Maywood Community Church

Elders Report

Greetings,

No one can say it has not been an exciting start to this month of August!

Sunday night a little after 8 pm the steeple came crashing down onto the roof. Not only did this create an area for water to come in through the bell tower, the steeple also punched several holes into the south annex roof. Don Ash was notified by his niece who lives across the street of what happened. He and Morgan helped in the cleanup as well as Tom Elliott. Luckily, Dennis and Meghan had just left the Church, when they received the call from Don that the steeple was missing. They turned around and immediately worked to contain the water damage as well. The roofing company was notified, and they were able to tarp the roof Monday morning to ensure no more water entered the building.

The insurance adjuster was out on Tuesday morning and along with the roofing company (Roof Check) agreed upon what repairs should immediately be started. As of now it looks like we will be able to have Church services in the main sanctuary and the annex will be closed until repairs are completed.

We as Christians could look at this in one of two ways. We could say how could this happen and why are we having this bad luck, or we could say what is the Lord trying to teach us or what plan does the Lord have for us and this Church?

We as believers should not say "why has this happened" but instead "what" does Jesus want to teach us?

One thing which has become apparent is how many people look at this Church building and monitor what happens here from a distance. Soon after the damage occurred calls, videos, texts, and phone calls were being made and sent. At least two local news crews came out to see the damage and interview church members.

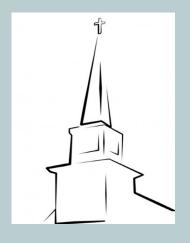
We should take this opportunity to ask all those who look from a distance to be a part of our family (congregation). Let's reach out and show them the love of Christ. God has presented us an opportunity to reach out. (We just need to say come to the Church where the Steeple blew off!)

Please pray the insurance company will agree to all the repairs and the process will go smoothly. Please pray for the safety of the Roof Check employees who will be making the repairs on the Church. Pray we as a Church will use this opportunity to evangelize to the community.

Good Bless,

Tom, Don, David, David

August 2023



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August Events:

August 5th: Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:30 am

August 17th: Ladies Council
Meeting 10 am

August 31st: Helping Hands of Faith 6:30-8:00 pm

Every Tuesday:

Ladies Bible Study 10 am Ladies Quilting 1 pm

Every Wednesday:

Prayer Meeting 6 pm

Every Sunday Night:

Bible Study 6 pm Youth Group 6:30-8:00 pm

Future Events:

Church Picnic Sept. 10th at 6 pm Wyandotte County Park Shelter B

Mark your calendars for the Annual Fall Bazaar on October 14th.

MISSIONS

Joel And Jennifer Johnson are missionaries who have evangelized to students on college campuses for 25 years. First, with the Navigators, then with Student

Mobilization. Maywood Community Church has supported the Johnsons for close to 20 years.

Student Mobilization (STUMO) is an interdenominational ministry to help students experience God in a genuine way and grow that relationship now and for the future. Building the character of students in a way that will

influence them for the rest of their lives. STUMO will build leaders who will serve God to have a positive im-

pact on their families, communities, country, and world.

Joel is now the Regional Director and helps oversee

campus movements at Kansas, Kansas State, Missouri, Nebraska, Missouri State, and Penn State. He also helps coach and train ministries in the Philippines and India.

The Johnsons are launching two new ministries at the University of Georgia and Clemson University. Joel will be doing the same job, however, they are moving to

Athens, Georgia. Please pray for Joel, Jennifer, and their two daughters as they adjust to a new house.



"Only those who see the invisible accomplish the impossible"

Old Fashion Church Picnic

When: Sept. 10 6:00 p.m.

Where: Wy. Co. Park Bonner Shelter B

Council will provide: Fried Chicken & Hot Dogs

You will bring: 2 side dishes, your own table service, drinks and lawn chairs

We would like to have Home Made Ice Cream. If you have a freezer to make some that would be great.

Any questions contact Kathy Montague 913-481 -9053 Sylvia 913-244-6676

Pulpit Search Committee Update

Alan Hodak has accepted the role of Pastor. Allyson is doing well with her cancer treatments and has been scheduled for two more weeks. The Hodaks thank everyone for their prayers, and they feel God has been with them through the cancer. They have hired a realtor to put their house up for sale and at this point are looking to move into an apartment close to the Church.

Please pray for Allyson's cancer treatments to drive the cancer into remission and they find a health provider in Kansas City to continue her treatments. Pray for their house to sell quickly, and for the move to go smoothly.

Youth Group

We are still on our study, "Does God Exist?". Some weeks have heavier content, so we slow down to discuss it. We will be in this study for a couple more months.

August 11th-13th the Youth are going on a Canoe Trip. We are headed to the Buffalo National River. We will be staying in a cabin near the water. We have 15 Youth going. We will be on the river Saturday. Please be in prayer for our safety traveling and on the river.

July Financial Corner:

We were under budget on Expenses for the month of June.

We were under budget on Giving for the month.