

June 11, 2022

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Linwood Breeze

Put These on Your Calendar

Worship Service
Sunday, June 12 – 11 a.m.
The Tabernacle

Sunday School begins
Sunday, June 12 – 11 a.m.
The Tabernacle

Adult Bible Study
Wednesday, June 15 – 10 a.m.
The Chapel

Linwood Store & Stand
Now Opening
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**Children, Youth, and Family
Programming Begins**
Monday, June 13
(See page 3 for details)

**Biggest Little
Fourth of July Parade**
Monday, July 4
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Welcome to Worship

What does it mean when people talk about “The Kingdom of God”? It must be something huge, something magnificent, something awesome, right? Well, yes—and no. Read Pastor Scruggs’ article in this edition of *the Breeze* for a surprising perspective.

This will be Chris and Kathy Scruggs’ last Sunday with us before they return in August to help us close out the season. Chris will preach, and Marge Adler and David Csepe will lead music.

A special treat is in store: The children’s message will be given by the Linwood Handmaids, who will perform lyrical dance steps to Christian music. These 3 to 12-year-olds desire to praise God with their dancing. Last summer was their first appearance in a worship service; we were all delighted and moved. Last summer the girls danced in borrowed dresses and borrowed hair wreaths. This summer, they have their own dresses and wreaths, thanks to Carol Flick. Thanks also to Kathy Scruggs for teaching the girls and to Sarah Royek for organizing and helping.

All are welcome to this interdenominational gathering. If you are unable to join us in person, the service will be live-streamed, or you can view the service anytime later in the week; just go to: facebook.com/Linwoodccl

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS FOR ALL AGES
June 12 – 10:00 -10:45 a.m.

Adult Forum – The Chapel
Teen Sunday School (Ages 14 – 18) – The Stand
Kids’ Sunday School (ages 8 -13 – Back of The Tabernacle
Children’s Sunday School (ages 3–7) – Back of the Tabernacle

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A Message from Pastor Chris Scruggs

The Humility of a God Who Thinks Small

About 70 percent of the East/West United States commercial traffic goes through Memphis, Tennessee. In addition, there are only two bridges across the Mississippi River, one in south Memphis and one in the North that goes through the downtown area. Just after 9-11, we noticed a huge number of trucks carrying tanks, troop carriers and other items on IH-40, all painted for desert warfare. The caravans did not go on for hours or even days, but for weeks and months. The preparation for what became the Afghanistan and Iraq campaigns had begun. It was visible and reflected just how much preparation goes into something like a human military campaign. We all knew something big was about to happen.

God has a different way of doing things. I like to refer to God's power as a hidden or a humble power. The story of Abraham is a case in point. In the fullness of time, God commenced a plan to redeem his world and establish his kingdom. It began with one man, a man we call "Abraham," living in Mesopotamia praying that he might receive an heir. He was not a particularly prominent man. He was the leader of a small Bedouin family tribe called the Hebrews, (Iburi). He was not a young or virile man, but an old man near the end of his life.

We are told that God appeared to Abraham and made him the following promise:

Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Genesis 12:1-3, ESV).

Abraham believed God and went just as God requested. It was not reported on CNN, Fox News or any other form of media. There were no headlines reading, "God decides to change history." The powerful people of Abraham's day knew nothing and cared less. But God's plan to create a new Family of God and Kingdom of God had begun.

We Americans are addicted to "Big Things." It is easy, therefore, for us to miss what God is doing to change the world with small, seemingly unimportant things. Abraham's story is a reminder that God can change the world through very small acts of love and faithfulness by his people. The question is not

"What great thing is God calling someone to do?" but "What small thing can I do to expand the Kingdom of Wisdom and Love in our world?"

Have a great week, and we will see you Sunday!!!

Chris



SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Adult Forum in The Chapel - Join us as we discuss various aspects of emotionally healthy discipleship. No matter our age, we can all grow in being disciples & discipling others! This week, we will talk about "being" before "doing" in our Christian walk. Kim Csepe will facilitate this week's discussion.

Teen Sunday School (Ages 14-18) in The Stand: "You don't have to check your Brain at the Temple Door." *Do you believe the Bible's story of Creation or Darwin's Theory of Evolution? Don't we all seek "Justice" when we've been wronged? If we are all Christians, why are there so many denominations & how are they different?* Come join the teen class & talk through some of these big questions with Dan Humphries.

Sunday School for Kids (Ages 8-13) in the back of The Tabernacle: Come have fun with other kids your age & grow in your faith! Led by Bronlynn Eberhardt.

Children's Sunday School (Ages 3-7) in the back of The Tabernacle: Join Sarah Royek this summer to learn more about God in all sorts of fun ways!

SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday morning worship service, contact Linda Stocker: email: lindas1944@twc.com or call 740.602.3194.

PRAYER GROUP

A group of dedicated folks meets weekly to lift up prayer needs in Linwood Park. If you have a prayer request or know someone in need of prayer, we would be pleased to include your request in our weekly prayer time. You can send your prayer needs to Prayer@linwoodpark.org. Also, if you would like to be included in the prayer group, please let us know at the same email address.

SUNSET YOGA ON THE BEACH

Tuesdays – 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

June 14 – August 30

Everyone welcome. \$10 per class.



FAMILY & KIDS PROGRAMS

Activities for kids and youth begin on Monday, June 13! Harrison and Alli have all kinds of big plans for the summer, so be sure to join them to hear about what's ahead. Watch the billboards and the telephone booths for any updates.

Monday, June 13 – 7 p.m. – The Stand: **Monday Night Madness** for teens 13-18. This will be an evening to introduce ourselves and take a dive into what we expect for this summer.

Tuesday, June 14 – 10 a.m.: **Tuesday at the Tab** for ages 8-13. Come meet Alli and hang out with old friends and meet new ones. Meet at the back of The Tabernacle.

Wednesday, June 15 – 10 a.m. **Kids Korner** for ages 4-8. Come and see what Alli has up her sleeve for you!

Wednesday, June 15 – 7 p.m. **Family Activity Night for all!** One of Linwood's favorites: a Scavenger Hunt! All are welcome, little ones to grandparents and everyone in between!

The Stand is Open

Daily Hours: 10:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The Stand will be open each day. The menu will be the same as last summer: candy, ice cream, floats, shakes, drinks, snacks, sandwiches.

Grilling on Saturdays from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. will offer hamburgers, hot dogs and bratwurst. In order to offer this delicious option, we need grillers for each Saturday. If you are willing to volunteer for this enjoyable Linwood experience, please text or call Sharon at 740-502-1046. There will also be a sign-up sheet at The Stand.



LINWOOD CELEBRATED MEMORIAL DAY WITH TAPS ACROSS AMERICA

For the second year, Linwood Park participated in the Taps Across America Salute. The Program, sponsored by CBS, asks Americans to sound Taps at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day to honor the men and women who paid the ultimate sacrifice in their service to the country.

On Memorial Day, Jacob Schurr, the grandson of Harry and Kay Schurr, moved around Linwood in several different locations to sound Taps. His performance was extremely moving and greatly appreciated.

THE ANNUAL LINWOOD PARK FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

The 4th of July, Independence Day, America's Birthday, Linwood Park will celebrate with its annual 4th of July Parade on Monday, July 4th at 10:00 AM. The Parade will again feature the "World Famous Linwood Park Marching Band." Musicians of all ages and abilities are encouraged to join the Band. The Parade will also feature costumed characters, antique cars, decorated bikes, golf carts, and much more.

As planning continues, further information and updates will follow in upcoming issues of *the Breeze*, or contact Ken Bliss at 440-967-1849.

The Store/Museum is Open

**Hours: Tues., Fri., Sat. – 7 – 9 p.m.
Sun. after church**

Artists are bringing in all kinds of new merchandise! This Store continues to surprise us! Come in and see what is available, including a new stock of Linwood T-shirts.

We will also be open on July 4th. Once again Janet Waggoner or Jennifer Williams will open The Store for you and your guests if you cannot come at those times.

STEPPING IT UP

The stairs at Walnut Street have been rebuilt and are usable for beach access!

Many thanks and hats off to Sandy Prentice, Linwood Board Secretary, for design and construction with a little help from Rick Emmons, Laura Balliett, and Dan Humphries. Please thank them when you see them.



LINWOOD BOOK CLUB

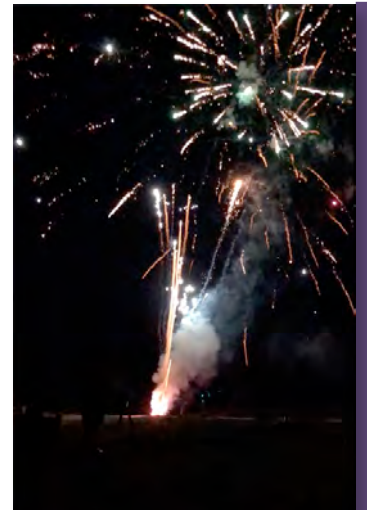
Come read with us! We will meet on Monday, July 11, to discuss *Facing the Mountain*, by Daniel James Brown, author of *The Boys in the Boat*. All are welcome to join us at the tables outside The Stand.

NEXT WEEKEND THE VERMILION FESTIVAL OF THE FISH!

Friday and Saturday – noon to 11 p.m., and Sunday noon to 6 p.m.

This is one of the city of Vermilion's major events, full of fun and yummy food. Events include a sand castle contest, a crazy craft race, the annual lighted boat parade, and a Father's Day parade on Sunday afternoon.

The midway is filled with all kinds of food vendors. Best of all is the **fireworks display**, which takes place shortly after sunset on Friday evening. We have a front row seat on the bluff at Linwood.



For a full schedule of events go to: <https://qr1.be/Y51D>

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