick	Bob & Donna Trevithick Glenn & Carol Rigg in	Bob & Donna Tre- vithick	Sue Aliseo	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jul 18	Erin Kalajian & Karla Gambrill	Jen & Barry Bacorn	Gary & Eileen Vincent-Smith	Gary & Eileen Vincent-Smith Dave & Karla Gambrill	Linda Weller & Karen Shipman	Colleen Case	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE
Jul 25	Lisa & Matt Koye	Kathleen & Greg Ruel	Chuck & Jeanne Mundhenk	Chuck & Jeanne Mundhenk Skip & Terry Kell	Barry & Jennifer Bacorn	Barry Cregar	ONE SERVICE	ONE SERVICE

The Olive Branch

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KMPC Youth Happenings

It is graduation season! It's always a little sad as our students prepare to move up to the next stage of their adventure and move on from our youth group and exciting at the same time as these new opportunities open up to them. But thankfully as the summer gears up we often get to see many of our previous graduates as they return home for the summer or just to visit. It's great to hear their stories and also to hear them talk about our youth ministry fondly and about what it's meant to them. It's a reminder that even though our time together in the youth groups is brief, the impact and the relationships built here can go on much longer and play a bigger part than we'd think. For some students we were a brief pit stop in their life and faith, for others they found a home here. Some of them were introduced to their faith at one of our gatherings, and for others it was another step in their understanding of who Christ is and what He's done. But leaving or staying we're thankful for the part all of these students have played in our youth ministry over the years: they've brought their energy and their ideas, they've introduced us to new games and many have invited us into their homes. They shared their insights on scripture and have made our discussions and devotions interesting, challenging and meaningful. As our new students are starting to move up into the youth ministry I can't wait to see what they have in store for us and our group as they grow up through the group. When we see them in their cap and gown in a few years, I can't wait to hear the stories they have about their time in the youth group and I can't wait to tell you the stories of all they brought to it as well.

Grace and Peace,
Kevin Ireland

Questions? Comments?
Want to schedule an
event or get-together?
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earthlink.net](mailto:kevin.ireland@earthlink.net)
or
[facebook.com/kmpcyouth](https://www.facebook.com/kmpcyouth)

After School Special: Wednesday June 9th - 4:30-6:00

(3rd-5th Graders) Join us for our time of food, friends, faith discussion and crafts together in the Gym.
Bring a friend!

Jr. High Wednesdays: June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th - 6:00-7:30

(6th-8th Graders) Join us for a time of food, friends, and faith discussion together in the Gym.
Please bring a snack or drink to share and all your friends.

Sr. High Small Group Wednesdays: June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th -7:30-9:00

(9th-12th Graders) Join us for a time of food, friends, and faith discussion together in the Blue Room.
Please bring a snack or drink to share and all your friends.

Sr. High House Parties: June 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th 7:00-8:30

(9th-12th Graders) Join us for a time of food, friends, and faith discussion together at your house! Would you like to host a Sr. High House Party? Please talk to Kevin and keep an eye out here to see where we are at each week, or join the Sr. High House Party e-mail list by e-mailing kevin.ireland@earthlink.net

Move Up!

Don't forget that all students who will be freshman in the fall can now attend senior high functions and all students who will be 6th graders in the fall are welcome to all jr high functions!

KMPC Prayer List

KMPC Family

Margaret Case
Doug & Grace Crouce
Those with Parkinson
Sharon Mitzen
Barry Cregar
Brian Case (military)
Fred Kuhl (healing)
Homebound members
Thomas family (Khalif & Khalil)
High School/College students
KMPC Deacons
KMPC Session members
Renn
Terri
Mavis
Donna
Lori
Joe Kurylo
Chuck Mundhenk

KMPC Extended Family

Children with cancer
Troubled youth
George & Lillie Steven
Toby & Judy Nelson (healing & work)
Susan Bills
Charles Prall (healing)
Mary Robins (healing)
Jim
Marie Stra
Doug Harriman (healing)
Donna (unemployed)
Baby Hugh
Nancy (cancer)
William Brooksbank
Clarence Hackney (healing)
Tom Holcombe & Son, Casey (healing)
Virginia Lavan
Marreros (cancer)
Chris (kidney failure)

Guy & Jennifer
Paul & Tracy Bonatz
Family of Judy Schultz
Sannquini family
Winston Peters
Clarke & Jennifer Leichte (health)
George & Lillie Stevens (health)
President Obama
U.S. & World situations
Unemployed



Vacation Bible School

July 26 –30

6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Kids from 4 yrs to end of 5th grade

Mission News

Update from Rocco

Dear Family, Friends, Brothers/Sisters in Christ, and Neighbors,

I pray for our Lord to continue to be with you and bless you. I hope everything is well with you. Many things are impacting us more each day, (Sickness, Financial Problems, Oil Spills, Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Storms, Christian Persecution, Unstable Governments, etc.). It is sometimes hard to be joyful. But, through all this I am joyful and I eagerly look forward to the new heavens and new earth as promised by our Savior, Isaiah 65:17.

In my last update in 2009, I focused on trials. Since then I experienced a wonderful Christmas retreat sharing time with most of you, (Wedding party, lunches, dinners, amusement parks). I am looking forward to our next trip to the US.

I want to thank everyone for their prayers. In the second term by the Lord's Blessing:

- 1) The Thursday morning prayer group became a norm.
- 2) I was able to spend time after school with students playing basketball.
- 3) I was able to develop a connection with my students, getting them to stop cutting class, smoking in school, eliminate electronic devices, to achieve their abilities, to understand that their education is important for their success in this world, and to share with them the word of God.

Then came 2010 Summer Camp, It was great! I was asked to teach 5Th grade ESL and sports, and you all know how much I enjoy sports. Many teachers came to me and said:

- 1) What a great ESL class.
- 2) The sports program has never been so good at summer camp
- 3) I am happy that you are apart of the Summer Camp Educational Program

Thank you again for your prayers & support this year, it has been very enjoyable at Thai Christian School.

I received shocking news right before the Summer Educational Camp. Thai Christian School advised me they would not be issuing me a new contract. Wow, this was the first time in my life I was fired in a way. They advised me the reason for not issuing a new contract was because I needed to take off 4 weeks for completion of my Master's of Education degree during the 1st term of the 2010-2011 school year. I was sad to hear this because I will miss all my students, please see picture of note to my students. I am currently praying about another opportunity at different Christian School.

My current plans are to complete my Master's in June/July and work with local church missions.

I have taken down my 2007 mission report to protect Moroccan Christians and Christian Missionaries in Morocco. I have been in contact with some of my brothers and sisters in/from Morocco to see what I can do. The Moroccan government has decided it is in their best interest to purge Christians from Morocco for proselytizing. Please pray that the King or government take action to stop this from occurring. In the past Morocco has enforced this law, lightly. What the government does not realize is the benefit to its people and community, (education,

housing, child care, job training, support for the disabled, financial benefits, tourism). For Christians this is about loving our neighbors.

<http://www1.voanews.com/english/news/Morocco-Expels-Christian-Aid-Workers-87342477.html>

Kare has been active in Children's Ministry at Sapan Luang Chinese Thai Church. She will be completing her first year there in June.

I would like to give thanks to God for keeping Kare and I safe here in Thailand, and pray for continued guidance. I would like to lift up to God a prayer of concern for Morocco, Moroccan Christians, and Moroccan Missionaries.

Thank you for prayers and support

May the Love, Hope, Joy, and Blessings of Jesus be with you
With Love,
Rocco & Kare.



Moments in Life

Faith Moments



On May 2nd eight people were baptized at Chileno Beach, taking a step of faith and obedience to the Lord Jesus. There is nothing more thrilling than to see people following Jesus and sharing in their **FAITH MOMENT**. Pray for these believers to grow in the grace of the Lord Jesus. May their roots grow deep in His love and may they know Him more each day. PRAY for Monserrat, Lorenzo and Leti, Adelina, Vicki, Irene, Marcelino and Isael.

Fun Moments



A ladies overnight in our home during spring break gave some **FUN MOMENTS** to our women...a welcome break from the routine. We watched a movie, laughed, stayed up most the night talking, getting to know each other and hearing each other's story.

Dear Friends at Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian,

We hope spring has sprung over there.

A few weeks ago we had some snow and cold weather but the last few days have been gorgeous. We hope things are going well at Kirkpatrick.

Our little church here in New York (Adirondack Bible Chapel - 70 members) bought a 15 bedroom building outright in six months to use for a Ministry Center (strictly Biblical counseling) which we've been renovating for five years. It's been exciting to see how God has been providing volunteer labor, donated appliances and furnishings and money. With God nothing is impossible!

We're attaching the latest news about the new MAF airplane, the Kodiak. It's so exciting to see how God has been providing the resources needed to add these planes to MAF's fleet.

Things are going well in Haiti. Please pray for the 8 families who were there as they decide when it

will be safe for the wives and children to return to their homes.

Please pray for Richard and I as we continue to seek out opportunities to share the work of MAF and our testimonies in churches, at missions conferences, schools and with anyone that would be interested. We have been involved in some great conferences and school presentations recently.

Continue to pray for the MAF families around the world. These are perilous days and we need God's strength and protection as we provide aviation and communications services to those who are sharing the love of God with unreached people all over the world. Please also pray for all the new families that are continually joining MAF. It's exciting to see young families respond to God's call to missions and see God provide for their prayer and financial support.

Pray for us as we go to MAF Headquarters (Nampa, ID) in June for our annual Advocate meetings and MAF's Family Conference. We praise God for the Advocates that have joined the Advocate

Wing and ask that you would pray that more would volunteer for this important work, sharing the love of God and work of MAF in their own neighborhoods. Please also pray for MAF's need for teachers in Indonesia for the next school year.

Judy just returned from a month away from New York. She was babysitting for her two granddaughters in Idaho while her daughter-in-law Katrina went to Kalimantan, Indonesia on an MAF missions trip. Lance (our son) is the webmaster for MAF in Nampa, ID. Lance & Katrina are very interested in serving with missions overseas. Please pray that God will guide them as they pursue a place to serve. Judy also drove her 83 year old Mom back from Florida to New York. Please also pray for our daughter Bonnie who will be going on a missions trip with her church in Tennessee to Ethiopia. We feel so blessed that our children are all following the Lord.

Thank you for your prayers & support!

'Til the whole world knows,
Rich & Judy Olenik





REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Grade Completed _____ Age _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Emergency Contact Name and Number _____

Special Needs/Allergies _____

Is there a friend your child would like to be with? _____



"Backstage Groupie" Number _____
(to be completed by the church)