

Church News

FREEDOM CHURCH

This morning began with prayer for those effected by this COVID-19 virus. Not only for those who are ill but those who may be financially effected. We pray for our nation, our government officials and all other nations and government officials. We pray for our broyers and sisters around the world.

This morning we had a short message which included Psalm 91, Isaiah 26:20, and Matthew 4:7. Psalm 91 tells us that because you make the LORD which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. Isaiah says Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment until the indignation be overpast. In Matthew Jesus responds to satan telling Him to jump off the Temple dome quoting Psalm 91:11-12. Jesus responded It is written again, thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. So if you know Jesus do not fear but do be prudent.

At this time we are not planning to have service or Bible study for the near future.

Go with God!

SEATON FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Concerning the outbreak of this dreaded Coronavirus, Seaton Church chose to cancel their usual Sunday Service. However, a Drive Thru Communion and Prayer service was conducted, as several members did take advantage of this offering. As it is certainly a "Call to Prayer," we also must be diligent in the safekeeping of ourselves and of others. Yet, as Pastors and Leaders, the desire is, to try to meet the needs of the congregation. Phone-lines are always open for Counsel, Prayer or any other way that assistance can be give to you. Please do not hesitate, but also let's heed the words so aptly spoken by our newspersons and stay at home, unless absolutely necessary to be out. Pastor Helen sends out a Prayer Alert that, please every Christian, be praying that an end might come to this dilemma we are in and or

what we could be facing. "God is our Refuge and our Strength and a very Present Help in time of trouble."

Our sympathies are to the ones in our community who have lost loved ones and May the God of Peace Comfort you.

God Bless You and God Bless America!

KENNER CHURCH OF GOD

We thank God for all the praise reports that were expressed this morning. God is so good and faithful to His saints. Please remember to pray for Bob Copeland, Paul and Helen, and all the ones that are on our continued list. Especially be in prayer for this Covid-19 pandemic and for protection of all the medical personal and first responders that are taking care of those infected. Pray for a quick end to this pandemic. Our sincerely condolences to the families of Mona Jones, Don Brown, and Lewis Wilson. It was wonderful to witness the marriage of Faith Ragan and Jordan Rinehart Saturday evening. We pray God's blessing on this marriage.

JD Fritchey sang a beautiful special, "No One Stands Alone."

Our message this week was based on Daniel 6. This is the story of Daniel in the lion's den. Not only was God able to preserve Daniel in this den, but because of his experience God received glory from a pagan king. And this king spread the good news of God's splendor all over the kingdom. God does not always keep us from the lions. Sometimes he saves us while we are in the den.

Please join us at Kenner for Bible study and worship. Adult Sunday School begins at 10:00 followed by worship at 11:00.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Our church service took a new turn this Sunday as we split into two groups; the first service was at 9:00 for those 60 and over, and the second was at 11:00 for the rest of the congregation. This change was in keeping with efforts to contain spread of the Corona virus.

Pastor Jack asked us to pray this week for our church, the congregation, and our community. He urged us to seek out people who are strugg-

ling, and lead them to the foot of the cross. We need to be the catalyst for change in the hearts of those who feel persecuted.

We read from the scripture of Matthew, that blessed are the peacemakers. They must understand conflict and how to resolve it through prayer. We were also reminded of last week's message of the untamed tongue, and that the ability to restrain our tongues is a measure of Christian maturity.

Please remember those who are ill in our prayers this week, and those who are homebound without family or friends for support.

First Baptist Church invites you to worship with us. We will continue to keep you posted as to times and services via Facebook and our sign in front of the church.

DIXON FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

Our church services have been cancelled for the next two weeks, March 29 and April 5, as requested by government officials. We are hopeful that we can resume normal services for Easter. Please be safe, and may God bless and keep you.



HAZEL EILEEN CHAPMAN

Hazel Eileen Clinkenbeard Chapman, of Crocker was born on February 1, 1935, at Crocker, a daughter of Floyd Ernest and Lola Mae (Boulware) Moore and departed this life at 11:03 a.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2020 in the Lake Regional Hospital, Osage Beach. Mrs. Chapman had attained the age of 85 years, one month and 16 days.

Mrs. Chapman was united in marriage on December 12, 1953, at Crocker to Leslie H. Clinkenbeard and to this union, two children were

born. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1988 and later in 1995 was united in marriage to Shelby Chapman who preceded her in death in 2012. In addition to her husbands, she was preceded in death by her father in 1989; her mother in 1987 and two brothers, Clyde E. Moore in 1984 and Chester D. Moore in 2018.

Mrs. Chapman was baptized early in life and was a faithful member of the Assembly of God Church, Crocker and attended until her health no longer permitted. When Mrs. Chapman could no longer attend church, Pastor Richard Harris from the Amazing Grace Fellowship Church would visit and deliver meals to her. She was a housewife and homemaker for all her working life and enjoyed flowers, traveling and being with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Those left to mourn the passing of Mrs. Chapman include her daughter and son-in-law: Wanda Kay and Don Martin, Rocky Mount and Randall and Tammy Clinkenbeard, state of Missouri; one brother and sister-in-law: Clinton and Betty Moore, Crocker; one sister and brother-in-law: Wanda and Bill Walters, Crocker; two grandchildren: Justin (Leah) Martin, Lake Ozark and Tiffani (Mat) Thompson, Liberty; five great-grandchildren: Luke, Elijah, Sarah Beth, Brandon and Brianna; three step grandchildren, Nathan and Ashley Stegall and Kassidy Stumbaugh; one step great-grandchild, Isabella; nephews; nieces and other relatives and friends.

Graveside services were held for Mrs. Chapman at 1:00 p.m., on Friday, March 20, 2020 in the Assembly of God Cemetery, Crocker with Pastor Richard Harris, Amazing Grace Fellowship Church officiating.

Memorial contributions are suggested by the family to the Amazing Grace Fellowship Church, Crocker or to the Activities Center at the Laurie Care Center, Laurie.

All arrangements were under the direction of the Long-Kloeppel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Crocker.

Dixon Library to Close temporarily

As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, City of Dixon officials have determined that as a safety precaution, the Jessie E. McCully Memorial Library in Lions Park will be closed until further notice. Thank you for your cooperation.



JAMES R. SCHAFFNER

James Robert "Jimmy" Schaffner, of Dixon, was born on October 27, 1951, at Dixon, a son of John C. and Lydia V. (Wade) Schaffner and departed this life at 10:33 a.m., Saturday, March 21, 2020 at his residence near Dixon. Jim had attained the age of 68 years, four months and 23 days.

Jimmy was united in marriage on June 10, 1983, near Dixon, to Myra Kay Simpson. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Lydia; a brother, Johnny Schaffner and four sisters, Marie "Tootie" Henning, Helen Allen, Sharon Kay Schaffner and Dorothy Crews.

Jimmy had worked for Brown Shoe Company, Dixon for 25 years and then he worked for ABB, Jefferson City retiring after 20 years. He enjoyed tinkering with old cars, horses, hunting and fishing.

Those left to mourn the passing of Jimmy include his wife: Myra Schaffner of the home near Dixon; one son and daughter-in-law: Jason and Sue Ann Schaffner, Dixon; one daughter: Melinda Kay O'Neal, Dixon; three grandchildren: Jerica Keeth and her husband, Austin; John Robert Schaffner and Shaddix Wyman; one great-grandchild: Kenneth Keeth; one brother and sister-in-law: Clarence "Sonny" and Glenda Schaffner, O'Fallon; three sisters and one brother-in-law: Sue and Stanley Holtermann, Westphalia; Mary McNally, Cuba and Georgenna Alexander, St. Louis; several nephews and nieces; great-nephews and great-nieces and many other relatives and friends.

Private services were held for Jim and honoring his wishes, cremation was elected under the direction of the Long-Kloeppel Funeral Home and Cremation Services,

Dixon.

Interment will be held at a later date in the West Fairview Cemetery near Dixon. Honorary pallbearers for Jimmy were Chuckie McNally, Kenny Keeth, Austin Keeth, Joey Miller, Shaddix Wyman and John Schaffner.



Everyone feels anxious at one time or another. It is a normal part of life. It is our body's way of telling us that something might be wrong - that we might be facing some potential danger or are feeling symptoms of an illness. If we had no feelings of anxiety, we might put ourselves in all kinds of danger that could end up in disaster.

Anxiety for the Christian however can be more. It may be an "early warning system" that God has put in our hearts, through the Holy Spirit, to get our attention to let us know that something may be going wrong in our walk with Him and He wants us to make things right with Him.

God has many ways to use anxiety to get our attention. He may trouble our hearts when we read His word, listen to a hymn, hear a sermon, speak with Him in prayer, see a picture of His children suffering or when we are having a conversation with a friend. His Spirit is always at work in our hearts and it is good to be troubled with anxiety that comes from God.

The writer of Psalm 94 was having a huge problem with anxiety. He must have been deeply troubled by many things that were overwhelming him and seemingly beyond his control. Note his words: "When anxiety was great within me" - not simply a minor incident, but something very, very troubling.

Then note what happened: Your "consolation" or perhaps better understood as "comfort" - "brought joy to my soul." It is like Jesus saying, "Let not Your heart be troubled. Believe in me. This is my plan for You. Trust Me."

Spirit FM On the Air in Dixon
92.1 FM - KCVZ



Pansy: a flower for all seasons

Pansies put on a happy face for Missouri's spring and fall.

COLUMBIA, MO – If there's a plant that deserves the title of "flower for all seasons," it is the pansy, says University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

At any given time in North America, you will find pansies blooming prolifically somewhere.

This cool-loving garden flower flourishes in winter in far southern states and in summer in northern regions. Midwesterners enjoy pansy's unique palette of colors and delicate fragrance in spring and fall.

Late March and early September are ideal months to plant them in Missouri for color that extends for many weeks.

Many confuse pansy with its more petite relative, the viola. Both have flowers with five petals. However, pansy has four petals pointing up and one pointing down. In contrast, three of viola's petals point up and two point down. Its flowers also are usually smaller than those of the pansy.

Pansies and violas share a common ancestry. Greeks grew violas mostly for medicinal purposes as early as the fourth century B.C. A watchful gardener noticed that a particular viola flourished in sunny, alpine meadows. This strain of viola received the common name of wild pansy.

In the early 1800s, English nobleman Lord Gambier and his gardener, William Thompson, crossed species of the genus Viola. These crosses resulted in plants that produced larger flowers of unusual colors and color combinations.

History credits Thompson with the cross that resulted in the now-familiar Viola x wittrockiana. Its flowers burst with huge blocks of color or faces on the lower petals.

By the mid-1800s, Europeans had bred pansies and developed hybrids with greater plant vigor. The flowers of these hybrids had no dark blocks or lines. Thus, "clear" pansies got their start.

Popularity of the pansy skyrocketed in North America. A 19th-century seed catalog described pansy as "the most popular of all flowers grown from seed," with sales exceeding 100,000 packets a year.

Over the past several decades,



Cool Wave yellow trailing pansy. Courtesy Ball Horticultural Company.

breeders have produced pansies with new colors, including shades of pink, rose or orange, and flowers with unusual bicolor designs. Given pansy's enduring popularity, the improvement of this charming little plant is far from over, Trinklein said.

Most gardeners choose to plant pansies sold in bedding plant packs. Choose pest-free stocky plants with healthy leaves and unopened buds, he said.

Pansies enjoy cool weather and abundant sunshine. Unfortunately, in the Midwest this combination of conditions happens only in spring and fall.

For best results, Midwestern gardeners should choose an exposure of morning sun followed by afternoon shade, Trinklein said. Although pansy grows as an annual in Missouri, fall-planted pansies often survive winters and bloom in late winter or very early spring when temperatures rise.

Pansies have fine and delicate root systems. Plant them in porous soil enriched with organic matter to promote good soil aeration and proper water retention. Incorporate 3-4 inches of well-decomposed or-

ganic matter as a best management practice. Add pre-plant fertilizer as needed.

Space pansies about 6-10 inches apart and add 1-2 inches of water at the base of the plant. Do not allow soil to dry. Add water-soluble fertilizer as according to label directions.

Pansies grow relatively disease- and pest-free. Yellow leaves often indicate root rot, usually caused by overwatering. A white, powdery substance on leaves and stems indicates powdery mildew. Choose a location with good air circulation to prevent this.

Slugs and snails sometimes attack pansies. These nocturnal feeders produce gaping holes in the leaves. Control slugs and snails with poisonous baits.

"The lack of gardening activity during winter can be a bit depressive, especially to avid gardeners," Trinklein said. Because pansies can be planted very early, they bring an end to the winter doldrums. "Therefore, it might be concluded that pansies, with their cheerful, 'smiling' flowers, are as therapeutic for our inner being as they are beautiful to our eyes."

SANTEE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Church: 573-759-2294
Pastor Shannon Perry
Located at the jct. of Hwy 133 & HH, approx. 5 miles northwest of Dixon
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Church: 573-759-7911
Pastor Jack Caple
Small Group Bible Study ... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night Classes 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Class 6:30 p.m.

SHEPARD BAPTIST CHURCH

Phone: 759-7334
Pastor - Bro. Austin McCormick
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Church Training 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

St. Robert-John Pearling, Pastor
One mile East of McDonalds on South 981 Hwy. Z, Waynesville
Phone: Church 336-4464
Bible Study 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

Donnie L. Arthur, Pastor
Phone 762-3578 or 3327
Highway D, Jerome, MO
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD WORSHIP CENTER

Tom Cromwell, Pastor
Sunday Morning Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:00 p.m.

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC

Father Joseph Hoi, Pastor
Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m.
Monday & Friday Mass 8:00 a.m.
Wed. Evening Mass 7:00 p.m.
Confessions 1st Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Saturday evening Mass 5:00 p.m.

DIXON ASSOCIATED OF GOD

Scott Ballard
Church 759-7290
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

BURNETT CHURCH

Danny Bassett, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

HANCOCK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

www.hancockchurch.com
Minister, Gary Day
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship & Communion 10:30 a.m.

LIGHTHOUSE WORSHIP CENTER

A Full Gospel Ministry
Rev. Lloyd Mattocks, Pastor
Church: 759-2500
Home: 229-8867 Cell: 573-301-6468

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

NEW HARVEST APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Robert E. Hohman, Sr.
Phone 573-528-0316
372 Old Route 66, Suite 3, St. Robert, MO

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:45 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

FREEDOM CHURCH Non Denominational

105 W. Second Street
Phone: 759-3504

Fellowship Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Evening services 6:30 p.m.

KENNER CHURCH OF GOD

Maries Rd 505, 1/4 Mi. S. of Hwy E
Beverly Sharp, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Evening 6:30 p.m.

SEATON FAITH FELLOWSHIP

Helen Winters, Pastor
759-2904

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Church Services 10:45 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Every Fourth Friday 7:00 p.m.

BRIARWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Bill Davis, Pastor
573-336-5698
203-55 Hobart Rd. • Dixon, MO 65459
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

HEPHZIBAH HOLINESS CHURCH

Rev. Archie A. Atwell
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF JEROME

Paul Craine, Pastor •
573-774-5394
www.firstbaptistchurchofjerome.shutterfly.com
Service Times

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Kids Club Thursday 5:00 p.m.

WORD OF LIFE FELLOWSHIP

Jerry Dooley, Pastor
573-353-6320
Meets at Highpoint Church of God
Sunday Morning 10:30 a.m.

PISGAH BAPTIST CHURCH

PasRev. Louis Dunlap
Phone: 573-855-3968

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7:00 p.m.

NEW SALEM BAPTIST

Art Gormley, Pastor
573-522-5088

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
VICTORY HILL BAPTIST Church 759-7087 • Home 793-6619

Dennis Nichols, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Church Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

721 West Fourth Street
Morning Service 10:45 a.m.

DIXON CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

GOSPEL RIDGE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

North Outer Rd., off Hwy Y,
St. Robert

Bro. Tom Dowler

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MITCH HENSON, Pastor
573-765-3832 • P.O. Box 1233

Worship Service 9:00 a.m.

ARK OF THE COVENANT PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Rev. Don Leggett
573-433-6442
19564 Hwy. 28 N.

www.person52@hotmail.com

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

Breakfast 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship & Communion 10:00 a.m.

Office: 759-7135

CROCKER CHRISTIAN CHURCH

16200 Highway 17
Phone: 573-736-5121

Website & E-mail: crockerccc.com

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesay Evening 6:30 p.m.

